



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

Wednesday - July 9, 2014, 6:30 PM

Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

- **194968: Recommend** Requesting approval of the attached Ordinance Regulating Campaign Contributions from Those Seeking Contracts, Zoning Relief, the Purchase of City Property, or Financial Assistance from the City.
- **195024: Recommend** Requesting, with the sponsorship of Ald. Desmond, Bastardi, Sullivan, O'Keefe and Trane, approval of an Ordinance regulating "pay-to-play" public contracting and campaign contributions for municipal elected office.
- **195725: Discuss** That the City Solicitor provide this Board's Committee on Legislative Matters with input on restricting formula businesses in Somerville by requiring specific review and oversight before they may enter central business districts.
- **196856: Discuss** Assistant City Solicitor responding to #195725 re: restricting formula businesses.
- **196362: Discuss** That the City Solicitor appear before this Board to describe the process for responding to requests for public records, including fees and redactions, and how this comports with the requirements of state law, the Secretary of State's Public Records Division, and the practices of other communities.
- **196644: Discuss** That the City Solicitor provide the Committee on Legislative Matters with an analysis of the Law Department's support to charge for review and redaction of requested information.
- **196645: Discuss** That the City Solicitor provide the Committee on Legislative Matters with the good faith estimate of number of hours and the hourly rates charged for every information request this year, to date.
- **197062: Discuss** City Solicitor responding to #196645 re: public records requests year to date.

- **196646: Discuss** That the City Solicitor report to the Committee on Legislative Matters on the Board's ability to create guidelines for public information requests.
- **196385: Discuss** That the City Solicitor determine whether the U.S. Postal Service complied with federal law and applicable guidelines regarding the closing and selling of the Union Square Post Office facility.
- **197330: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD and the City Solicitor apprise this Board of the latest developments with regard to the sale of the Post Office in Union Square and the ongoing dispute as to the mural.
- **196780: Discuss** That the City Solicitor advise this Board of the city's ability to control the dissemination of advertisements from "Globe Direct", and inquire why individual requests to stop unsolicited deliveries are not followed.