



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE
Committee of the Whole

Thursday - March 29, 2018, 6:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

AGENDA

(Posted online: 3/26/18 at 3:02 PM)

1. **Approval of the March 15, 2018 Minutes**
2. **205201: Discuss** (Scott, Davis, Ewen-Campen, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration work with US2 to amend the Development Covenant to allow this Board to recognize a Neighborhood Council to negotiate a CBA and discuss the amendment with this Board prior to execution.
3. **203098: Recommend** Assistant City Solicitor submitting an Ordinance to create a Community Benefits Committee.
4. **203555: Discuss** 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.
5. **203556: Discuss** The Maurice and Jane Sugar Law Center for Economic and Social Justice submitting comments re: #203098, the Community Benefits Ordinance.
6. **205420: Recommend** Assistant City Solicitor submitting an updated Condominium/Cooperative Conversion Ordinance.
7. **202523: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the City Solicitor prepare a draft ordinance to amend or replace the current Condominium Conversion Ordinance, and incorporate the strongest parts of relevant state law.
8. **205118: Discuss** Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition to preserve affordable

housing through a tenant's right to purchase.

9. **204875: Discuss** (Hirsch, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Niedergang, and the Entire Board) – That the City Solicitor prepare a Home Rule Petition regarding a Right of First Refusal to allow tenants to have the first option to purchase their homes if they are going to be sold.
10. **205343: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Scott) – That the Director of SPCD contact local mortgage lenders to determine how the proposed "Tenants Right to Purchase" policy might affect the ability of home-buyers to secure financing, and report back to this Board in writing.
11. **205344: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen) – That the Director of SPCD contact several Title Insurance brokers and ascertain their views on whether the proposed "Tenants Right to Purchase" policy would affect their ability to provide title insurance, and report back to this Board in writing.
12. **205404: Discuss** Jacob Kramer submitting comments re: #204954, the proposed Transfer Fee Home Rule Petition, and #205118, the proposed Tenant's Right to Purchase Home Rule Petition.
13. **205405: Discuss** Ronald Cavallo submitting comments re: #205118, the proposed Tenant's Right to Purchase Home Rule Petition.
14. **204793: Recommend** (Davis) – That Ordinance 9-116(3) be amended as described within with respect to activities restricted under the Noise Ordinance.
15. **204238: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Sullivan) – That the City Solicitor draft an amendment to the ordinance regarding construction, so that rodent eradication is required on all construction, not just demolition.
16. **205044: Discuss** SomerStat Analyst responding to a Legislative Matters Committee query related to #203839 re: an update on Rodent Action Team meetings.