

## CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

## November 15, 2017 REPORT OF THE LAND USE COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
Lance L. Davis	Chair	Present
Mark Niedergang	Vice Chair	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Absent
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman at Large	Present
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Absent

Others present: Members of the Planning Board, George Proakis - OSPCD, Annie Connor - Legislative Liaison, Rositha Durham - Clerk of Committees.

This Joint Meeting with the Planning Board took place in the Aldermanic Chamber and was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Davis and adjourned at 8:15 PM.

## Approval of the September 6, 2017 Minutes

RESULT: ACCEPTED

Public Hearing - (204229) - Zoning Amendment: Medical Marijuana overlay extension

## 204229: Requesting an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance extending the time period in which the Medical Marijuana Overlav District remains in effect.

The Planning Board voted to approve the date change from 2017 to 2018 and will submit its recommendation to the BOA for approval. Mr. Proakis will be creating a recreation marijuana study period soon. Alderman Rossetti spoke about having a similar item in the Legislative Matters Committee.

**RESULT:** 

**KEPT IN COMMITTEE** 

203948: Proposing an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance map for certain parcels in the Porter Street area.

Aldermen McWatters and Niedergang discussed the issue of new townhouses in this area and said that the area has been inundated with new development. Alderman Rossetti recalled conversations with residents wanting to preserve the neighborhood.

RESULT: APPROVED

204159: Property owner of 125 Lowell Somerville LLC submitting a proposed zoning map amendment for certain parcels on Lowell Street, Belmont Street, Summer Street, and Highland Avenue.

See discussion of item 204331.

RESULT: KEPT IN COMMITTEE

204233: Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #203948, a Zoning Amendment to re-zone parcels in the Porter Street area to Residence A.

See discussion of item 203948.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

204331: Assistant City Solicitor providing a legal opinion regarding #204159, a proposal by a property owner to amend the zoning map for certain parcels, including one owned by that owner.

The City Solicitor could not attend this meeting and will be asked to attend the next meeting, scheduled for December 6, 2017.

RESULT: KEPT IN COMMITTEE

195642: Hala Jadallah submitting comments re: #195247, a proposed zoning ordinance to change all CCD45 and CCD55 zoning districts in Ward 4 to RC zoning districts.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

199429: That the Director of SPCD (Planning) provide copies of the proposed new zoning public comments to all Aldermen, within 3 weeks.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

199430: That the Director of SPCD (Planning) provide the responses to the proposed new zoning public comments to this Board by August 21.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

201843: Requesting an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create a new "CCD-55 Commercial" subdistrict, a new "CCD-45 Commercial" subdistrict, a new Section 5.8: Coordinated Development Special Permit, a new Section 6.7: Union Square Overlay District, and to make related changes to Article 5 and the Zoning Map.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202235: 138 voters requesting a Public Hearing on Community Benefits Agreements and their potential to address displacement and uphold community values.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202303: Union United submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202304: Bill Cavellini submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202320: Ed Marakovitz submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202357: That the City Solicitor appear before the Land Use Committee to explain the threshold that would require a new notice and hearing.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202358: That a formula business restriction be added to the Union Square zoning amendment.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202392: Melissa Lowitz submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202393: 24 Action Network members submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202394: 12 Union Square business owners and 1 resident submitting comments re:

#201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202395: 115 signers to a Chamber of Commerce petition submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202396: Green and Open Somerville submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202397: Union Square Main Streets submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202398: State Representative Denise Provost submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202399: Wig Zamore submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202410: Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #201843, a proposed Zoning Amendment for Union Square.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202481: Fr. Richard Curran submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Agreement for Union Sq.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202482: Evan Cook submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Agreement for Union Sq.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202494: Danielle Dupre submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Agreement for Union Sq.

202554: Assistant City Solicitor responding to #202357 re: the public hearing threshold when proposed zoning ordinance amendments are approved.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202578: Gary Trujillo submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Agreement for Union Sq.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202579: Andrew Stuntz and David Tisel submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Agreement for Union Sq.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202580: John Boney submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Agreement for Union Sq.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

202852: Requesting the adoption of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance map to rezone Emerson Street and a portion of Everett Street to Residence B.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203049: Lauren Mucci submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203050: Mara Vorhees submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203051: Brandon Hanks submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203100: Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #202853, an updated amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create a new CCD-55 and CCD-45 Commercial sub-districts, a new Coordinated Development Plan Special Permit, a new Union Square Overlay District, and related changes to Article 5 and the Zoning Map.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203102: Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #202854 a Zoning Amendment to adjust the definition of Net Floor Area, clarify affordable housing requirements in RA

and RB districts, and confirm the process to approve subdivisions, lot splits, lot mergers and lot line adjustments.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203103: Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #202852 a Zoning Amendment to re-zone Emerson Street and a portion of Everett Street to Residence B.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203193: Briana Weisgerber submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203194: Lou Carrier submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203195: Diane Goodwin Papadakos submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203196: Ravi Sapkota submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203197: Poonam Sapkota submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203198: Emily Reichert submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203199: Adam Dash submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203200: Union United submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203201: Sean Selby submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

203202: John Wiseman submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203203: Andrea Morton submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203204: Robert Arnold submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203205: Sandra McGoldrick submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203206: Tom Bent submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203207: Sarah Rodewald submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203208: Don Hughes submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203209: Peter Quinn submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203210: Michael Winston submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203211: Charles McKenzie submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203212: Claudia Robaina submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203213: Somerville Chamber of Commerce submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq

zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203214: Elio LoRusso submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203215: Ben Holmes submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203216: Union Square Station Associates submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203528: Director of SPCD conveying the phasing provisions of the Master Land Disposition Agreement between the Redevelopment Authority and Union Square Station Associates.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203555: The Chamber of Commerce, Union Square Main Streets, and Somerville Local First submitting comments re: the Union Sq proposed zoning, the US2 Covenant, and the Community Benefits Ordinance.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203643: Jen Brown submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203682: 73 residents submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203683: Renee Scott and Tori Antonino submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203684: Katherine Widmer submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

203685: Wig Zamore submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203686: Pennie Taylor submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203687: Mike Gintz submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

203688: Wig Zamore submitting further comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.