



**CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES**

December 13, 2010

REPORT OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Chair	Present	
Walter F. Pero	Vice Chair	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Absent	
Thomas F. Taylor	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Omar Boukili	Administrative Assistant	Present	
Phillip Ercolini	OSPCS - Housing	Present	

185578 - That This Board Requests that the Mayor and State Delegation Review the Proposed Siting of the Green Line's 11-Acre Maintenance Facility in the Inner Belt/Brickbottom Area.:

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

187027 - That the Director of SPCD Appear Before the Committee on Housing and Community Development to Discuss the Response to the State's Proposal for a Green Line Maintenance Facility in Yard 8.:

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

188292 - That the Director of Transportation Appear Before the Housing and Community Development Committee to Discuss the November 18 Public Hearing About the Green Line Extension and Maintenance Facility.:

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

189129 - That the City Solicitor Inform This Board Whether it is Legally Permissible to Create a Trust Fund (Similar to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund) that Would Require

Big Box Stores Entering Somerville to Contribute to a Fund that Supports Small and Independent Businesses in Somerville.:

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

(ID # 1432) - 2009 Annual Report from the Planning Division:

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

189602 - That the Executive Director of the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development appear Before the Committee on Housing and Community Development to Discuss the Formal Complaint Filed by the Director of the Community Access and Inclusion Project:

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

189610 - That the Assessor Provide the Committee on Housing and Community Development with the Number of Residential Homeowner Foreclosures Vs. Non-Residential Homeowner Foreclosures:

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

(ID # 1585) - Response to Order 189129-Legality of a Trust Fund Requiring Big Box Stores Commencing Business in Somerville to Contribute to a Fund:

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

190096 - That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with information regarding the Green Line extension track layout and its impacts around the Brickbottom area, addressing such issues as: recent survey information which shows property lines closer than originally anticipated; Mass DOT's plans to use a "five foot strip" on the Union Square side; and the entire right of way on the mainline side and track alignments.:

Several members of the community weighed in on the extension of the community path into Boston and its proximity to existing railroad tracks.

Alderman Taylor's motion *that the Board of Aldermen express its support to the MBTA and to MASS DOT for the extension of the community path into Boston, in conjunction with Red Bridge*, was approved,

RESULT: KEPT IN COMMITTEE**Next: 2/28/2011 12:00 AM**

190097 - That the Director of SPCD update this Board on discussions for air rights uses for the Green Line extension maintenance facility, particularly regarding a stadium.:

Mr. Boukili confirmed that the stadium is not going forward.

RESULT: KEPT IN COMMITTEE**Next: 2/28/2011 12:00 AM**

190214 - That this Board seeks input from stakeholders and the city on how this Board can work with the Affordable Housing Organizing Committee, the Somerville Community Corporation, the Somerville Housing Authority, and others to promote affordable housing initiatives citywide, particularly permanent housing for formerly homeless families.:

The committee discussed linkage and inclusionary zoning as they relate to affordable housing and Mr. Ercolini discussed the city's efforts to promote affordable housing.

RESULT: KEPT IN COMMITTEE**Next: 2/28/2011 12:00 AM**