

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Tuesday - October 27, 2015, 6:00 PM Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

1. Approval of the October 6, 2015 Minutes

- 199724: Discuss (Rossetti) That the Chief of Police and the Chief Fire Engineer appear before the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety to discuss concerns regarding #198703 and #199522 for public safety at Assembly Row and citywide.
- **3. 199948: Discuss** (White Jr.) That the Chief of Police provide this Board with a list of all notices sent to property owners pursuant to Ordinance 9-97 (nuisance control) in the last two years.
- 4. **199949: Discuss** (White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Rossetti, Connolly) That the Chief of Police order directed patrols to monitor compliance with the STOP signs at Jacques Street and Edgar Avenue, and at Heath Street and Edgar Avenue.
- **5. 199977: Discuss** (Ballantyne) That the Chief Fire Engineer inspect 34 Chetwynd Road and 146 Curtis Street for upholstered furniture kept on porches.
- 6. **199981: Discuss** (Ballantyne) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 134 Professors Row for an open trash dumpster with overflowing trash, and take appropriate action.
- 7. 200041: Discuss (Niedergang, Gewirtz) That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police insure that whenever a sidewalk is closed due to construction especially near a school -- that there be a clearly-marked crosswalk or a police detail, for pedestrian

safety.

- 8. 198097: Discuss (Sullivan, Niedergang, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.) That the Director of SPCD update this Board on its public education campaign concerning appropriate bicycling in central business districts.
- **9. 199355: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Administration institute a plan to notify and update affected residents during water main breaks, distribute bottled water to them, and check on their well-being.
- **10. 200126: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services address this Board on dumpster inspections and provide a list of dumpster locations with their last inspection dates.
- 11. 192737: Discuss (O'Donovan) That this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety arrange for representatives of Riverside Community Care aka Somerville Mental Health Association, to appear before the Committee to explain where the programs are and how the City can assist them.
- **12. 198702: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the State Delegation secure the funding and achieve the installation of sound proof barriers along I-93, which would curb fine particle pollution.
- **13. 198956: Discuss** (White Jr., Rossetti) That the Administration develop with this Board a strategy to analyze the increasing use of Runway 33L at Logan Airport and document the adverse noise impacts.
- **14. 199054: Discuss** MA DOT responding to #198702 re: noise and pollution barriers along I-93.
- **15. 199100: Recommend** (Rossetti) That this Board supports the efforts of the Logan Community Advisory Committee and requests that the FAA re-examine its Runway 33L policies to reduce noise complaints.
- **16. 199520: Discuss** (Connolly, and the Entire Board) That the Administration prioritize a public health initiative to control the opiate abuse epidemic, including nearby health and educational institutions and any other available resources.
- **17. 199589: Discuss** (Sullivan, McLaughlin) That the Department of Public Utilities investigate and take appropriate actions against electricity companies that use deceptive

sales tactics.

- **18. 199639: Discuss** (Heuston, Sullivan, McLaughlin) That the Director of Health and Human Services warn residents, especially senior citizens, about electricity companies that use deceptive sales practices.
- **19. 199793: Discuss** MA DPU Chairman responding to #199589 re: addressing deceptive sales practices used by some electricity companies.
- **20. 199968: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the Commissioner of Public Works clean in front of the businesses along Broadway, and that the Supervisor of Inspectional Services reinforce the necessity of businesses to clean up in front of their properties.
- **21. 200053: Discuss** (Sullivan, Gewirtz, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti) That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police cite illegally parked delivery trucks on Winter Street.
- **22. 200058: Discuss** (McWatters) That Chief of Police order directed patrols to Somerville Avenue between Kirby Place and Hawkins Street during early evening hours and on weekends, to deal with unruly citizens bothering pedestrians walking to Union Square.
- **23. 200074: Discuss** (Rossetti) That the Administration update the Committee on Public Health and Safety monthly on data for Logan Airport Runway 33L, and that the City engage Wig Zamore and communicate with officials from Cambridge and other communities on this matter.
- 24. 200075: Discuss (Connolly) That the City Solicitor provide this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety with a listing of all ordinances and traffic regulations regarding bicycles.