

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

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

May 8, 2014, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. #196878 Call of the Roll.  
Roll Call

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

Alderman Sullivan requested a moment of silence in recognition of Robert Ventura and Rosa Bonavita. Alderman Connolly requested a moment of silence in recognition of Roseanne Peterson.

2. #196879 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, April 10, 2014.  
Minutes

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**CITATIONS**

3. #196880 Citation  
By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board and the Mayor  
Commending Holiday Cleaners, which is closing after 50 years of expert dry cleaning services.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman McWatters introduced former Alderman Taylor, who presented the citation to Kate and Bill Ragusa.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. #196881 Submitted by Lightower Fiber Networks, for a new manhole and 100 feet of Grant of Location conduit from the manhole to an existing pole, on Washington Street near New Washington Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Jay Dunn, representing Lightower, explained that the ultimate goal of the work is to increase bandwidth in the area.

5. #196882 Submitted by RCN, for 30 feet of conduit from a manhole to a pole on Inner Grant of Location Belt Road near Third Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Jay Dunn, representing RCN, described the connections involved in the work. President White asked how RCN is doing on the double poles, and questioned the urgency of the project. Mr. Dunn responded the new customer seeks fiber as soon as possible. Alderman Sullivan stated he would like to approve the item to benefit the customer but he is still concerned about the double-pole issue, and he asked that Mr. Dunn communicate the board's concerns to RCN.

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

6. #196883 By Ald. McLaughlin  
Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police increase enforcement of parking regulations at the bus stop in front of 240 Pearl Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

7. #196884 By Ald. McLaughlin  
Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken street sign at the corner of Tufts and Cross Streets.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

8. #196885 By Ald. McLaughlin  
Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk and street signs at the corner of Broadway and Melvin Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

9. #196886 Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz, White Jr.  
That the Administration provide this Board with an update, in writing and within 2 weeks, on accessibility and improvements to the West Branch Library.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Gewirtz expressed concerns about the inaccessibility of the library and stated she would like an update on how the library is adapting to changing technology. She noted citizens are concerned that the Davis Square branch is not the priority. Alderman Niedergang thanked her for bringing this issue forward.

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

10. #196887 Order By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Director of SPCD publicize the schedule for Kenney Park improvements on the website and cable wheel.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Gewirtz announced construction is scheduled to begin soon and expressed excitement about the features planned for the site. Alderman Connolly asked that the administration move the John Kenny memorial statue to the park. See #196967, #91 on the Agenda.

11. #196888 Order By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Director of SPCD publicize the Davis Square Streetscapes construction timeline.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Gewirtz requested the timeline for the project be publicized. Alderman Connolly expressed concern that the work will not take place this year and assured the Board that he will be following up with staff.

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

12. #196889 Order By Ald. Lafuente  
That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board to present all purchase orders, payments and inventory for the \$26,000 appropriation approved during FY14 budget hearings.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

13. #196890  
Order
- By Ald. Lafuente  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) appear before this Board to provide an update on complaints, fines and resolutions associated with 100 The Fellsway.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

14. #196891  
Order
- By Ald. Lafuente  
That the Director of the SPCD (ISD) and the City Solicitor appear before this Board to discuss the city's schedule of fines and how and/or why they have or have not been used fully.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Lafuente suggested the city consider more aggressive methods in dealing with absentee landlords. With Alderman Connolly as Chair, Alderman White moved that the Board support a pending bill in the State legislature to increase the number of housing courts in the commonwealth, and placing one in Somerville. See #196968, #92 on the Agenda.

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

15. #196892  
Communication
- By Ald. Rossetti  
Conveying information relative to an upcoming meeting of the Local Government Advisory Commission.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

16. #196893  
Order
- By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) direct the owner of 71 Cross Street to remove litter from the property.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

17. #196894  
Order
- By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Commissioner of Public Works install temporary bus stop signs along lower Broadway during the reconstruction there.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

18. #196895  
Order
- By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking request that the operator of the school bus traveling on Brook Street use an alternate route.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

19. #196896 Order By Ald. Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole on Cherry Street near Summer Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

20. #196897 Order By Ald. Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the 3 street lights that are out in Junction Park.

**RESULT: WITHDRAWN**

21. #196898 Order By Ald. Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the streetlight that is out on Woodbine Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

22. #196899 Ordinance By Ald. Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne Amending the Zoning Code to protect and promote affordable housing.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Alderman Niedergang asked that Fred Berman be allowed to speak on the item. There being no objection, Mr. Berman, 25 Cherry Street, reviewed issues with the current code, presented proposed amendments, and requested the support of board members. The item was also referred to the Planning Board.

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

23. #196900 Resolution By Ald. Niedergang That the Administration update the Ward 5 Alderman and this Board in writing within 3 weeks on the plan to use the \$220,000 in traffic mitigation funds paid by Maxwell's Green in 2011 for traffic calming on Lowell Street around the bridge, especially since the extension of the Community Path will be completed in September, generating pedestrian and bicycle activity on the bridge.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Niedergang emphasized the urgency of the matter and expressed concern that the issue would not be resolved before the new path is completed.

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

24. #196901 Order By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters That the Director of Traffic and Parking place signs at Porter and Elm Streets, and at Porter and Summer Streets, prohibiting thru traffic on lower Porter Street 6-9 AM and 4-7 PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

25. #196902 Order By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters That the Director of Traffic and Parking install temporary speed bumps on lower Porter Street, between Summer and Elm Streets, to reduce traffic speed.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

26. #196903 Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz That the Commission of Public Works remove the graffiti tags on the Buena Vista parking lot wall near the entrance to the loading dock off Holland Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

27. #196904 Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz That the Commission of Public Works repair the sunken catch basin opposite 167 College Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

28. #196905 Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz That the Commission of Public Works repair the depression in the roadway on Morrison Avenue near its intersection with Grove Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

29. #196906 Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz That the Chief of Police review patrols of the Davis Square area, especially around the community path from the T-stop to the Cambridge line, and consider adding an additional foot patrol officer daily from 4 PM to midnight.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

30. #196907 Order By Ald. Connolly, Lafuente, McLaughlin  
That the Commission of Public Works repair the potholes and depressions along Broadway from Winter Hill to Boston.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

31. #196908 Order By Ald. Connolly, Niedergang  
That the Commission of Public Works repair the damaged roadway on Cedar Street between Highland Avenue and Summer Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

32. #196909 Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz  
That the Commission of Public Works and/or the Director of SPCD report to the Ward 6 Alderman and the At-Large Aldermen on the status of the sidewalk repairs in Davis Square.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

33. #196910 Order By Ald. Connolly, McWatters  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) order the immediate removal of the non-compliant exterior light on the new building at 128 Highland Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman McWatters suggested that ISD pull the certificate of occupancy until the developer responds if the issue cannot be resolved by other means.

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

34. #196911 Resolution By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang  
That the Administration repave Porter Street, from Elm Street to Highland Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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

35. #196912 Order By Ald. McWatters  
That the Commission of Public Works explain to the Ward 3 Alderman why the double pole at 42 Columbus Avenue has yet to be removed and include a date certain when it will be.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

36. #196913 Order By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the banks of the Mystic River along Assembly Row and ensure that a regular cleaning schedule is put in place.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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

37. #196914 Order By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the leaking exterior water faucet at the Blessing of the Bay boathouse.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

38. #196915 Order By Ald. Ballantyne That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Conwell Avenue between North Street and Hillsdale Road.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

39. #196916 Order By Ald. Ballantyne That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Broadway, at Mason Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

40. #196917 Order By Ald. Ballantyne That the Commissioner of Public Works advise the Ward 7 Alderman regarding when curb cuts will be made on Malvern Avenue near Cameron Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

41. #195980 Citation By Ald. The Entire Board Commending outgoing Alderman Thomas F. Taylor for his outstanding service to the people of Ward Three and the entire City as Alderman, from 1986 to 2013, making him the longest-serving Ward Alderman in the City's history.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

The Board and Mayor Joseph Curtatone spoke about their experiences with Alderman Taylor and thanked him for his advice, dedication, and service. Representatives from the Duhamel Education Initiative presented



an award to Alderman Taylor. Alderman Taylor thanked those present, as well as members of his family for their support.

42. #196763 Citation By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Colonel Mark Cremin, former Ward Six Alderman, who is retiring from the US Army after 30 years of dedicated service as a Judge Advocate.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

Alderman Connolly spoke about Colonel Cremin's accomplishments and reported that he has agreed to serve as Grand Marshal in the Memorial Day parade.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

43. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. #196918 Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on May 7, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Lafuente reported that the committee discussed updates on appropriate procedures related to Assembly Row and then adjourned the meeting due to lack of department heads present to discuss the items before the committee. He stressed that the appropriate department head must be present at any committee meeting taking up items affecting that department, or inform him of their absence well before the meeting.

- B. #196471 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a \$13,000 grant from the Metro Mayors Community Safety Initiative, for the Police Department's Shannon Grant for youth violence prevention.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- C. #196732 Mayor's Request Requesting approval to retain the services of Stephen Leonard as outside counsel for arbitration proceedings with Wynn Resorts.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

- D. #196919 Order By Ald. White Jr. That the City Solicitor advise whether this Board has the authority to pass an ordinance that requires the approval of this Board for any agreement for payment in lieu of taxes.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

44. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- A. #196920 Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, Committee Report meeting on April 28, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Niedergang reported the committee discussed affordable housing and local hiring and jobs. He review recent achievements and committee member concerns.

45. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- A. #196921 Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, Committee Report meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on April 28, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Niedergang reported that the board discussed developments in Union Square and a proposed major plan change to the existing Assembly Square Urban Renewal Plan. He reviewed presentations and questions and emphasized the need to consider the changes in depth. Alderman White questioned spending money on a plan that will not be implemented for fifteen years, especially when the information is based on current property values. He questioned how eminent domain would be applied to nearby buildings. Alderman Heuston asked if the presentation that was made at the meeting could be made available on the website. Alderman Heuston asked if the amendments addressed the 2002 Plan. Alderman White pointed out the 2002 changes were amendments to an earlier redevelopment plan. Mr. Glavin reported that the last major plan change to the urban renewal plan occurred in 2002, prompting the study and analysis to provide more current information. Alderman Rossetti asked if any businesses had been taken by eminent domain for the current buildup of Assembly Square. Alderman Niedergang responded in the negative and explained there was an agreement on both sides. Mayor Curtatone emphasized the importance of updating the study and commented eminent domain should be the last resort, but is an important tool in developing the area. He stated development is vibrant in Assembly Square and he does not believe the conditions will change drastically in fifteen years. Alderman White spoke about the creation of the redevelopment plan and basing the economic plan on a timely model. He expressed concern about an un-elected body taking the lead in the plan. Mayor Curtatone stated he has no doubt the city will be successful.

46. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. #196922 Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on April 29, 2014.  
Committee Report

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Gewirtz noted she was recused from discussion of the Complete Streets Ordinance due to her work in her day job. She reported the committee set a schedule for discussion of the items that are currently in committee. She reported the committee also discussed restricting formula businesses and she asked that Planning staff attend the meeting on May 13th to comment on the item. She stated the committee also discussed use of the post office building in the community. She moved to divide the report to approve it except for the Complete Streets Ordinance. Alderman Rossetti then discussed the ordinance.

- B. #193587 Requesting approval of a Complete Streets Ordinance to insure equal access  
Mayor's Request for all users of the public ways.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

Alderman Rossetti reported that the committee recommends approval of the item. Preside White suggested a motion to substitute #80 on the agenda for the item that had been separated from the report. Alderman Rossetti moved accordingly and the motion was approved. The Ordinance was Approved, Enrolled, and Ordained as submitted in #196956, #80 on the agenda.

- C. #194075 By Ald. Roche  
Order That the City Solicitor review the proposed ordinance, referred to as Chapter 12, Article VII, Complete Streets Ordinance, to limit city liability.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- D. #194076 By Ald. Roche  
Order That the City Solicitor review the proposed ordinance, referred to as Chapter 12, Article VII, Complete Streets Ordinance, to determine what happens in Section (6) when state guidelines change; and to determine if the cost in Section (7) is proportional to the project and how the difference would impact the city.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

47. PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

- A. #196923 Report of the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works, meeting on Committee Report May 7, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman McWatters stated that the committee determined that there were initially 400 double poles in the city, but now that number is down to 56. He reported that the committee discussed concerns and possible solutions. He noted Alderman Ballantyne's concern about rotting poles in her ward and Alderman Niedergang's concern regarding open public schools during snow days. Alderman White commented the double issue impacts many Somerville residents and thanked the committee for their efforts.

- B. #195791 Order By Ald. Heuston That the Commissioner of Public Works request information from NSTAR on power outages over the last 2 years in the area of Hunting and South Streets and provide that information to the Ward 2 Alderman.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- C. #195834 Order By Ald. Heuston That the Commissioner of Public Works contact NStar about power outages in the Hunting Street area over the last year and report back to this Board.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- D. #195844 Order By Ald. O'Keefe That the Commissioner of Public Works send a communication to NSTAR requesting an updated list of double poles in the city.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- E. #196004 Order By Ald. O'Keefe That the Clerk of Committees request the Commissioner of Public Works to provide to the Committee on Public Utilities and Works ASAP a response to #195844, seeking an updated list of double poles from NStar.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- F. #196211 Order By Ald. Niedergang That the Director of SPCD (ISD) investigate the reason for water being pumped out of the basement at 26 Woodbine Street and take steps to stop the leakage and report the results to the Ward 5 Alderman. (2nd request-see #196152)

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- G. #196348 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/27/14.  
Officer's  
Communication

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- H. #196428 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 3/13/14.  
Officer's  
Communication

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- I. #196613 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted March  
Officer's 27, 2014.  
Communication

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- J. #196806 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/10/14.  
Officer's  
Communication

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

48. YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

- A. #196924 Report of the Committee on Youth Services, meeting on April 30, 2014.  
Committee Report

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Rossetti reported the committee is on target for meeting their 2014 goals and presented discussion topics from the meeting including data collection and outreach.

- B. #196224 By Ald. Rossetti  
Resolution That the Director of Teen Empowerment update this Board on its annual accomplishments and goals in place.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- C. #196726 By Ald. Ballantyne, and the Entire Board  
Order That the Superintendent of Recreation and the Youth Programming Coordinator research a plan for open gym and unstructured play in schools in the west, central and east parts of the city.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- D. #196727 Order By Ald. Ballantyne, McLaughlin That the Superintendent of Recreation and the Youth Programming Coordinator share their marketing and outreach plans to promote programs.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

**COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

49. #196925 Officer's Communication School Superintendent conveying that the Public Schools are in compliance with the ban on expanded polystyrene food containers.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

Alderman Sullivan moved to waive the readings of items 49 and 50. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

50. #196926 Officer's Communication Licensing Commission responding to #196781 re: regulating when certain liquor establishments can leave their doors open.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

**NEW BUSINESS**

51. #196927 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council SomDance Series, locations citywide, May 17-Jun 27, various times.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Sullivan moved to waive the readings of items 51 through 69. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

52. #196928 License/Permit Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets Bad Movie Night, Chuckie Harris Park, Aug 9, 6-11:15PM (raindate Aug 16).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

53. #196929 Withdrawn Withdrawn.

54. #196930 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, K.B. Aruda Construction.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

55. #196931 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, Marchi Paving.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

56. #196932 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, E.B. Rotondi and Sons.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

57. #196933 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, F.E. French Construction.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

58. #196934 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, Brooksdale Construction.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

59. #196935 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, C.M. Conway Construction.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

60. #196936 License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Pearl Street Auto, 182 Pearl St.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

61. #196937 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Pearl Street Auto, 182 Pearl St.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

62. #196938 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Metro Auto Repair, 47 Webster Ave.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

63. #196939 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Mike's Automotive Services, 298 Somerville Ave.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

64. #196940 License/Permit Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Wang's Fast Food, 509 Broadway.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

65. #196941 License/Permit Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Red House Restaurant, 24 Union Sq.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

66. #196942 License/Permit Renewing Junk Dealer's License, Sunshine Lucy's, 93 Holland St.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

67. #196943 License/Permit Transferring Taxi Medallion License, Medallion #60 from Ike Inc to God's Blessing Cab Inc.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

68. #196944 License/Permit Transferring Taxi Medallion License, Medallion #61 from Ike Inc to My Cab Inc.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

69. #196945 License/Permit Transferring Taxi Medallion License, Medallion #78 from Ike Inc to Jeko Cab Inc.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**



70. #196946 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that there are enough trash receptacles along the Assembly Square waterway, adding additional barrels where needed.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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

71. #196947 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the numerous potholes on Franklin Street, between Broadway and Pearl Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

72. #196948 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works contact MA Highway to clean up the trash underneath I-93, on the way to Assembly Square.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

73. #196949 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the flickering street light in front of 46 Franklin Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

74. #196950 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$1,212,158 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the FY2014 Snow Removal deficit.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Alderman Lafuente moved to waive the readings of items 74 through 76. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

75. #196951 Mayor's Request Requesting Transfers Totaling \$300,000 from the DPW Sanitation Division to the Snow Removal Account to help mitigate the FY 2014 Snow Removal deficit.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

76. #196952 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$22,125.85 from the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management, for the Police Department's target hardening project.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

77. #196953 Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Alexander Lorenti to the position of Police Officer.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Alderman Hueston moved to waive the readings of items 77 through 79. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

78. #196954 Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Shaun Clark to the position of Police Officer.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

79. #196955 Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Edward Barnard as a Special Police Officer.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

80. #196956 Officer's Request SPCD Director of Transportation requesting the adoption of an updated "Complete Streets Ordinance," inclusive of amendments made at the April 29, 2014, Legislative Matters Committee.

**RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDNANIED [UNANIMOUS]**

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Rebekah L. Gewirtz

Alderman Gewirtz was recused, and the item was discussed under the Legislative Matters Committee report.

81. #196957 Officer's Request City Clerk submitting two proposed Rules for this Board's consideration, for the maintenance of Board and Committee minutes with respect to the Open Meeting Law.

**RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE**

President White directed the item be laid on the table until the next meeting.

82. #196958 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted April  
Officer's 24, 2014.  
Communication

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

Alderman Sullivan motioned to waive the reading of item 82. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee  
Public Health and Public Safety Committee  
Finance Committee  
Flood Forum Special Committee

83. #196959 New Extended Operating Hours License, Papa John's Pizza, 622 Somerville  
License/Permit Ave., opening Sun-Thu to 2 AM, Fri-Sat to 3 AM.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Alderman Sullivan motioned to waive the reading of items 83 through 89, and approve all except item 83 which requires a public hearing. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

84. #196960 New Junk Dealer License, Kay Jewelers, 360 Artisan Way, buying and  
License/Permit selling jewelry.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

85. #196961 Renewing Garage License, Jim's Heavy Duty Service, 42 Joy St.  
License/Permit

**RESULT: APPROVED**

86. #196962 Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Pat's Towing, 160 McGrath Hwy.  
License/Permit

**RESULT: APPROVED**

87. #196963 Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Tufts Mayer Campus Center,  
License/Permit 44 Professors Row.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

88. #196964 Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Tufts Tisch Library Cafe, 35  
License/Permit Professors Row.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

89. #196965 License/Permit Renewing Fortune Teller License, Spiritual New Age Boutique, 153 Washington Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**LATE ITEMS**

90. #196966 Resolution By Ald. The Entire Board, and the Mayor That this Board hereby designates Thomas Taylor as Alderman Emeritus for the City of Somerville.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

91. #196967 Resolution By Ald. Connolly That the Administration update this Board on moving the statue of John Kenney from the T-stop Headhouse on Holland Street to the renovated Kenney Park.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

92. #196968 Resolution By Ald. White Jr. Supporting a State Bill that would increase the number of Housing Courts in the State, and place one in Somerville.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

93. #196969 Order By Ald. McWatters That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait the sewers on Ibbetson Street from Somerville Avenue to Kimbal St.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

94. #196970 Order By Ald. Gewirtz That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility companies to remove the double pole at the corner of Willow and Kidder Avenues.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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

95. #196971 Mayor's Request Requesting an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Section 7.13.A, to require a special permit to establish ground floor office uses in the corridor commercial and transit oriented districts.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Also referred to the Planning Board.

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

96. #196972 Mayor's Request Requesting approval to obtain outside legal counsel for labor relations negotiations, arbitration, and other proceedings.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

97. #196973 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$5,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Law Department Legal Services Account to retain outside labor counsel.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.