



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Committee Meeting

Wednesday - November 29, 2017, 6:00 PM
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

(Posted online: 11/25/17 at 8:21 AM)

- 1. Approval of the October 16, 2017 Minutes**
- 2. 203222: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That this Board’s Committee on Housing and Community Development meet with representatives of Tufts University for an update on the conversion of wood frame office-houses into residential housing in Medford and Somerville.
- 3. 203981: Discuss** (Niedergang, Davis) – That the Director of SPCD develop a Memorial Bench Program for public parks, the Community Path and other public property, and report back to this Board by October 12, 2017.
- 4. 204321: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Administration create a Pedestrian Safety Committee. (2nd request)
- 5. 202021: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the feasibility of demolishing the bus shelter at Broadway and Cedar Street and replacing it with a garden, small park or sitting area. (2nd request)
- 6. 203563: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of SPCD provide bi-annual progress reports on Assembly Square, Gilman Square, Lowell Street, Winter Hill, and future planned neighborhoods as they are completed.
- 7. 204322: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of Finance and the Director of SPCD report on the financial and planning progress in the planned neighborhoods referenced in #203563.

8. **200700: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the plan and timeline for implementing the recommendations in the recent report of the Sustainable Neighborhoods Working Group.
9. **203593: Discuss** (Ballantyne, and the Entire Board) – That the Director of SPCD provide a bi-annual progress report on the 100 Homes Initiative, specifically relating to the new affordable off-site housing units granted by the Planning Board to FRIT on May 18, 2017.
10. **203749: Discuss** (Heuston, and the Entire Board) – That the Director of SPCD focus workforce development plans on vulnerable adults, determine if additional funds are needed, and provide this Board with a quarterly progress report.
11. **201837: Discuss** (Davis) – That the Director SPCD report to this Board on the process to notify the public of late changes to Zoning Board of Appeals agendas including the agenda posted on the city's website.
12. **203564: Discuss** (Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., and the Entire Board) – That the Director of SPCD incorporate into the initial notice to abutters of development projects, that they may submit their e-mail address to the Planning Department for updates as the designs or plan change.
13. **203698: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of SPCD discuss options property owners have to split lots in residential neighborhoods.
14. **200517: Discuss** (Connolly, Davis, Heuston, Sullivan, Rossetti, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne) – That the Mayor or his designee report at this Board's January 14, 2016 meeting on the status of the Green Line Extension into Union Square and beyond.
15. **202802: Discuss** (Davis) – That the Administration update this Board on the proposed development at the MBTA shaft site on Summer Street.
16. **203018: Discuss** Planning Director responding to #202802 re: the MBTA 343-351 Summer Street shaft site.
17. **203951: Discuss** (Heuston, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.) – That the Director of SPCD inform the Ward 2 Alderman of the impact of new designs for Inman Square traffic on Lincoln Park neighborhoods, including any changes to MBTA service, and post this information as an FAQ on the city's website.
18. **204306: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Director of SPCD contact the MBTA to confirm changes to Bus Route #91, then report back to this Board why they were made and how they will be communicated to residents.

19. **204307: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Director of SPCD report to the MBTA the variation of routes drivers use for the #91 and #86 buses, and inquire as to the permanent routes the drivers should be using.
20. **204308: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Director of SPCD commission a transportation study of the Union Square area to determine the current state of traffic, then present the findings at a community meeting.
21. **204392: Discuss** (McWatters) – That the Director of SPCD consider allowing a representative and/or resident from Prospect Hill to be involved in the selection of a Landscape Architect for the renovation of Prospect Hill Park.
22. **204511: Discuss** Tufts University submitting its Fall 2017 University Accountability report.
23. **204512: Discuss** Harvard University submitting its Fall 2017 University Accountability report.