



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

City Council

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 29, 2025

7:00 PM

Special Meeting

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1. OPENING CEREMONIES

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Ward Seven City Councilor Judy Pineda Neufeld. The City Council entered recess at 8:04 PM and returned at 8:24 PM.

- 1.1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
(ID # [25-1029](#))

RESULT: **PLACED ON FILE**

Present: City Councilor At Large Wilfred N. Mbah
City Councilor At Large Jake Wilson
Ward Three City Councilor Ben Ewen-Campen
Ward Two City Councilor Jefferson Thomas (J.T.) Scott
City Councilor At Large Willie Burnley Jr.
Ward Five City Councilor Naima Sait
City Councilor At Large Kristen Strezo
Ward Four City Councilor Jesse Clingan
Ward Six City Councilor Lance L. Davis
Ward Seven City Councilor Judy Pineda Neufeld

Absent: Ward One City Councilor Matthew McLaughlin

2. CITATIONS

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

7. COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

- 7.1. Withdrawn Withdrawn.
(ID # [25-1026](#))

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

- 7.2. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1028](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$736,080 to fund the FY 2026 Kennedy School Pool Enterprise Fund budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

- 7.3. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1027](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$237,000 to fund the FY 2026 Dilboy Fields Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

- 7.4. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1033](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$373,680 from the Kennedy School Pool Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to support the FY 2026 Kennedy School Pool Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

- 7.5. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1030](#)) Requesting approval of the expenditure limitations for departmental Revolving Funds for FY 2026.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

- 7.6. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1034](#)) Requesting approval to appropriate \$2,055,000 from the Facility Construction and Renovation Stabilization Fund to the Assembly Square Fire Station Capital Fund to reduce debt service costs for the project.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

- 7.7. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1032](#)) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$216,000 from the Department of Public Works (DPW) Custodian Salaries Account to the DPW Electrical Other Lump Sum Account and the DPW Highway Salaries Account to remediate year-end deficits.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

- 7.8. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1031](#)) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$37,740 from the Department of Public Works Admin Salaries Account to the Department of Public Works Grounds Salaries Account to remediate a year-end deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

8. COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**9. NEW BUSINESS****10. SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

- 10.1. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1042](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$362,915,509 to fund the FY 2026 General Fund Operating Budget.

RESULT: **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

- 10.2. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1040](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$87,000 from the Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings Account to subsidize the FY 2026 Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

- 10.3. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1035](#)) Requesting approval to appropriate \$2,715,270 from the Street Reconstruction & Resurfacing Stabilization Fund to various capital project funds to reduce debt service costs for these projects.

RESULT: **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

- 10.4. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-1025](#)) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$54,412 from the Salary Contingency Salaries Account to the Law Department Salaries Account to remediate a year-end deficit.

RESULT: **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

- 10.5. Officer's Communication (ID # [25-1037](#)) Superintendent of Schools conveying the School Department budget, approved by the School Committee on May 28, 2025.

RESULT: **PLACED ON FILE**

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:11 PM.