



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Finance Committee

Regular Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

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City Council Chamber and Remote
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Committee of the Whole

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Roll Call

1. Review of the FY 2025 Budget
 - Cut night
 - Miscellaneous Budgetary Items
2. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0851](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to appropriate \$725,000 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund to fund the Fire Alarm Alerting System.

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3. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0849](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$850,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Open Space Acquisition Stabilization Fund to acquire new publicly accessible open space.
 4. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0848](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to appropriate \$270,000 from the Immigrant Legal Services Stabilization Fund for legal services to immigrants.
 5. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0847](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$266,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Emergency Stabilization Fund to provide funding for the Warming Center.
 6. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0846](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$350,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Community Composting Stabilization Fund for a pilot community composting program.
 7. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0845](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Participatory Budgeting Stabilization Fund for the Participatory Budgeting Program.
 8. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0843](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$700,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund for a Fire Alarm Alerting System.
 9. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0842](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to appropriate \$149,051 from the Racial & Social Justice Fund to hire a Project Manager for the development of an Alternative Emergency Response Program.
 10. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0841](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund to supplement a prior appropriation to purchase and install prefabricated standalone public toilets.
 11. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0840](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$1,432,778 from the Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings Account to the FY 2025 Water Enterprise Fund budget.

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12. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0839](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to create the Community Composting Program Stabilization Fund.
13. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0838](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to appropriate \$500,000 from the COVID-19 Stabilization Fund for funding for the SPS Parent/Guardian Transit Pass Program.
14. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0837](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the COVID-19 Stabilization Fund to fund the Somerville Public School Parent/Guardian Transit Pass Program.
15. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0836](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$270,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Immigrant Legal Services Stabilization Fund for immigration legal services.
16. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0835](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to support flexible rental assistance programs.
17. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0834](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of a transfer of \$2,110,472 from the Salary Contingency Account-Salaries to the Salary & Wage Stabilization Fund.
18. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0833](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Traffic Safety Stabilization Fund for traffic safety improvements.
19. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0832](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$7,635,022 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Facility Renovation and Reconstruction Stabilization Fund to support the 5-Year Capital Investment Plan.
20. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0831](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$2,089,659 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Street Reconstruction and Renovation Stabilization Fund to support the 5-Year Capital Investment Plan.

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21. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0830](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$403,187 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Energy Stabilization Fund for projects that reduce carbon emissions and energy costs.
22. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0829](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$2,589,087 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund to support the 5-Year Capital Investment Plan.
23. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0828](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$943,392 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Parks Stabilization Fund to support the 5-Year Capital Investment Plan.
24. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0827](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$400,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Water Stabilization Fund to support the Water-Sewer Capital Investment Plan.
25. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0826](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$1,600,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Sewer Stabilization Fund to support the Water-Sewer Capital Investment Plan.
26. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0825](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$1,200,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund.
27. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0824](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$500,00 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Compensated Absence Liability Fund.
28. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0823](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Salary & Wage Stabilization Fund.
29. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0822](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$2,584,976 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Rainy Day Stabilization Fund.
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30. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0821](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of the expenditure limitations for departmental Revolving Funds for FY 2025.
31. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0820](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation or reserve of \$3,436,205 in estimated FY 2025 Community Preservation Act (CPA) revenue for CPA projects and expenses.
32. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0819](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$237,000 to fund the FY 2025 Dilboy Fields Enterprise Fund budget.
33. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0818](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$736,255 to fund the FY 2025 Kennedy School Pool Enterprise Fund budget.
34. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0817](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$21,398,392 to fund the FY 2025 Water Enterprise Fund budget.
35. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0816](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$31,947,141 to fund the FY 2025 Sewer Enterprise Fund budget.
36. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0814](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$342,878,129 to fund the FY 2025 General Fund Operating Budget.
37. Officer's Communication (ID # [24-0913](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Director of Water and Sewer conveying the FY 2025 Water & Sewer Rate proposal.
38. Motion by Councilor Wilson to reduce the Human Resources Personal Services salary line by \$30,778.33. (Tabled at the June 12, 2024 Finance Committee meeting.)