

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Tuesday - October 24, 2017, 6:30 PM Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

(Posted online: 10/19/17 at 8:30 AM)

- 1. Approval of the April 5, 2017 Minutes
- **2. 204263: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the Commissioner of Public Works request that the appropriate utility company address the low hanging wires on Mt. Vernon and Washington Streets.
- **3. 203983: Discuss** (Niedergang, Rossetti) That the Mayor report to this Board by August 31, 2017 on ways to improve the poor communications from Eversource to residents around gas meter replacement, street construction, and other utility work. (2nd request)
- **4. 204361: Discuss** (Heuston, Connolly, and the Entire Board) That MA DOT, Newport Construction and all other parties with knowledge of the cutting down of trees on Beacon Street on October 6, without any public notice, appear before this Board at its next regular meeting to respond to concerns about the surprise tree removal.
- **5. 204362: Discuss** (Heuston, Sullivan) That the Director of SPCD work with Mass DOT to cease all work on the Beacon Street reconstruction project until a full report on the removal of trees from the street is received and presented to this Board and until city staff is assigned day to day responsibility for oversight.
- **6. 204363: Discuss** (Heuston, and the Entire Board) The Administration assign or hire city staff to oversee the daily operations of contractor and utility company activity for the Beacon Street reconstruction project, and adopt a policy of such oversight for every state funded street reconstruction project going forward.

- **7. 204365: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Director of SPCD estimate for this Board the cost to move overhead wires underground on Beacon Street from Washington to Hampshire Streets, identify potential funding sources, and discuss the feasibility and impact of such an endeavor on the current Beacon Street project.
- **8. 203413: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/27/17.
- **9. 203813: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/25/17.
- **10. 204188: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 7/13/17.
- **11. 204288: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 8/24/17.
- **12. 204335: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/28/17.
- **13. 204423: Discuss** Chris Dwan submitting comments re: the October 6 Beacon Street tree removal.
- **14. 204445: Discuss** City Engineer submitting responding to #203496 re: Pitman Street pavement.