



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY COUNCIL

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Regular Meeting, May 23, 2019
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SUMMARY: Director of Communications requesting appointment of Epstein & August, LLP as outside legal counsel in the pending cable license renewal negotiations

COMPLETE TEXT:

To the Honorable City Council:

I hereby request, pursuant to Section 2-121 of the Code of Ordinances, your approval to retain the services of Peter J. Epstein, Esq., Epstein & August, LLP, to provide representation as outside legal counsel for cable license and franchise fee negotiations with Comcast and RCN, tri-yearly renewals of our PEG Access agreement with Somerville Community Media, and consultation on any potential FCC rule changes regarding Cable Franchise Fees.

Mr. Epstein and his firm have extensive experience in the field of municipal cable license negotiations.

As always, I am available to answer any questions or concerns you may have. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Denise Taylor
Director of Communications

BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, AT A REGULAR MEETING ON THE 28th DAY OF MARCH, 2019.

ATTEST:

John J. Long, City Clerk