

# CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

## LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Thursday - May 2, 2019, 6:00 PM Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Approval of the April 4, 2019 Minutes
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Tree Preservation Ordinance (See https://www.somervillema.gov/news/public-hearing-tues-312-regulation-private-tree-removal for draft ordinance and other documents.)

- **3. 207498: Recommend** (Niedergang, Scott, Davis, Mbah) Proposing a strengthened, comprehensive Tree Preservation Ordinance to protect trees on City and private property.
- **4. 207646: Discuss** Renee Scott submitting comments re: #207498, the Tree Protection Ordinance.
- **5. 207697: Discuss** 16 residents submitting comments re: #207498, the Tree Protection Ordinance.
- **6. 207868: Discuss** 5 residents submitting comments re: #207461 and #207498, Tree Protection Ordinances.
- **7. 208019: Discuss** Anne Taylor submitting comments re: #207461 and #207498, Tree Protection Ordinance.
  - Short-Term Rentals Ordinance (See www.somervillema.gov/strs for revised draft ordinance and other documents.)
- 8. 206613: Recommend City Solicitor submitting an ordinance to require the registration of

- short term rental properties.
- **9. 206892: Discuss** Chris Dwan submitting comments re: #206613, a proposed Ordinance for short-term rental properties.
- **10. 207869: Discuss** 3 residents submitting comments re: #206613, a proposed Ordinance for short-term rental properties.

#### **Length of Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals terms**

- **11. 207938: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to reflect a 3-year term for Planning Board members.
- **12. 207939: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the City Solicitor draft a Home Rule Petition to change the Zoning Board of Appeals members' terms to 3 years.

### Voting rights in municipal elections for 16 & 17 year-old citizens

- **13. 207393: Recommend** Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition to provide legal voting rights in municipal elections for residents aged 16 and 17 years old.
- **14. 207998: Discuss** 4 residents submitting comments re: #207393, permitting 16-17 year-olds to vote in municipal elections.