



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Equity, Gender, Seniors, Families and Vulnerable Populations Committee

Regular Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

7:00 PM

Committee Room and Remote Participation

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Roll Call

1. Committee Minutes (ID # [24-1385](#)) **Agenda Ready:** Approval of the Minutes of the Equity, Gender, Seniors, Families and Vulnerable Populations Committee Meeting of September 19, 2024.
2. Order (ID # [24-1396](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Strezo and Councilor Sait
That the Director of Health and Human Services discuss with this Council the findings from the recent U.S. Surgeon General Advisory on the Mental Health and Well-Being of Parents and its recommendations to better support parents and caregivers.
3. Order (ID # [24-1262](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Strezo
That the Director of Health and Human Services provide an update on the availability of free menstrual products in all city owned bathrooms.

4. Resolution (ID # [24-1183](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Strezo, Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Ewen-Campen, Councilor Mbah, Councilor McLaughlin and Councilor Clingan
That the Administration install diaper changing stations in both restrooms on the second floor of City Hall.
5. Resolution (ID # [24-1033](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Strezo
That the Director of the Somerville Housing Authority discuss the Family Self Sufficiency Program, which assists public housing residents to reach financial goals, and how to expand its purpose, presence and usage.
6. Mayor's Communication (ID # [24-1614](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** Conveying an update on water and sewer rate restructuring.
7. Resolution (ID # [24-0717](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Burnley Jr., Councilor Clingan, Councilor Davis, Councilor McLaughlin, Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Scott, Councilor Strezo and Councilor Wilson
That the Administration address its plan to prevent displacement in relation to water and sewer bills.
8. Mayor's Communication (ID # [24-0674](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** Conveying an update on the development of a water bill ratepayer assistance program.