



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE
Committee Meeting

Monday - June 24, 2019, 6:30 PM
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

(Posted online: 6/18/19 at 6:16 AM)

1. Approval of the May 30, 2019 Minutes

Tree Preservation Ordinance

(see www.somervillema.gov/treeordinance for draft ordinance and other documents)

- 2. 207498: Recommend** (Niedergang, Scott, Davis, Mbah) – Proposing a strengthened, comprehensive Tree Preservation Ordinance to protect trees on City and private property.
- 3. 207646: Discuss** Renee Scott submitting comments re: #207498, the Tree Protection Ordinance.
- 4. 207697: Discuss** 16 residents submitting comments re: #207498, the Tree Protection Ordinance.
- 5. 207868: Discuss** 5 residents submitting comments re: #207461 and #207498, Tree Protection Ordinances.
- 6. 208019: Discuss** Anne Taylor submitting comments re: #207461 and #207498, Tree Protection Ordinance.
- 7. 208109: Discuss** 15 residents submitting comments re: #207461 and #207498, Tree Protection Ordinances.
- 8. 208228: Discuss** David Bresnick submitting comments re: #207461 and #207498, Tree Protection Ordinance.

9. **208451: Discuss** Matthew Shuman submitting comments re: #207461 and #207498, Tree Protection Ordinances.

Native Trees and Plantings

10. **203365: Discuss** (Ballantyne, Davis) – That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance requiring native tree and plantings for all open space, to meet the goals of sustainability and biodiversity.
11. **205683: Discuss** Tori Antonino submitting comments re: #203365, calling for a native planting ordinance.
12. **206495: Discuss** (Ballantyne, Scott, Davis) – That the City Solicitor consider the attached language in the drafting of a Native Tree and Plantings Ordinance, as ordered by #203365.
13. **207999: Discuss** 3 residents submitting comments re: #206495, the proposed native plant ordinance.

Facial Recognition Technology Ban

14. **208142: Recommend** (Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Mbah, Davis, McLaughlin, Ballantyne, Scott, Rossetti, White Jr.) – Banning the usage of facial recognition technology in Somerville.
15. **207566: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Scott, Mbah) – That the Administration prohibit the use of any facial recognition technology by the City.
16. **208314: Discuss** Eric Grimaldi submitting comments re: #208142, a proposed ordinance to ban the use of facial recognition technology.

Public Oversight of Surveillance Technology

17. **207364: Recommend** (Ewen-Campen, Niedergang, Mbah, Davis, Ballantyne, McLaughlin, Scott, Clingan, White Jr., Rossetti, Hirsch) – That would increase public oversight of surveillance technology, in order to balance public safety with the individual right to privacy.

Housekeeping - Items to be Marked Completed

18. **203098: Recommend** Assistant City Solicitor submitting an Ordinance to create a Community Benefits Committee.
19. **203555: Discuss** The Chamber of Commerce, Union Square Main Streets, and Somerville

Local First submitting comments re: the Union Sq proposed zoning, the US2 Covenant, and the Community Benefits Ordinance.

20. **203556: Discuss** The Maurice and Jane Sugar Law Center for Economic and Social Justice submitting comments re: #203098, the Community Benefits Ordinance.
21. **208450: Discuss** Our Revolution Somerville submitting comments re: #207923, the proposed Welcoming Community Ordinance.