



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## Land Use Committee

### Regular Meeting Agenda

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Thursday, April 16, 2026

6:00 PM

City Council Chamber and Remote  
Participation

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#### Roll Call

1. Committee Minutes (ID # [25-1859](#)) **Agenda Ready:** Approval of the Minutes of the Land Use Committee Meeting of December 4, 2025.
2. Public Hearings
  - 2.1. Public Communication (ID # [26-0287](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** 26 registered voters requesting a Zoning Text Amendment to amend the Zoning Ordinance sections 3.1.8c, 3.1.9c, 3.1.10c, 3.1.13k, 3.1.13l, 3.2.12l. and 3.2.12m.
  - 2.2. Public Communication (ID # [26-0257](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Union 2 Associates, LLC requesting a Zoning Map Amendment to change the zoning district of 2 and 9 Union Square, 286, 290, and 298 Somerville Avenue from Commercial Core 5 (CC5) to Mid-Rise 6 (MR6).

- 2.3. Public Communication (ID # [26-0330](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** 29 registered voters requesting a Zoning Text Amendment to amend Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.12 Backyard Cottage.
- 2.4. Public Communication (ID # [26-0329](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** 14 registered voters requesting a Zoning Text Amendment to amend the Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.12 Backyard Cottage.
- 2.5. Public Communication (ID # [26-0328](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** 14 registered voters requesting a Zoning Text Amendment to amend Zoning Ordinance Section 12.2.2 regarding affordable dwelling units.
- 2.6. Public Communication (ID # [26-0327](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** 29 registered voters requesting a Zoning Text Amendment to amend Zoning Ordinance Section 15.7.2.d Zoning Board of Appeals Board Rules.

For Deliberation

3. Mayor's Request (ID # [26-0204](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting ordainment of an amendment to Section 8.1 of the Zoning Ordinance to provide for larger buildings, additional dimensional flexibility, and fewer use restrictions for affordable housing projects.