



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
Committee Meeting

Tuesday - April 6, 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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**1. Approval of the March 9, 2021 Minutes**

**PROCESS DISCUSSIONS**

- 2. 211495: Recommend** Acting Director of SomerStat requesting to present to this Council a Capital Investment Plan process.
- 3. 211427: Discuss** (Scott) – That the Director of Personnel provide this Council with a list of current full-time vacancies broken down by union and non-union positions, and that the Administration address this Council as to the reason for the high number of vacancies.

**MIDYEAR POSITION CREATION REQUESTS, ENGINEERING**

- 4. 211572: Recommend** Requesting the use of \$4,230 in available funds in the Engineering Salaries Account to establish the position of Deputy Director of Engineering Projects.
- 5. 211573: Recommend** Requesting the use of \$3,173 in available funds in the Sewer

Enterprise Salaries Account to establish the position of Deputy Director of Engineering Projects.

6. **211574: Recommend** Requesting the use of \$3,173 in available funds in the Water Enterprise Salaries Account to establish the position of Deputy Director of Engineering Projects.
7. **211569: Recommend** Requesting the use of \$9,518 in available funds in the Engineering Salaries Account to establish the position of Senior Project Manager (Streetscapes).

#### **MIDYEAR POSITION CREATION REQUESTS, PLANNING**

8. **211570: Recommend** Requesting the use of \$7,932 in available funds in the SPCD Planning & Zoning Salaries Account to establish a new Planner position.

#### **MIDYEAR POSITION CREATION REQUESTS, COMMUNICATIONS**

9. **211571: Recommend** Requesting the use of \$6,346 in available funds in the Constituent Services Salaries Account to establish the position of Quality Manager.
10. **211567: Recommend** Requesting the use of \$5,200 in available funds in the Communications Salaries Account to establish the position of Director of the SomerViva Office of Immigrant Affairs.
11. **211568: Recommend** Requesting the appropriation of \$5,376 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Communications Salaries Account to fund the position of Director of the SomerViva Office of Immigrant Affairs.

#### **OTHER FUNDING REQUESTS**

12. **211467: Recommend** Requesting approval to create the Energy Stabilization Fund for the purpose of funding energy efficiency and decarbonization projects in City buildings.
13. **211468: Recommend** Requesting the appropriation of \$294,399 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Energy Stabilization Fund.
14. **211470: Recommend** Requesting to re-purpose \$80,000 in the Covid-19 Stabilization Fund to develop a Somerville Cultural Plan.
15. **211473: Recommend** Requesting the appropriation of \$8,865 from the Salary & Wage Stabilization Fund to the Somerstat Salaries Account to fund a temporary salary adjustment.

#### **PRIOR YEAR INVOICES**

16. **211475: Recommend** Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$15,931.99 from various DPW accounts using available FY21 funds.
17. **211476: Recommend** Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$2,672.30 using available funds in the Police Department Public Safety Supplies Account for Police Department issued firearms.

#### **ALDERSEY EMINENT DOMAIN TAKING REQUEST**

18. **211364: Recommend** Requesting the adoption of an Order of Taking for 9-11 Aldersey Street for historic, open space, and affordable housing purposes.
19. **211373: Recommend** Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$3,450,397 in a bond for the cost of acquiring the property at 9-11 Aldersey Street.