



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Committee Meeting

Wednesday - February 6, 2019, 6:00 PM
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

(Posted online: 1/31/19 at 7:47 AM)

1. Approval of the November 26, 2018 Minutes

HEALEY REDESIGN

2. **207159: Discuss** (Clingan) – That the Administration explain why the Healey Schoolyard redevelopment plan was dropped from the Capital Projects plan list.
3. **207160: Discuss** (Clingan) – That the Administration prioritize the redevelopment of the Healey Schoolyard Tot Lot as soon as the 2019 school year.
4. **207164: Discuss** (Clingan) – That the Director of SPCD work with the Housing Authority to enable wheelchair access from the Mystic View apartments to the Healey School.
5. **206820: Discuss** (Clingan, Hirsch, Niedergang) – That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the Healy schoolyard redesign and consider making it a top priority.

FOSS PARK

6. **207173: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Clingan, Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, Ballantyne) – That the Administration provide to this Board by its January 10, 2019 meeting a response to the attached petition of Foss Park stakeholders, which requests a schematic community design process and a plan for financing and managing the facility.

CLT

7. **207457: Discuss** Conveying the Community Land Trust Working Group Recommendations Report.

GLX

8. **207157: Discuss** (Niedergang, and the Entire Board) – That the Director of SPCD report on the GLX station design process for the 7 new stations, including the timeline and opportunities for public input.

TALENT EQUITY PLAYBOOK

9. **206496: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the plan in the "Equity Talent Playbook for Somerville".
10. **207369: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Scott, Ballantyne, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Hirsch, Mbah, White Jr.) – That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on possible incentives the City could offer to so-called "High Road" businesses.

NDAs

11. **207171: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Scott, Mbah, Davis, Ballantyne, White Jr.) – That the City Solicitor inform this Board in writing of its options for prohibiting the use of Non-Disclosure Agreements between the City and prospective developers or commercial tenants.

MUNICIPAL BROADBAND

12. **207057: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Clingan, Ewen-Campen, Davis, Scott) – That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Communications inform this Board of efforts to promote municipal broadband in regard to current construction and renovation of the city's infrastructure.

DOG PARKS

13. **206819: Discuss** (Clingan) – That the appropriate department adjust the hours of the dog parks from 8:00 am to 7:00 am.

ARGENZIANO GRAFFITI

14. **204995: Discuss** (Hirsch, Scott) – That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Arts Council Director determine the feasibility of creating a mural (or another graffiti deterrent) on the back side of the Argenziano School.
15. **207277: Discuss** (Hirsch) – That the Commissioner of Public Works remove graffiti from the back of the Argenziano School and consider ways to reduce future graffiti, such as bushes or a mural.

MISC. ITEMS TO COMPLETE

16. **202149: Discuss** (Ballantyne, McLaughlin) – That the Administration discuss requiring

adding the word "Somerville" to buildings in the Assembly Square area, to enhance office and commercial marketing efforts.

17. **202715: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of SPCD share with this Board a marketing plan for commercial development, highlighting the transformative districts.
18. **206615: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted at the 6/14/18 meeting.
19. **206616: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted at the 6/28/18 meeting.
20. **205272: Discuss** (Mbah, Ewen-Campen) – That the Administration update this Board with the parking situation at the high school.
21. **204984: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Clingan, Ballantyne, Scott, Mbah) – That the Director of SPCD provide data for all current affordable housing stock in the city, including section 8 vouchers, state and federal affordable housing, and inclusionary housing.
22. **205097: Discuss** (Hirsch, Mbah) – That this Board’s Committee on Housing and Community Development discuss a ‘Housing Hackathon’.
23. **204975: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen) – That the City Solicitor provide an opinion on whether this Board can require landlords to distribute voter registration forms to all new tenants.
24. **205389: Discuss** Assistant City Solicitor responding to #204975 re: requiring landlords to distribute voter registration forms to all new tenants.