



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

City Council Licenses and Permits Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

6:00 PM

The meeting took place virtually via Zoom and was called to order at 6:01 PM by Vice Chair Mbah and adjourned at 6:08 PM on a roll call vote of 2 in favor (Councilors Ewen-Campen and Mbah), none against and 1 absent (Councilor Burnley). Chair Mbah reported that Councilor Burnley was unable to attend this meeting due to a prior commitment.

Others present:

Michael Potere – Licensing Operations Manager, Peter Forcellese – Legislative Clerk.

Roll Call

Present: City Councilor At Large Wilfred N. Mbah and Ward Three City Councilor Ben Ewen-Campen
Absent: City Councilor At Large Willie Burnley Jr.

1. Committee Minutes (ID # [24-0411](#))

Approval of the Minutes of the Licenses and Permits Committee Meeting of March 27, 2024.

RESULT: **ACCEPTED**
AYE: City Councilor At Large Mbah and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen
ABSENT: City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr.

2. Public Hearing

- 2.1. License (ID # [24-0549](#))

New Garage License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 161 Linwood St, 0 vehicles inside, 25 vehicles outside for mechanical repairs, auto body work, and spray painting, Mon-Fri: 8am-6pm, Sat.: 8am-2pm, Sun: closed.

Chair Mbah opened the public Hearing. There were no speakers for nor against the item. The Public hearing was closed.

Councilor Ewen-Campen asked Mr. Potere if this was for a new garage license or if it was a change to an existing license. Mr. Potere stated that this item was put forward to add spray painting to an existing garage license.

RESULT: **RECOMMENDED TO BE APPROVED**
AYE: City Councilor At Large Mbah and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen
ABSENT: City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr.

3. Order (ID # [24-0107](#)) By Councilor Burnley Jr.
That the Director of Economic Development update this Council on efforts taken to inform relevant business owners about the newly implemented closed captioning ordinance.
- Legislative Liaison Carrillo notified the committee members via email earlier today that there will not be staff available to speak on this item this evening.
- RESULT: KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

Referenced Documents:

- L&P - 2024-05-08 Public Comment (with 24-0549)