



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Committee of the Whole

Wednesday - November 14, 2018, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

AGENDA

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- 1. Approval of the October 22, 2018 Minutes**
- 2. 204982: Discuss** (McLaughlin, and the Entire Board) – That the Director of SPCD outline any financial incentives offered in the city's Amazon bid as well as plans for a Community Benefits Agreement in the possible development.
- 3. 205445: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration establish a dedicated fund within the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to provide direct housing assistance for municipal employees struggling to remain in Somerville, which could be funded through revenue from a real estate transfer fee.
- 4. 205446: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration establish a dedicated fund within the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to support community land trusts in Somerville, which could be funded through revenue from a real estate transfer fee.
- 5. 205478: Discuss** (White Jr.) – That the Director of Purchasing, with the Administration, provide this Board with an analysis of the cost of raising the living wage to \$15.00 per hour, and determine if a more appropriate inflation adjuster may be used.
- 6. 205707: Discuss** (Scott, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration report in writing on an Acquisition Fund to increase the City's ability to buy parcels for open space.
- 7. 205076: Discuss** (Mbah, Niedergang, Hirsch) – That the Administration appropriate funds to contract a community organization to provide free or low-cost legal services on

immigration and naturalization issues to immigrants living in Somerville.

8. **205956: Recommend** Requesting acceptance of a rapid deployment vehicle, ballistics helmets, and sunglasses from OEM, with no match required, for the Police Department's Special Response Team.
9. **206003: Recommend** Requesting approval of an Order of Taking for 90 Washington Street.
10. **206005: Recommend** Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,860,000 in a bond for new Public Safety Building design, architectural, engineering, and owner's and contractual project management services.
11. **206004: Recommend** Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$8,745,000 in a bond to purchase land by eminent domain.
12. **206286: Discuss** Director of Capital Projects and Planning submitting the Public Safety Feasibility Study/Programming and Site Evaluation Report (related to #s 206003, #206004, and #206005).
13. **206706: Discuss** (Scott) – That the Administration report, in writing, on the current status of an Acquisition Fund to increase the City's ability to buy parcels for open space. (2nd request)
14. **206805: Recommend** Requesting acceptance of a \$300,000 grant with no new match required, from the EPA to the SPCD Economic Development Division for citywide Brownfield site assessments.
15. **206913: Discuss** Requesting that the Director of SPCD and the Director of Housing Stability present to this Board the proposed business plan and budget of the Office of Housing Stability.
16. **(ID # 19758): Recommend** Requesting an appropriation of \$2,655,415 in Parking Meter Receipts to reduce the FY19 Tax Levy.
17. **(ID # 19742): Recommend** Requesting the appropriation of \$2,010,673 from the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to the Police Other Lump Sum Benefits Account to fund the arbitration award for the Police Superior Officers Association for FY2013-FY2018.
18. **(ID # 19741): Recommend** Requesting the appropriation of \$556,906 from the Salary Contingency Salaries Account to various Police Personal Services Accounts to fund the FY2019 arbitration award for Police Superior Officers Association.

19. **(ID # 19450): Recommend** Requesting the appropriation of \$450,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance to the Law Department's Legal Services Account, to fund anticipated outside legal counsel invoices.
20. **(ID # 19713): Recommend** Requesting approval to appropriate \$153,850 from the Capital Stabilization fund for ongoing environmental remediation work at Conway Park.
21. **(ID # 19622): Recommend** Requesting approval to appropriate \$12,426.39 from the Trash Transfer Stabilization Fund for to pay for outstanding cleanup related expenses.
22. **(ID # 19623): Recommend** Requesting approval for a time-only extension of a contract with OverUnder for the ArtFarm project.
23. **(ID # 19737): Recommend** Requesting acceptance of a \$92,888 grant with no new match required, from the HUD Healthy Homes/Tufts University/STEP Collaborative to SPCD for an air filtration study.
24. **(ID # 19715): Recommend** Requesting acceptance of a \$61,610 grant with no new match required, from the MA Housing and Economic Development Department to the Arts Council for the build-out of the Nibble Kitchen.
25. **(ID # 19710): Recommend** Requesting acceptance of a \$17,216 grant with no new match required, from the Office of Justice Programs to the Police Department for Active Shooter Response Training in schools and public buildings.
26. **(ID # 19688): Recommend** Requesting acceptance of a \$12,500 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Energy Resources to the Office of Sustainability and the Environment, for assistance with clean energy procurement.
27. **(ID # 19718): Recommend** Requesting acceptance of a \$8,700 Title III B grant with no new match required, from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to the Council on Aging for transportation costs.
28. **(ID # 19717): Recommend** Requesting acceptance of a \$7,816 Title III D grant with no new match required, from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to the Council on Aging for health and wellness programs.
29. **(ID # 19807): Recommend** Requesting a supplemental appropriation of \$132,050 to the Office of Housing Stability Personal Services Accounts (\$45,000) and Ordinary Maintenance Accounts (\$90,050), and approval to establish an OHS Assistant Director, to fund that office through FY19.

30. **(ID # 19814): Recommend** Requesting a change in the rate of pay for the vacant Assistant Clerk of Committees position, from \$1462.91/month to \$1,667/month.

31. **(ID # 19702): Recommend** Requesting approval to extend the contract for the Somerville Museum's FY15 CPA grant for an additional three years.