



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Equity, Gender, Seniors, Families and Vulnerable Populations Committee

Meeting Minutes Dispositions

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

6:00 PM

Virtual

Others present: Susan Yerkes – Director of Parks and Recreation, Karin Carroll – Director of Health and Human Services, Nicholas Salerno – Election Commissioner, Hannah Carrillo – Legislative Liaison, Peter Forcellese - Legislative Clerk.

The meeting took place virtually via GoToWebinar and was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair Gomez Mouakad and adjourned at 7:04 PM on a roll call vote of 3 in favor (Councilors Strezo, Pineda Neufeld and Gomez Mouakad), none against and none absent.

Roll Call

Present: Chairperson Beatriz Gomez Mouakad , Vice Chair Judy Pineda Neufeld and Kristen Strezo

1. Approval of the Equity Committee Minutes of September 19, 2022. **22-1625**

Approved

Aye: Chairperson Gomez Mouakad, Vice Chair Pineda Neufeld and City Councilor At Large Strezo

Equity

2. That the Director of Parks and Recreation eliminate equity barriers for residents signing up for recreation programs. **22-1884**

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo, Councilor Burnley Jr., Councilor Clingan, Councilor Davis, Councilor Ewen-Campen, Councilor Gomez Mouakad, Councilor Kelly, Councilor McLaughlin, Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Scott and Councilor Wilson

Kept in committee

3. That this Council’s Committee on Equity, Gender, Seniors, Families and Vulnerable Populations hold a public hearing to discuss the feasibility of conducting CORI and SORI checks for Crisis Pregnancy Centers. **22-1571**

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo

Kept in committee

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4. That the Election Commissioner update this Council on the September 6, 2022 primary, including the number of voters moved to the List of Inactive Voters prior to this election and the number of affirmations signed by voters on the List of Inactive Voters, with comparisons to prior years. [22-1598](#)
- Sponsors:** Councilor Wilson
- Recommended to be marked work completed
5. That the Director of the SomerViva Office of Immigrant Affairs provide an update on the proposed 5-year language plan and how this plan will be implemented in the next five years. [22-1717](#)
- Sponsors:** Councilor Gomez Mouakad
- Kept in committee
6. That the Director of Parks and Recreation report on enrollment processes, communications, matriculation data, staffing and programs offered in the past five years. [22-0671](#)
- Sponsors:** Councilor Gomez Mouakad and Councilor Wilson
- Kept in committee
7. That the Chief of Police provide this Council, in writing, data from FY 2021 for all traffic citations, outcomes of those citations, and any collected demographic data. [22-0471](#)
- Sponsors:** Councilor Pineda Neufeld
- Recommended to be marked work completed
8. That the Director of Health and Human services discuss the potential effects of the recent Supreme Court ruling on Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health on Somerville women, pregnant women, pregnant people and reproductive health. [22-1298](#)
- Sponsors:** Councilor Strezo and Councilor Pineda Neufeld
- Kept in committee
9. That the ADA Coordinator deliver a list of ADA complaints received from members of the public in FY 2021 and FY 2022. [22-1272](#)
- Sponsors:** Councilor Scott and Councilor Clingan
- Kept in committee
10. That the ADA Coordinator provide a status on requests for Braille transcription of materials. [22-1277](#)
- Sponsors:** Councilor Scott and Councilor Clingan
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Kept in committee

Families and Vulnerable Populations

11. That the Director of Health and Human Services, in collaboration with SomerViva, provide a plan for preventive medicine clinics for immigrant communities.

[22-0277](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Gomez Mouakad, Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Kelly, Councilor Burnley Jr., Councilor Strezo and Councilor Wilson

Recommended to be marked work completed