



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

Tuesday - December 14, 2010, 7:00 PM

Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

- **(ID # 1078): Discuss in Committee** An Ordinance Regarding Providing a Procedure for Reasonable Accommodation in the City's Land Use and Zoning and Building Regulations Pursuant to the Fair Housing Laws.
- **(ID # 1333): Discussion** Maryanne Manfra Submitting Comments Re: #188655, Amending the Local Historic District Ordinance (Group B).
- ***** 187850: By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment work with the Environment and Energy and Legislative Matters Committees to explore a Green Roof Improvement Program similar to one in Chicago, IL.**
- **187978: Recommendation** Requesting Approval of an Ordinance Regarding Weeds, Grass and Overgrowth.
- **188371: Discuss in Committee** That the City Solicitor Prepare an Amendment to Sec. 9.9 (C) of the City's Zoning Ordinances by Striking the Words "Per Street Line" as Indicated Herein, Such that Only One Curbcut Shall be Allowed for Lots in Residence a and B Districts.
- **188396: Recommend** Requesting Approval of a Home Rule Petition to Amend the City Charter to Bring it into Conformity with Current State Law and Streamline Enactment of Administrative Matters.
- ***** 188587: By Ald. Connolly, That the Director of Planning report back to this Board's Committee on Legislative Matters the number of curb cuts that could potentially exist on residential corner lots.**

- **189163: Recommend** An Order Adopting Appendix 120.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, Known as the Stretch Energy Code, as the Energy Code for the City of Somerville
- **189286: Recommend** Ordinance Amending the Local Historic District Map to Create Five (5) New Districts (East Somerville, Hinckley-Magoun, Orchard Street, Prospect Hill, and Union Square) and Add Seventeen (17) Properties to These Districts, and to Add Five (5) Properties to Central-Atherton-Spring-Summer (CASS) District (Group C)
- **189880: Discuss in Committee** That the Environmental Programs Manager investigate creating a paper/plastic recycling initiative at fast food establishments.
- **190072: Discuss in Committee** That the City Solicitor Draft an Ordinance to Regulate and Require Permits for Paving on Residential and Commercial Properties.
- **190158: Recommend** Requesting approval of an Ordinance to add or amend provisions for vegetative overgrowth, hazardous trees, outdoor wood storage, inoperable vehicles, unregistered vehicles, and the storage of boats or recreational vehicles.
- **190286: Recommend** Requesting an amendment to Ordinance 9-56 regarding vegetative overgrowth, hazardous trees, and outdoor wood storage, and associated fines.
- **190381: Recommend** Requesting an amendment to the Local Historic District Map to create 3 new Districts (Thurston-Walnut, Pearl, and 9 Brastow) and add 6 properties to these Districts, and to add 5 properties to existing Districts (Central-Atherton-Spring-Summer (CASS), Florence-Myrtle, Flint, and Prospect Hill) (Group D).
- **190445: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of SPCD meet with representatives from Federal Realty Investment Trust and the utility companies involved in Assembly Square on the Stretch Energy Code, and report back to the Committee on Legislative Matters on or before February 1, 2011.
- **190446: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of SPCD consult the the Boston Society of Architects about building projects with the Stretch Energy Code and report back to the Committee on Legislative Matters with any recommendations.
- **190596: Recommend** City Solicitor responding to #190451 re: Lowell's paving ordinance, and submitting a draft paving ordinance.
- **190570: Recommend** City Solicitor conveying Home Rule Petition language re: #188396, a proposal to amend the City Charter.