



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

November 17, 2010

REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Thomas F. Taylor	Chair	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Vice Chair	Present	
Robert C. Trane	Ward Seven Alderman	Absent	
John M Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Bruce M. Desmond	Alderman At Large	Present	
Monica Lamboy	OSPCD	Present	
Frank Wright	City Solicitor	Present	
Eddie Nuzzo	OSPCD	Present	
David Lutes	Environmental Programs Manager	Present	
Stephen Mackey	Chamber of Commerce	Present	
David Webster	Federal Realty Investment Trust	Present	
Scott Parr	Federal Realty Investment Trust	Present	

**189163 - An Order Adopting Appendix 120.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, Known as the Stretch Energy Code, as the Energy Code for the City of Somerville:**

Mr. Lutes reported that he examined the framework of the Stretch Energy Code for large commercial developments. Federal Realty and the gas and electric utility companies have agreed to work together in the process, however there is no indication of what incentives or monetary allotment would be provided by the utility companies. A key aspect of the process is having the utility companies involved in the design phase of the development. The deadline for the fall grants is November 19<sup>th</sup> and Chairman Taylor asked Mr. Lutes to inquire if the deadline could be extended. Chairman Taylor also requested that the committee be provided with the deadline for the Spring 2011 round of grants, should the program be available. Mr. Webster stated that the Stretch Energy Code would add 5 to 8% to their construction costs and added that they could receive energy credits for co-generation but not subsidies.

Alderman Connolly's motion that the Executive Director of Strategic Planning and Community Development meet with representatives from Federal Realty Investment Trust and the utility companies involved in Assembly Square, as necessary, on the Stretch Energy Code and report back to the Committee on Legislative Matters on or before February 1, 2010, was approved.

Alderman Desmond's motion that the Executive Director of Strategic Planning and Community Development consult an independent architectural firm (in Boston) that has

*expertise in building projects with the Stretch Energy Code and report back to the Committee on Legislative Matters with any recommendations*, was approved.

**RESULT:            KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

**Next: 12/31/2010 12:00 AM**