

City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

August 16, 2012, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.

CITATIONS

2. Citation Commending Anne Thomas, who is retiring after 19 years of dedicated service as Special Counsel to SPCD.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. Grant of Location Grant of Location submitted by Comcast to install 53 feet of conduit from a pole on Meacham Road to 55 Davis Sq.
4. Grant of Location Grant of Location submitted by Comcast to install 10 feet of conduit from a manhole on Holland Street to 20-40 Holland St.

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. Order By Ald. Trane

That the Director of Traffic and Parking study truck traffic into Davis Square and devise a plan to limit delivery times that impact the surrounding neighborhoods.
6. Order By Ald. Trane

That the Chief of Police increase enforcement of bicycle regulations in the city's business districts.
7. Order By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD provide all Aldermen with the latest version of the Urban Renewal Plan for Union Square and Assembly Square.
8. Order By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with the final agreement with FRIT pertaining to the disposition of Yard 21 and inform this Board whether any covenants with IKEA or FRIT apply to future purchasers of the IKEA site at Assembly Square.

9. Order By Ald. Connolly
That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the crosswalk at Winslow and Grove Streets.
10. Order By Ald. Connolly
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the uplifted sidewalk at 23-25 Cutter Avenue.
11. Order By Ald. Connolly
That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the traffic lanes at Cutter and Summer Streets.
12. Resolution By Ald. Connolly
That this Board requests that the Licensing Commission hold a hearing to accept a proposed change requiring that applications to change the ownership of businesses serving alcoholic beverages be posted in the business's window as a public notice.
13. Order By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a 3-way STOP sign on Stone Avenue, approaching Warren Ave.
14. Order By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a pedestrian crossing signal at the intersection of Bow Street and Warren Ave.
15. Order By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) contact the owner of 45 Union Square to request that dumpsters not be emptied before 7 AM.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

16. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on August 9, 2012.
- B. Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$1,125,000 and authorization to borrow that amount in a bond for a replacement Ladder Truck in the Fire Dept.
- C. Mayor's Request Requesting authorization to establish a Consolidated Gift Account for the Libraries.

- D. Mayor's Request Requesting authorization to establish a Consolidated Gift Account for the Library Teen Services programming.
- E. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a \$272,327 FEMA Assistance to Firefighter Grant to install Opticom Pre-emption systems at 22 intersections citywide.
- F. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a \$22,000 grant from the MA Emergency Management Agency for Fire Dept. Emergency Management Preparedness.

17. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on August 13, 2012.
- B. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of a Purchase and Sales Agreement with NStar Electric, for the purchase of NStar-owned street lights.
- C. Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$30,000 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund for a Nexxus Study on Inclusionary Housing Linkage and 20B Trust.
- D. Mayor's Request Requesting appropriation of \$160,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for Appraisals and Relocation Services related to planning activities for the revitalization of Union Square.
- E. Mayor's Request Requesting the appropriation of \$25,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to fund house doctor services to produce construction documents associated with the in-house design of Kenny Park.
- F. Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$24,000 from the Assembly Square Stabilization Fund for the construction of a new park on Quincy St.
- G. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of an Amended Economic Development Proposal for Phase 1 of the I-Cubed funding approved by the Commonwealth.
- H. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of up to \$15,000 from NStar for the Residential Energy Efficiency Program.

18. LAND USE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting on August 8, 2012.

19. LAND USE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting on August 15, 2012.
- B. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of a Zoning Ordinance to encourage urban agriculture by adding definitions and amending the table of uses and its footnotes to allow farms as accessory residential uses, and to allow community gardens, community farms and farming on municipal land.
- C. Public Communication League of Urban Cannors submitting comments re: #192922, the Urban Agriculture Ordinance.
- D. Officer's Communication Planning Board submitting a recommendation re: #192922, a proposed Zoning Ordinance to encourage urban agriculture.

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

20. Mayor's Request Requesting, with the sponsorship of Ald. Connolly, Desmond, Sullivan, Roche, Heuston, Taylor, Lafuente, O'Donovan, Gewirtz, and Trane, that this Board vote to place the adoption of the Community Preservation Act (MGL c44B ss3-7) onto the November 6th, 2012 ballot.
21. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of the Union Square Revitalization Plan, per MGL c121B s48 and 760 CMR 12.00 et seq.
22. Mayor's Request Requesting that this Board declare the Day Street/Herbert Street parking lot available for disposition as a hotel use.
23. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of a Complete Streets Ordinance to insure equal access for all users of the public ways.
24. Mayor's Request Requesting a supplemental appropriation of \$130,000 to the Engineering Dept.'s Professional and Technical Services Account to prepare a citywide ADA transition plan.
25. Mayor's Request Requesting the appropriation of \$35,000 to fund a new Disabilities Coordinator position.
26. Mayor's Request Requesting authorization for the Department of Public Works to pay prior fiscal year invoices totaling \$19,017.19 using FY13 appropriations.

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| 27. | Mayor's Request | Requesting authorization for the Department of Public Works to pay prior fiscal year invoices, totaling \$9,496.28, using FY13 appropriations. |
| 28. | Mayor's Request | Requesting acceptance of a \$100,000 donation from Federal Realty Investment Trust for the Blessing of the Bay Boathouse. |
| 29. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the acceptance of a \$5,000 grant from the Massachusetts Office of Public Safety and Security for the Police Department's Pedestrian Safety Initiatives. |
| 30. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of Charles Breen to the position of Deputy Fire Chief. |
| 31. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of John Norton to the position of District Fire Chief. |
| 32. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of Vincent Lampley to the position of Fire Captain. |
| 33. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of Michael Anzalone to the position of Fire Captain. |
| 34. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of Thomas Gorman to the position of Fire Lieutenant. |
| 35. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of John Donovan to the position of Fire Lieutenant. |
| 36. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of Derek Nolan to the position of Fire Lieutenant. |
| 37. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the re-appointment of Marc Leveye as Chief Assessor and Chairman of the Board of Assessors. |
| 38. | Mayor's Communication | Conveying a response to #190766 and #192594 re: SPCD staff study of regulations for RA and RB Zoning Districts. |

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

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| 39. | Public Communication | School Superintendent commenting on a Medford City Council Resolution seeking supplemental State funding for students' out-of-district transportation. |
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NEW BUSINESS

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| 40. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Training Room Fitness on the Avenue Event, Elm St.-Somerville Ave. Connector, Aug 25, 8AM-4PM. |
| 41. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Memphis Soul Run Burren Afterparty, Grove St. Parking Lot, Aug 26, 9AM-6PM. |

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| 42. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Tufts "Discover Davis" event, Davis Square Statue Park, Sep 2, 11:45AM-5:30PM. |
| 43. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Bradley Manning Square Vigil, Davis Sq. Statue Park, Sep 5,12,19,26, 4-5:10PM. |
| 44. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, 29 Miller St. Pig Roast, 29 Miller St., Sep 8, 7AM-10PM. |
| 45. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Olde Magoun Saloon Paulaner Biergarten Tour, Sep 15, 9AM-9PM. |
| 46. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Irving St. Block Party, Irving St., Sep 15, 12-8PM (raindate Sep 16). |
| 47. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Somerville Dog Festival, Trum Field, Sep 16, 6AM-5PM. |
| 48. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Brian Higgins Road Race, Ball Square and area streets, Sep 16, 9AM-1PM. |
| 49. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets Foodie Crawl, Broadway sidewalks from Sullivan Square to McGrath Hwy., Sep 18, 4:30-10:30PM (raindate Sep 25). |
| 50. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Bull McCabe's Outdoor MusicFest, Parking Lot adjacent to 366 Somerville Ave., Sep 22, 12-10PM (raindate Sep 23). |
| 51. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Prospect Hill Block Party, Prospect Hill Park and Munroe Street from Prospect Hill Parkway to Bigelow Street, Sep 22, 4-8:30PM (raindate Sep 23). |
| 52. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Redbones Oktoberfest, Chester Street from Elm to Herbert Sts., Sep 30, 7AM-6PM (raindate Oct 7). |
| 53. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Reunion Church Picnic, Hodgkins-Curtin Park, Sep 30, 12-4PM. |
| 54. | License/Permit | Public Event Permit, Union Sq. Main Streets Honk Festival Preview, Union Sq. Plaza, Oct 4, 7-10PM. |
| 55. | License/Permit | Renewing Drainlayer's License, J. Marchese and Sons. |
| 56. | License/Permit | Renewing Drainlayer's License, J. P. Vara Co. |
| 57. | License/Permit | Renewing Drainlayer's License, Marchi Paving. |

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| 58. | License/Permit | Renewing Drainlayer's License, NELM Corp. |
| 59. | License/Permit | Renewing Garage License, Somerville Auto Transport Service, 495 Columbia St. |
| 60. | License/Permit | New Hawker Peddler License, GMR Marketing/Comcast, Vending Cable Service at Davis Sq. Statue Park and Powderhouse Park. |
| 61. | License/Permit | Amending Garage License, Goodyear Auto Service Center, 1 Bow St., seeking to open Sundays 9AM-4PM. |
| 62. | Public Communication | MA DOT responding to #193325 re: trimming the tree growth along the Davis Sq. Busway. |
| 63. | Public Communication | Verizon responding to this Board's concerns re: double poles. |
| 64. | Public Communication | Medford City Council submitting a Resolution seeking supplemental State funding for students' out-of-district transportation. |

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

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| 65. | Resolution | By Ald. Roche

That this Board requests that the Administration consider hiring a full time rodent control manager whose primary responsibility will be to deal with the city's various rodent issues. |
| 66. | Order | By Ald. Connolly

That the Director of Traffic and Parking mark the Park Avenue and College Avenue intersection to prevent it from being blocked by backed-up traffic, especially during rush hours. |
| 67. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the amendment of Ordinance Section 15 re: Ethics. |
| 68. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the amendment of Ordinances 2-322 and 2-323 pursuant to the Municipal Compensation Advisory Board recommendations. |
| 69. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the acceptance of a MassDevelopment Brownfield Grant totaling \$950,000 for the remediation of the Kiley Barrel Brownfield Site. |
| 70. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of Melissa McWhinney to the Affordable Housing Trust. |
| 71. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the re-appointment of Nancy Busnach to the Redevelopment Authority. |

LATE ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk