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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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OPENING OF THE MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Ward Seven Alderman Katjana Ballantyne

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Stephanie Hirsch	Alderman At Large	Present	
Wilfred N. Mbah	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Jefferson Thomas ("J.T.") Scott	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Ben Ewen-Campen	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Jesse Clingan	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 206039 (ID:18866) Call of the Roll.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 206040 (ID:18867)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, May 10, 2018.

RESULT: APPROVED

CITATIONS

3. Citation 206041 (ID:18392)

By Ald. Davis, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Mark Alston-Follansbee, who is retiring after 18 years of distinguished service as Director of the Somerville Homeless Coalition.

Alderman Davis presented Mr. Alston-Follansbee with the Citation. Mr. Alston-Follansbee stated that Somerville is changing and there are people that come into his office every day because they are struggling to stay here. He thanked everyone for the recognition but urged everyone to keep fighting to create more affordable housing.

4. Citation 206042 (ID:18896)

By Ald. Ballantyne, Hirsch, Niedergang, the Entire Board and the Mayor Congratulating Oscar Greene on the auspicious occasion of his 100th birthday.

Alderman Hirsch spoke about Mr. Greene's philosophy of being active and engaged in the world.

RESULT: APPROVED

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. Grant of Location 206043 (ID:18868) Submitted by Eversource to install 36 feet of conduit in Cedar Street from Pole 55/22 to a point of pickup at 165A Cedar Street. (Interim approval on 6/1.)

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

6. Grant of Location 206044 (ID:18869) Submitted by Eversource to install 46 feet of conduit in Edgar Avenue from Pole 208/4 to a point of pickup at 34 Edgar Avenue.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

7. Resolution 206045 (ID:18864)

By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board, and the Mayor Opposing Donald Trump's Zero Tolerance Policy which separates children from their parents.

Ald. McLaughlin sponsored the Welcome Project's Executive Director, Ben Echevarria, to speak to the Board about the Zero Tolerance Policy. Every day, families are being torn apart at the US-Mexico border, and people don't know where their children are. It is time we all do something. The way we can achieve this is by municipalities like Somerville taking a stand.

RESULT: APPROVED

8. Order 206046 (ID:18862)

By Ald. McLaughlin, Ewen-Campen, Davis, Rossetti, Clingan That the City Solicitor draft a vacant properties ordinance similar to the one in Arlington.

Ald. McLaughlin spoke in favor of setting up a registry for vacant properties, with a fee assessment, since the City is responsible for monitoring these abandoned properties.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

9. Order 206047 By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking move the STOP lines back at the (ID:18863) intersection of Cross and Pearl Street to address bus and truck turns.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

10. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

206048 (ID:18772) That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the knocked-down sign at 169

Powderhouse Blvd.

RESULT: APPROVED

Order 11.

By Ald. Ballantyne

206049 (ID:18773) That the Director of Traffic and Parking contact the Ward 7 Alderman to discuss changing the DO NOT BLOCK INTERSECTION sign at the

intersection of Clarendon Avenue and Broadway.

RESULT: APPROVED

12. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

206050 (ID:18774) That the City Arborist inspect the two dead trees in the back left side of

Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

APPROVED RESULT:

13. Order By Ald. Ballantyne, Hirsch

206051 (ID:18798)

That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking work with the Ward 7 Alderman on a traffic calming project on Powderhouse Blvd. at the

West Somerville Neighborhood School, including an on-demand traffic signal.

RESULT: APPROVED

14. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

206052 (ID:18799) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 33-35 Barton Street for vegetation obstructing public ways.

RESULT: APPROVED

15. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

206053 (ID:18800) That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the directional arrow on Holland Street at the traffic lights in middle of Teele Square. (4th request)

RESULT: APPROVED

16. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

206054 (ID:18823)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking suggest safety improvements for the crosswalk at Simpson Avenue and Broadway.

17. Order 206055

By Ald. Mbah, Ballantyne

That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance banning plastic straws.

(ID:18839)

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

18. Resolution 206056 (ID:18840)

By Ald. Mbah

That the Administration report to this Board on what is currently being done regarding suicide prevention.

RESULT: APPROVED

19. Order 206057 (ID:18841)

By Ald. Ewen-Campen, Davis

That the Director of SPCD make the online decision/report database searchable by applicant name.

Alderman Ewen-Campen stated that there is an online portal where people can search Somerville's Planning and Zoning Board decisions. You can currently search by property address, and he urged that it be searchable by applicant name as well.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

20. Resolution 206058 (ID:18842)

By Ald. Ewen-Campen, and the Entire Board

That the Administration create an easy-to-read "explainer" of the noise ordinance, post it online, and distribute it as part of the New Resident's Guide.

Alderman Ewen-Campen stated that residents are unclear when construction is permitted, and how late at night noise is allowed. He would like an explainer and a web page created so people can quickly understand the noise ordinance.

RESULT: APPROVED

21. Order 206059 (ID:18843)

By Ald. Ewen-Campen

That the Commissioner of Public Works install a street lamp at Lowell and Belmont Streets, near Bailey Park, to enhance public safety.

RESULT: APPROVED

22. Order 206060 (ID:18844) By Ald. Ewen-Campen

That the Commissioner of Public Works fix the street lamp on the traffic island outside Brady Towers at 252 Medford Street.

Alderman Ewen-Campen stated that there used to be a street lamp but it was destroyed in a car accident. He would like the DPW to reinstall it.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

23. Order

By Ald. Ewen-Campen

206061 (ID:18845) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the water feature at the Walnut Street playground so it doesn't spray onto the slide, and replace the deteriorating rubber mat beneath the play structure.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

24. Communication By Ald. Ewen-Campen, Scott

206062 (ID:18846) Reporting on the first two meetings of the Community Land Trust Working Group.

Alderman Ewen-Campen reported on the items discussed by the Community Land Trust Working Group. He said that the city has provided staff support, and the Group's goal is to create a Community Land Trust by the end of the year.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

25. Order 206063

(ID:18854)

By Ald. Rossetti, White Jr., Hirsch, Mbah

That the appropriate city department assist Teen Empowerment with their previously requested removal of old furniture and repairs to the roof.

Alderman Rossetti requested some follow-up on Teen Empowerment's building. Among other things, its roof is leaking and needs repair.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

26. Order 206064

By Ald. Niedergang

206064 That the Director of SPCD report to this Board and the Ward 5 Alderman on plans to expend the \$220,000 contributed by the Maxwell's Green developer for traffic calming in the Lowell Street area.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

27. Order

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

206065 (ID:18857) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install two CAUTION: CHILDREN AT PLAY signs on either side of Lexington Avenue, immediately to the west of the Lexington Park playground.

RESULT: APPROVED

28. Order

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

206066 (ID:18858) That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the faded crosswalk and Neighborways paintings at the intersection of Lexington Avenue and Hancock Street.

29. Order 206067 (ID:18859)

By Ald. Niedergang, Ewen-Campen, Hirsch

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install audible pedestrian signals so people can cross safely at the busy intersection of Highland Avenue and Central Street.

Alderman Niedergang said this problem was brought to his attention by a blind person. There need to be audible pedestrian signals so people, especially blind people, can cross safely. Citywide, the audio signals should be made uniform, to make them easier to discern.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

30. Communication By Ald. Niedergang

206068 (ID:18855) Updating this Board on meetings of the Capital Projects Master Planning Working Group in March and April and reporting on initial recommendations and process.

Alderman Niedergang stated that there should be a signifiant report from this Group in about two weeks.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

31. Resolution 206069 (ID:18860)

By Ald. Davis

That this Board recognizes June 18-24 as National Pollinator Week and encourages everyone to learn about what we can do support pollinator species.

Alderman Davis encouraged people to look at www.polinator.org for information about supporting pollination.

RESULT: APPROVED

32. Resolution 206070 (ID:18861)

By Ald. Davis, Ewen-Campen, Hirsch, Scott, McLaughlin, Clingan That the Administration work with interested community groups to implement a pilot program for native street trees.

Alderman Davis said he has received emails regarding areas where trees may be planted, and if the city doesn't have the resources, there are persons who would like to plant native species in those areas. President Ballantyne said there is a fund where you can donate to plant trees and there is also a proposal in the Legislative Matters Committee for a Native Tree Ordinance. If constituents want to get involved, there is the Urban Forestry Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

33. Committee Report 205946 (ID:18718) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting on May 23, 2018.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee continued discussion of the proposed zoning overhaul. Detailed information is available at www.somervillezoning.com.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

34. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 206071 (ID:18849) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on June 5, 2018.

Alderman Scott reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee continued its review of the Comprehensive Procedure Manual for reviewing appointments and re-appointments. The Committee learned of the availability of pension and benefits by certain appointed board members who are paid salaries just over \$5,000 per year. The Committee was advised by Mayor's Legislative Liaison Annie Connor that the MA Public Employee's Retirement and Administration Commission allows the practice. Alderman Hirsch requested an explanation, including applicable citations, for the accrual of pension and creditable service for board members, including an explanation of how these positions are adjudicated differently from part-time employees who also earn more then \$5,000 annually. The Committee also discussed their request for certain appointees' resumes, job descriptions, attendance records, and statements of financial interest. The Administration responded that it doesn't collect financial information and that there is no need for the Committee to review it. The Committee is also trying to obtain appointees' complaint histories, but the Administration says it will not provide them.

At the conclusion of the report, Ald. Hirsch spoke about pension and benefit accruals, and said she has learned that board members don't receive benefits, but do accrue time.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Resolution 206072 (ID:18870) By Ald. Hirsch

That the Administration provide a detailed explanation for the accrual of pension or creditable service for Board and Commission members, including how these positions are adjudicated differently from part-time employees who earn more than \$5,000 yearly.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

C. Order 206073 (ID:18871) By Ald. Davis

That the City Solicitor provide an opinion on whether any content of an individual's personnel file may be reviewed by the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters when considering appointments.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE 35.

A. Committee Report 206074 (ID:18850) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on June 6, 2018.

Alderman Ewen-Campen reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee approved the city's application for CDBG funding and the 2018-2022 HUD Consolidated Plan. Contrary to expectations, the federal government actually increased CDBG funding by 10% this year. The Plan is available online. The Committee also discussed responses to questions raised at the public hearing about the affordable housing crisis. The last item addressed was the creation of a Transit and Pedestrian Advisory Group, a "Bike Committee" for pedestrians.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 205788 (ID:18449)

Requesting acceptance of the 2018-2022 HUD Consolidated Plan and the 2018-2019 1-Year Action Plan for the CDBG, HOME Investment Partnership, and Emergency Solutions Entitlement Grant programs.

RESULT: APPROVED

LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 206075 (ID:18847) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on May 31, 2018.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There was a Public Hearing on Venus Pizza and Grill's application to remain open for deliveries until 2AM. Members of the public spoke in opposition, and the item was left in Committee until further investigation could be done. There was also a Public Hearing for Chef Grill to operate as a mobile food vendor on Grand Union Blvd. No members of the public appeared, and the application was approved by the Committee. A couple of public events were also approved by the Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. 205740 (ID:18467)

License/Permit Public Event License, Boston Meditation Training Seminar, Statue Park, Jun 3,10,17, 12:30-5PM.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED

AMENDED: Approved for June 17 and July 8 only.

C. 205858

(ID:18624)

License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, the Chef Grill, operating on Grand Union Blvd Sun-Wed 11AM-5PM, Thu-Sat 11AM-8PM.

D. 205969

(ID:18734)

License/Permit Public Event License, BRAIN Arts Organization New England Underground Music Festival, ArtFarm, Jun 16, 12Noon-1AM.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

CONDITION: Applicant must provide proof of General Liability

insurance.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE 37.

A. Committee Report 206076 (ID:18848) Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking, meeting on June 4, 2018.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee looked at Green Line Extension-related closures, including the Washington Street underpass, which Transportation Director Brad Rawson said would be closed for about ten months starting in 2019, and the Broadway bridge in Ball Square Bridge, which would be closed for twelve months starting this fall.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Order 203280 (ID:15989) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NO LEFT TURN sign at the corner of Webster Avenue and Newton Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 203281 By Ald. Heuston, McWatters

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install NO PARKING FROM HERE TO CORNER signage on Summer Street, at the intersection of Greene Street, to create an adequate line of sight when turning from Greene Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 204123 By Ald. Heuston

(ID:16836)

(ID:15990)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking evaluate the intersection of Dimick and Marion Streets for addition STOP signs.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 204124 By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking establish a loading zone at 223

(ID:16837) Somerville Avenue and extend the hours of the loading zone at 220 Somerville Avenue from 6PM to 8PM.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Resolution 204127 (ID:16848) By Ald. Heuston

That the Traffic Commission create a requirement to notify abutters of pending agenda items which may impact their streets.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED G. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204161 (ID:16858) That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the faded "No Parking Anytime" sign above the "No Parking Loading Zone" sign on the east side of

Lowell Street, north of Albion Street. (2nd request)

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

Order H.

By Ald. McLaughlin

204267 (ID:16988) That the Director of Traffic and Parking place blinking SLOW - CHILDREN signs on the Cross Street side of the East Somerville Community School.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Order 204382 By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking evaluate the new crosswalk signal at Mystic Avenue and Temple Street for safety and timing issues and report back

to this Board.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Order J.

By Ald. Niedergang

204550 (ID:17285)

(ID:17114)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking and/or the Director of SPCD work with their counterparts in Medford to improve the intersection of Broadway, Albion and Winchester Streets, where there are no street signs or markings, and review other intersections on the Medford-Somerville line before the GLX

opens.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204619 (ID:17371)

That the Director of SPCD inform the Ward 5 Alderman and this Board no later than November 28, 2017 whether the physical neighborhood traffic calming measures for Broadway at Glenwood Road (plastic bollards, cones, rubber curbs, etc.) will be installed in 2017.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Officer's L.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders Communication submitted 11/9/17, 11/21/17 and 12/14/17.

204926 (ID:17580)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

M. Order By Ald. Niedergang

205080 (ID:17839)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking stripe the entire street space by the curb at the hydrant at 33 Hudson Street to deter parking there.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED N. Officer's

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to items approved at the January Communication 25, 2018 meeting.

205131 (ID:17808)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

O. Officer's Communication 11, 2018 meeting.

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to items approved at the January

205132 (ID:17807)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

P. Officer's Communication 205236 (ID:17942)

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Items from the 2/8/18 meeting.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Q. Officer's

Traffic and Parking Director responding to various Board Orders from the Communication 2/22/18 meeting.

205534 (ID:18085)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

R. Order 205696

(ID:18518)

That the Commission of Public Works, the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Director of Engineering provide this Board with a written policy requiring written notice to abutters of a prolonged street closure related to construction.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

S. Order 205805 By Ald. Ewen-Campen

By Ald. Ewen-Campen

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a sign at the mouth of Warren (ID:18579) Avenue informing drivers of large trucks that access to Highland Avenue is limited to smaller vehicles due to the turning radius at its intersection with

Columbus Avenue. (2nd request)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Order T. 205815

(ID:18590)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD, the Director of Engineering, and the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a crosswalk on Lowell Street between the bridge and Magoun Square, and report to the Ward 5 Alderman on whether and when it could be done.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

U. Order 205927 (ID:18695) By Ald. Ewen-Campen, Hirsch

That the Directors of Traffic and Parking and SPCD install a bicycle corral in place of the first parking spot on the northeast corner of the intersection of Washington Street and Washington Terrace.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED V. Resolution 206077 (ID:18851) By Ald. Ewen-Campen

That the Administration work with relevant department heads to create a written policy requiring written notifications to abutters regarding street closings.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

38. Mayor's Request 206078 (ID:18745) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,543,000 in a bond for Water Main Replacement.

Alderman White requested to waive the readings of items 38 through 55 and refer them to the Finance Committee, except for 52 and 56 which had already been acted on. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

39. Mayor's Request 206079 (ID:18832) Requesting a transfer of \$2,576,212 from the Salary Contingency Salaries Account to the Salary & Wage Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

40. Mayor's Request 206080 (ID:18797) Requesting an appropriation of \$1,737,203 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the Snow Removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

41. Mayor's Request 206081 (ID:18834) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Green Line Extension Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

42. Mayor's Request 206082 (ID:18835) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Facility Construction and Renovation Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

43. Mayor's Request 206083 (ID:18836) Requesting an appropriation of \$500,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Community Preservation Act Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

44. Mayor's Request 206084 (ID:18837) Requesting an appropriation of \$500,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

45. Mayor's Request 206085 (ID:18838) Requesting an appropriation of \$500,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Other Post Employment Benefits Trust Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

46. Mayor's Request 206086 (ID:18802) Requesting the appropriation of \$376,387 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the DPW Sanitation Recycling Account to mitigate a Recycling deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

47. Mayor's Request 206087 (ID:18831) Requesting the appropriation of \$607,279 from the Park Stabilization Fund to the General Fund Debt Service Account to pay for incurred debt service for FY18 Parks renovation and construction.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

48. Mayor's Request 206088 (ID:18723) Requesting approval to appropriate \$18,855.55 from the USQ Revitalization Stabilization Fund for legal services.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

49. Mayor's Request 206089 (ID:18828) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$20,000 in the Workers Compensation Department, from various Ordinary Maintenance Accounts to the Workers Compensation Wages Account to eliminate a year end deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

50. Mayor's Request 206090 (ID:18829) Requesting a transfer of \$11,000 from the Veterans Services Professional & Technical Services Account to the Clerk of Committees Salaries Monthly Account to fund clerical support for the remainder of the fiscal year.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

51. Mayor's Request 206091 (ID:18827) Requesting a transfer of \$10,600 from the Pension Accumulation Fund to the Pension-Non-Contributory Fund to eliminate a year end deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

52. Mayor's Request 206092 (ID:18824) Requesting acceptance of a \$13,000,000 grant with no new match required, from the MA Office of Housing and Economic Development for Union Square Utility Infrastructure Improvements.

Transportation Director Brad Rawson said that Mayor seeks approval to accept a \$13 million Mass WORKS Grant, which requires a match and helps fund the city's sewer separation project.

RESULT: APPROVED

53. Mayor's Request 206093 (ID:18803) Requesting acceptance of a \$133,132.50 grant with no new match required, from the Boston Mayor's Office of Emergency Management to the Police Department for expenditures and backfill/overtime for the Special Response Team.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

54. Mayor's Request 206094 (ID:18804) Requesting acceptance of a \$120,000 grant with no new match required, from the Boston Mayor's Office of Emergency Management to the Police Department for expenditures, training and backfill/overtime for the Special Response Team.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

55. Mayor's Request 206095 (ID:18688) Requesting acceptance of a \$900 grant that requires a match, from the MA Council on Aging to the Council on Aging for exercise equipment.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

56. Mayor's Request 206096 (ID:18825) Requesting authorization of a \$400,000 Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities grant application for Prospect Hill Park.

Transportation Director Brad Rawson spoke in favor of authorizing a \$400,000 Parkland Acquisition and Renovations for Communities Park Grant, to be used to renovate Prospect Hill Park.

57. Mayor's Request 206097 (ID:18795) Requesting the appointment of James Stanford to the position of Deputy Police Chief.

Alderman Scott requested to waive the readings of items 57 and 58 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:**

FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

58. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Andrew Haynes as Constable.

Request 206098 (ID:18833)

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

59. City Solicitor submitting an Ordinance to replace Ordinance 5-32 regarding Officer's Communication Fire Department salaries.

206099

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION (ID:18830)

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

60. Officer's 206100 (ID:18821)

CPA Manager submitting the FY18 CPA Annual Report and FY19 Communication Community Preservation Plan as supporting documents for the CPA FY19 budget.

Alderman White requested to waive the reading of item 60 and refer it to the

Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

61. Officer's Communication meeting.

Traffic and Parking Director responding to items approved at the 5/24/18

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/24/18.

206101 (ID:18796)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

62. Officer's Communication

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

206102 (ID:18826)

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

NEW BUSINESS

63. 206103

License/Permit Public Event License, Boston Sikh Sangat Society Shabeel Free Drink Distribution, Union Sq Plaza, Jun 16, 8AM-7PM (raindate Jun 23).

(ID:18872)

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 63 through 82 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

APPROVED RESULT:

64. License/Permit 206104 (ID:18873)

Public Event License, Mindful Revolutions Yoga and Brunch, Albion Park, Jun 23, 9AM-2:30PM (raindate Jul 7).

RESULT:

APPROVED

License/Permit 65. 206105 (ID:18874)

Public Event License, Legoland Minifigure 40th Birthday Parade, Assembly Row, Jun 23, 9:30-10:30AM.

RESULT:

APPROVED

66. License/Permit 206106

Public Event License, Family Fun Day, Trum Field, Jun 23, 10AM-5PM (raindate Jun 24).

(ID:18875)

RESULT: APPROVED

67. License/Permit 206107

(ID:18876)

Public Event License, Harrison St Block Party, from Mondamin Ct to Kent St, Jun 23, Noon-5PM (raindate Jun 24).

Public Event License, OpenAir Circus Classes, Nunziato Field, Jun 26, Jul

RESULT: APPROVED

68. License/Permit 206108

(ID:18877)

3,10,17,24, 4-8PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

69. License/Permit 206109 (ID:18878)

Public Event License, Independence Day Fireworks, Trum Field and Broadway from Boston Ave to Medford St, Jun 28, Noon-Midnight (raindate 7/5).

RESULT: APPROVED

70. 206110

License/Permit Public Event License, OpenAir Circus Classes, Powderhouse Park, Jun 28, Jul 5,12,19,26, 4-8PM.

(ID:18879)

RESULT: APPROVED

71. License/Permit 206111 (ID:18880)

Public Event License, Berkeley St Block Party, from School St to Hersey St, Jul 1, Noon-7PM (raindate Jul 8).

APPROVED RESULT:

72. 206112 (ID:18881)

License/Permit Public Event License, SomerMovie Fest, Seven Hills Park on Jul 5,12, Aug 16,23, Nunziato Field on Jul 19, ESCS on 7/26, Powderhouse Park on Aug 2, Baxter Park on Aug 9, 6:30-10:45PM.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

73. 206113 (ID:18882)

License/Permit Public Event License, Derby St Block Party, from Grant St to Temple St, Jul 7, 8AM-8PM.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

74. License/Permit 206114 (ID:18883)

Public Event License, Portuguese American Civic League Holy Ghost Feast. Springfield St, Jul 13 6PM-Midnight, Jul 14 7PM-Midnight, Jul 15 9AM-10PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

75. License/Permit 206115 (ID:18884)

Public Event License, Gorham St Block Party, Jul 21, 11AM-6PM (raindate Jul 22).

RESULT: APPROVED

76. 206116 (ID:18885)

License/Permit Public Event License, Indiana Ave Block Party, Jul 22, 2-9PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

77. 206117 (ID:18886)

License/Permit Public Event License, Alpine St Block Party, from Princeton St to Lowell St, Jul 28, Noon-6PM (raindate Jul 29).

> **RESULT:** APPROVED

78. License/Permit 206118 (ID:18887)

Public Event License, Redbones Pig Pickin Block Party for the Homeless Coalition, Chester St from Elm St to Herbert St. Jul 30, Noon-10PM (raindate Aug 6).

RESULT: APPROVED

79. 206119 (ID:18888)

License/Permit Public Event License, OpenAir Circus Rehearsals, Nunziato Field, Jul 31-Aug 1, 4-9PM.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED

80. License/Permit 206120 (ID:18889)

Public Event License, OpenAir Circus Performances, Nunziato Field, Aug 2-6, various times.

81. 206121 (ID:18890)

License/Permit Public Event License, Menorah Youth Ministries Summer Program Block Party, Chapel St, Aug 10, 4:30-7:30PM.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

82. License/Permit 206122 (ID:18891)

Public Event License, Puritan Rd Block Party, from Temple Rd to Ten Hills Rd, Sep 15, 11:30AM-4:30PM (raindate Sep 16).

RESULT: APPROVED

83. 206123 (ID:18892)

License/Permit Public Event License, Zombie Apocalypse Game, Union Sq Plaza, Sep 15, 2-4:30PM (raindate Sep 16).

> On Ald. Scott's motion, the Board approved postponing consideration of this item to the Board's June 28, 2018 meeting.

LAID ON THE TABLE **RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

84. 206124 (ID:18893)

License/Permit Public Event License, Sean Collier Kickball Extravaganza, Trum Field and Franey Rd, Sep 22, 8AM-6PM.

> Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 84 through 87 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

85. 206125 (ID:18894)

License/Permit New Drainlayer's License, Capitol Services. (Interim approval on 6/6.)

RESULT:

APPROVED

86. 206126

License/Permit New Drainlayer's License, Kealey Excavation.

(ID:18895)

RESULT: APPROVED

87. License/Permit 206127 (ID:18904)

Sign/Awning Permit, Oom Yung Doe, 352 Washington St, 2 signs.

RESULT: APPROVED

88. License/Permit New Garage License, ONF Auto Body, 627 Somerville Ave, 33 vehicles inside, none outside, for mechanical repairs, auto body, spray painting, storing 206128 (ID:18905) vehicles.

> Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 88 and 89 and refer them to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

89. License/Permit New Used Car Dealer Class 2 License, Web Motor Sales, 5 Middlesex Ave, no 206129 vehicles stored onsite. (ID:18906) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 90. License/Permit New Outdoor Seating and Goods License, Comicazi, 407 Highland Ave, 2 206130 display tables. (ID:18907) Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 90 through 112 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. **APPROVED** RESULT: 91. License/Permit Amending Livery License, Mass Cab, 45 Endicott Ave, adding 1 vehicle, not 206131 stored in Somerville. (ID:18909) **RESULT:** APPROVED 92. License/Permit Transferring Taxi Medallion License, Medallion #20 from Bibi's Cab to Edelle 206132 Cab. (ID:18908) **RESULT: APPROVED** 93. License/Permit Renewing Automatic Amusement Devices License, Thunder Road, 379 206133 Somerville Ave. (ID:18928) **RESULT:** APPROVED 94. License/Permit Renewing Billiards and Bowling License, Thunder Road, 379 Somerville Ave. 206134 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:18927) 95. License/Permit Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Pepi's Pizzeria, 516B Medford 206135 St. (ID:18929) **RESULT: APPROVED** 96. License/Permit Renewing Open Air Vendor License, The Somerville Flea, Buena Vista 206136 Parking Lot. (ID:18926) **RESULT:** APPROVED 97. License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Faulkner Brothers, 13 Alpine St. 206137 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:18919) 98. License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Pearl St Auto Sales, 182 Pearl St. 206138 **RESULT:** APPROVED

(ID:18918)

99. License/Permit 206139 (ID:18921)		Renewing Flammables License, Union Gulf Service, 231 Washington St.		
		RESULT: APPROVED		
100. License/Permit 206140		Renewing Flammables License, Winter Hill Yacht Club, 500 Artisan Way.		
	(ID:18920)	RESULT: APPROVED		
		Renewing Garage License, Brazil Auto Repair, 621 Somerville Ave.		
206141 (ID:18917)	RESULT: APPROVED			
102. License/Permit 206142 (ID:18910)	Renewing Garage License, Faulkner Brothers, 13 Alpine St.			
	RESULT: APPROVED			
103. License/Permit 206143 (ID:18912)	Renewing Garage License, Fred Susan Auto Body, 269 Somerville Ave.			
	RESULT: APPROVED			
104. License/Permit 206144 (ID:18914)	Renewing Garage License, GE Auto Repair, 631 Somerville Ave.			
	RESULT: APPROVED			
	Renewing Garage License, Gene Automotive Repair, 56 Joy St.			
206145 (ID:18913)		RESULT: APPROVED		
106.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Pearl St Auto Sales, 182 Pearl St.		
206146 (ID:18916)		RESULT: APPROVED		
107.	107. License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Teddy's Foreign Motors, 68 Joy St.		
	206147 (ID:18915)	RESULT: APPROVED		
108. License/Permit		Renewing Garage License, Union Gulf Service, 231 Washington St.		
206148 (ID:18911)	RESULT: APPROVED			
109.	109. License/Permit 206149	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Ball Square Cafe and Breakfast, 708 Broadway.		
(ID:18922)	RESULT: APPROVED			
110.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Five Horses Tavern, 400 Highland Ave.		
	206150 (ID:18925)	RESULT: APPROVED		

111. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, La Brasa, 124 Broadway.

206151

(ID:18923)

RESULT: APPROVED

112. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Reliable Market, 45 Union Sq.

206152 (ID:18924)

RESULT: APPROVED

113. Public KP Law requesting this Board's consent to represent Powderhouse Studios, Communication including its development of the new innovation school.

Communication 206153

(ID:18897) **RES**

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

114. Public Union Square Neighborhood Council Board submitting comments re: US2's Communication proposed development of the D2 parcel in Union Square.

206154 (ID:18898)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

115. Public 6 residents submitting comments re: #205782, a Tufts Pilot Agreement.

Communication 206155 (ID:18899)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

116. Public 1 resident submitting comments re: #204954, a Home Rule Petition for a Real Communication Estate Transfer Fee.

206156 (ID:18900)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

117. Public Eric Shaw submitting comments re: funding after-school programs with the Communication local tax on recreational marijuana.

206157 (ID:18901)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

118. Public Rodrigo Quiroz submitting comments re: dockless bikeshare.

Communication 206158

(ID:18902)

(ID:18932)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

119. Mayor's Requesting approval to amend Ordinances 2-322 and 2-323 re: municipal salary ranges.

206159

Alderman White requested to waive the reading of item 119 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

120. Mayor's Request 206160 (ID:18933) Requesting the appropriation of \$196,760 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Parks Stabilization Account for further environmental testing at Conway Park.

Transportation Director Brad Rawson spoke in favor of this appropriation of \$196,760 in Free Cash to the Parks Stabilization account.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,

Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

121. Officer's Communication 206161 (ID:18853)

Special Counsel submitting a revised Community Benefits Ordinance.

Alderman Niedergang reported that this is a Neighborhood Council Designation Ordinance, not a Community Benefits Ordinance. It was drafted to formally designate a Neighborhood Council. He updated the Board on meetings he has planned for June and July to discuss this item. He said the Legislative Matters Committee would meet on June 21 to consider the Ordinance, and on July 9 there could be a Public Hearing for consideration of the Union Square Neighborhood Council's application. At the July 12 meeting, the Board could possibly designate a Neighborhood Council to begin negotiating with US2 for a Community Benefits Agreement.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

122. Officer's Communication 206162 (ID:18852)

Officer's Director of SPCD responding to #204982 re: possible financial incentives and Communication a community benefits agreement in the city's Amazon bid.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

123. Officer's Director of Communication since 2017.

Director of Purchasing responding to #205902 re: a list of vendor contracts since 2017

(ID:18903)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

LATE ITEMS

124. Order 206164 (ID:18950) By Ald. Scott

That, pursuant to Ordinance 2-121, this Board authorizes and requires the employment of other counsel to issue legal opinion and assist in resolving the questions of the Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee around sequencing of appointments and confirmation, and on release of requested information from the Administration for consideration by the Committee.

Alderman Scott urged the Board to authorize outside counsel to assist the Confirmation of Appointments Committee's attempts to meaningfully review various Mayoral appointments and re-appointments.

RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

125. Order

206165 (ID:18930) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with an update on apartment vacancies in the 100 Homes Program.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

126. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

206166 (ID:18931) That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect, replace and secure the slide and stanchions at North Street Veterans Playground Park as multiple screws are missing.

RESULT: APPROVED

127. Order

By Ald. Clingan, White Jr.

206167 (ID:18934) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NO THRU TRAFFIC EXCEPT RESIDENTS 7AM-9AM sign on Governor Winthrop Road at Shore Drive.

RESULT: APPROVED

128. Order

By Ald. Clingan

206168 (ID:18935) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inform the owner and tenants of 106-108 Thurston Street to place trash and recycling receptacles on the sidewalk so they don't restrict the passage of pedestrians or wheelchairs. (Photo attached)

RESULT: APPROVED

129. Order

By Ald. Clingan

206169 (ID:18936) That the Director of SPCD deploy traffic calming measures on Marshall Street.

RESULT:

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

APPROVED

130. Order

By Ald. Clingan

206170 (ID:18937) That the Director of Traffic and Parking examine possible traffic pattern changes to calm traffic on Marshall Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

131. Order 206171

By Ald. Clingan

(ID:18938)

That the Director of SPCD address and perhaps assist businesses with the removal of metal grates on store fronts along Broadway from Main Street to Walnut Street.

132. Order

By Ald. Clingan

206172 (ID:18939)

That the Director of Engineering add the following streets to the repaving list: Stickney Avenue, Ash Avenue and Sycamore Street from Richdale Avenue to

Medford Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

133. Order By Ald. Clingan

206173 (ID:18940)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a STOP sign on Temple Road at Governor Winthrop Road.

RESULT: APPROVED

134. Order By Ald. Niedergang

206174 (ID:18941) That the Director of SPCD cut down the two tiny dead trees in the median on Broadway near Hinckley Street, and consider planting sea grass there.

RESULT: APPROVED

Order 135. 206175 (ID:18942) By Ald. Niedergang, Ewen-Campen

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the remaining large pothole in front of the Somerville Hospital parking lot.

APPROVED RESULT:

136. Order By Ald. Niedergang

206176 (ID:18943)

That the Director of SPCD extend the solid green bike lane that runs on the south side of Broadway between Powderhouse Square and Cedar Street, all the way to McGrath Highway, or as far up and over Winter Hill as possible.

RESULT: APPROVED

137. Order By Ald. Niedergang

206177 (ID:18944)

That this Board discharge #205683 from the Legislative Matters Committee as the item it refers to (#203365) is in the Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

Order 138.

By Ald. Niedergang

206178 (ID:18945) That the Chief of Police enforce the state law requiring a white light on the front of a bicycle and a red reflector or light on the back when operated from ahalf hour after sunset to a half-hour before sunrise.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee 139. Order
206179
(ID:18948)

By Ald. White Jr., Davis, Rossetti, Hirsch, Mbah
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the raised crosswalk at 13
Foskett Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

Order By Ald. White Jr., Clingan, Rossetti, Hirsch, Mbah
 206180 That the Chief of Police direct patrols in the vicinity of Temple Road and Bailey Road for STOP sign enforcement.

RESULT: APPROVED

141. Public Eversource Gas Maintenance Manager responding to a Condition on the Communication Approval of #205916, a Grant of Location for 88 Dover St, re: checking for 206181 gas leaks when installing underground conduit.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

142. Public MA Attorney General issuing a determination re: #205259, an Open Meeting Communication Law complaint filed against this Board by Sgt. Michael Kiely on 2/20/18.

206182 (ID:18947) **RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

143. Public Tori Antonino submitting comments re: #203365, calling for a native planting Communication ordinance.

205683 (ID:18433)

Discharged from the Committee on Legislative Matters.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:15 PM.