



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Finance Committee

Regular Meeting Agenda

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Roll Call

1. Committee Minutes (ID # [24-1540](#)) **Agenda Ready:** Approval of the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of October 22, 2024.

Public Hearings

2. Officer's Communication (ID # [24-1691](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** Director of Economic Development and Director of the Arts Council requesting that this Council's Finance Committee hold a public hearing on the draft Armory Master Plan.

Communications and Discussions

3. Mayor's Communication (ID # [24-1580](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** Conveying the draft Armory Master Plan.

Prior Year Invoices

4. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1543](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$5,730 using available funds in the Law Department's Legal Services Account for outside legal counsel services.
5. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1572](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$2,569.52 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Buildings HVAC R&M Account for HVAC repair services.
6. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1571](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$2,682 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Buildings Rental Equipment Account for equipment rental services.
7. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1570](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$1,710 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Sanitation Benches & Barrels Account for Big Belly containers.
8. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1569](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$35,917.36 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Electricity Account for solar generation services.
9. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1566](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$7,539.86 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Electricity Account for solar generation services.
10. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1562](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$38,803.02 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Natural Gas Account for natural gas delivery services.
11. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1654](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$29,074.72 using available funds in various Police Department Ordinary Maintenance Accounts for unpaid invoices.

Grant and Gift Acceptances

12. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1260](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$171,000 grant with no new match required, from the Boston Mayor's Office of Emergency Management to the Police Department for a Special Response Team rescue vehicle.

13. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1635](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$82,357.50 grant with no new match required from Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs to the Council on Aging for social, educational and physical wellness programming.
14. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1491](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$500,000 grant with no new match required, from MA Department of Conservation and Recreation to the Public Space and Urban Forestry Division for the Blessing of the Bay Mass Trails improvement project.

Contracts and Easements

15. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1547](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of a time-only contract extension for Symmes Maini & McKee Associates, Inc. for design services for the Somerville High School project.
16. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1546](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of a time-only contract extension for Suffolk Construction, for Construction Manager services for the Somerville High School project.
17. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1545](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of a time-only contract extension of three years for PMA, LLC for Owner's Project Manager services for the Somerville High School project.

Appropriations

18. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1574](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to appropriate \$147,902 from the Energy Stabilization Fund to replace steam traps.
19. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1573](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of the use of available funds in the amount of \$60,000 from the Department of Public Works Highway Wages Account to fund the Lets Get Working Program.
20. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1649](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to appropriate \$340,000 from the Union Square Community Benefits Fund, with \$200,000 for Workforce Development Services and \$140,000 for Small Business Technical Assistance Services.

Transfers

- 21. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1550](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the transfer of \$5,425 from the Human Resources Professional & Technical Services Account to the Law Professional & Technical Services Account for invoices for the physician on the Medical Panel Review Board.

Orders and Resolutions

- 22. Order (ID # [24-1684](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Burnley Jr. and Councilor Scott
That the Director of Grants and External Funds explain to this Council in writing whether the city can apply for a grant through the Advanced Transportation Technologies and Innovation (ATTAIN) Program to fund a North-South microtransit pilot program, and apply if it is possible.

Ordinances

- 23. Ordinance (ID # [23-0827](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** By Councilor Scott and Councilor Wilson
Amending Section 2-323 of the Code of Ordinances, Salary Ranges, to provide cost-of-living adjustments for School Committee Members and City Councilors.