



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE
Committee Meeting

Monday - April 8, 2019, 6:00 PM
Sub Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

(Posted online: 3/15/19 at 9:33 AM)

1. **Approval of the July 2, 2018 Minutes**
2. **Approval of the October 24, 2018 Minutes**

Waste Reduction in Schools (OSE, District Administration)

3. **205289: Discuss** (Hirsch, Ballantyne, Davis, Clingan) – That the Director of Purchasing share the process for procuring food, food packaging and flatware for the school cafeterias.
4. **205290: Discuss** (Hirsch, Ballantyne, Davis) – That the Commissioner of Public Works share the process of handling different types of cafeteria waste, including recyclables and food waste.

Vision (SomerPromise, District Administration)

5. **204996: Discuss** (Hirsch, Ballantyne, Clingan) – That this Board's Committee on Youth Services organize one or more workshops to ask tweens and young teens about how the city can make sure our community is a great place for them to live.
6. **206644: Discuss** (Hirsch, Ballantyne) – That the Director of SomerPromise or Health and Human Services provide this Board with an overview of the Somerville Learning 2030 initiative and how the Board may be involved.
7. **207154: Discuss** (Hirsch) – That the Administration share how the SomerVision 2040

process will be linked to the Somerville Learning 2030 City/District visioning process.

Out-of-School Time & Coordination (Recreation, SomerPromise, District Administration)

8. **205284: Discuss** (Hirsch, Ewen-Campen) – That the Administration consider hiring a software engineer in the FY19 budget cycle to design and maintain information management systems to link data, such as information related to properties.
9. **207436: Discuss** (Hirsch) – That the Director of Parks and Recreation work with the School Dept. and SomerPromise to pilot neighborhood-based snow-day care at each elementary school.
10. **205360: Discuss** (Hirsch) – That the Administration share plans for this summer’s youth jobs program, including the cost to nonprofits for hiring youths and any opportunity to create stipend work for younger teens in local nonprofits.

Fields & Facilities (Recreation, Administration)

11. **204582: Discuss** Director of Parks & Recreation and City Solicitor responding to #204160, #203889, and #203733 re: nonprofit soccer and football organizations' use of Dilboy Field.
12. **204871: Discuss** (Hirsch, Niedergang) – That the Administration report to this Board, by the next Youth Services Committee meeting, on ways to keep the Kennedy School playground open for public use during non-school day daytime hours.
13. **205361: Discuss** (Hirsch, Davis, Mbah, Ewen-Campen, Clingan) – That the Director of Parks and Recreation and the Superintendent of Schools share their policies and procedures for allocating indoor spaces and outdoor spaces, in particular for local or youth-serving organizations.
14. **205438: Discuss** (Hirsch, Clingan, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration consider the following steps to address the field space crisis: petition DCR for a waiver for a reduced expectation to schedule regional uses, cover costs of using Dilboy for teams displaced from less expensive fields to Dilboy, and prioritize youth sports over adults sports for field usage.
15. **205669: Discuss** (Clingan, Rossetti, McLaughlin) – That the Director of Parks and Recreation prioritize Somerville youth sports leagues before any adult sports leagues from outside the city until the city’s field conflicts are resolved.

Pools (Recreation)

16. **205895: Discuss** 185 citizens submitting a petition to expand access to the Kennedy School swimming pools.
17. **206302: Discuss** (Hirsch, Ballantyne) – That the Director of Parks and Recreation report on how often the public outdoor pools reach capacity and what, if any, pool staffing or policy changes may enable more people to access pools on hot days.
18. **206457: Discuss** Parks and Recreation Director responding to #206302 re: outdoor pool utilization and capacity.
19. **206647: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Hirsch, Clingan) – That the Director of Parks and Recreation express to DCR the importance of keeping public pools and water fountains open later in the season due to climate change.
20. **206699: Discuss** (Hirsch) – That the Administration provide information regarding the transfer of some Kennedy Pool functions to the Parks and Recreation Department.

Port-a-Potties 2019 (Administration)

21. **206188: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Niedergang, Hirsch, Mbah, Ballantyne, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration update this Board prior to July 12, 2018, on providing public restrooms at public parks, including parks that will be used by programs that would otherwise use Conway Park, including Dickerman Park.
22. **206232: Discuss** (Niedergang, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration install portable toilets at playgrounds and the following parks: Albion, Dickerman, North Street, Lincoln (when it reopens), Marshall Street, Chuckie Harris, Kenney, Grimmons, Healey, Hoyt-Sullivan (when it reopens) and Conway, no later than July 2018.
23. **206643: Discuss** (Hirsch, Ballantyne) – That the Administration report on how the port-a-potty pilot went this summer, whether or not it can be expanded, and how residents should notify the city if port-a-potties need cleaning.

Miscellaneous

24. **205532: Discuss** Parks and Recreation Director submitting the Department's Fall, 2017

youth participation statistics.

- 25. 206701: Discuss** (Hirsch) – That the Commissioner of Public Works report on the materials and practices used for school cleaning in terms of their impact on childhood health conditions, such as asthma.

- 26. 206858: Discuss** (Hirsch) – That the Director of Personnel work with the School District to advertise open City or School positions to families of Public School students.