



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## Legislative Matters Committee

### Regular Meeting Agenda

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Tuesday, December 5, 2023

6:00 PM

Virtual

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#### Roll Call

1. Committee Minutes (ID # [23-1708](#)) **Agenda Ready:** Approval of the Minutes of the Legislative Matters Committee Meeting of November 14, 2023.
2. Committee Minutes (ID # [23-1781](#)) **Agenda Ready:** Approval of the Minutes of the Legislative Matters Committee Meeting of November 28, 2023.
3. Order (ID # [22-0838](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Burnley Jr., Councilor Strezo, Councilor Kelly and Councilor Pineda Neufeld  
That the City Solicitor discuss this Council's ability to ban landlords from passing real estate agent fees onto tenants.

4. Order  
(ID # [23-0622](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Burnley Jr.  
That the City Solicitor work with this Council to determine the legality of requiring businesses of a certain size to post in clearly visible spaces, Worker's Rights Bills, which shall include the right to form a union without retaliation and consequences for violating workers' rights.
5. Order  
(ID # [23-0461](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Strezo  
That the City Solicitor draft an Ordinance to protect homeowners from developer and realtor mail, phone and email harassment.
6. Order  
(ID # [22-0036](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Davis and Councilor McLaughlin  
That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance requiring pollution mitigation for new housing built along high transit roads and highways.