



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE
Committee Meeting

Thursday - February 21, 2019, 6:00 PM
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

1. **Approval of the January 31, 2019 Minutes**
2. **Approval of the February 7, 2019 Minutes**
3. **205807: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to establish the city's current green space as a minimum allowed amount, as described within.
4. **206885: Recommend** Assistant City Solicitor responding to #205807 with a draft Ordinance to establish and preserve the amount of green space in the City.
5. **206769: Discuss** (Mbah) – That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance requiring that projects above a certain size include an impact statement regarding trees and green space, with updates at all stages of design, and prohibiting this Board from authorizing funds for any project that does not include this impact statement.
6. **207371: Discuss** (Mbah, McLaughlin) – That the City Solicitor work with the Director of Sustainability and Environment to draft an ordinance requiring solar renewable energy installation in new commercial development.
7. **(ID # 20296): Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the City Solicitor review the legal standing of each site identified in Sec. 12-131 of the proposed Public Space Conservation Ordinance to identify if there are any terms by which each site was acquired, or is held, that would prevent it from being dedicated to the public.
8. **206046: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Ewen-Campen, Davis, Rossetti, Clingan) – That the City

Solicitor draft a vacant properties ordinance similar to the one in Arlington.

9. **206612: Recommend** City Solicitor responding to #206046 re: an ordinance for the registration and maintenance of vacant commercial and industrial buildings.
10. **206308: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Rossetti, Ballantyne) – That the City Solicitor draft a food truck ordinance amendment to permit food trucks with minimal disruption to current businesses.
11. **205918: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Davis, Ewen-Campen, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration submit a Home Rule Petition similar to Boston's "Jim Brooks Act," but with less rigid language, to encourage passage by the State.