



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
Committee Meeting

Tuesday - May 25, 2021, 7:00 PM  
Virtual

**AGENDA**

**Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. C. 30A, s. 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, as well as Mayor Curtatone's Declaration of Emergency, dated March 15, 2020, this meeting of a City Council Committee will be conducted via remote participation.**

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**1. Approval of the May 3, 2021 Minutes**

**Police Funding FY-22**

- 2. 211826: Discuss** (Scott, Mbah) – That this Council review the past 20 years of the city's Police Department reform recommendations and the resultant changes.
- 3. 211257: Discuss** (Niedergang) – Submitting questions, concerns, comments and ideas regarding Police staffing, in response to Chief Charles Femino's memo of January 31, 2021, for the February 1 Public Health and Public Safety Committee.
- 4. 209789: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Scott) – That this Council's Committee on Finance discuss the peoples' budget and priorities for FY21.

**Water/Sewer Rates**

- 5. 211618: Recommend** Director of Water and Sewer submitting the FY22 water and sewer

rate proposal.

6. **211857: Recommend** Director of Water and Sewer submitting the FY22 water and sewer volumetric rate recommendation.
7. **211858: Discuss** Water and Sewer Director of Administration conveying testimony received relative to the proposed FY22 water and sewer rates.

#### **Aldersey Taking**

8. **211364: Recommend** Requesting the adoption of an Order of Taking for 9-11 Aldersey Street for historic, open space, and affordable housing purposes.
9. **211373: Recommend** Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$3,450,397 in a bond for the cost of acquiring the property at 9-11 Aldersey Street.

#### **Other Funding Requests**

10. **211842: Recommend** Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,520,000 in a bond for building improvements.
11. **211898: Recommend** Requesting an appropriation of \$630,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to ADA Improvements Fund 5148 for ADA building accessibility improvements.
12. **211466: Recommend** Requesting the appropriation of \$1,005,971.23 from the CPA Community Housing Reserve Fund to the Somerville Affordable Housing Trust Fund for the FY21 Community Housing Allocation.
13. **211469: Recommend** Requesting to rescind the approval and appropriation of \$87,114 for the Somerville Museum Collection Care project, to be re-appropriated.
14. **211472: Recommend** Requesting the appropriation of \$50,000 from the CPA FY21 Fund for the Open Space Acquisition and Improvements Stabilization Fund.
15. **211566: Recommend** Requesting the appropriation of \$50,000 from the CPA FY21 Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Budget for the Open Space Acquisition and Improvements Stabilization Fund.