



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE
Committee Meeting

Thursday - April 1, 2021, 6:00 PM
Virtual

AGENDA

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. C. 30A, s. 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, as well as Mayor Curtatone's Declaration of Emergency, dated March 15, 2020, this meeting of a City Council Committee will be conducted via remote participation.

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Tear Gas/Crowd Control

- 1. 210736: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Strezo, Davis, Mbah) – That the City Solicitor draft an Ordinance banning the use of tear gas by the Police Department and other law enforcement agencies operating in Somerville.
- 2. 211003: Discuss** (Davis) – That this Council consider an ordinance banning chemical crowd control agents and kinetic impact projectiles.

SPD Staffing Levels Ordinance

- 3. 211232: Discuss** (Scott) – That Ordinance 10-1 regarding the organization of the Police department be amended by removing the specified levels of patrol and superior officers.
- 4. 211417: Recommend** City Solicitor responding to #211232 with an amendment to Ordinances 10-1 and 10-1.1, to eliminate specified levels of patrol and superior officers in the Police Department.

Reserve Lists

5. **211260: Discuss** (Scott) – That the City Solicitor prepare legislation revoking the enabling legislation for the Police Reserve List.
6. **211319: Recommend** Requesting rescission of the adoption of MGL Chapter 147 Sections 11, 12 and 13 relative to a Reserve Police Force.
7. **211261: Discuss** (Scott) – That the City Solicitor prepare legislation revoking the enabling legislation for the Fire Reserve List.
8. **211318: Recommend** Requesting rescission of the adoption of MGL Chapter 48 Sections 59B, 59C and 59D relative to a Reserve Fire Force.

Police/Fire Interview Panels

9. **211262: Discuss** (Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Ballantyne, Strezo, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Mbah, White Jr.) – That this Council pursue a Charter or Ordinance amendment to expand Police and Fire Interview Panels to include a City Councilor and a designee of the Director of Racial and Social Justice.