

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts**  
**Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

December 13, 2018, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by Ward Seven Alderman Katjana Ballantyne

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
Stephanie Hirsch	Alderman At Large	Present	
Wilfred N. Mbah	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Jefferson Thomas ("J.T.") Scott	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Ben Ewen-Campen	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Jesse Clingan	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call (ID:19934) Call of the Roll.

Aldermen Niedergang and Ballantyne sponsored a moment of silence for John Corsetti. Alderman Rossetti sponsored a moment of silence for Anthony Silvestri. Aldermen Rossetti and Davis and sponsored a moment of silence for Charles Breen, Sr. President Ballantyne sponsored a moment of silence for Julie Barber Green. Alderman Hirsch sponsored a moment of silence for Kelvin Youk-See. Alderman Ewen-Campen sponsored a moment of silence for Manuel Borges, and invited Mr. Borges' daughter, Sheila Borges Foley, to speak. She talked about creating a scholarship in her father's name for a high school student with a passion for cooking.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**
  
2. Minutes (ID:19935) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, November 8, 2018.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**CITATIONS**

- 3. Citation 207135 (ID:19936) By Ald. Ballantyne, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending SheBoom, who have shared the joy in their music since 2010.

Before receiving their citation from Alderman Ballantyne, SheBoom performed before the Board and the audience.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**
  
- 4. Citation 207136 (ID:20012) By Ald. Ballantyne, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Harvard Immigration and Refugee Clinical Program, for the legal expertise it has selflessly provided to immigrant residents and families.

President Ballantyne presented the citation to HIRC for its immigrant legal services. On behalf of the Mayor, Communications Director Denise Taylor also expressed gratitude for their work.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**
  
- 5. Citation 207137 (ID:20013) By Ald. Ballantyne, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Political Asylum/Immigration Representation Project, for the legal expertise it has selflessly provided to immigrant residents and families.

President Ballantyne presented the citation to PAIR for its immigrant legal services. On behalf of the Mayor, Communications Director Denise Taylor also expressed gratitude for their work.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**
  
- 6. Citation 207138 (ID:20015) By Ald. Ballantyne, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Greater Boston Legal Services, for the legal expertise it has selflessly provided to immigrant residents and families.

President Ballantyne presented the citation to GBLS for its immigrant legal services. On behalf of the Mayor, Communications Director Denise Taylor also expressed gratitude for their work.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**
  
- 7. Citation 207139 (ID:20016) By Ald. Ballantyne, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Lawyers for Civil Rights, for the legal expertise it has selflessly provided to immigrant residents and families.

President Ballantyne presented the citation to LFCR for its immigrant legal services. On behalf of the Mayor, Communications Director Denise Taylor also expressed gratitude for their work.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**

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| 8. Citation<br>207140<br>(ID:20014)  | By Ald. Ballantyne, the Entire Board and the Mayor<br>Commending Kids in Need of Defense, for the legal expertise it has selflessly provided to immigrant students and families.                            |
| <p>President Ballantyne presented the citation to KIND for its immigrant legal services. On behalf of the Mayor, Communications Director Denise Taylor also expressed gratitude for their work.</p> <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |   |
| 9. Citation<br>207141<br>(ID:20017)  | By Ald. Ballantyne, the Entire Board and the Mayor<br>Commending Centro Presente, for organizing numerous attorneys who have selflessly provided their legal expertise to immigrant residents and families. |
| <p>President Ballantyne presented the citation to Centro for its immigrant legal services. On behalf of the Mayor, Communications Director Denise Taylor also expressed gratitude for their work.</p> <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p> |   |
| 10. Citation<br>207142<br>(ID:19979)   | By Ald. The Entire Board<br>Commending Alderman Katjana Ballantyne for her distinguished service as President of this Board in 2018.  |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |   |
| 11. Citation<br>207143<br>(ID:19980)   | By Ald. The Entire Board<br>Commending Alderman Matthew McLaughlin for his distinguished service as Vice President of this Board in 2018.   |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |   |
| 12. Citation<br>207144<br>(ID:19981)   | By Ald. The Entire Board<br>Commending Clerk of Committees Rositha Durham for her outstanding service to this Board and its Committees in 2018.   |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |   |
| 13. Citation<br>207145<br>(ID:19982)   | By Ald. The Entire Board<br>Commending Legislative Clerk Peter Forcellese for his outstanding service to this Board and its Committees in 2018.   |
| <p><b>RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Board of Aldermen</p>   |   |

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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| 14. | Grant of Location 207146 (ID:19937) | Submitted by Eversource to install 7 feet of conduit in Dane St from Pole 204/6 to a point of pickup at 34 Dane St.  |
|     |                                     | <p>The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. Alderman Scott questioned the quantity of service, which seems large for this location. He requested it be double-checked. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.</p> <p><b>RESULT:           LAID ON THE TABLE</b></p> <p><b>FOLLOWUP:       Board of Aldermen</b></p> |
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| 15. | Grant of Location 207147 (ID:19938) | Submitted by Eversource to install 35 feet of conduit in Mossland St from Pole 241/4 to a point of pickup at 54 Elm St.  |
|     |                                     | <p>The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. Alderman Niedergang requested that construction be limited to 10 am to 3 pm. Ms. Duffy agreed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.</p> <p><b>RESULT:           APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS</b></p> <p><b>CONDITION:       The work must be performed between 10AM-3PM only.</b></p> |
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| 16. | Grant of Location 207148 (ID:19939) | Submitted by Cambridge Network Solutions to install 119 feet of conduit in Medford St at Walnut St, from the communications manhole near 299 Medford Street to the communications manhole in the sidewalk at the intersection of the two streets.  |
|     |                                     | <p>The President opened the public hearing. Jeffrey Harrington with CNS requested to install a single four inch conduit underground from a City Traffic Bed to a communications manhole where CNS has cable. The conduit will extend the City's fiber network. One use will be for a homeland security circuit. Alderman Rossetti moved that the item go to the Licenses and Permits Committee, to learn the intent of the connection. Alderman Ewen-Campen supported the motion. Linda Calman, City of Boston/Homeland Security representative, and Robert DeStefano, Boston's Fiber Engineer, said the project is funded by Boston's Office of Emergency Management, which is funded by the Department of Homeland Security. The purpose is to run fiber between Somerville and Boston for public safety uses; it's up to Somerville and Boston to determine how they will use it. Alderman Rossetti did not recommend approval tonight. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.</p> <p><b>RESULT:           REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b></p> <p><b>FOLLOWUP:       Licenses and Permits Committee</b></p> |

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

17. Communication By Ald. Rossetti  
207149 Reporting on the High School Building Committee meeting of December 10,  
(ID:19986) 2018.

Alderman Rossetti stated that the Committee met on December 10, 2018 and received updates on the asbestos that has been discovered on the site. The original plan was to remove 1.5 tons of soil per day. But the work has stopped, and professionals are on site daily to create a report for the MA Department of Environmental Protection. A new schedule phasing is being developed as a result of this delay.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

18. Order By Ald. Mbah  
207150 That the Director of SPCD work with the DPW Commissioner to institute a  
(ID:19987) curbside composting program.

Alderman Mbah stated the importance of composting, to reduce waste going to landfills. Up to 25% of trash can be composted. Cambridge instituted composting in April 2018 and in the first four months, more than a million pounds of food scraps were diverted from landfills. President Ballantyne said this has been discussed for a number of years, is very expensive to roll out, but remains under consideration.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

19. Resolution By Ald. Mbah  
207151 That the Administration create funding to help optimize the signage of local  
(ID:19989) businesses.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

20. Resolution By Ald. Mbah  
207152 That the School Superintendent institute a community service requirement in  
(ID:19988) the school system according to grade level.

President Ballantyne said this Board can't instruct the Superintendent of Schools on what to do, and suggested that Alderman Mbah contact the Superintendent or a School Committee member directly with his suggestion.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

21. Resolution By Ald. Hirsch  
207153 That the Administration consider creating sign-ups for Zoning Board, Planning  
(ID:19990) Board, and Historic Preservation Commission meeting agendas.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

22. Resolution 207154 (ID:19991) By Ald. Hirsch  
That the Administration share how the SomerVision 2040 process will be linked to the Somerville Learning 2030 City/District visioning process.

Alderman Hirsch requested the Administration share how SomerVision 2040 will be linked to Somerville Learning 2030.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

23. Order 207155 (ID:19992) By Ald. Hirsch  
That this Board reduce the size of the Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee from 5 to 3 members.

Alderman Hirsch recommended reducing the Appointments Committee to 3 members, to cut the number of man hours spent on committee discussions. Alderman Davis responded that the Committee doesn't spend enough time discussing policy matters because of the need to confirm appointments of the Mayor, but, having 5 members allows more input and perspective. Alderman McLaughlin said reducing Committee would leave people's livelihoods up to 3 people, which wouldn't be wise. President Ballantyne said the Appointments Committee should stay at 5 members, but going forward, efficiencies could be made. Alderman Mbah shared Alderman Hirsch's frustration. Alderman White agreed that the Committee should not be reduced. Alderman Scott said the 5 members of the Appointments Committee devoted over 100 extra hours to Committee meetings, and, while it's been a difficult year, the Committee works best with 5 members.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

24. Order 207156 (ID:20006) By Ald. Hirsch, Mbah  
That the Director of SPCD provide an updated list of all open space projects in the queue, with anticipated cost, funding, and timeline to completion.

Alderman Hirsch requested a running list from the Administration of the open space projects, with the cost and estimated time line.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

25. Order 207157 (ID:19994) By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board  
That the Director of SPCD report on the GLX station design process for the 7 new stations, including the timeline and opportunities for public input.

Alderman Niedergang reported that 3 members of the GLX Community Working Group told him they knew of no way for residents and future GLX users to have input on the GLX station designs. Members of the Administration were forced to sign nondisclosure agreements in order to even see the proposed designs. Some of these designs are going out to bid in the first or second quarter of next year. Alderman Niedergang also said he was told that the GLX team was planning a meeting, tentatively set for January 30, to present the proposed designs for public feedback.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

26. Communication By Ald. Niedergang  
207158  
(ID:19995) Updating this Board on the work of the Master Planning Working Group, in advance of its joint presentation to this Board and the School Committee early next year.

Alderman Niedergang urged the Board to read the 3-page memo attached to this item on the agenda. He said the City would consolidate its departments on Central Hill, and the Recreation Department and Public Schools would locate at a redeveloped Edgerly School. The Scale Adult Learning Center would locate adjacent to the high school in a redeveloped 1895 Building. The plan would cost \$50 to \$60 million, and the City would leave the current Recreation Building, Tufts Administration Building, City Hall Annex and Cummings School.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

27. Resolution By Ald. Clingan  
207159  
(ID:19996) That the Administration explain why the Healey Schoolyard redevelopment plan was dropped from the Capital Projects plan list.

Alderman Clingan asked why the Healey Yard isn't on the capital projects list. President Ballantyne reported that it is on the list, but isn't scheduled. She said it appears that the Healey School is identified on its own line item and the other school yard renovations are lumped together.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

28. Resolution By Ald. Clingan  
207160  
(ID:19997) That the Administration prioritize the redevelopment of the Healey Schoolyard Tot Lot as soon as the 2019 school year.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

29. Order By Ald. Clingan  
207161  
(ID:19998) That the Director of Traffic and Parking address the cut-through traffic in Ten Hills caused by online traffic apps like Waze.

Alderman Clingan said cut-through traffic has become a public safety issue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

30. Order 207162 (ID:19999) By Ald. Clingan, Hirsch  
That the Director of Health and Human Services develop a resident checklist for emergency preparedness, including plans to help needy neighbors, and including the "Are You OK" Program.

Alderman Clingan requested a resident checklist, for neighbors to check on their neighbors in case of an emergency. Alderman White said that a few years ago he requested that the City implement the "Are You OK" program where seniors could sign up for a daily wellness phone call. He said it may have been implemented in some of the senior buildings but not throughout the City. The Board added the "Are You OK" component to the order.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

31. Order 207163 (ID:20000) By Ald. Clingan  
That the Director of SPCD make lane markings on Broadway in Winter Hill a top priority for next year's construction season.

Alderman Clingan wanted lane markings on Broadway in Winter Hill to become a priority for next year's construction season.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

32. Order 207164 (ID:20001) By Ald. Clingan  
That the Director of SPCD work with the Housing Authority to enable wheelchair access from the Mystic View apartments to the Healey School.

Alderman Clingan requested to create wheelchair access from Mystic View to the Healey School.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

33. Order 207165 (ID:20002) By Ald. Clingan  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a STOP sign at the intersection of Temple Road and Governor Winthrop Road.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

34. Resolution 207166 (ID:20030) By Ald. Ballantyne, McLaughlin, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Hirsch, Niedergang  
Supporting Tufts Student Action in their efforts to get Tufts University to build more student housing.

Alderman Ballantyne expressed support for Tufts Student Action's efforts for more student housing. She said Tufts needs more student housing.

**RESULT: APPROVED**



35. Order 207167 (ID:20007) By Ald. Ballantyne  
That the Director of SPCD share biannual CIP progress reports for all new open space and parks projects.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

36. Resolution 207168 (ID:20009) By Ald. Ballantyne, Clingan, Hirsch, Mbah, Ewen-Campen, Niedergang, White Jr.  
That the Administration and Director of Finance implement opportunities for community participatory budgeting for FY20.

Alderman Ballantyne requested that the Administration and Director of Finance implement a community participatory budgeting for FY20, possibly creating a budget of perhaps \$500,000 for community input on specific projects: festivals, parks, the arts, etc.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

37. Communication 207169 (ID:20008) By Ald. Ballantyne  
Reporting on recent School Committee activities.

Alderman Ballantyne reported on a number of school-related items. She said the Somerville Teacher's Association approved a new 3-year contract, including increased professional development, a greater work/life balance, and a 2.5% salary increase in FYs 19 and 20 and 2.75% in FY 21.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

38. Communication 207170 (ID:20003) By Ald. Ewen-Campen  
Reporting on the meetings of the High School Parking Changes Task Force.

Alderman Ewen-Campen reported on the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting on the loss of parking at the high school. This year, 61 parking spaces were removed; in June, another 89 will be taken away; and the following year 46 more will be lost. The City will soon put out RFPs to nearby parking lots which could provide some parking relief. Alderman Rossetti expressed concern that when complete, there will not be nearly enough parking, both during and after school, for sporting events, concerts, etc.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

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| 39. | Order<br>207171<br>(ID:20004)      | <p>By Ald. Ewen-Campen, Scott, Mbah, Davis, Ballantyne, White Jr.<br/>That the City Solicitor inform this Board in writing of its options for prohibiting the use of Non-Disclosure Agreements between the City and prospective developers or commercial tenants.</p> <p style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px;">Alderman Ewen-Campen described how, responding to Alderman McLaughlin's request for details on the City's Amazon HQ2 bid, the Administration said a non-disclosure agreement with Amazon prohibited discussion, even in Executive Session. He said this was very concerning.<br/><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Housing and Community Development Committee</p>     |
| 40. | Order<br>207172<br>(ID:20005)      | <p>By Ald. Ewen-Campen, and the Entire Board<br/>That the Director of SPCD work with this Board to create overlay districts or other policies for "Opportunity Zones" in order to maximize community benefits generated by developments in these areas.</p> <p style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px;"><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Finance Committee</p>  |
| 41. | Resolution<br>207173<br>(ID:19993) | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin, Clingan, Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, Ballantyne<br/>That the Administration provide to this Board by its January 10, 2019 meeting a response to the attached petition of Foss Park stakeholders, which requests a schematic community design process and a plan for financing and managing the facility.</p> <p style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px;">Alderman Hirsch reported that DCR has committed to install a rectangular synthetic turf field in Foss Park, and nothing else. She questioned how the Board could take control of everything outside of this rectangle.<br/><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Housing and Community Development Committee</p> |
| 42. | Order<br>207174<br>(ID:20029)      | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin<br/>That the City Engineer install crosswalks on Gilman and Cross Street.</p> <p style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px;"><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b></p>   |
| 43. | Order<br>207175<br>(ID:20028)      | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin<br/>That the Commissioner of Public works increase lighting on Cross Street between Pearl and Tufts Streets.</p> <p style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px;"><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b></p>  |
| 44. | Order<br>207176<br>(ID:20027)      | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin, Mbah<br/>That the Planning Department finalize a neighborhood plan for East Broadway and update the Ward 1 Alderman in writing.</p> <p style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px;">Alderman McLaughlin said the neighborhood plan for East Broadway was never completed. This is concerning, and it should be finished.<br/><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b></p>   |

45. Order 207177 (ID:20026) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of Health and Human Services and the Director of Somerville Cares about Prevention update this Board on efforts to reduce vaping among young adults.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

46. Order 207178 (ID:20025) By Ald. McLaughlin That this Board take steps to reduce the terms of the Planning and Zoning Board members from 5 to 3 years.

Alderman McLaughlin requested that the Board take steps to reduce terms to 3 years for Planning and Zoning Board Members.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

47. Order 207066 (ID:19867) By Ald. Rossetti, Clingan, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Davis, Mbah, Niedergang, Ballantyne That the Communications Department assist this Board with a separate e-blast for any Board-related public hearings.

Communications Director Denise Taylor suggested that public hearings be publicized as other community meetings, by forwarding their notices to the group email address events@somervillema.gov. They would then be listed on the Community eBulletin Board and the City Calendar, and be forwarded to the local media as well as Twitter, Facebook, and the monthly CTY, which reaches 52,000 subscribers. She recommended a minimum of 3 weeks' notice for these hearings. Mayor's Aide Tim Snyder said he would work with the Board, the Clerks, and the Communications Department to streamline the process. Alderman Rossetti recommended that all Committee Chairs be responsible for contacting him when public hearing notices need to be sent out.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

48. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 207179 (ID:19970) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on November 28, 2018.

Alderman Scott reported that some of the appointees withdrew, and some were unable to attend. The Committee interviewed those who did attend, and all were recommended for approval.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Mayor's Request 204912 (ID:17599) Requesting the re-appointment of Peter Forcellese, Sr. as Legislative Clerk.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- C. Mayor's Request 204914 (ID:17601) Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Bertino as Treasurer/Collector of Taxes.  
**RESULT: WITHDRAWN**
- D. Mayor's Request 204915 (ID:17602) Requesting the re-appointment of Jill Lathan as Director of Parks and Recreation.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**
- E. Mayor's Request 204917 (ID:17604) Requesting the re-appointment of Christopher Hosman as Executive Director of the Women's Commission.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**
- F. Mayor's Request 204919 (ID:17607) Requesting the re-appointment of Nicholas Salerno as Elections Commissioner.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**

**49. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE**

- A. Committee Report 207180 (ID:19972) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on December 3, 2018.  
Alderman Scott reported that the Committee decided not to consider department heads at this time because of the Committee's recurring inability to receive information requested of the Administration. Even the most basic information like job descriptions had not always been supplied. Alderman Scott pointed out that as a result of the intense work of the Committee, the City was publishing data on sexual harassment incidents in the City, for the first time.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**
- B. Resolution 207181 (ID:20031) By Ald. Mbah That the Administration create an anonymous form for employees to directly contact the Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee with concerns about appointees before the Committee.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

50. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

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| <p>A. Committee Report<br/>207182<br/>(ID:19976)</p> | <p>Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on December 10, 2018.</p> | <p>Alderman Scott reported that this meeting focused on Constables. There are a limited number of Constables as a result of the creation in 2015 of a residency requirement. Constables are basically Officers of the Court who have arrest powers related to civil processes, with zero supervision. Alderman Davis expressed concern about this last year, and unfortunately those concerns were not addressed by the Administration. The Committee voted to approve all the Constables who appeared before the Committee. Alderman Scott said he will take this lack of supervision up with the Mayor.<br/><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p> |
| <p>B. Mayor's Request<br/>206874<br/>(ID:19632)</p>  | <p>Requesting the re-appointment of Berlin Haynes as Constable.</p>   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>C. Mayor's Request<br/>206875<br/>(ID:19633)</p>  | <p>Requesting the re-appointment of Alan Bishop as Constable.</p>   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>D. Mayor's Request<br/>206876<br/>(ID:19634)</p>  | <p>Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Browne as Constable.</p>  | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>E. Mayor's Request<br/>206877<br/>(ID:19635)</p>  | <p>Requesting the re-appointment of Catello Battinelli II as Constable.</p>   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>F. Mayor's Request<br/>206878<br/>(ID:19636)</p>  | <p>Requesting the re-appointment of Mary Battinelli as Constable.</p>   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>G. Mayor's Request<br/>207120<br/>(ID:19900)</p>  | <p>Requesting the appointment of Vikram Kanda to the position of Condominium Review Board member.</p>               | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>H. Mayor's Request<br/>207121<br/>(ID:19901)</p>  | <p>Requesting the appointment Elizabeth Janiak to the position of Condominium Review Board member.</p>              | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |

51. FINANCE COMMITTEE

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| <p>A. Committee Report<br/>207183<br/>(ID:19977)</p>        | <p>Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on December 11, 2018.</p>  |
|   | <p>Alderman White reported that the Committee discussed with Economic Development Director Tom Galligani a recently enacted change in the tax code to support opportunity zones, and how this change would affect the Union Square redevelopment and US2's profits. The Committee agreed that if developers receive additional tax benefits, then the City and residents should also benefit from those tax breaks. The Committee also heard an update on the Community Benefits Agreement negotiations between US 2 and the Union Square Neighborhood Council. The Committee addressed several other matters, including Fire Department salaries, a \$5 million settlement for the taking of a property by eminent domain, and a \$400,000 appropriation for a bus shuttle service to remediate the disruption caused by the closure of the Broadway Bridge at Ball Square.</p> <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p> |
| <p>B. Mayor's Request<br/>205956<br/>(ID:18564)</p>         | <p>Requesting acceptance of a rapid deployment vehicle, ballistics helmets, and sunglasses from OEM, with no match required, for the Police Department's Special Response Team.</p>   |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>C. Officer's Communication<br/>206245<br/>(ID:18954)</p> | <p>Special Counsel submitting Notice of a Settlement in the matter of Prospect Iron v. the Somerville Redevelopment Authority.</p>  |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>  |
| <p>D. Mayor's Request<br/>206968<br/>(ID:19450)</p>         | <p>Requesting the appropriation of \$450,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance to the Law Department's Legal Services Account, to fund anticipated outside legal counsel invoices.</p>   |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>E. Mayor's Request<br/>206974<br/>(ID:19710)</p>         | <p>Requesting acceptance of a \$17,216 grant with no new match required, from the Office of Justice Programs to the Police Department for Active Shooter Response Training in schools and public buildings.</p>   |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>F. Mayor's Request<br/>207086<br/>(ID:19851)</p>         | <p>Requesting the appropriation of \$5,155,479.11 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Judgments &amp; Settlements Account, to fund the settlement of Prospect Iron &amp; Steel v. Somerville Redevelopment Authority.</p>   |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |

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| G. Mayor's Request 207087 (ID:19849)         | Requesting a supplemental appropriation of \$400,000 to the SPCD Transportation and Infrastructure Special Items Account in order to fund a temporary GLX construction detour shuttle service.   | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |
| H. Mayor's Request 207090 (ID:19846)         | Requesting to appropriate \$227,459 from excess FY19 Community Preservation Act Fund revenue to the Community Preservation Act Fund Budgeted Reserve.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |
| I. Mayor's Request 207091 (ID:19891)         | Requesting the appropriation of \$162,439 from the Salary Contingency Account to various DPW School Custodian Personal Services Accounts to fund the FY2019 portion of the Agreement with the SEIU Local 3 School Custodians Union.                                | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |
| J. Mayor's Request 207092 (ID:19889)         | Requesting the appropriation of \$72,095 from the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to the DPW School Custodians Other Lump Sum Benefits Account to fund the FY2018 portion of the agreement with the SEIU Local 3 School Custodians Union.                       | <b>RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]</b><br><b>AYES:</b> Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne |
| K. Mayor's Request 207094 (ID:19847)         | Requesting the transfer of \$644,489 from the CPA Fund Undesignated Fund Balance to various Reserve Accounts for certain CPA projects and expenses.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |
| L. Mayor's Request 207095 (ID:19848)         | Requesting the transfer of \$193,340 from the CPA Fund Budgeted Reserve to various Reserve Accounts for certain CPA projects and expenses.   | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |
| M. Officer's Communication 207123 (ID:19902) | City Solicitor requesting that the Finance Committee convene in Executive Session to discuss litigation strategy re: #206968 (an appropriation of \$450,000 to the Legal Services Account for outside counsel), and to provide an update on collective bargaining. | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>  |

52. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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| A. | Committee Report<br>207184<br>(ID:19968)     | Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on November 26, 2018.  |
|    |  | Alderman Ewen-Campen reported that there were about 50 Healey School community members at the meeting, half of them under the age of 10. They were there to bring attention to the overwhelming need to improve that site. The City has committed to make immediate improvements near the school, and to continue working on larger scale improvements. The Committee also heard an update on implementing a universal wait list for affordable housing, and had a lengthy discussion about snow parking.<br><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b> |
| B. | Resolution<br>204794<br>(ID:17518)           | By Ald. Davis<br>That the Administration revise the Snow Emergency policy to prohibit parking in school lots, so the School Department can make independent decisions regarding school closings and delays.  |
|    |  | <b>RESULT:           WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| C. | Public Communication<br>205325<br>(ID:18079) | Tufts University submitting its Spring 2018 University Accountability report.  |
|    |  | <b>RESULT:           WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| D. | Public Communication<br>205403<br>(ID:18091) | Harvard University submitting its Spring 2018 University Accountability report.  |
|    |  | <b>RESULT:           WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| E. | Resolution<br>205428<br>(ID:18185)           | By Ald. Davis, Hirsch<br>That the Administration update this Board on any plans to revise the Snow Emergency policy to prohibit parking in school lots, so the School Department can make independent decisions regarding school closings and delays.  |
|    |  | <b>RESULT:           WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| F. | Resolution<br>205429<br>(ID:18186)           | By Ald. Davis<br>That the Administration advise this Board on what information sources are available and what sources are used to assess weather conditions in making both snow emergency and school cancellation decisions, in light of the attached email citing the forecasts of MEMA.  |
|    |  | <b>RESULT:           WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| G. | Order<br>205664<br>(ID:18391)                | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the Healey-Mystic Master Plan, especially the redevelopment of the Healey schoolyard pavement to create green space, an outdoor performance space and a soccer field.   |
|    |  | <b>RESULT:           WORK COMPLETED</b>  |



H.	Public Communication 205679 (ID:18423)	Tim Sackton submitting comments re: the city's snow policy. <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
I.	Resolution 206269 (ID:19039)	By Ald. Davis That the Administration work with the Ward 6 Alderman and the community to devise an accelerated plan to replace the brick sidewalks in Davis Square with something that ensures pedestrian safety while maintaining a connection to the familiar character of the bricks. <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
J.	Order 206304 (ID:19079)	By Ald. Hirsch, Clingan That the Community Preservation Act Manager share information about how public access agreements get arranged with CPA fund recipients. <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
K.	Order 206369 (ID:19142)	By Ald. Ewen-Campen That the Director of SPCD immediately explore both short- and long-term strategies to increase pedestrian accessibility to the Central Library, particularly for seniors and others with mobility concerns. <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
L.	Officer's Communication 206456 (ID:19164)	Community Preservation Manager responding to #206304 re: current practices on public access agreements for CPA funded sites. <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
M.	Public Communication 206890 (ID:19673)	Tufts University submitting its Fall 2018 University Accountability report. <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
N.	Public Communication 206914 (ID:19680)	Harvard University submitting its Fall 2018 University Accountability report. <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>

53. LAND USE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 207185 (ID:19969) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on November 27, 2018.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the November 27 and December 4 meetings together. The Committee discussed the zoning overhaul, open space requirements for high-rise buildings, and zoning to establish recreational adult-use cannabis establishments. Due to the proximity of Alderman Davis' home to the proposed establishments, he recused himself, and Alderman White led this discussion. Planning staff presented a new map and the Committee discussed other amendments to cannabis zoning, and ultimately recommended approval of amended language. On the proposed zoning overhaul, City Planner Dan Bartman presented slides that are available at [somervillezoning.com](http://somervillezoning.com).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

54. LAND USE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 207186 (ID:19973) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on December 4, 2018.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the November 27 and December 4 meetings together. The Committee discussed the zoning overhaul, open space requirements for high-rise buildings, and zoning to establish recreational adult-use cannabis establishments. Due to the proximity of Alderman Davis' home to the proposed establishments, he recused himself, and Alderman White led this discussion. Planning staff presented a new map and the Committee discussed other amendments to cannabis zoning, and ultimately recommended approval of amended language. On the proposed zoning overhaul, City Planner Dan Bartman presented slides that are available at [somervillezoning.com](http://somervillezoning.com).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Officer's Communication 207039 (ID:19820) Planning Director submitting an updated amendment to the Zoning Ordinance regarding adult-use marijuana establishments, with an updated map.

For the approved Ordained text of this item, see #207217.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

55. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 207187 (ID:19975) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on December 6, 2018.

Alderman Niedergang reported that the Committee discussed two items: the Condo Conversion Ordinance and the Demolitions Review Ordinance. The Committee concluded preliminary discussion of the Condo Conversion Ordinance, and will conduct a public hearing and more in-depth review at subsequent meetings. The Committee continued discussing the Demolition Review Ordinance, noting that there was a public hearing on it last July.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

56. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

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| <p>A. Committee Report<br/>207188<br/>(ID:19978)</p>     | <p>Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on December 12, 2018.</p>   | <p>Alderman Rossetti reported that there was a public hearing on Lucky Strike's request to extend their hours. No one attended the hearing, and the item was kept in Committee. The Committee also discussed a new lodging house license application by Walnut Hill Properties at 97 Curtis Street, to house 6 graduate students. President Ballantyne and residents opposed it, and it was left in Committee. The Committee also discussed the City's enforcement of the wage theft ordinance. Mayor's Aide Annie Connor said she would determine with Assistant City Solicitor Jason Grossfield how the local ordinance could be made more effective, as it currently requires an admission of guilt, which State enforcement action does not require.</p> <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p> |
| <p>B. License/Permit<br/>203441<br/>(ID:16120)</p>       | <p>New Extended Operating Hours License, La Posada Restaurant, 505 Medford St, opening 7 days/week to 3AM for in-store, take-out, and delivery service.</p>   | <p><b>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</b></p>  |
| <p>C. Public Communication<br/>206563<br/>(ID:19341)</p> | <p>Tufts Director of Government and Community Relations submitting comments re: a lodging house license application for 123 Packard Ave.</p>  | <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>  |
| <p>D. License/Permit<br/>206754<br/>(ID:19528)</p>       | <p>Renewing Lodging House License, Theta Delta Chi, 123 Packard Ave.</p>  | <p><b>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</b></p>  |
| <p>E. Order<br/>206801<br/>(ID:19596)</p>                | <p>By Ald. Rossetti, White Jr., Scott<br/>That the City Solicitor review the video of the 10/9/18 Licenses and Permits Committee meeting and advise the Committee how to proceed with #206754, a Lodging House License application from Theta Delta Chi, 123 Packard Ave.</p> | <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>  |

57. PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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| <p>A. Committee Report<br/>207189<br/>(ID:19971)</p> | <p>Report of the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works, meeting on November 29, 2018.</p> | <p>Alderman White reported that the Committee discussed with Water Superintendent John Deluca the rationale for treating multi-unit residences the same as single family residences for the volume-based escalation of water rates. The Committee also discussed Newport Construction's removal of trees on Beacon Street and the City's resulting lawsuit, and approved an ordinance for the management and elimination of natural gas leaks.</p> <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p> |
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| <p>B. Ordinance<br/>204486<br/>(ID:17221)</p> | <p>By Ald. White Jr., Davis, McWatters<br/>Proposing an Ordinance for the management and elimination of natural gas leaks.</p>  |
| <p><b>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</b></p>          |   |
| <p>C. Order<br/>206781<br/>(ID:19567)</p>     | <p>By Ald. Hirsch, Ballantyne, Rossetti, White Jr.<br/>That gas leaks be a regular topic on any standing meetings with Eversource or National Grid.</p>   |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>          |   |
| <p>D. Order<br/>206826<br/>(ID:19607)</p>     | <p>By Ald. Niedergang, Scott<br/>That the Director of Engineering and/or the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pedestrian and bicycle ramp under the railroad bridge on Sacramento Street, and respond to this Board in writing before the next meeting of the Committee on Public Utilities and Works.</p> |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>          |   |
| <p>E. Order<br/>206906<br/>(ID:19694)</p>     | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin<br/>That Commissioner of Public Works fill the sink holes along Gilman Street from Walnut to Cross Streets.</p>   |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>          |   |
| <p>F. Order<br/>206907<br/>(ID:19695)</p>     | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin<br/>That the Director of Water and Sewer update this Board on a potential sewer main break under the Gilman Street bridge and any actions to remedy the problem.</p>  |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>          |   |
| <p>G. Order<br/>206908<br/>(ID:19696)</p>     | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin<br/>That the Director of Water and Sewer update this Board on a potential sewer main break on Webster Avenue and any actions to remedy the problem.</p>   |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>          |   |
| <p>H. Order<br/>206909<br/>(ID:19697)</p>     | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin<br/>That the Director of Water and Sewer update this Board on possible burst pipes on Wellington Street by Walnut Street.</p>   |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>          |   |
| <p>I. Order<br/>206911<br/>(ID:19699)</p>     | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin<br/>That the City Arborist determine if the leaning tree at 11 Melvin Street is in danger of falling and recommend an appropriate solution.</p>   |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>          |   |

J. Order 206945 (ID:19751) By Ald. Clingan, Hirsch  
That the Director of SPCD prioritize repaving Stickney Avenue in response to a residents' petition.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

K. Officer's Communication 207037 (ID:19818) Assistant City Solicitor responding to #204486 with a proposed ordinance for natural gas leaks.

**RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

L. Order 207043 (ID:19824) By Ald. Ballantyne  
That the Commissioner of Public Works discuss with this Board, the community's desire to have snow plowing occur up to the curb on city streets.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

M. Resolution 207060 (ID:19859) By Ald. Ewen-Campen, and the Entire Board  
That the Administration delay the Somerville Avenue infrastructure-related detour until January, in order to support local businesses throughout the holiday season.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

N. Order 207190 (ID:20020) By Ald. Davis  
That the Director of Engineering report to this Board on his review of the process and algorithm use for the 5-year street paving plan and any revisions that may be considered.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

O. Resolution 207191 (ID:20021) By Ald. Scott  
That the Administration update this Board on legal action against Newport Construction regarding the improper removal of trees on Beacon St.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

P. Order 207192 (ID:20022) By Ald. Davis  
That the City Engineer advise this Board as to what use the city can make of the information received under the proposed gas leak ordinance, and what additional capacity would be needed to maximize that use.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

- Q. Resolution 207193 (ID:20023) By Ald. Scott  
That the Administration, SPCD, and Arts Council host events to bring pedestrians to the affected Union Square and Ball Square areas during construction detours.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

58. TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 207194 (ID:19974) Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking, meeting on December 5, 2018.

Alderman Niedergang reported that there was a 2 1/2 hour discussion on a broad range of traffic issues, including bridge closures and efforts to remediate the detours, Vision Zero, and pedestrian safety and traffic calming. The slides that Transportation Director Brad Rawson presented are available online.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Resolution 200211 (ID:12836) By Ald. Rossetti  
That the Administration explain the process for exempting streets from next year's change in the Snow Emergency Parking plan.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- C. Order 200435 (ID:13044) By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Commissioner of Public Works place plowed snow on the non-permit parking side of Dana Street to ensure residents have parking.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- D. Resolution 201126 (ID:13813) By Ald. Rossetti, Lafuente, Davis, Niedergang  
That the Administration explain the process for exempting streets from next year's change in the Snow Emergency Parking Plan. (2nd request)

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- E. Order 202346 (ID:15052) By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider adding Myrtle Street to the 20 MPH list through amendment of Article 14.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- F. Order 202872 (ID:15576) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking report the number of warnings and citations issued for snow covered vehicles following the 9AM lifting of the snow emergency on 2/13/17.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

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| G. Order<br>204309<br>(ID:17033) | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Director of SPCD provide streetscape changes, such as painted crosswalks, at points on the Webster Avenue bridge to facilitate pedestrian crossings in that area.                         |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>    |   |
| H. Order<br>204317<br>(ID:17041) | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a crossing signal across Calvin Street at Washington Street.  |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>    |   |
| I. Order<br>204348<br>(ID:17068) | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking review the traffic signal for left turns from Somerville Avenue onto Dane Street for safety concerns during rush hour.           |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>    |   |
| J. Order<br>204795<br>(ID:17533) | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking install flashing YIELD TO PEDESTRIAN signs at the crosswalk by the Kennedy School on Elm Street.   |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>    |   |
| K. Order<br>204797<br>(ID:17535) | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of SPCD consider painting crosswalks and speed bumps in the parking lot by the Kennedy School, and discuss these and other traffic-calming measures with the Ward 5 Alderman. |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>    |   |
| L. Order<br>205285<br>(ID:18059) | By Ald. Hirsch, Niedergang, and the Entire Board<br>That the Director of SPCD share plans, when available, for its upcoming Vision Zero planning process.   |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>    |   |
| M. Order<br>205352<br>(ID:18116) | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of SPCD report to the Ward 5 Alderman and this Board on the plans for closure of the Ball Square bridge and Broadway for GLX construction activity.                           |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>    |   |
| N. Order<br>205449<br>(ID:18345) | By Ald. Ewen-Campen<br>That the Director of SPCD provide traffic calming recommendations for School Street, from Highland Avenue to Summer Street.  |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>    |   |

O. Order 205450 (ID:18346) By Ald. Ewen-Campen That the Director of SPCD provide traffic calming recommendations for Vinal Avenue.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

P. Order 205693 (ID:18505) By Ald. Niedergang That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking report to this Board on traffic calming options for Richardson Street.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

Q. Order 206169 (ID:18936) By Ald. Clingan That the Director of SPCD deploy traffic calming measures on Marshall Street.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

R. Resolution 206271 (ID:19041) By Ald. Davis That the Administration and the Traffic Commission make any changes possible to the traffic patterns and signal timing at the Powderhouse Circle intersection in advance of the closing of the Broadway bridge at Ball Square.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

S. Order 206849 (ID:19649) By Ald. Niedergang, Clingan That the Director of SPCD or the Director of Traffic and Parking explain to this Board why there are no lane markings or striping on Broadway between Temple Street and Magoun Square.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

T. Order 207067 (ID:19868) By Ald. Davis, Niedergang, Mbah, Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the possibility of installing containers of small flags at key pedestrian crossings to aid in pedestrian safety.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

U. Order 207127 (ID:19909) By Ald. Ewen-Campen That the Director of SPCD work with the Ward 3 Alderman and residents of Vinal Avenue to conduct a temporary "road narrowing" experiment using flex-posts to slow vehicle speeds.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

V. Order 207128 (ID:19910) By Ald. Ewen-Campen That the Director of SPCD identify for the Ward 3 Alderman the 5 highest-speed residential streets in Ward 3 where a road-narrowing approach could be tested during Spring, 2019.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**



**COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

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| 59. | Mayor's Request<br>207195<br>(ID:19928) | Requesting approval to create the Open Space Acquisition and Improvements Stabilization Fund for the purpose of acquiring and/or developing open space.   | Alderman White requested to waive the reading of item 59 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT:           REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Finance Committee</b>  |
| 60. | Mayor's Request<br>207196<br>(ID:19915) | Requesting the appropriation of \$2,421,924 from the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to the Fire Department Other Lump Sum Benefits Account to fund FY 2016, FY 2017, and FY2018 salary and benefit costs for the Firefighters Association Local 76 arbitration award. | Firefighters Union President Tom Ross personally thanked the Board for voting favorably on this item and item #61 tonight.<br><b>RESULT:           APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]</b><br><b>AYES:            Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</b> |
| 61. | Mayor's Request<br>207197<br>(ID:19916) | Requesting the appropriation of \$1,202,389 from the Salary Contingency Account to various Fire Department Personal Services Accounts to fund the FY 2019 salary and benefit costs for the Firefighters Association Local 76 arbitration award.                           | Firefighters Union President Tom Ross personally thanked the Board for voting favorably on this item and item #60 tonight.<br><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b>   |
| 62. | Mayor's Request<br>207198<br>(ID:20018) | Requesting the appropriation of \$25,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Communications and Community Engagement Department Ordinary Maintenance Account to fund the citizenship efforts of the SomerViva Office of Immigrant Affairs.                  | Alderman White requested to waive the readings of items 62 through 66 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT:           REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Finance Committee</b>   |
| 63. | Mayor's Request<br>207199<br>(ID:19924) | Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$3,692.26 using available funds in the Planning Division Ordinary Maintenance Account for prior year neighborhood planning invoice.   | <b>RESULT:           REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Finance Committee</b>   |

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| 64. Mayor's Request 207200 (ID:19926) | Requesting acceptance of a \$224,099 grant with no new match required, from the State 911 Office to the Police Department to fund E911 personnel costs.   | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee   |
| 65. Mayor's Request 207201 (ID:19907) | Requesting acceptance of a \$49,091 grant that requires a match, from the Department of Homeland Security to the Fire Department for portable radios.   | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee   |
| 66. Mayor's Request 207202 (ID:19921) | Requesting acceptance of a grant of up to \$8,734, with no new match required, from National Grid to the Housing Residential Energy Efficiency programs.  | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee   |
| 67. Mayor's Request 207203 (ID:19919) | Requesting acceptance of a \$8,315 grant with no new match required, from the MA Board of Library Commissioners to the Public Library for an urban gardening initiative.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |
| 68. Mayor's Request 207204 (ID:19922) | Requesting acceptance of a \$1,332 grant with no new match required, from the Urban Directors Sustainability Network to the Housing Division Residential Energy Efficiency programs for a Peer Learning Exchange Program. | Alderman White requested to waive the reading of item 68 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee  |
| 69. Mayor's Request 207205 (ID:19929) | Requesting the appointment of Dennis Moynihan to the position of Fire Fighter.  | Alderman Scott requested to waive the readings of items 69 through 78 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
| 70. Mayor's Request 207206 (ID:19930) | Requesting the appointment of John Blake to the position of Fire Fighter.   | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee  |

71. Mayor's Request 207207 (ID:19931) Requesting the appointment of John Driscoll to the position of Fire Fighter.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

72. Mayor's Request 207208 (ID:19932) Requesting the appointment of John Mucci to the position of Fire Fighter.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

73. Mayor's Request 207209 (ID:19933) Requesting the appointment of Rafael Flores to the position of Fire Fighter.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

74. Mayor's Request 207210 (ID:19983) Requesting the appointment of Laura Beretsky to the Community Preservation Committee.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

75. Mayor's Request 207211 (ID:19984) Requesting the appointment of Tatiana Shannon to the Community Preservation Committee.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

76. Mayor's Request 207212 (ID:19920) Requesting the appointment of Patrice Faulkner to the Fair Housing Commission.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

77. Mayor's Request 207213 (ID:19917) Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Fager as a member of the Conservation Commission.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

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| 78. Mayor's Request<br>207214<br>(ID:19918)   | Requesting the re-appointment of David Turin as a member of the Conservation Commission.                                    |
| <p><b>RESULT:</b>           <b>REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b></p> <p><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>      Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee</p>  |   |
| 79. Mayor's Request<br>207215<br>(ID:19985)   | Requesting that the President of this Board appoint an Alderman to serve on the Open Space Task Force.                      |
| <p>President Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 79 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p><b>RESULT:</b>           <b>PLACED ON FILE</b></p> |   |
| 80. Mayor's Request<br>207216<br>(ID:19925)   | Requesting that the President of this Board appoint an Alderman to serve on the Office of Housing Stability Advisory Board. |
| <p>President Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 80 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p><b>RESULT:</b>           <b>PLACED ON FILE</b></p> |   |

**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

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| 81. Officer's Communication<br>207217<br>(ID:20010)   | Planning Director submitting an updated amendment to the Zoning Ordinance regarding adult-use marijuana establishments, as approved by the Land Use Committee on 12/4/18. |
| <p>For discussion of this item, see #207039.</p> <p><b>RESULT:</b>           <b>ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]</b></p> <p><b>AYES:</b>            Hirsch, Mbah, White Jr., McLaughlin, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Ballantyne</p> <p><b>ABSENT:</b>         Rossetti, Scott, Davis</p>   |   |
| 82. Officer's Communication<br>207218<br>(ID:20011)   | Planning Director submitting a minor amendment to the recently-enacted Ordinance for Adult Use Marijuana Licensing.   |
| <p>This item was presented as a technical fix to an error in the wording of the Adult-Use Marijuana Licensing ordinance passed in November.</p> <p><b>RESULT:</b>           <b>ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]</b></p> <p><b>AYES:</b>            Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |   |
| 83. Officer's Communication<br>207219<br>(ID:19923)   | Legislative Liaison submitting the updated process for obtaining a Neighborways Artistic Street Painting Permit.  |
| <p>President Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 83 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p><b>RESULT:</b>           <b>PLACED ON FILE</b></p>   |   |

**NEW BUSINESS**

84. License/Permit 207220 (ID:19940) Public Event License, Arts Council Illuminations Tour, City Hall Concourse and Citywide, Dec 15, 3-10:30PM (raindate Dec 16).

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 84 and 85 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**

85. License/Permit 207221 (ID:19942) Transferring Taxi Medallion License, Medallion #65 from Alewife Transportation to VINL Transportation.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

86. License/Permit 207222 (ID:19943) New Outdoor Seating License, Tasting Counter, 14 Tyler St, placing an A-Frame sign at the corner of Somerville Ave and Properzi Way, and at the corner of Properzi Way and Tyler St.

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the reading of item 86 and refer it to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  
**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

87. License/Permit 207223 (ID:19944) Sign/Awning Permit, Los Amigos Taquerira, 424 Highland Ave, channel letters and blade sign.

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 87 through 90 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**

88. License/Permit 207224 (ID:19945) Renewing Automatic Amusement Devices License, Lucky Strike, 325 Revolution Dr.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

89. License/Permit 207225 (ID:19946) Renewing Dog Kennel License, Riverdog Daycare, 321 Somerville Ave.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

90. License/Permit 207226 (ID:19947) Renewing Garage License, Broadway Motor Cars, 161 Broadway.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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| <p>91. License/Permit<br/>207227<br/>(ID:19948)</p> | <p>Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 1, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 259 McGrath Hwy.</p>                     | <p>Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of this item and items 92 and 93, approve them, and refer them to the Licenses and Permits Committee for follow-up, so the Committee could address charges of wage theft. She said the Board could rescind the licenses in the future if needed. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br/><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Licenses and Permits Committee</p> |
| <p>92. License/Permit<br/>207228<br/>(ID:19949)</p> | <p>Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 1, Smart Center Boston, 257 McGrath Hwy.</p>                         | <p>Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of this item and items 91 and 93, approve them, and refer them to the Licenses and Permits Committee for follow-up, so the Committee could address charges of wage theft. She said the Board could rescind the licenses in the future if needed. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br/><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Licenses and Permits Committee</p> |
| <p>93. License/Permit<br/>207229<br/>(ID:19950)</p> | <p>Renewing Used Car Dealer Class 1, Herb Chambers Mercedes Benz of Boston Commercial Vans, 161 Linwood St.</p> | <p>Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of this item and items 91 and 92, approve them, and refer them to the Licenses and Permits Committee for follow-up, so the Committee could address charges of wage theft. She said the Board could rescind the licenses in the future if needed. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br/><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Licenses and Permits Committee</p> |
| <p>94. License/Permit<br/>207230<br/>(ID:19951)</p> | <p>Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Green Automotive, 600 Windsor Pl.</p>                             | <p>Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 94 through 108 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br/><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>95. License/Permit<br/>207231<br/>(ID:19952)</p> | <p>Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Broadway Auto Sales, 525 Broadway.</p>                            | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| <p>96. License/Permit<br/>207232<br/>(ID:19953)</p> | <p>Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Top Gear Motor Group, 24 Joy St.</p>                              | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |

97.	License/Permit 207233 (ID:19954)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Real Auto Shop, 463 McGrath Hwy.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>
98.	License/Permit 207234 (ID:19955)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Webster Auto Sales, 61 Prospect St.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>
99.	License/Permit 207235 (ID:19956)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, William Doucette Auto Sales, 325 Alewife Brook Pkwy.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>
100.	License/Permit 207236 (ID:19957)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Broadway Motor Cars, 161 Broadway.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>
101.	License/Permit 207237 (ID:19958)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Leins Auto Repair, 69 Bow St.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>
102.	License/Permit 207238 (ID:19959)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Somerville Motors, 182 Washington St.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>
103.	License/Permit 207239 (ID:19960)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect St.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>
104.	License/Permit 207240 (ID:19961)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, 130 Broadway LLC for Fat Hen and Perfect Dental.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>
105.	License/Permit 207241 (ID:19962)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Spoke Wine Bar, 89 Holland St.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>
106.	License/Permit 207242 (ID:19963)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Boston Burger Company, 37 Davis Sq.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>
107.	License/Permit 207243 (ID:19964)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, PJ Ryans, 239 Holland St.	<b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>

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| 108. License/Permit<br>207244<br>(ID:19965)             | Renewing Outdoor Seating License, The Juice Union, 23A Bow St.<br><br><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b>  |
| 109. Officer's<br>Communication<br>207245<br>(ID:19966) | Planning Director submitting public comments received re: #206747, the proposed zoning overhaul.<br><br>President Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 109 and place it on file with a copy to the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT:           PLACED ON FILE</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Land Use Committee</b>                                 |
| 110. Public<br>Communication<br>207246<br>(ID:19967)    | Public comments received re: #206747, the proposed zoning overhaul, since the conclusion of the Planning Board's comment period.<br><br>President Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 110 and place it on file with a copy to the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT:           PLACED ON FILE</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Land Use Committee</b> |

**SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

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| 111. Citation<br>207247<br>(ID:20024)   | By Ald. Ballantyne, the Entire Board and the Mayor<br>Commending the Sanctuary City Steering Committee and Educators for Sanctuary Schools, for the numerous services they have tirelessly organized for immigrant residents, students and families.<br><br><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b>   |
| 112. Resolution<br>207248<br>(ID:20033) | By Ald. Ballantyne, Hirsch<br>That the Administration and Director of Finance discuss the impact to the budget if the FCC redefines cable franchising.<br><br>Alderman Ballantyne wanted to learn the impact of a proposed FCC ruling on city finances, and on the Somerville Media Center.<br><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Finance Committee</b> |
| 113. Order<br>207249<br>(ID:20034)      | By Ald. Ballantyne<br>That the Director of Inspectional Services share in writing with the Ward 7 Alderman the number of stop-work violations issued to Tufts University and Walnut Hill Properties.<br><br><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b>   |



114. Order 207250 (ID:20035) By Ald. Ballantyne  
That the Director of SPCD and the Chief of Police implement immediate safety and traffic dampening measures along Powderhouse Blvd from North St. to the West Somerville Neighborhood School, and assign a Police Officer to the School during drop-offs and pick-ups.

Alderman Ballantyne stated that traffic safety on Powderhouse Boulevard is a continual problem.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

115. Mayor's Request 207251 (ID:19927) Requesting approval to create the Jobs Creation Trust Fund

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

116. Mayor's Request 207252 (ID:20019) Requesting the appropriation and authorization of total project costs for the renovation of Prospect Hill Park, the rededication of the Park to park purposes in perpetuity, and the authorization to seek funding from the PARC Grant Program.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

117. Public Communication 207253 (ID:20032) PERAC submitting the required FY 2020 retirement system appropriation.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

**LATE ITEMS**

118. Citation 207254 (ID:20036) By Ald. The Entire Board  
Commending City Clerk John Long for his outstanding work on behalf of this Board and the City.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

119. Mayor's Request 206871 (ID:19621) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoices totaling \$176,891.54 using available funds in various DPW General Fund Accounts.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 12:05 AM.