# City of Somerville, Massachusetts **Matters of Business of the City Council**

### **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

September 9, 2021, 7:00 PM Meeting by Remote Participation \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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### **OPENING CEREMONIES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Ward One City Councilor Matthew McLaughlin.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Wilfred N. Mbah	City Councilor At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	City Councilor At Large	Present	
Kristen Strezo	City Councilor at Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	City Councilor At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One City Councilor	Present	
Jefferson Thomas ("J.T.") Scott	Ward Two City Councilor	Present	
Ben Ewen-Campen	Ward Three City Councilor	Present	
Jesse Clingan	Ward Four City Councilor	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five City Councilor	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six City Councilor	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven City Councilor	Present	

Roll Call 1. 212313 (ID:27281) Call of the Roll.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

2. Remembrances Remembrances. 212314

(ID:27282)

Councilor Rossetti sponsored a moment of silence for Mary Hayes Murphy.

Councilors Clingan and Strezo sponsored a moment of silence for Thomas C. Killeen.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

3. Minutes 212315 (ID:27283)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, August 26, 2021.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

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### **CITATIONS**

4. Citation 212316 (ID:27287)

By City Councilor McLaughlin, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Ballantyne, Strezo, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, Mbah, White Jr., and the Mayor Commending Mary Alice Lally on 50 years of employment with the City.

President McLaughlin congratulated Mary Alice Lally on her 50 years of service to the city. Councilor Rossetti reminisced about her interactions over the years with Ms. Lally and congratulated her as well.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Grant of Location 212317 (ID:27242) Submitted by Comcast to install 275 feet of conduit in Pearl Street, starting from a Comcast Manhole, 100 feet to a proposed sidewalk vault, then 5 feet to a point near 85 Pearl Street, 20 feet to 81 Pearl Street, and 75 feet to another proposed sidewalk vault, then 10 feet to a point near 77 Pearl Street and a final point of pickup at 75 Pearl Street.

President McLaughlin opened the public hearing. Mr. Dave Flewelling from Comcast spoke in favor of this item. There being no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

### ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

6. Withdrawn 212318 (ID:27275)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

7. Resolution 212319 (ID:27274)

By City Councilor Strezo, Ewen-Campen, Clingan That the Administration consider a foreclosure moratorium for Somerville homeowners and owner-occupied small landlords.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

8. Resolution 212320 (ID:27273)

By City Councilor Strezo, Ewen-Campen, Ballantyne, Davis, Clingan That the Somerville Housing Authority establish free WiFi hotspots in all of its residential properties, either in communal areas, resident lounges or outdoor areas and patios.

Councilor Strezo said that she believes that every resident deserves to have internet access.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

9. Order 212321 (ID:27272) By City Councilor Strezo, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne, Clingan, Scott That the Commissioner of Public Works replace all the open garbage cans in city parks and on the Community Path with closed rat-proof garbage cans.

Councilor Strezo said that a more aggressive strategy is needed to combat the rat problem in the city, and she sees this as only one step in the battle. Councilor Scott thanked Councilor Strezo for putting this item forward. Councilor Niedergang said that in eight years as a Councilor, he has never had a conversation about rats going into open trash containers and he would like to hear more about the subject. He acknowledged that there have been more rat sightings this year and he looks forward to the conversation. Councilor Strezo said that many residents have spoken to her about the rat problem.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

10. Resolution 212322 (ID:27276)

By City Councilor Ewen-Campen, Ballantyne, Davis

That the Administration create a paid "Teen Invasive Plant Removal Program" similar to the "Teen Snow Shoveling Program" to train young people to remove harmful invasive plants and connect them with residents desiring such help.

Councilor Ewen-Campen said that Green & Open Somerville brought this to his attention. He explained that teens would be trained to identify invasive plants and remove them. The program would be an extension of the Mayor's Summer Jobs Program.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 11. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 212323 (ID:27277) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on August 31, 2021.

Councilor Rossetti presented the Committee Report and updated the Council regarding the number of vacancies in the Police Department. President McLaughlin recused himself from any discussion of police matters. Councilor Rossetti gave a brief summary of the four confirmations that were before the Committee that evening. Ms. Racaniello stated that the two candidates approved for the Police Reserve List were the final two applicants on that list. Councilor Rossetti then commented on a request for Special Municipal Employee Designations (item 211915). Lastly, she spoke about the search efforts for a new Police Chief. Councilor Rossetti asked that item 211915 be severed from the report and Laid on the Table for discussion at the next City Council meeting. Due to technical difficulties, Councilor Rossetti asked Councilor Scott to continue with the discussion of item 211915. Councilor White asked that item 211915 remain in the Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters. The item was kept in the committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

B. Mayor's Request 210576 (ID:23123) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Kyle Lentini to the position of Reserve Police Officer.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen,

Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**RECUSED:** McLaughlin

C. Mayor's Request 210578 (ID:23125) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Richard Lavey III to the position of Reserve Police Officer.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen,

Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**RECUSED:** McLaughlin

D. Mayor's Request 212136 (ID:25025) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Michael R. Perrone to the position of Police Lieutenant.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [10 TO 0]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen,

Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**RECUSED:** McLaughlin

E. Mayor's Request 212137 (ID:25026) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Marc T. DiFava to the position of Police Sergeant.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen,

Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**RECUSED:** McLaughlin

### 12. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 212324 (ID:27278) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting on September 1, 2021.

Councilor Ewen-Campen presented the Committee Report and asked that it be approved as submitted. He spoke on item 212050, an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to repeal Section 10.5 - Outdoor Café Seating and explained why the change was being sought. The committee approved of the change and noted that the trouble with outdoor seating was nor the permitting process, but rather the enforcement of violations. Councilor Ewen-Campen submitted an Order (27292) to examine this matter further.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

B. Mayor's Request 212050 (ID:24916) Requesting an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to repeal Section 10.5 - Outdoor Café Seating.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

C. Mayor's Request 212052 (ID:24919) Requesting adoption of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Section 2.1 - Glossary and the provisions of multiple permitted building components.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED AS AMENDED.

[UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**AMENDED:** The dimensional standards of the balcony, dormer

window, and shed dormer building components are

amended as attached.

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

13. Mayor's Request 212325

Requesting acceptance of a Preservation Restriction for 277 Broadway.

**RESULT:** 

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

14. Mayor's Request 212326 (ID:27235)

(ID:27254)

Requesting approval to re-purpose \$119,815 in the Covid-19 Stabilization Fund to support the 2021 LCC grant program.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

15. Mayor's Request 212327 (ID:26232) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$3,600 using available funds in the Department of Infrastructure and Asset Management Ordinary Maintenance Account for FY21 Mystic River Stormwater Education Collaborative membership.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

16. Mayor's Request 212328 (ID:27256) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$368 using available funds in the Human Resources Department Advertising Account for a June 2021 job advertisement.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

17. Mayor's Request 212329 (ID:27255) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$82.68 using available funds in the Human Resources Department Professional & Technical Services Account for April 2021 confidential shredding services.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

18. Mayor's Request 212330 (ID:27257) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$58 using available funds in the Human Resources Department Wellness Program Account for a June 2021 employee wellness program invoice.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

19. Mayor's Request 212331 (ID:27241) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a grant of \$300,000 per year for 2 years (FY22 and FY23), with no new match required, from Mass DPH to the Health and Human Services Department for Contact Tracing.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

20. Mayor's Request 212332 (ID:27258) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a grant of \$122,627 per year for 2 years (FY22 & FY23) with no new match required, from Mass General Brigham/CHA to the Health and Human Services Department for recruitment and training of Community Health Workers.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

21. Mayor's Request 212333 (ID:27240) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$122,627 grant over 2 years (FY22/23) with no new match required, from Mass General Brigham/CHA Determination of Need funds, to the Health & Human Services Department SomerPromise Division for Behavioral Health support and training to early childhood care and education systems.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

22. Mayor's Request 212334 (ID:27236) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$45,200 grant with no new match required, from the Mass Cultural Council to the Arts Council for support of the 2022 Local Cultural Council re-grant program.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

23. Mayor's Request 212335 (ID:27239)

Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$45,162.23 grant with no new match required, from Commonwealth Children's Fund to the Health & Human Services SomerPromise Division for the SomerBaby Program.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

24. Mayor's Communication 212336 (ID:27279)

Conveying the Tufts University COVID-19 Preparedness Plan: Fall 2021.

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and sponsored Mr. Rocco DiRico to address the Council to speak about the Tufts plans regarding vaccinations. Councilor Clingan stated that he will not vote for any items concerning Tufts due to their lack of support for their dining services workers. Mr. DiRico explained that there will be mandatory testing for COVID, masks must be worn indoors, and all staff and students must be vaccinated. He addressed the food services issue and said that those employees took a pay cut to avoid any layoffs. He clarified that unemployment benefits are approved by the state, not by the college. Councilors Strezo and Ballantyne also stated their support for the dining workers. Councilor Niedergang said he has not heard anything from the dining workers' union on the matter and he will support the permits. Councilor Mbah added that he will not support these items. Mr. DiRico said that his understanding is that the permits can't be denied if all the requirements have been met, however, if they were held up, over four thousand students would have no lodging. Councilor Ewen-Campen suggested that the items be tabled to give the Council time to look into the matter further. President McLaughlin referred the items to the Licenses and Permits Committee.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

### **NEW BUSINESS**

25. Public 212337

(ID:27284)

18 registered voters requesting the adoption of a Zoning Map amendment to Communication change the zoning district of 51 McGrath Highway (MBL 115-B-1 and 115-B-4) from HR to MR5 and 35 McGrath Highway (MBL 115-B-5, 115-B-11, and 115-B-12) from MR5 to MR4.

> **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

26. 212338 (ID:27247)

License/Permit Public Event License, Spring Hill Block Party, Brastow Ave from 48 Brastow to Lowell St, Sept 11, 10AM-11:45PM (raindate Sept 18).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

27. License/Permit 212339 (ID:27246)

Public Event License, Mural Repainting and Block Party, intersection of Marion St and Dimick St, Sept 18, 7AM-10PM (raindate Sept 19).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

28. 212340 (ID:27253)

License/Permit Public Event License, Somerville Museum Block Party, Westwood Rd, Sept 18, 1PM-9PM (raindate Sept 19).

> Councilor White recused himself from this item and Councilor Ewen-Campen stated that he supports this application but noted that there were requests from neighbors to deny the application since it's a fundraiser being held on public land. He said that concerns have been addressed and he hopes that the event can go forward. Councilor Mbah moved to approve the item.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]

Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-**AYES:** 

Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**RECUSED:** White Jr.

29. License/Permit 212341 (ID:27248)

Public Event License, Rogers Ave Block Party, Rogers Ave from Boston Ave to Kidder Ave, Sept 18, 3PM-9PM (raindate Sept 25).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, AYES:

30. 212342 (ID:27244)

License/Permit Public Event License, Arts Council Somerstreets, Highland Ave from Central St to Lowell St, Sept 19, 12PM-8PM.

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

31. 212343 (ID:27280)

License/Permit Public Event License, East Somerville Main Streets Foodie Crawl, sidewalks on Broadway from Garfield Avenue to Mt Pleasant St, Sept 21, 2PM-10:30PM (raindate Sept 22).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

32. License/Permit 212344 (ID:27259)

Public Event License, Union Square Main Streets What the Fluff?, Union Sq Plaza, Sept 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 8AM-11PM.

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] **RESULT:** 

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

33. 212345 (ID:27265)

License/Permit Public Event License, Squad-Driven East Coast Run Launch, Foley St from Grand Union Blvd to Assembly Row, Sept 24, 4AM-9:30AM.

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, **AYES:** 

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

34. 212346 (ID:27286)

License/Permit Public Event License, Somerville Community Corporation A Movie that Matters, Chuckie Harris Park, Sept 24, 5PM-9PM (raindate Sept 25).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

35. License/Permit 212347 (ID:27263)

Public Event License, Berkeley St Block Party, Berkeley St from Hersey St to School St, Sept 26, 2PM-8PM (raindate Oct 3).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

36. 212348

(ID:27264)

License/Permit Public Event License, Harrison Block Party, Harrison St from Ivaloo St to Kent St, Sept 26, 11AM-4PM (raindate Oct 3).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

37. License/Permit 212349 (ID:27260)

Public Event License, Arts Council Porchfest, Citywide, Oct 2, 11AM-7PM (raindate Oct 3).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] **RESULT:** 

Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, **AYES:** 

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

38. 212350 (ID:27289)

License/Permit Public Event License, Somerville Homeless Coalition 5K Road Race, Davis Sq. area streets, Oct 2, 6AM-1PM.

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] **RESULT:** 

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

39. License/Permit 212351 (ID:27243)

Public Event License, Organization New Acropolis USA Northeast Inc, Stoics on the Square, Statue Park, Oct 9, 9:30AM-1:30PM (raindate Oct 10).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

40. License/Permit 212352

(ID:27261)

Public Event License, Arts Council and Wat's Da Wurd Evolution of Hip Hop, Union Sq Plaza, parking lot and Stone Park, Oct 16, 12PM-8PM (raindate Oct 17).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

41. License/Permit 212353 (ID:27262)

Public Event License, Kingston St Block Party, Kingston St, Oct 16, 4PM-10PM (raindate Oct 17).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

42. 212354

(ID:27252)

License/Permit Public Event License, East Somerville Main Streets Halloween Block Party, Chuckie Harris Park, Oct 30, 2PM-7PM (raindate Oct 31).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

43. 212355 (ID:27245)

License/Permit Public Event License, Arts Council Somersteets, Somerville Ave from Park St to Warren Ave, Oct 31 12PM-8PM (raindate Nov 7).

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] **RESULT:** 

Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, **AYES:** 

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

44.

License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, J Derenzo.

212356 (ID:27288)

Councilor White moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

45. **Public** Communication 80 Webster Ave.

Christopher LaRoche submitting comments re: 211889 and 211890, zoning of

212357 (ID:27285)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

Land Use Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

46. Communication By City Councilor Rossetti

> 212358 (ID:27327)

In her capacity as President, following the recusal of President McLaughlin, conveying the selection of Steven Flythe and Lori Segall as the President's appointees to the Police Chief Selection Committee.

President McLaughlin recused himself from this item. Councilor Rossetti said that this was a difficult process since there were many strong candidates for the positions. She believes that the process for selecting a new Chief will begin shortly.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]

Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, **AYES:** 

47. Order 212359 (ID:27292)

By City Councilor Ewen-Campen

That the Director of Inspectional Services, the Chair of the Commission for Persons with Disabilities, and the Chair of the Licensing Commission appear before this Council to discuss permitting and enforcement of accessibility concerns related to outdoor dining.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

48. Order 212360 (ID:27293) By City Councilor Ballantyne

That the Director of OSPCD and the Director of IAM provide updates on the 90 Washington Street Demonstration project, including community meetings, timelines, construction, tree removals, road changes, etc.

Councilor Ballantyne asked that this be placed on the next Housing and Community Development Committee agenda.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [10 TO 0]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen,

Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**RECUSED:** McLaughlin

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

49. Mayor's Request 212361 (ID:27249) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,910,000 in a bond for participation in the MWRA Lead Line Replacement Program.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and refer this item to the Finance Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

50. Mayor's Request 212362 (ID:27271) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$725,000 in a bond for Construction Manager at-Risk services for the pre-construction phase of the Public Safety Building .

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and refer this item to the Finance Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

51. Mayor's Request 212363 (ID:27291) Requesting authorization to enter into and execute a service agreement with the Cambridge Health Alliance to operate a school based health center and an agreement to license surplus space for that purpose.

President McLaughlin sponsored Jeff Curley from the School Department to speak. Mr. Curley explained that this is a continuation of an agreement that the School Department has with the Cambridge Health Alliance to provide services to Somerville's students. A number of health-based services are offered and provided through this agreement.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

52. Mayor's Request 212364 (ID:27238) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$299,920 grant per year for 3 yrs (FY22,23,24), with no new match required from Mass DPH to the Health and Human Services Department for a Shared Services Excellence Grant in partnership with the Cities of Arlington and Medford.

Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

53. Mayor's 212365

Conveying the selection of Deha Ahmed and Kevin Dickinson as the Mayor's Communication appointees to the Police Chief Selection Committee.

(ID:27318)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

54. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor Shapiro conveying opinions regarding 268A Ethics Communication Disclosures and Special Municipal Employees.

212366 (ID:27320)

PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS] **RESULT:** 

Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, AYES:

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

55. Officer's 212367

Directors of OSPCD, ISD, and Engineering responding to questions posed by Communication the Land Use Committee regarding ADA compliance for outdoor seating.

(ID:27328)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]

Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, **AYES:** 

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

56.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 123 Packard Ave.
	212368 (ID:27294)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
57.	License/Permit 212369	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 75-85 Packard Ave.
	(ID:27295)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
58.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 43 Latin Way.
	212370 (ID:27296)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
59.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 29 Latin Way.
	212371 (ID:27297)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
60.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 45 Talbot Ave.
	212372 (ID:27298)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
61.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 15 Whitfield Rd.
	212373 (ID:27299)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
62.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 21 Whitfield Rd.
	212374 (ID:27300)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
63.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 13-15 Talbot Ave.
	212375 (ID:27301)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

64.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 9-11 Sunset R	d.
	212376 (ID:27302)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee	
65.	License/Permit 212377	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 56-64 Professor	ors Row.
	(ID:27303)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee	
66.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 106 Professors	s Row.
	212378 (ID:27304)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee	
67.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 92 Professors	Row.
	212379 (ID:27305)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee	
68.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 28 Professors	Row.
	212380 (ID:27306)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee	
69.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 14 Professors	Row.
	212381 (ID:27307)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee	
70.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 8 Professors R	low.
	212382 (ID:27308)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee	
71.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 125 Powderho	ouse Blvd.
	212383 (ID:27309)	See item 212336.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee	

72. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 98 Packard Ave. 212384 See item 212336. (ID:27310) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 73. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 32 Dearborn Rd. 212385 See item 212336. (ID:27311) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 74. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 12 Dearborn Rd. 212386 See item 212336. (ID:27312) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee FOLLOWUP: 75. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 90-92-94 Curtis St. 212387 See item 212336. (ID:27313) REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee 76. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 8 Whitfield Rd. 212388 See item 212336. (ID:27314) RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 77. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 176 Curtis St. 212389 See item 212336. (ID:27315) REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION RESULT: **FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 136 Curtis St. 78. 212390 See item 212336. (ID:27316) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee 79. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 40A-F Latin Way. 212391 See item 212336. (ID:27317) REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** Licenses and Permits Committee FOLLOWUP:

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84. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 100 Talbot Ave.
212396 (ID:27324) See item 212336.
RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
85. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 73 Powderhouse Blvd.
212397 (ID:27325) See item 212336.
RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
86. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 39R Latin Way.
212398 See item 212226
(ID:27326) RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

### LATE ITEMS

87. Public

Somerville Museum Assistant Director submitting comments re: Agenda #28, Communication Public Event License, Somerville Museum Block Party.

212399 (ID:27329)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]

Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, **AYES:** 

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

88. Order 212400 (ID:27330) By City Councilor Clingan, Ballantyne, Strezo

That the Director of Finance and the Treasurer create a separate revenue account for deposit of all funds received from handicapped parking violations, and allocate said funds to the Commission for Persons with Disabilities, as authorized under MGL.

Councilor Clingan explained how the funds could be allocated to the Commission for Persons with Disabilities as authorized under Mass General Law Section 22G.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

Finance Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

89. Resolution 212401 (ID:27331) By City Councilor Scott, Mbah

That the Administration cease the lawsuit seeking to overturn the ruling of the Public Records Office, as outlined in the attached.

Councilor Scott submitted a Resolution requesting that the Administration cease the lawsuit seeking to overturn the ruling of the Public Records Office. He gave a brief background of the situation and asked that it be referred to a committee for further action.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:40 PM.