



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS

CLERK OF COMMITTEES

June 2, 2016

REPORT OF THE LAND USE COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Lance L. Davis	Chair	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Vice Chair	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Absent	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Absent	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Absent	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman at Large	Present	

Others present: Members of the Planning Board, Dan Bartman - OSPCD, Charles Sillari - Clerk of Committees

The meeting took place in the Aldermen's Chamber and was called to order at 7:00 PM by Alderman Davis and adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Document List:

- OSPCD Memo (with 201310)
- Proposed Ordinance (with 201310)

Public Hearing: 201310 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SOMERVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A POWDERHOUSE SCHOOL REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

Members of the public spoke in favor of the proposal and praised the developers for their innovation and work with the community. Chairman Davis will keep the record open on this matter for additional comment until the close of business on June 16th.

201310: Requesting an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to establish a Powderhouse School Redevelopment District.

Mr. Bartman gave a brief history of the property and said that the RFP was revised in 2015 after Tufts withdrew its proposal. The zoning proposal and its relation to the plans for the site were discussed, as were affordable housing and parking requirements. The current proposal will have a 28,000 square foot park and commercial use along Broadway.

Alderman Rossetti commented that the developer went above and beyond in working with the community on this matter and Alderman Ballantyne expressed her support for the proposal. Alderman Lafuente commented on the project's creative living space and Alderman Heuston expressed her pleasure regarding the 55+ senior housing included in the project.

RESULT:

KEPT IN COMMITTEE