



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Committee of the Whole

Wednesday - December 16, 2020, 6:00 PM
Virtual

AGENDA

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. C. 30A, s. 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, as well as Mayor Curtatone's Declaration of Emergency, dated March 15, 2020, this meeting of a City Council Committee will be conducted via remote participation.

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- 1. Approval of the October 28, 2020 Minutes**
- 2. Approval of the November 18, 2020 Minutes**
- 3. Approval of the November 16, 2020 Minutes**
- 4. 210787: Recommend** Requesting approval of the Winter Hill Urban Renewal Plan.
- 5. 210986: Discuss** (Strezo) – That the Director of the Somerville Media Center appear before this Council's Committee on Housing and Community Development to consider out-of-school programming and funding to help address the lack of accessible childcare options during this pandemic.
- 6. 210928: Discuss** (Strezo) – That representatives of the Community Land Trust discuss with

this Council's Housing and Community Development Committee how the Council can help implement the Trust's goals.

7. **210380: Discuss** (Strezo) – That the Directors of SPCD, Housing Stability, and Inspectional Services discuss with the Housing and Community Development Committee the anticipated impact and possible responses when the MA Eviction Moratorium expires on August 18.
8. **209360: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of SPCD provide this Council, in conjunction with its FY21 budget review, a list of upcoming commercial development, including the square footage and linkage payment projections with corresponding payment dates.
9. **206200: Discuss** (Hirsch) – That the Commissioner of Public Works share the policy for removing items that are blocking sidewalks.
10. **206233: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of SPCD develop an affordable housing program targeted especially at city employees whose income is below a certain threshold level.
11. **208251: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen) – That the Director of SPCD appear before the Committee on Housing and Community Development to discuss the specific steps required to fill inclusionary units in new developments, and any suggestions for ways to increase the efficiency of this process.
12. **208809: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Mbah, Hirsch, Clingan, Ballantyne, Scott, Niedergang, White Jr., Davis, Rossetti) – That the Administration initiate a Disparity Study to formally evaluate whether Somerville has a basis for implementing race- and gender-conscious contracting policies, and to serve as a baseline for future equity-based policies.