

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts**  
**Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

January 23, 2014, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. #196128 Call of the Roll.  
Roll Call

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

2. #196129 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, December 12, 2013.  
Minutes

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**CITATIONS**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

3. #196130 By Ald. McLaughlin  
Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Pearl Street near Wesley Avenue, and on Wesley Avenue itself.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

4. #196131 Order By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Commissioner of Public Works install a hand rail along the stairway to the second floor at the Senior Center at 165 Broadway.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

5. #196132 Order By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility to immediately raise the low hanging wires on Hawthorn Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

6. #196133 Order By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the MBTA to request that temporary BUS STOP signs be installed along lower Broadway in the areas of construction.

**RESULT: WITHDRAWN**

7. #196134 Order By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Commissioner of Public Works direct the contractor(s) working on lower Broadway to provide advance notification to residents and businesses prior to digging in front of their properties and to also provide an estimate of how long the work will take.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

8. #196135 Order By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair or replace the water fountain at the East Somerville Library.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

9. #196136 Order By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a SLOW - CHILDREN sign on Illinois Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

10. #196137 Order By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking increase enforcement of permit parking restrictions along Illinois Avenue and notify the management of Rent-A-Center of those restrictions.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

11. #196138  
Order  
By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking increase enforcement of permit parking restrictions along Otis Street from 3 PM to 7 PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

12. #196139  
Order  
By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) notify the contractor(s) working along Bonair Street and McGrath Highway, that work may not begin before 7 AM, that Bonair and Otis Streets should not be used for truck traffic, and that the construction site is to be baited for rodents.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

13. #196140  
Order  
By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Superintendent of ISD inspect Taqueria Montecristo for the proper disposal of trash, and address their trash removal, which is picked up between 4 AM and 6 AM, disturbing neighbors.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

14. #196141  
Order  
By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking increase enforcement of the resident parking restrictions near Taqueria Montecristo, including improper use of guest permits and illegally parked vehicles.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

15. #196142  
Order  
By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol of Rush Street, near Taqueria Montecristo, to cite vehicles backing down Rush Street from Broadway.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

16. #196143  
Order  
By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility to immediately raise the low hanging wires at the corner of Broadway and Wisconsin Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

17. #196144 Order By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Commissioner of Public Works place Cross Street East and Pennsylvania Avenue on the street repaving list.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

18. #196145 Resolution By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Ballantyne  
That the Administration provide this Board with a copy of the recently executed 5 year partnership agreement with Tufts University, including all payments in lieu of taxes.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

19. #196146 Order By Ald. Connolly  
That the Chief Assessor appear before this Board to answer questions about tax bills.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

20. #196147 Order By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang  
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pot holes at the bottom of Porter Street and Highland Avenue.

**RESULT: WITHDRAWN**

21. #196148 Order By Ald. McWatters  
That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol at Lowell and Summer Streets at various times, to ensure motorists are coming to a complete stop at the blinking red light.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

22. #196149 Order By Ald. McWatters  
That the Chief of Police place a speed board on Central Street, between Somerville Avenue and Summer Street.

**RESULT: WITHDRAWN**

23. #196150 Order By Ald. McWatters  
That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utilities about the double pole at 42 Columbus Avenue and determine why it has yet to be removed.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

24. #196151  
Order
- By Ald. Niedergang  
That the Commissioner of Public Works report to the Ward 5 Alderman, plans for the completion of the sidewalk and street work on Linden Avenue, and clarify whether sidewalk work is still to be done on the upper part of the street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

25. #196152  
Order
- By Ald. Niedergang  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) investigate the reason for water being pumped out of the basement at 26 Woodbine Street and take steps to stop the leakage and report the results to the Ward 5 Alderman.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

26. #196153  
Order
- By Ald. Rossetti  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the time frame of the special daytime parking permits on the streets surrounding Davis Square.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

27. #196154  
Resolution
- By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McWatters  
That the Dedication Committee update this Board on the park dedication in honor of Joseph Mackey.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Veterans and Public Services Committee

28. #196155  
Order
- By Ald. Rossetti, Ballantyne  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing an appropriate traffic signal at the intersection of Cameron Avenue and Holland Street until a study is performed relative to the future use of the Powderhouse Community School.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

29. #196156  
Order
- By Ald. Ballantyne  
That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility about the rotting utility pole bases in the back yards of 30 and 33 Ossipee Road, and have them check all of the utility pole bases in the back yards along Ossipee Road between Mason Street and Packard Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

30. #196157 Order By Ald. Ballantyne  
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole around the gas main cover on Ware Street near Russell Road.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

31. #196158 Order By Ald. Ballantyne, Rossetti  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider putting a crosswalk across Broadway connecting the ramps from Belknap Street to Garrison Avenue and towards the bus stop.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

32. #195996 Severed portion of the Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting on Committee Report November 19, 2013 (#195235 was the only item severed and laid on the table).

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

- #195235 Ordinance By Ald. Taylor, White Jr., Sullivan  
That the Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended by changing all CCD 55 zoning districts in Ward 3 to CCD 45.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

#### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

#### **33. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE**

- A. #196159 Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on Committee Report January 22, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. #196092 Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee Harold Curtis Jr., as a Special Police Officer for 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- C. #196093 Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee Shawn Brady, as a Special Police Officer for 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- D. #196094 Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee, Sean Browne, as a Special Police Officer for 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- E. #196095 Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee, Michael Cabral, as a Special Police Officer for 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- F. #196096 Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee, Jose Colon, as a Special Police Officer for 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- G. #196097 Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee, Michael DeBethencourt, as a Special Police Officer for 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- H. #196098 Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee, Michael Eastman, as a Special Police Officer for 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- I. #196099 Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee, Wayne Gabaree, as a Special Police Officer for 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- J. #196100 Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee, James Lawson, as a Special Police Officer for 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

34. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. #196160 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on January 16, 2014.  
Committee Report

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. #196005 Requesting an appropriation of \$50,000 from the Workforce Training  
Mayor's Request Stabilization Fund for Local Workforce Development.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,  
McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne  
**ABSENT:** John M. Connolly

- C. #196006 Requesting the acceptance of a donation of \$75,000 from Tufts University to  
Mayor's Request fund cultural, recreational, and educational programs.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- D. #196007 Requesting approval of a \$2,500 grant from MassCreative to the Arts  
Mayor's Request Council, to partner with MassCreative's Community Engagement project.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- E. #196008 Requesting approval to declare as surplus equipment a 1994 tower ladder in  
Mayor's Request the Fire Department.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- F. #196037 Requesting authorization to borrow \$2,600,000 in a bond, and appropriate  
Mayor's Request the same amount, to repair the High School Auditorium, Kitchen, &  
Cafeteria.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,  
McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne  
**ABSENT:** John M. Connolly

- G. #196038 Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$117,800 in a bond  
Mayor's Request for architectural and engineering design and the renovation of High School  
Room 143.



**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

- H. #196039 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$88,000 in a bond for architectural and engineering design and the renovation of Fire Engine 6.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

- I. #196042 Mayor's Request Requesting the transfer of \$12,000 in the Constituent Services Dept., from its Professional Services Account to its Ordinary Maintenance Account.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- J. #196043 Mayor's Request Requesting the use of FY14 funds to pay MA Municipal Association FY10 advertising invoices totaling \$910.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- K. #196087 Mayor's Request Requesting approval to declare as surplus certain IT Department Telephony Equipment.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- L. #196089 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$7,086 from the MA Fire Services Dept., for the Fire Dept.'s school education program.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- M. #196090 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$4,750 from the MA Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Count.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- N. #196091 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$3,418 from the MA Fire Services Dept., for the Fire Dept.'s senior fire safety program.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- O. #196117 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$50,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("free cash") to the Personnel Dept. Professional and Technical Services Account to fund executive recruitment services for the Police Chief selection process.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

35. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

- A. #196161 Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on January 22, Committee Report 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. #194855 License/Permit New Outdoor Seating, The Connection, 1204 Broadway, Displaying merchandise.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- C. #195972 License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, The Scoop N Scootery.

**RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED**

**AMENDED:** The Davis Square location was eliminated from the route.

- D. #196014 License/Permit New Garage License, ABJ Auto Repair, 91 Marshall St., opening Saturdays to 5PM, for 5 autos inside and 40 outside.

**RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED**

**AMENDED:** Approved for 60 days only, for 3 cars inside and 27 cars outside only, Mon-Fri 8AM-6PM, Sat 8AM-3PM only.

- E. #196015 License/Permit Amending Garage License, Chris's Auto Service, 371 Highland Ave., to open Mon-Fri to 7PM and Sat to 3PM, for 5 autos inside and 25 outside.

**RESULT: NOT APPROVED**

- F. #196109 License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Top Cars of Boston, 39 Webster Ave.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- G. #196124 License/Permit New Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, PJ's Motorcars, 161 Broadway, 34 vehicles inside.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- H. #196126 Order By Ald. Heuston That the City Clerk request that the owner of Top Cars LLC/Inman Motor Sales attend the next meeting of the Committee on Licenses and Permits to discuss the renewal of their Used Car Dealer's license.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

**COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

36. #196162 Mayor's Request Requesting that the Board convene in Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining strategy.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

The Board convened in Executive Session. No votes were taken.

37. #196163 Mayor's Request Requesting that the Board convene in Executive Session to discuss legal strategy in regards to the proposed Wynn Casino in Everett.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

The Board convened in Executive Session. No votes were taken.

38. #196164 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$490,000, and authorization to borrow \$490,000 in a bond, for a new HR and Payroll system.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

39. #196165 Mayor's Request Requesting the dedication of Symphony Park for Open Space and Recreational Use in perpetuity.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

40. #196166 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) grant totaling \$400,000 for the construction of Symphony Park.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

41. #196167 Mayor's Request Requesting, as required by the PARC grants, the authorization to utilize State and Federal funding necessary to construct the new Symphony Park.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

42. #196168 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$7,410 from Free Cash to the Fire Department for a grant match from FEMA for smoke detectors in conjunction with the Council on Aging.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

43. #196169 Mayor's Request Requesting the expenditure of FY14 funds totaling \$6,722.78 to pay prior year invoices in the Police Department.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

44. #196170 Officer's Communication Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting a response to #195991 re: striping a portion of School St.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

45. #196171 Officer's Communication Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting a response to various Board Orders.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

**NEW BUSINESS**

46. #196172 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, Gallup Landscape Co.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

47. #196173 License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 1, Riverside, 2 Union Sq.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

48. #196174 License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Riverside, 2 Union Sq.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

49. #196175 License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Pearl Street Auto, 182 Pearl St.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

50. #196176 License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Astrology Studio, 278 Elm St.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

51. #196177 License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Riverside, 2 Union Sq.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

52. #196178 License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Spoke Wine Bar, 89 Holland St., 3 tables, 6 seats.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

53. #196179 License/Permit New Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Aris Auto, 675 Somerville Ave., 1 auto outside, opening Sun-Sat 8AM-6PM.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

**SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

54. #196180  
Order
- By Ald. Heuston  
That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board about the double poles on South Street and at Milk Row Cemetery, and the plans for their removal.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

55. #196181  
Order
- By Ald. Heuston  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking increase enforcement of parking regulations on Columbia Street and resident permit parking on Merriam Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

56. #196182  
Order
- By Ald. Heuston  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inform the Ward 2 Alderman about the businesses at 230 Somerville Avenue, including names, uses, permits they are seeking or are required to obtain, hours of operation, square footage, and capacity, including those businesses which have not yet received a certificate of occupancy.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

57. #196183  
Order
- By Ald. Heuston  
That the City Solicitor and Director of SPCD advise on the creation of an ordinance to require notification to abutters for multiple businesses housed in a single structure when such businesses do not require Planning or Zoning Board approval.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

58. #196184  
Order
- By Ald. Heuston  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) create a mechanism so members of this Board are informed of new businesses coming into their wards.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

59. #196185  
Order
- By Ald. Heuston  
That the Commissioner of Public Works provide a timeline to replace the traffic signal at the intersection of Washington and Beacon Streets.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

60. #196186 Order  
By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti, Ballantyne  
That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board whether it is possible to have the Public Schools open when there is a declared snow emergency, and, if it is possible, to also report the plan for teacher and staff parking, since school parking lots are used then for resident parking.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

61. #196187 Ordinance  
By Ald. White Jr.  
That the Zoning Ordinances are hereby amended at Section 5.2.5 to add two new subsections, to avoid creating adverse impacts on the stock of existing affordable housing, and to insure compliance with the objectives of the Somervision Plan.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Also referred to the Planning Board.

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

62. #196188 Resolution  
By Ald. White Jr.  
That the Administration work with this Board to revise the Somervision Plan to provide more detailed goals with regard to affordable housing and the creation of a mix of housing units, especially those with more than 2 bedrooms, for long-term residents of all ages.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

63. #196189 Order  
By Ald. White Jr.  
That all items currently before the Special Committee on Rules be discharged.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

64. #196190 Order  
By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang  
That the Commissioner of Public Works place Porter Street on the street repaving list.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

65. #196191 Mayor's Communication  
Conveying the partnership agreement with Tufts University.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

66. #196192 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council's ArtsUnion performances, Union Sq. Plaza, Fire and Ice on Mar 1, 3-6PM, and Ides of March on Mar 15, 1-6PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

67. #196193 License/Permit Public Event Permit, American Cancer Society Relay for Life's Bark for Life, 0 New Washington St. Dog Park, Apr 5, 10AM-6PM (raindate Apr 6).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**LATE ITEMS**

68. #196083 Order By Ald. White Jr.  
That this Board amend the Rules of the Board, to eliminate the Information Technology Committee as a Standing Committee.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

69. #196084 Order By Ald. White Jr.  
That this Board amend the Rules of this Board, to establish a procedure for maintaining the minutes and reports of this Board and its committees.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

70. #196115 Order By Ald. White Jr.  
That this Board amend the Rules of this Board, to establish a procedure for the joint sponsorship of items.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

71. #194461 Order By Ald. White Jr.  
That the Communications Department arrange with the MA Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation to post the agreements with city Cable TV providers online, so residents can read those contracts.



**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

Discharged from the Information Technology Committee pursuant to #196083.

72. #194462  
Order

By Ald. White Jr.  
That the Communications Department report to this Board any measures undertaken in agreements with Cable TV providers to protect residents from rate increases in both cable TV and internet services.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

Discharged from the Information Technology Committee pursuant to #196083.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.