

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts**  
**Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen**

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

August 26, 2010, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

1. Roll Call                      Call of the Roll.
  
2. Minutes                        Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 15, 2010, and the Regular Meeting of June 24, 2010.

**CITATIONS**

3. Citation                        By Ald. O'Donovan, and the Entire Board  
  
   Commending Anna Lynch on the happy occasion of her 97th Birthday.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location          Grant of Location Submitted By NStar Electric to install 2,518 feet of conduit and 4 manholes in Assembly Sq. Drive and Mystic Ave.
  
5. Grant of Location          Grant of Location submitted by National Grid for a New District Regulator Station, connecting piping, and a Control Box, all at Pinckney St. at Pearl St.

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

6. Order                            By Ald. Trane, Roche  
  
   That the Director of Traffic and Parking Inventory All City Designated Handicapped Parking Spaces in the City and Provide a Map of Same on the City's Website So that Drivers May Easily Locate Them When Traveling in the City.
  
7. Resolution                      By Ald. Taylor  
  
   That This Board Requests that the Historic Commission Add 137 Summer Street to the Designated Historic District List.
  
8. Resolution                      By Ald. Taylor  
  
   That This Board Requests that the Dedication Commission Dedicate a Bench in Prospect Hill Park in Memory of Nicolena Fedele.

9. Order By Ald. Taylor  
That the Commissioner of Public Works Add the Stairway at the Rear of Prospect Hill Park to the Regular Clean Up Schedule.
10. Order By Ald. Taylor  
That the Commissioner of Public Works Repair the Sidewalk at 32 Munroe Street.
11. Order By Ald. Taylor  
That the Chief of Police Enforce the 8:00 AM Opening Time for the Nunziato Dog Park.
12. Order By Ald. Taylor  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking Review the Intersection of Beech Street and Somerville Avenue for Possible Inappropriate NO PARKING Space Allocations.
13. Order By Ald. Taylor  
That the Commissioner of Public Works Evaluate the Trees at the Bottom of Warren Avenue and Make an Effort to Restore or Replace the Damaged Trees.
14. Order By Ald. Taylor  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) Direct the Owner of the Republic Market to Ensure that Delivery Trucks Do Not Idle While Making Deliveries to the Store.
15. Resolution By Ald. Taylor, and the Entire Board  
That this Board requests that the Mass Highway Department remove the debris from the Route 28 corridor, from Assembly Square to the Cambridge line.
16. Order By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Chief of Police Provide This Board with an Update on Any Crime Complaints in Statue Park in Davis Square and Provide a Comparison of Last Year's Crime Activity at the Same Time of Year.
17. Order By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) Provide This Board with the Rationale for the \$18 Fee for Each \$1000 Dollars in Construction Cost for Installing a Green Roof on a Home, Which May Serve as a Disincentive for Residents to Install Green Roofs.

18. Order By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Superintendent of the Recreation Department Provide This Board with a Full and Complete List of All the Fields in the City Where Residents Can Play Pick Up Games of Soccer or Other Ad-Hoc Sports.
19. Order By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Commissioner of Public Works, When Blocking Off Parking Spaces, Place Signs with Dates Indicating When Spaces Are Unavailable for Parking Instead of Using NO PARKING Signs Without Indicating the Dates.
20. Order By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Commissioner of Public Works Provide This Board with the City Policy on Insect Infested Private Trees with Respect to Protecting Public Trees and Trees on the Private Property of Others.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**21. FINANCE COMMITTEE, AUGUST 25**

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance - August 25, 2010
- B. Mayor's Request Rrequest to the Board of Alderman for a Presentation and Input Meeting Relative to the East Somerville Community School (ESCS) Reconstruction Project.
- C. Mayor's Request Requesting an Appropriation of \$57,600 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the Purchase of Recycling Carts.
- D. Mayor's Request Requesting Approval for the Director of Capital Projects to Present Schematic Design Plans for the East Somerville Community School Renovation

**22. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE, AUGUST 25**

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits - August 25, 2010
- B. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, International Auto Repair Inc., 508 Somerville Ave., 2 autos inside, 8 out.
- C. License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Sally O'Brien's, 335 Somerville Ave., 8 Tables, 32 Chairs.

- D. Order By Ald. Trane  
That the City Solicitor Provide an Opinion on the Automatic Amusement Device Application for Game Underground, 1123 Broadway.
- E. Order By Ald. Desmond  
That the City Solicitor Appear at the Next Meeting of the Committee on Licenses & Permits, with an Opinion on the Automatic Amusement Device Application for Game Underground, 1123 Broadway.
- F. Order By Ald. Heuston  
That the City Solicitor Review the Ordinance Regarding Automatic Amusement Devices and Make Recommendations for Amending Same.

**23. PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, JULY 20**

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Public Utilities - July 20, 2010
- B. Order By Ald. White Jr.  
That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Superintendent of Lines and Lights confer with the City Solicitor to prepare a complaint with the Department of Public Utilities regarding NStar's service.

**24. PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, AUGUST 25**

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Public Utilities - August 25, 2010

**COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

25. Mayor's Request Requesting the appropriation of \$529,954 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to replace the Police vehicles and radios that were damaged as a result of the severe rain storm that occurred on July 10, 2010.
26. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of a transfer of a total of \$100,000 of available funds in various Salaries Accounts and the Interest on Notes-BAN Account, for the Flood Costs-Insurance Deductible Account, to fund the deductible for the building insurance policy following the July 10 flood.

27. Mayor's Request Requesting the appropriation of a mitigation payment of \$100,000 from IKEA to the Wellington Undercarriage Stabilization Fund, to assist with the Mystic River Reservation Shared Use Path.
28. Mayor's Request Requesting authorization to pay a prior year invoice of \$143.97 in the City Clerk's Office to New England Office Supplies for office supplies.
29. Mayor's Request Requesting authorization to pay an outstanding past due balance of \$27.90 with Comcast using FY11 funds.
30. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of a lease for the Lower Broadway Police Substation at 79-83 Broadway, from 9/1/10 through 8/31/11, for \$1,375 per month.
31. Mayor's Request Requesting approval for an extension of Contract #08-011, Design Consultants Inc., for the Broadway Streetscape Improvement Project, to October 1, 2013.
32. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a citywide Hazardous Substance Assessment Grant of \$200,000 from the Environmental Protection Agency for the redevelopment of brownfield sites.
33. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$9,900 by the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's Highway Safety Division to the Police for the Underage Alcohol Enforcement Grant Program.
34. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Thomas Pasquarello to the position of Chief of Police.
35. Mayor's Request Request the appointment of Jay McKenzie to the position of Permanent Firefighter.
36. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Thomas Medeiros to the position of Permanent Firefighter.
37. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of David Pantanella to the position of Permanent Firefighter.
38. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Ann Kardos to the Board of Trustees of the Somerville Public Library.
39. Mayor's Request Requesting the reappointment of Jill Rodenhiser as a Sworn Weigher.
40. Mayor's Request Requesting the reappointment of Edson Andrade as a Sworn Weigher.

**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

- 41. Officer's Request Licensing Commission proposing an amendment to Ordinance 2-219, to reduce the required weeks of legal advertisement to two from three, for certain liquor and entertainment licenses.
- 42. Officer's Request Asst. City Solicitor requesting approval of an Exemption Under Section 20(D) of G. L. C. 268A for Denis J. Chagnon, a Special Municipal Employee.
- 43. Officer's Communication Fire Chief Responding to #189914 re: a fire at 111 Glenwood Rd.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 44. License/Permit Public Event Permit, 29 Miller Street Pig Roast, 29 Miller St., Jul 31, 1-8PM.
- 45. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Mayor's Annual Picnic, Powderhouse Park, Aug 11 (raindate Aug 13).
- 46. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Prospect Hill Academy Senior Class Canning Drive, Citywide, Aug 18 4:30-6:30PM (raindate Aug 19).
- 47. License/Permit Public Event Permit,, MA Organization for Addiction Recovery "Ride for Recovery," High School Concourse, Aug 21 9-Noon (raindate Aug 22).
- 48. License/Permit Public Event Permit, USC Thesis Filming, Davis Sq., Aug 22-23, 6:30PM-6:30AM.
- 49. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Irving St. Block Party, Sep 11, 12-6PM (raindate Sep 12).
- 50. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Henderson St. Block Party, Henderson St. from Richardson St. to Wilton St., Sep 11, 12-7:30PM.
- 51. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Oak St. Block Party, Oak St. from Houghton St. to Bolton St., Sep 11, 2-5PM.
- 52. License/Permit Public Event Permit, First Church Somerville Block Party, Francesca Ave. from College Ave. to Liberty Ave., Sep 12, 3-6PM.
- 53. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Oxford St. Block Party, Oxford St. from School St. to Hersey St., Sep 12, 3-8PM.
- 54. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Alpha Omicron Pi, 25 Whitfield Rd.
- 55. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Alpha Phi, 14 Sawyer Ave.

- 56. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Theta Chi, 100 Packard Ave.
- 57. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Sigma Phi Epsilon, 114 Curtis St.
- 58. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Martha Lee Trust, 170 Highland Ave., 15 spaces.
- 59. License/Permit Renewing Livery License, Diamond J Livery & Limousine Transportation, 132 Summer St., 1 auto.
- 60. License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealer's Class 2 License, A+ Auto Body, 297 Medford St., 0 autos.
- 61. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, TC Auto Exchange, 176-178 Tremont St., 2 autos in, 12 out.
- 62. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Mike's Automotive Services, 298 Somerville Ave., 10 autos in, 10 out.
- 63. License/Permit New Junk Dealer's License, Delta Jewelry & Refining, 90 Highland Ave., gold, silver and jewelry.
- 64. License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, New Asia, 328 Somerville Ave., 8 tables, 32 chairs.
- 65. License/Permit Renewing Taxi Medallion, Med #1, ODJ Taxi Inc.
- 66. License/Permit Renewing Taxi Medallion, Med #19, Gardy Inc.
- 67. License/Permit Renewing Taxi Medallion, Med #48, Elysse Corp.

**LATE ITEMS**

- 68. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, Desmond  
That the Commissioner of Public Works Appear Before the Subcommittee on Public Utilities and Public Works to Report on the Progress of the Magoun Sqaure Reconstruction Project and to Discuss Its Completion.
- 69. Resolution By Ald. O'Donovan  
That This Board Requests that the Administration Place a Moratorium on All Parking Meters in Magoun Square, Thereby Leaving Meters at 6:00 PM Going Forward After Construction.
- 70. Order By Ald. O'Donovan  
That the Commissioner of Public Works Clear the Overgrowth at the Bottom of Henderson and Nashua Streets, Adjacent to the Railroad Tracks.

71. Order By Ald. O'Donovan  
That the Commissioner of Public Works Repair the Cracks in the Street in Front of 26 Rogers Avenue.
72. Order By Ald. O'Donovan  
That the Commissioner of Public Works Repave Albion Place as Soon as Possible.
73. Order By Ald. O'Donovan  
That the Director of SPCD Appear Before This Board to Report on the Delay of the Development of the Undeveloped Portion of the Community Path from Cedar Street to the Lowell Street Bridge.
74. Order By Ald. O'Donovan  
That This Board Begin Financial/Budget Discussions with the Administration and the School Committee to Prepare for Governor Patrick's 9-C, Cuts (Coming This Fall), Any and All Union Contract Negotiations And/Or Arbitration Issues and Potential Shortfalls Anticipated for the Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Process.
75. Order By Ald. O'Donovan  
That the Commissioner of Public Works Trim and Inspect the Tree at 115 Hudson Street and Remove it for Safety Reasons, If Necessary.
76. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Prospect Hill Academy Senior Class Canning Drive, Citywide, Aug 30, 4:30-6:30PM (raindate Sep 1).
77. License/Permit Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets International Movie Nights, Sep 10-11, 7-10:30PM (raindates Sep 17-18).
78. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Open Air Circus Yard Sale, Davis Sq. Seven Hills Park, Sep 11 9-4PM (raindate Sep 25).
79. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Starlab End of Summer Yard Sale and Musical Performance, 32 Prospect St., Sep 11, 12-9PM.
80. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Dean's Birthday Party, 58-60 Atherton St., Sep 11, 3-9PM.
81. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Boston and Prichard Avenue Block Party, Boston Ave. from Kidder to Prichard Aves., Sep 12, 3-7PM (raindate Sep 19).

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- 82. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Prospect Hill Block Party, Munroe St. from Greenville St. to Prospect Hill Pkwy., Sep 12, 3-7PM (raindate Oct 3).
  - 83. License/Permit Public Event Permit, ECE All Star Cheerleader Canning Drive, Broadway at McGrath Hwy., Sep 18 and 25, 9-1PM (raindates Sep 19 and 26, 4-7PM).
  - 84. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Brian Higgins Road Race, Ball Sq. and area streets, Sep. 19, 9-3PM.
  - 85. License/Permit Public Event Permit, High School Senior Class Car Wash, High School Concourse, Sep 25, 9-1PM (raindate Sep 26).
  - 86. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Nissenbaum's Auto Parts 100th Anniversary Celebration, Columbia St., Oct. 3, 9-5PM.
  - 87. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Redbones Oktoberfest Block Party, Chester St. from Elm to Herbert Sts., Oct. 3, 7-6PM (raindate Oct. 17).
  - 88. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Foundry on Elm Oktoberfest Block Party, Elm St. from Day to Chester Sts., Oct. 3, 12-6PM (raindate Oct. 17).
  - 89. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Mike's Restaurant Oktoberfest Block Party, Elm St. from Day to Chester Sts., Oct. 3, 12-6PM (raindate Oct. 17).
  - 90. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Diva Oktoberfest Block Party, Elm St. from Day to Chester Sts., Oct. 3, 12-6PM (raindate Oct. 17).
  - 91. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Joshua Tree Oktoberfest Block Party, Elm St. from Day to Chester Sts., Oct. 3, 12-6PM (raindate Oct. 17).
  - 92. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Burren Oktoberfest Block Party, Elm St. from Day to Chester Sts., Oct. 3, 12-6PM (raindate Oct. 17).
  - 93. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Women's Commission Candlelight Vigil for Domestic Violence, Davis Sq. Statue Park, Oct. 6, 6PM.
  - 94. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees, 12 Dearborn Rd.
  - 95. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Hillside House, 32 Dearborn Rd.
  - 96. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Anthony House, 14 Professors Row.

- 97. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Capen House, 8 Professors Row.
- 98. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Richardson House, 28 Professors Row.
- 99. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Metcalf Hall, 56-64 Professors Row.
- 100. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees, 92 Professors Row.
- 101. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees, 106 Professors Row.
- 102. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Wilson House, 136 Curtis St.
- 103. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees, 9-11 Sunset Rd.
- 104. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees, 176 Curtis St.
- 105. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees, 90-94 Curtis St.
- 106. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees, 45 Sawyer Ave.
- 107. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Bartol House, 37 Sawyer Ave.
- 108. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Davies House, 13 Sawyer Ave.
- 109. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Milne House, 8 Whitfield Rd.
- 110. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Schmalz House, 15 Whitfield Rd.
- 111. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Wyeth House, 21 Whitfield Rd.
- 112. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Hall House, 98 Packard Ave.
- 113. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Chandler House, 125 Powderhouse Blvd.
- 114. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees, 101 Talbot Ave.

- 115. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Start House, 17 Latin Way.
- 116. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Stratton Hall, 45 Talbot Ave.
- 117. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Sophia Gordon Hall, 13-15 Talbot Ave.
- 118. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees South Hall, 73 Powderhouse Blvd.
- 119. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Latin Way Dormitory, 40 A-F Latin Way.
- 120. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Haskell Hall, 43 Latin Way.
- 121. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Bush Hall, 29 Latin Way.
- 122. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Tilton Hall, 39R Latin Way.
- 123. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Lewis Hall, 75-85 Packard Ave.
- 124. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts Trustees Hodgdon Hall, 100 Talbot Ave.
- 125. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Zeta Psi Fraternity Kappa Chapter, 80 Professors Row.
- 126. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Delta Tau Delta Foundation at Tufts University, 98 Professors Row.
- 127. Public Communication Senator Kerry responding to #189878 re: HR5297, the Small Business Jobs and Credit Act of 2010.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk