

City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

May 10, 2018, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
(ID # 18608)

2. Minutes Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting, March
(ID # 18609) 30, 2018, and the Regular Meeting, April 12, 2018.

CITATIONS

3. Withdrawn Withdrawn.
(ID # 18611)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. Order By Ald. Ewen-Campen
(ID # 18576) That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to require voter
 registration forms to be displayed and available at
 Libraries, Public Schools, and the Traffic and Parking
 Department, and to allow high school students to arrive
 late to school on any election day if they present proof of
 voting.

5. Order By Ald. Ewen-Campen, McLaughlin, Scott
(ID # 18575) That the Director SPCD report to the Wards 1, 2 and 3
 Aldermen and this Board on the plans for any GLX-
 related closures of Washington Street, near the McGrath
 Highway underpass.

6. Order By Ald. Ewen-Campen
(ID # 18577) That the Commission of Public Works contact the
 appropriate utility to replace the dangerously curving
 telephone pole on Belmont Street across from 125
 Lowell Street.

7. Order By Ald. Ewen-Campen
(ID # 18578) That the Commission of Public Works refill the potholes
 along Bow Street, west of Summer Street. (2nd request.)

8. Order (ID # 18579) By Ald. Ewen-Campen
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a sign at the mouth of Warren Avenue informing drivers of large trucks that access to Highland Avenue is limited to smaller vehicles due to the turning radius at its intersection with Columbus Avenue. (2nd request)
9. Order (ID # 18580) By Ald. Ewen-Campen
That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the bag from the top of the tree at Properzi Manor.
10. Resolution (ID # 18584) By Ald. Ballantyne
That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to establish the city's current green space as a minimum allowed amount, as described within.
11. Order (ID # 18582) By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Chief Fire Engineer provide this Board with a list of Fire Department calls in Wards 6 and 7 for the last 5 years.
12. Order (ID # 18583) By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Commissioner of Public Works install a bench in front of the empty lot at the corner of Broadway and Holland Street.
13. Order (ID # 18585) By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees on Claremon, Mead and Moore Streets.
14. Order (ID # 18586) By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti
That the Director of Engineering and Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the registration of paving contractors pursuant to Ordinance 11-33.
15. Order (ID # 18587) By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti
That the Director of Engineering and the Superintendent of Inspectional Services explain to this Board in writing, and produce a clear FAQ for, the requirements to expand driveways or increase impervious surfaces on private property.
16. Order (ID # 18588) By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti
That the Director of Engineering and the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board on enforcement of the ordinance on driveway construction and paving over front, back or side yards, with a list of violations and fines levied in 2016 and 2017.

17. Order (ID # 18589) By Ald. Niedergang, Ewen-Campen
That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes at 32 and 36 Brastow Avenue.
18. Order (ID # 18590) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD, the Director of Engineering, and the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a crosswalk on Lowell Street between the bridge and Magoun Square, and report to the Ward 5 Alderman on whether and when it could be done.
19. Order (ID # 18591) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD provide to this Board before the submission of the FY19 budget, a description and status of each major commercial development that has applied to, or been permitted by, the Planning Board.
20. Resolution (ID # 18592) By Ald. Mbah
That the Administration hire an independent auditor to periodically audit the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
21. Order (ID # 18593) By Ald. Mbah
That all Ward Aldermen have periodic meetings in their wards to educate their constituents about the Demolition Review Ordinance.
22. Resolution (ID # 18594) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Administration allocate additional FY19 General Fund resources to affordable housing.
23. Resolution (ID # 18595) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Administration allocate funding for independent counsel for this Board in the FY19 budget.
24. Resolution (ID # 18596) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Administration allocate funding in the FY19 budget to waive field fees for all local youth sports groups.
25. Resolution (ID # 18597) By Ald. McLaughlin
Encouraging the State Board of Building Regulations and Standards to issue a detailed interpretation on how short-term rentals (30 days or less) are regulated by the State Building Code.
26. Order (ID # 18598) By Ald. Scott
That the Commissioner of Public Works apply mulch and perform maintenance at Osgood Park to accommodate increased usage in light of the closure of Conway Park.

27. Resolution (ID # 18599) By Ald. Hirsch
That the Administration implement the 2015 Sustainable Neighborhood Working Group recommendation to include as a preference for inclusionary housing “Families with children in Somerville Public Schools classified as homeless and in temporary out-of-district placements.”
28. Resolution (ID # 18600) By Ald. Hirsch
That the Administration provide an update on the range of projected revenue from recreational marijuana facilities how these funds may be used.
29. Resolution (ID # 18601) By Ald. Hirsch
That the Administration consider, as part of its facilities planning process and its ongoing development of programs like 311, libraries, recreation and neighborhood policing, ways to establish multi-purpose neighborhood-based service centers.
30. Resolution (ID # 18602) By Ald. Hirsch
That the Administration update this Board on Styrofoam recycling options for residents.
31. Resolution (ID # 18603) By Ald. Hirsch
That the Administration update this Board on maintaining bus shelters or installing new shelters, such as the #90 bus stop at Assembly Square.
32. Order (ID # 18604) By Ald. Hirsch
That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and other enforcing departments report to this Board on enforcing business signage laws, especially for alcohol, tobacco or marijuana advertisements.
33. Order (ID # 18605) By Ald. Hirsch
That the Chief of Police share how decisions are made to notify the public about public safety events, using 311, CTY, ConnectEd calls and emails, or other means.
34. Order (ID # 18606) By Ald. Hirsch, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen
That the Director of Engineering share with this Board the feasibility of creating a pedestrian crossing on Somerville Avenue, between Belmont and Spring Streets.

- 35. Order By Ald. Hirsch, Scott
(ID # 18607) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the plantings along the Elmer Bumpus Bridge next to the Argenziano School.

- 36. Order By Ald. Rossetti
(ID # 18610) That the Directors of Capital Projects and Engineering work with the City Solicitor to craft a DEP-required Storm Water Ordinance as discussed at the April 16, 2015 meeting of the Legislative Matters Committee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

37. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report
(ID # 18581) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on May 9, 2018.

38. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report
(ID # 18572) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on May 8, 2018.

- B. Mayor's Request 205122 Requesting approval of the services of the law firm Motley Rice LLC to act on the city's behalf regarding the marketing, prescribing, distribution, or sale of opioids.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

- C. Mayor's Request 205518 Requesting approval for a time-only extension of the Millennium Maintenance contract by one month, until 8/31/2017.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

- D. Mayor's Request 205672 Requesting the acceptance of MGL c64N s3 re: a local 3% excise tax on retail sales of marijuana for adult use.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

- E. Mayor's Request 205722 Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$500,000 in a bond for ADA building improvements.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

- F. Mayor's Request 205723 Requesting approval to create the Boynton Yards Revitalization Fund and accept a payment to the Fund of \$60,000 from RECP V Boynton Yards Owner LLC for engineering, planning, legal, and other related expenses.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

- G. Mayor's Request 205724 Requesting approval to increase the Planning & Zoning Notice Revolving Fund expenditure cap from \$35,000 to \$45,000.

RECOMMENDED: Approved

- H. Mayor's Request 205786 Requesting the appropriation of \$97,570 from the Salary Contingency Salaries Account to various E-911 Personal Services Accounts in order to fund an agreement with SEIU/Local 888 E911 Call Takers.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- I. Mayor's Request 205787 Requesting the appropriation of \$48,215 from the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to the E-911 Other Lump Sum Benefits Account to fund an agreement with SEIU/Local 888 E-911 Call Takers.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

39. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18568) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on April, 30, 2018.

40. LAND USE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18569) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on May 1, 2018.

41. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18570) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on May 2, 2018.
- B. Order 204364 By Ald. Heuston, Sullivan, White Jr.
That the City Solicitor and the Director of SPCD submit to this Board, amendments to the Tree Preservation Ordinance with criteria for removal and notification to add safeguards for street reconstruction projects.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- C. Order 204750 By Ald. Connolly
That the City Solicitor prepare a draft ordinance to address Airbnb rentals, including owner occupied properties, as discussed at the November 29, 2017 meeting of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- D. Public Communication 204782 Green and Open Somerville submitting comments re: #204364, proposed revisions to the Tree Preservation ordinance.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

- E. Officer's Communication 205043 Assistant City Solicitor responding to #204586 with a draft ordinance amending the Ordinances at Chapter 11 Article VII re: stormwater management and infiltration and inflow mitigation.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- F. Officer's Communication 205421 Assistant City Solicitor submitting proposed amendments to Ordinances 11-31 and 11-40 re: household trash and rubbish collection and mandatory recycling.
RECOMMENDED: Approved as Amended

42. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18571) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on May 7, 2018.

43. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18573) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on May 8, 2018.

44. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18574) Report of the Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting on May 9, 2018.
- B. Resolution 202769 By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Administration present to this Board's Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy the Fields Presentation dated November 15, 2016.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- C. Resolution 204872 By Ald. Hirsch, Rossetti
That the Administration provide an update on the progress of plans outlined in the Somerville Fields Master Plan.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- D. Officer's Communication 205392 Director of Parks and Recreation requesting to update this Board on the Fields Master Plan.

RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- E. Order 205427 By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board
That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment and other appropriate city staff report to this Board on the hazardous waste that was recently found in soil tests at Conway Park.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

- F. Resolution 205463 By Ald. Davis, Clingan
That the Administration put the Conway Park renovation out to bid without delay.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

45. Mayor's Request (ID # 18614) Requesting to appear before this Board, on May 24, 2018, in executive session, to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining issues.
46. Mayor's Request (ID # 18563) Requesting acceptance of a \$32,000 grant with no new match required, from the Metro North Regional Employment Board Summer Youth Works Grant to the Health & Human Services Department for youth employment programming.
47. Mayor's Request (ID # 18562) Requesting acceptance of a \$4,000 grant with no new match required, from Project Bread to the Health & Human Services Department for supplies for the Shape Up Somerville Mobile Market.
48. Mayor's Request (ID # 18560) Requesting the re-appointment of Dr. Brian Green to the Board of Health.
49. Mayor's Request (ID # 18561) Requesting the re-appointment of Robert Ciccia to the Board of Health.
50. Mayor's Request (ID # 18407) Requesting the re-appointment of Frank Santangelo as Constable.

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

51. Officer's Communication (ID # 18565) Assistant City Solicitor responding to #205421 with a draft amendment to Ordinance 11-31, household trash and rubbish collection, and Ordinance 11-40, mandatory recycling.
52. Officer's Communication (ID # 18566) Assistant City Solicitor responding to #204364 with a draft replacement of Ordinance 12-106, trees on city-owned property.
53. Officer's Communication (ID # 18567) Assistant City Solicitor responding to #205498 re: the ability to bar a contractor from future city work.
54. Officer's Communication (ID # 18559) DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/12/18.

- 55. Officer's Communication (ID # 18556) Director of Traffic and Parking responding to items from this Board's 4/12/18 meeting.
- 56. Officer's Communication (ID # 18555) Director of Traffic and Parking responding to items from this Board's 03/22/18 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- 57. License/Permit (ID # 18615) Public Event License, Second Line Social Aid and Pleasure Society Brass Band Porchfest Concert, Quincy Street Park, May 12, 3:45-6:15PM (raindate May 13).
- 58. License/Permit (ID # 18616) Public Event License, Arts Council Cinema Somerville Short Film Fest, Union Sq Plaza, May 19, 6:30-10PM.
- 59. License/Permit (ID # 18617) Public Event License, Veterans Memorial Parade, Highland Ave to Holland St to Broadway and adjacent streets, May 20, 8AM-8PM.
- 60. License/Permit (ID # 18618) Public Event License, Redbones Annual Bike Party, Chester St from Elm St to Herbert St, Jun 11, Noon-10PM (raindate Jun 25).
- 61. License/Permit (ID # 18624) New Mobile Food Vendor, the Chef Grill, operating on Grand Union Blvd Sun-Wed 11AM-5PM, Thu-Sat 11AM-8PM.
- 62. License/Permit (ID # 18625) New Drainlayer's License, SJ Gordon (interim approval granted 5/1/18).
- 63. License/Permit (ID # 18626) New Drainlayer's License, Barletta Heavy Division.
- 64. License/Permit (ID # 18627) Renewing Drainlayer's License, Rhino Construction.
- 65. License/Permit (ID # 18628) Renewing Drainlayer's License, Keash Excavation.
- 66. License/Permit (ID # 18629) Renewing Drainlayer's License, JRF Corp.
- 67. License/Permit (ID # 18630) Renewing Flammables License, Cumberland Farms, 701 Somerville Ave.

- 68. License/Permit (ID # 18631) Renewing Flammables License, Keolis Commuter Services, 132 Washington St.
- 69. License/Permit (ID # 18632) Renewing Flammables License, Keolis Commuter Services, 23R Inner Belt Rd.
- 70. License/Permit (ID # 18633) Renewing Flammables License, Keolis Commuter Services, 70R Third Ave.
- 71. License/Permit (ID # 18634) Renewing Garage License, DM Auto Services, 45 Webster Ave.
- 72. License/Permit (ID # 18635) Renewing Garage License, K Professional Auto Detailing, 682 Mystic Ave.
- 73. License/Permit (ID # 18636) Renewing Garage License, Sullivan Tire, 263 Beacon St.
- 74. License/Permit (ID # 18637) Renewing Garage License, Somerville Housing Group Trust III, 481 Columbia St.
- 75. License/Permit (ID # 18638) Renewing Fortune Teller License, Spiritual New Age Boutique, 153 Washington St.
- 76. License/Permit (ID # 18641) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Country Club Transportation, Med #3,4,5,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,46.
- 77. License/Permit (ID # 18639) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Elzira and Luc Inc, Med #6.
- 78. License/Permit (ID # 18642) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Cinema Taxi, Med #14,16,44,47,57,58,63,81,84,85.
- 79. License/Permit (ID # 18643) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Roly Cab, Med #17.
- 80. License/Permit (ID # 18640) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Wilvens Cab, Med #18.
- 81. License/Permit (ID # 18644) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Gardy Inc, Med #19.
- 82. License/Permit (ID # 18645) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Lochmere Taxi, Med #21,22,23,24,25,26,79,91.

- 83. License/Permit (ID # 18646) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Green and Yellow Cab TNC of Somerville, Med #27,33,34,35,36,37,38,53,54,67,68.
- 84. License/Permit (ID # 18647) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Mt. Pleasant Taxi, Med #28,30,31,32,39,40,41,42,43.
- 85. License/Permit (ID # 18648) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, SJP Taxi, Med #45.
- 86. License/Permit (ID # 18649) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Ormond Transportation, Med #49,50,89.
- 87. License/Permit (ID # 18650) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Silcor Transportation, Med #51,77,93.
- 88. License/Permit (ID # 18651) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Talkd Transportation, Med #55.
- 89. License/Permit (ID # 18660) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Ike Inc, Med #61,78,92.
- 90. License/Permit (ID # 18652) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, DLCS Transportation, Med #62.
- 91. License/Permit (ID # 18653) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Madkep Transportation, Med #64.
- 92. License/Permit (ID # 18654) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Alewife Transportation, Med #65,69,80.
- 93. License/Permit (ID # 18655) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Sadel and G Transportation, Med #70.
- 94. License/Permit (ID # 18656) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Somerville Transportation, Med #71.
- 95. License/Permit (ID # 18657) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Eastern Transportation, Med #73,87.
- 96. License/Permit (ID # 18658) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, J and J Transportation, Med #74.
- 97. License/Permit (ID # 18659) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Honey Cab, Med #82.

98. Public Communication (ID # 18622) 185 citizens submitting a petition to expand access to the Kennedy School swimming pools.
99. Public Communication (ID # 18619) Building and Construction Trades Council of the Metropolitan District submitting comments re: #205250, a Home Rule Petition for the reconstruction of the Clarendon Hill Housing Project.
100. Public Communication (ID # 18620) Our Revolution Somerville submitting comments re: #205250, a Home Rule Petition for the reconstruction of the Clarendon Hill Housing Project.
101. Public Communication (ID # 18621) Clarendon Residents United submitting comments re: #205250, a Home Rule Petition for the reconstruction of the Clarendon Hill Housing Project.
102. Public Communication (ID # 18623) 5 residents submitting comments re: #205334, a possible affordable housing crisis.

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

103. Order (ID # 18661) By Ald. Clingan
That the City Clerk request the MA Opioid Abuse Prevention Collaborative to inform this Board of any regional programs or strategies that involve Somerville.
104. Order (ID # 18666) By Ald. Clingan
That the Director of SPCD consider incorporating wheelchair swings into future park projects wherever feasible.
105. Order (ID # 18662) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the City Treasurer and/or the Director of Purchasing provide this Board with a list of all vendor contracts from 2017 to the present.
106. Resolution (ID # 18663) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Administration procure an independent audit of all city contracted vendors.
107. Resolution (ID # 18664) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Administration update this Board on all union contracts prior to the FY19 budget deliberations.

108. Order By Ald. Ballantyne
(ID # 18665) That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with a list of upcoming commercial development and include the square footage and linkage payment projections, with corresponding payment dates.
109. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition to
(ID # 18667) authorize the Division of Capital Asset and Maintenance to convey land to the Housing Authority.
110. Mayor's Request Requesting the appropriation of \$200,000 from the
(ID # 18613) Unreserved Fund Balance to the Law Department's Legal Services Account to fund anticipated outside legal counsel invoices.
111. Officer's Assistant City Solicitor responding to #204585 with a
Communication draft Ordinance for the mitigation of infiltration and
(ID # 18668) inflow in the City's sewer system.

LATE ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT