

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Wednesday - May 29, 2019, 6:00 PM Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

1. Approval of the April 29, 2019 Minutes

- 2. 208162: Discuss (Davis) That the Administration advise the City Council in writing not later than May 23, what specifically is being studied and what specifically is preventing installation of port-a-potties in City parks and playgrounds.
- **3. 207276: Discuss** (Hirsch) That the Administration provide any analysis, considerations, or existing practices for reducing ordinance violation fines for lower-income households.
- 4. 206585: Discuss (Hirsch) That the Administration share a more comprehensive set of goals related to air quality based on CAFEH study results, when or if available.
- 5. 206856: Discuss (Hirsch) That the Administration consider a public information effort to inform the community about code violations that impact public safety, such as improper lead paint removal.
- 6. 207622: Discuss (McLaughlin, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Ballantyne, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, Hirsch, Mbah, White Jr.) That the City Solicitor file a lawsuit to compel the State to provide air pollution mitigation along I-93, similar to the lawsuit that awarded the City the GLX.
- 7. 207328: Discuss (Davis, Clingan, Hirsch) That the Chief of Police, in conjunction with the Administration, advise this Board of the protocol for notifying the public and families when there is an incident in a public building.
- 8. 207329: Discuss (Davis, Clingan, Hirsch) That the Chief of Police, in conjunction with the

Administration, advise this Board on school-related safety policies and procedures listed within.

- **9. 207574: Discuss** (Ballantyne, Hirsch, Mbah, Davis, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Niedergang, White Jr.) That the Chief of Police develop a kindergarten pedestrian safety program for all children entering public schools.
- **10. 207670: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Hirsch) That the Chief of Police and the Director of Health and Human Services promote the drug court system and monitor cases of transfer and eligible candidates from Somerville to the court in Cambridge.
- **11. 207730: Discuss** (Mbah, Scott, Clingan, Davis, Niedergang, McLaughlin, White Jr., Hirsch, Rossetti, Ballantyne, Ewen-Campen) That the Chief of Police create a restorative justice program similar to that used in Cambridge, Arlington and Boston.
- **12. 207441: Discuss** (Clingan, Ewen-Campen, Ballantyne, Scott, Niedergang, Rossetti, Hirsch, McLaughlin, Mbah, White Jr.) That the Director of Health and Human Services report to this Board on the feasibility of situating a Safe Injection Facility here.
- **13. 207503: Discuss** (Hirsch, Clingan, McLaughlin) That the Director of Health and Human Services provide an update on opioid overdoses, including both current year deaths and historic data.
- **14. 207722: Discuss** (Hirsch) That the Director of Health discuss any information about increased exhaust odors associated with commuter rail operations.
- **15. 206427: Discuss** (Hirsch, Mbah) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report on whether or not an increased amount of construction can lead to more lead exposure, and what measures ISD uses to ensure contractors limit the release of lead into the soil or air.
- **16. 205829: Discuss** (Hirsch) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and other enforcing departments report to this Board on enforcing business signage laws, especially for alcohol, tobacco or marijuana advertisements.
- **17. 207879: Discuss** (Clingan) That the Director of Inspectional Services consider making dumping snow on vacant lots a punishable offense.
- **18. 205933: Discuss** (Hirsch, Davis, Ballantyne) That the Director of SPCD inform this Board of plans to regulate or enable dockless bikes, and share information on the City's contractual relationship with Hubway/BlueBikes.
- 19. 206396: Discuss (Niedergang, Hirsch, Ewen-Campen, Ballantyne) That the Director of

SPCD and other City staff report to this Board on the Bird electric dockless scooter program and how the Administration plans to deal with it.

- **20.** 205828: Discuss (Hirsch, McLaughlin) That the Administration update this Board on maintaining bus shelters or installing new shelters, such as the #90 bus stop at Assembly Square.
- **21. 204860: Discuss** (Clingan) That the Director of SPCD arrange a meeting with the MBTA and this Board to discuss the elimination of the Route 95 bus stop on Mystic Avenue across from Fremont Street, and how that stop can be restored with proper lighting, markings, etc.
- **22. 205934: Discuss** (Hirsch, Ballantyne) That the City Solicitor inform this Board of any applicable regulations related to the use of drones.
- **23. 207102: Discuss** City Solicitor responding to #205934 re: drone use regulations.
- 24. 205697: Discuss (Ewen-Campen, Mbah, Hirsch) That the Administration update this Board on a municipal ID program for all residents, including any input from local immigrant advocacy groups, residents and non-profit organizations.