



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## Finance Committee

### Meeting Minutes Dispositions

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**Monday, June 9, 2025**

**6:00 PM**

**Virtual**

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The meeting took place remotely via Zoom and was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair Wilson and adjourned at 6:54 PM on a roll call vote of 4 in favor (Councilors Mbah, Burnley, Clingan and Wilson), none against and 1 absent (Councilor Scott).

Others present:

Charles Breen - Somerville Fire Department Chief, Neha Singh - Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Brian Postlewaite - Director of Engineering, Michael Richards - Director of Finance, Catherine Lester Salchert - Special Counsel, Delaney Fisher-Cassiol - Clerk of Committees

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** City Councilor At Large Jake Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Jefferson Thomas (J.T.) Scott, Ward Four City Councilor Jesse Clingan, City Councilor At Large Willie Burnley Jr. and City Councilor At Large Wilfred N. Mbah

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of May 20, 2025. [25-1021](#)

Accepted

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and City Councilor At Large Mbah

#### Grants and Gift Acceptances

2. Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$38,500 grant with no new match required, from the Boston Office of Emergency Management to the Police Department for Special Response Team equipment. [25-0848](#)

Kept in committee

3. Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$127,000 grant with no new match required, from the Boston Office of Emergency Management to the Police Department for Special Response Team equipment and training. [25-0849](#)

Director Singh said the Mayor's Office will submit an impact report for these items to comply with the surveillance technology ordinance.

Kept in committee

4. Requesting approval to accept and use a gift with an approximate value of \$5,399 from the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) to the Fire Department for improving rescue capabilities during a rail incident. [25-0903](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and City Councilor At Large Mbah

5. Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$257,540 grant with no new match required, from Eversource Energy to the Engineering Division for permanent resurfacing and restoration of various streets. [25-0948](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and City Councilor At Large Mbah

6. Requesting approval to accept and expend an \$82,357.50 grant with no new match required, from the Executive Office of Aging and Independence to the Council on Aging for social, educational, and physical wellness programming. [25-0971](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and City Councilor At Large Mbah

#### Prior Year Invoices

7. Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$575.16 using available funds in the Parks & Recreation Department Office Supplies Account for cork boards. [25-0785](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and City Councilor At Large Mbah

#### Contracts and Easements

8. Requesting approval of a Substation Easement near 51 Prospect Street for NStar Electric Company. [25-0967](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and City Councilor At Large Mbah

**Recused:** Ward Two City Councilor Scott

Referenced Documents:

- Finance - 2025-06-09 P&R PYI Memo (with 25-0785)
- Finance - 2025-06-09 COA Grant Memo (with 25-0971)
- Finance - 2025-06-09 Prospect Place Easement NSTAR (with 25-0967)