



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

School Building Facilities and Maintenance Special Committee Meeting Minutes Dispositions

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

6:00 PM

Virtual

This meeting was held via GoToWebinar and was called to order by Chair Gomez Mouakad at 6:04 pm and adjourned at 7:35 pm. Chair Gomez Mouakad moved to adjourn, and the motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Others present: Hannah Carrillo - Mayor's Office, Laura Pitone - School Committee (Co-Chair), Emily Ackman - School Committee, Sara Dion - School Committee, Jill Lathan - DPW, Marc Hamel - DPW, Susana Hernandez Morgan - Chief of Staff of Strategy, Jose Mendez - School Committee, Rich Raiche - IAM, Stephanie Widzowski - Assistant Clerk of Committees.

Roll Call

Present: Chairperson Beatriz Gomez Mouakad , Jesse Clingan and Vice Chair Lance L. Davis

School Buildings - Parks

1. That the Executive Director of the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development provide an update on the status of work and finances of the Community Preservation Act grants of 2018 for the Brown School and West Somerville Neighborhood School playground designs and the continuing plans for the projects. [22-0295](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo

Kept in committee

School Buildings - Feasibility Study

2. That the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management provide an update on the status of the School Building Systems Feasibility Study. [22-1528](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Gomez Mouakad and Councilor Strezo

Kept in committee

3. That the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management provide an update on the status of the School Building Feasibility Study. [22-1527](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Gomez Mouakad and Councilor Strezo

Kept in committee

4. That the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management report on the status of the 1895 building. [22-1121](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Gomez Mouakad

Kept in committee

School Buildings - Maintenance

5. That the Commissioner of Public Works report on all major repairs made to school buildings during the summer. [22-1416](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Gomez Mouakad

Recommended to be marked work completed

6. That the Commissioner of Public Works provide quarterly reports to the School Building Facilities and Maintenance Special Committee on any major repairs and 311 work orders in school buildings. [22-1417](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Gomez Mouakad

Kept in committee

7. That the Commissioner of Public Works report on planned repairs for the East Somerville Community School facade failures. [22-1418](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Gomez Mouakad and Councilor McLaughlin

Kept in committee

8. That the Commissioner of Public Works report on the power outage at the West Somerville Public School on September 7, 2022 and the measures being taken for temporary and permanent repairs. [22-1590](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Gomez Mouakad and Councilor Pineda Neufeld

Recommended to be marked work completed

9. That the Chief Information Officer update this Council on the work to fix the WiFi signals and cell phone reception at the Winter Hill School. [22-1564](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo

Recommended to be marked work completed

10. That the Commissioner of Public Works report on all school building deferred maintenance projects completed following the ventilation system assessment, proposed completion dates, and strategies to assess needs for future deferred maintenance projects. [22-0186](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Gomez Mouakad, Councilor Davis, Councilor Wilson,
Councilor Clingan and Councilor Kelly

Kept in committee

11. That the Administration respond to educator and parent concerns regarding building maintenance and capital improvements for the Winter Hill School. [22-1116](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Scott, Councilor Clingan, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Burnley Jr. and Councilor Davis

Kept in committee

12. That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management report on all major repairs and work orders for the Winter Hill Community School and the Brown School over the past five years. [22-1122](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Gomez Mouakad, Councilor Kelly and Councilor Clingan

Recommended to be marked work completed