



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Legislative Matters Committee

Meeting Minutes Dispositions

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

6:00 PM

Virtual

Others present: Anne Gill – Director of Human Resources, Brendan Salisbury – Legislative and Policy Analyst, Aneesh Sahni – Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Peter Forcellese - Legislative Clerk. The meeting took place virtually via GoToWebinar and was called to order at 6:04 PM by Chair Davis and adjourned at 8:00 PM on a roll call vote of 5 in favor (Councilors Clingan, Scott, Burnley, Ewen-Campen and Davis), none against and 0 absent.

Roll Call

Present: Jesse Clingan, Jefferson Thomas (J.T.) Scott, Willie Burnley Jr., Ward Three City Councilor Ben Ewen-Campen and Ward Six City Councilor Lance L. Davis

1. That Chapter 2, Article VI, Section 2-319 of the Code of Ordinances, [22-1461](#) regarding bereavement leave, be amended as attached.

Sponsors: Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Burnley, Jr., Councilor Davis, Councilor Ewen-Campen, Councilor Gomez Mouakad, Councilor Kelly, Councilor McLaughlin, Councilor Scott, Councilor Strezo and Councilor Wilson

Recommended to be approved

Aye: Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen and Ward Six City Councilor Davis

2. That the City hereby adopt the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 175M: Family and Medical Leave. [22-1448](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Burnley, Jr. and Councilor Ewen-Campen

Kept in committee

3. That the Director of Human Resources provide a preliminary report on staff feedback regarding the Commonwealth's Paid Family and Medical Leave policy. [22-1446](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Burnley, Jr., Councilor Wilson, Councilor Kelly and Councilor Ewen-Campen

Kept in committee

4. Conveying recommendations for an effective body worn camera Use Policy in Somerville. [22-1428](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Ewen-Campen

Kept in committee

5. Proposing an amendment to the Surveillance Oversight Ordinance (Chapter 10, Article III, Sec 10.63) to remove the exemption for body-worn cameras. [22-1171](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Ewen-Campen, Councilor Gomez Mouakad, Councilor Kelly, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Scott, Councilor Clingan, Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Strezo, Councilor Davis, Councilor McLaughlin, Councilor Burnley and Jr.

Recommended to be approved

Aye: Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen and Ward Six City Councilor Davis

6. Requesting the acceptance of Section 84 of Chapter 179 of the Acts of 2022 for local approval of the provisions of the Clean Energy and Offshore Wind Act. [22-1494](#)

Recommended to be approved

Aye: Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen and Ward Six City Councilor Davis