



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## Finance Committee

### Meeting Minutes Dispositions

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**Tuesday, December 12, 2023**

**6:00 PM**

**Virtual**

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This meeting was held via Zoom, was called to order by Chair Wilson at 6:00 pm and adjourned at 7:05 pm with a roll call vote of 4 in favor (Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Clingan, Councilor Scott, and Chair Wilson), 1 opposed (Councilor Kelly), and none absent.

Chair Wilson noted that due to a clerical error, there is no item 2 on the agenda.

Others present: Hannah Carrillo – Mayor’s Office, Alan Inacio – OSPCD, Maria Nagel – SomerViva, Anthony Delmonaco – SPD, Diane D’Angeli – SPD, Stephanie Widzowski – Clerk of Committees.

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** Chairperson Jake Wilson, Vice Chair Jefferson Thomas (J.T.) Scott, Charlotte Kelly, Jesse Clingan and Judy Pineda Neufeld

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of November 14, 2023. [23-1706](#)

Accepted

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

#### Appropriations

3. Requesting the appropriation of \$170,000 from the Union Square Community Benefits Stabilization Fund, with \$100,000 for workforce development services and \$70,000 for small business technical assistance services. [23-1718](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

4. Requesting the appropriation of \$955,000 from the Participatory Budgeting Stabilization Fund for the purpose of implementing the winning projects from Somerville's first Participatory Budgeting cycle. [23-1721](#)

Recommended to be discharged with no recommendation

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

### Contracts and Easements

5. Requesting approval to extend a contract with Janeth Moreno from Moreno Law for one year, to June 30, 2024, for the provision of immigration legal services. [23-1723](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

### Gift Acceptances

6. Requesting approval to accept an in-kind gift valued at \$15,000 with no new match required, from the SUGi project to the Parks and Urban Forestry Division for materials and professional services for the Miyawaki forest planting. [23-1720](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

### Transfers

7. Requesting approval of a transfer of \$25,000 from various SomerStat Ordinary Maintenance Accounts to the SomerStat Salaries & Wages Temporary Account to fund additional temporary employee time. [23-1732](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

### Amendments

8. Requesting approval to amend the Community Preservation Act Fund's FY 2023 grant of \$425,000 to the Somerville Hispanic Association for Community Development, to change the scope of the building renovations without increasing the funds. [23-1641](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

Grant Acceptances

9. Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$116,800 grant that requires a match, from the MA Department of Transportation to the Mobility Division for the West Broadway Vision Zero Implementation project. [23-1722](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

10. Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$20,000 grant with no new match required, from State Opioids Response to the Police Department for the Post-Overdose Follow-Up with First Responders program. [23-1756](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

**Absent:** Vice Chair Scott

11. Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$39,398 grant with no new match required, from the Department of Mental Health to the Police Department for jail diversion. [23-1752](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

12. Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$298,280 grant with no new match required, from the Department of Mental Health to the Police Department for the Crisis Intervention Team Training and Technical Assistance Center (CITT-TAC) jail diversion program. [23-1751](#)

Recommended to be approved

13. Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$295,463 grant with no new match required, from the State 911 Department to the Police Department for enhanced 911 Telecommunicator personnel costs. [23-1755](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

14. Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$120,420.65 grant with no new match required, from the State 911 Department to the Police Department for Emergency Medical Dispatch training. [23-1754](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

15. Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$24,500 grant with no new match required, from the State 911 Department of Emergency Medical Dispatch to the Police Department for Emergency Medical Dispatch work with Cataldo Ambulance Service of Massachusetts. [23-1753](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Scott, City Councilor At Large Kelly, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

Ordinances

16. Amending Section 2-323 of the Code of Ordinances, Salary Ranges, to provide cost-of-living adjustments for School Committee Members and City Councilors. [23-0827](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Scott and Councilor Wilson

Kept in committee

Referenced Documents:

- Finance - 2023-12-12 Grant Acceptance Request Memo (with 23-1722)
- Finance - 2023-12-12 Somerville - MARWIS Quote 10.27.23 (with 23-1722)
- Finance - 2023-12-12 Memo CommunityBenefitsAppropriation Final (with 23-1718)