

City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of Business of the City Council

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

October 14, 2021, 7:00 PM
 Meeting by Remote Participation

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OPENING CEREMONIES

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Ward One City Councilor Matthew McLaughlin.

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

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
 212483
 (ID:27478) **RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

2. Remembrances Remembrances.
 212484
 (ID:27479) Councilor Scott sponsored a moment of silence for Frank Ballato.
 Councilor Clingan sponsored a moment of silence for George Hughes.
 Councilor Clingan sponsored a moment of silence for Yolanda Riviera.
 RESULT: APPROVED

3. Minutes Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, September 23, 2021.
 212485
 (ID:27480) **RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott,
 Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

CITATIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. Grant of Location 212486 (ID:27446) Submitted by Cambridge Network Solutions to install a total of 507 feet of conduit in Windsor Street as follows: Starting from existing Verizon manhole at the intersection of South St and Windsor St to an existing Utility Pole 439/2. From said utility pole, 220 feet to an existing Utility Pole 439. Then, continuing 202 feet to the Cambridge/Somerville property line.

President McLaughlin opened the public hearing. Jeffrey Harrington from Cambridge Network Solutions spoke in favor of this item. There being no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

5. Grant of Location 212487 (ID:27447) Submitted by TC Systems Inc to install a total of 604 feet of conduit in Artisan Way as follows: Starting from existing FRIT manhole at the intersection of Artisan Way and Great River Road to a proposed handhole. Then, continuing in Noon Place to a proposed handhole.

President McLaughlin opened the public hearing. Hayleigh Walker from TC Systems Inc spoke in favor of this item. There being no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

6. Grant of Location 212488 (ID:27441) Submitted by Eversource to install 36 feet of conduit in Mount Pleasant Street, from Utility Pole 243/3 to a point of pickup at 24-28 Mount Pleasant Street.

President McLaughlin opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from Eversource spoke in favor of this item. There being no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

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7. Grant of Location 212489 (ID:27442) Submitted by Eversource to install a total of 139 feet of conduit in Medford Street, from Utility Pole 228/2 to a proposed handhole. Then continuing to a proposed traffic light control box located in Gore Street, Cambridge.
- President McLaughlin opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from Eversource spoke in favor of this item and noted that the petition is for 45 feet, not 139, as the remaining amount is located in Cambridge. There being no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
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8. Grant of Location 212490 (ID:27443) Submitted by Eversource to install 87 feet of conduit in Highland Avenue, from Manhole 14704 to a point of pickup at 124 Highland Avenue.
- President McLaughlin opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from Eversource spoke in favor of this item. There being no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
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9. Grant of Location 212491 (ID:27444) Submitted by Eversource to install 39 feet of conduit in Oliver Street, from Utility Pole 261/8 to a point of pickup at 62 Oliver Street.
- President McLaughlin opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from Eversource spoke in favor of this item. There being no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
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10. Grant of Location 212492 (ID:27445) Submitted by Eversource to install 83 feet of conduit in Elmwood Street/Tannery Brook Row, from Utility Pole 113/10 to a point of pickup at 95-99 Elmwood Street, Cambridge.
- President McLaughlin opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from Eversource spoke in favor of this item and noted that the petition is for 20 feet, not 83, as the remaining amount is located in Cambridge. There being no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
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ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

11. Communication By City Councilor McLaughlin
212493 In his capacity as President, urging completion of all items in Committees.
(ID:27419)

President McLaughlin mentioned that the city will be moving to a new legislative tracking system, and he asked that Committee Chairs make efforts to act on items in their committees.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

12. Order By City Councilor Rossetti
212494 That the items listed within be discharged from the Committee on
(ID:27421) Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters and approved by this Council.

Councilor Rossetti moved that these items be discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters. The motion was approved. Councilor Rossetti commented that members of the C of APM committee were made aware that she intended to ask that these items be approved. Councilor Rossetti moved that these items be approved. Councilor Niedergang stated that he's not comfortable with approving these appointments and he would rather have the incoming Council vote on them, and he moved to place these items on file. Councilor Davis agreed with Councilor Niedergang. President McLaughlin commented that when an appointment can't be approved in a five-year time span, then there's a problem on the Council's end. Both Councilor Rossetti and Councilor Niedergang withdrew their motions. The items were recommitted to the Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

13. Order 212495 (ID:27428) By City Councilor Rossetti
That this Council enter Executive Session to discuss litigation strategy with respect to Civil Service Commission Case Fairchild v. City of Somerville.

The Council moved into Executive Session at 8:52 PM to discuss this item.

The Council returned from Executive Session at 9:34 PM and reconvened the regular Council meeting at 9:40 PM. Councilor Rossetti announced that no votes were taken in the Executive Session except the vote to return to the open session. President McLaughlin reassumed the Chair.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

14. Order 212496 (ID:27429) By City Councilor Mbah
That the Director of Parking install CHILDREN CROSSING signs at all intersections in the city.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

15. Order 212497 (ID:27430) By City Councilor Mbah
That the Director of Communications provide advance notice each time there's going to be water flushing out of a hydrant.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

16. Order 212498 (ID:27470) By City Councilor Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Council on the plans and timeline for fixing or replacing the vandalized Henry Hansen memorial in Henry Hansen Park in Magoun Square.

Councilor Niedergang reported that the cost of repairing the monument will be approximately \$8,200.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

17. Order 212499 (ID:27471) By City Councilor Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
That the Director of Racial and Social Justice update this Council before the end of 2021 on progress made in the last six months, especially on hiring, staffing for Commissions, and the work of reimagining policing in Somerville.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

18. Order 212500 (ID:27472) By City Councilor Niedergang
That the Director of the Arts Council report to this Council on why more streets were not closed for Porchfest, why some block party permits were either denied or had hours shortened, and what re-evaluation is occurring to make Porchfest less disruptive to some neighbors and streets next year.

President McLaughlin was recused from these items and Councilor Rossetti assumed the Chair. Councilor Niedergang stated that he thinks that Porchfest can be better managed and needs more focus and advance planning to make it safe for everyone.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

19. Order 212501 (ID:27473) By City Councilor Niedergang
That the Chief of Police report to this Council on why the police presence at this year's Porchfest seemed inadequate, and what planning will be done to ensure less disruption to neighbors for next year's Porchfest.

President McLaughlin was recused from these items and Councilor Rossetti assumed the Chair. Councilor Niedergang stated that he thinks that Porchfest can be better managed and needs more focus and advance planning to make it safe for everyone.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

20. Communication 212502 (ID:27474) By City Councilor Niedergang
Reporting on the September 14, 2021 meeting of the Parking Study Task Force.

Councilor Niedergang encouraged all interested persons to view the slide presentation from the meeting.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

21. Mayor's Request 212425 (ID:27339) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Condominium Review Board pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 268A.
- Councilor Rossetti moved to waive the readings of these items and approve them this evening. Councilor Niedergang shared that he doesn't understand the connection between these items and tonight's agenda #66 and stated that he has several questions. Councilor Rossetti explained that it has been difficult for the city to secure people to serve on various boards and committees. Director Proakis explained the challenges faced by municipal employees with respect to conflict-of-interest laws. Councilor Niedergang commented that he's not opposed to this, but by granting this status to a large number of people removes the ability to police it. Mr. Proakis noted that the state has a complaint process for reporting suspected ethics violations. The items were approved.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
22. Mayor's Request 212426 (ID:27341) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Bicycle Advisory Committee pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
23. Mayor's Request 212427 (ID:27342) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Community Preservation Committee pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
24. Mayor's Request 212428 (ID:27343) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Fair Housing Commission pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

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25. Mayor's Request 212429 (ID:27344) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Pedestrian and Transit Advisory Committee pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
26. Mayor's Request 212430 (ID:27345) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Planning Board pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
27. Mayor's Request 212431 (ID:27346) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Urban Design Commission pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
28. Mayor's Request 212432 (ID:27347) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Urban Forestry Committee pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
29. Mayor's Request 212433 (ID:27348) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Board of Health pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
30. Mayor's Request 212434 (ID:27349) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Board of Library Trustees pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

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31. Mayor's Request 212435 (ID:27350) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Commission for Persons with Disabilities pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
32. Mayor's Request 212436 (ID:27351) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Council on Aging pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
33. Mayor's Request 212437 (ID:27352) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Licensing Commission pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
34. Mayor's Request 212438 (ID:27353) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Memorialization Committee pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
35. Mayor's Request 212439 (ID:27354) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Recreation and Youth Commission pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
36. Mayor's Request 212440 (ID:27355) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Veterans Commission on Monuments, Memorials, and Dedications pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

37. Mayor's Request 212441 (ID:27356) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Commission for Women pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.

See 212425.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

38. Mayor's Request 212442 (ID:27357) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Board of Assessors pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.

See 212425.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

39. Mayor's Request 212443 (ID:27358) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Election Commission pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.

See 212425.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

40. Mayor's Request 212444 (ID:27359) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Somerville Retirement Board pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.

See 212425.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

41. Mayor's Request 212445 (ID:27360) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Traffic Commission pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.

See 212425.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

42. Mayor's Request 212446 (ID:27361) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Traffic Board pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.

See 212425.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

43. Mayor's Request 212447 (ID:27362) Requesting that this Council grant Special Municipal Employee status to the Charter Review Committee pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 268A.
- See 212425.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

44. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 212503 (ID:27432) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on September 28, 2021.
- Councilor Rossetti presented the Committee Report and asked that it be accepted.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
- B. Mayor's Request 204899 (ID:17586) Requesting the re-appointment of Walter Whitney as Superintendent of Public Buildings & Grounds.
- RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
- C. Mayor's Request 210871 (ID:23699) Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of Elizabeth Janiak to the Condominium Review Board.
- RESULT:** WITHDRAWN. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
- D. Mayor's Request 210914 (ID:23700) Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of William Medeiros to the Condominium Review Board.
- RESULT:** WITHDRAWN. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
- E. Mayor's Request 211062 (ID:23847) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Aladdine Joroff to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.
- RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- F. Mayor's Request 211414 (ID:24289) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Murphy Langevin to the Urban Forestry Committee.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne |
- G. Mayor's Request 211746 (ID:24588) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Megan Kearns to the Conservation Commission.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne |
- H. Mayor's Request 211852 (ID:24714) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Jean Alix Simeon as a full member of the Condominium Review Board.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne |
- I. Mayor's Request 211853 (ID:24715) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Paula Vancini as an Alternate Member of the Condominium Review Board.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne |

45. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 212504 (ID:27439)

Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on October 12, 2021.

President McLaughlin recused himself from this item and Councilor Rossetti assumed the chair. Councilor Scott presented the Committee Report and asked to sever item #212362. That item was severed on a roll call vote. Councilor Scott spoke on the severed item and explained that the project has been increased in scope and includes a 4-story parking garage. He spoke about the placement of fire equipment at other sites. Councilor Scott explained that the Construction Manager at-Risk process for this project is different than what the city has done in the past, e.g., for the new high school. He noted that the Finance Committee had recommended approval, however he stated that he was caught off guard by the presentation at the Committee meeting. He is concerned about the process and the design put forth for this \$100 million plus project, which he noted has not yet received any public input. and he would like to refer this item back to the Finance Committee. Councilor Rossetti spoke about the high school building process and Councilor Scott maintained that the funds in this item are for selecting the contractor and moving the project forward. Councilor Rossetti disagreed with Councilor Scott's understanding of the matter. Councilor Davis commented that he was also surprised that the project had progressed to the point it had and that the decision seemed to have been made as to where to place the building. He added that this doesn't feel like the process that has been used in the past on other projects. He would like the administration to explain exactly what this role encompasses and whether it locks the city into anything. Councilor Davis sponsored Director Raiche to speak on the matter. Mr. Raiche said that a number of public meetings and building meetings have been held. The square footage of the parcel is deceptive and there isn't any other way to orient the building on the site. The hiring proposed in this item allows the city to accelerate other facets of the project and to assist with value engineering. Councilor Niedergang said that he's concerned that the price tag of this project has doubled, and commented that it might be better to wait on the project until the new Council is seated. Councilor Scott moved to recommit the item to the Finance Committee. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Councilor Scott moved to sever items #212267, #212268 and #212269. That motion passed. Councilor Scott then moved to place these 3 items on file. That motion passed. Councilor Scott presented the remainder of the Committee Report and asked that it be accepted. Councilor Clingan commented on the need for a support person for the Wage Theft Committee. The Finance Committee Report was accepted.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

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| <p>B. Mayor's Request
207285
(ID:20055)</p> | <p>Requesting the appropriation of \$542,675 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreational Land and Budgeted Reserve Accounts to the City for the ArtFarm project.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
 RECUSED: McLaughlin</p> |
| <p>C. Officer's Communication
207342
(ID:20118)</p> | <p>Director of Capital Projects conveying the Departmental Relocation Strategy and Implementation Plan.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
 RECUSED: McLaughlin</p> |
| <p>D. Order
207478
(ID:20291)</p> | <p>By City Councilor Ballantyne
That the Director of Finance provide this Council with a written report of bond requests for the next 3 years along with corresponding revenue stream projections.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
 RECUSED: McLaughlin</p> |
| <p>E. Mayor's Communication
208460
(ID:21282)</p> | <p>Conveying the June 2019 General Fund Capital Investment Plan.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
 RECUSED: McLaughlin</p> |
| <p>F. Mayor's Request
208630
(ID:21434)</p> | <p>Requesting the appropriation of \$376,820 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the purchase of vehicles for the Parks & Recreation Department.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
 RECUSED: McLaughlin</p> |

- G. Mayor's Request 211224 (ID:24113) Requesting the appropriation of \$36,720 from the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to the Executive Office Salaries Account to establish two new Racial & Social Justice staff positions.
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| RESULT: | PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne |
| RECUSED: | McLaughlin |
- H. Communication By City Councilor Niedergang 211257 (ID:24151) Submitting questions, concerns, comments and ideas regarding Police staffing, in response to Chief Charles Femino’s memo of January 31, 2021, for the February 1 Public Health and Public Safety Committee.
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| RESULT: | PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne |
| RECUSED: | McLaughlin |
- I. Order 211258 (ID:24152) By City Councilor Scott, Clingan, Ballantyne, Strezo, White Jr. That this Council discuss FY22 funding and organizational priorities for the Mobility Department.
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| RESULT: | PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne |
| RECUSED: | McLaughlin |
- J. Order 211382 (ID:24279) By City Councilor Niedergang, Mbah, Ballantyne That this Council consider advocating for an additional \$750,000 in the FY22 budget, as attached, for safe streets and equitable mobility.
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| RESULT: | PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne |
| RECUSED: | McLaughlin |
- K. Resolution 211429 (ID:24328) By City Councilor McLaughlin, Clingan, Strezo, Davis, Mbah That the Mayor allocate funding for two dual diagnosis and social work clinical outreach positions in the Community Outreach Help and Recovery Department in the FY22 budget.
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| RESULT: | PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne |
| RECUSED: | McLaughlin |

L. Order 211446 (ID:24413) By City Councilor Rossetti, Ballantyne
That this Council's Committee on Finance discuss with appropriate staff, anticipated funding from the recently authorized American Rescue Plan Act.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

M. Resolution 211600 (ID:24501) By City Councilor Ewen-Campen, Niedergang, Clingan, Mbah, Strezo, Ballantyne, Scott
That the Administration include a sidewalk snow shoveling program in the FY22 budget focused on pedestrian streets, major north-south and east-west routes, sidewalk corners and crosswalks with piles of snow, MBTA bus stops, and senior buildings.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

N. Order 211826 (ID:24774) By City Councilor Scott, Mbah
That this Council review the past 20 years of the city's Police Department reform recommendations and the resultant changes.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

O. Officer's Communication 212084 (ID:24988) Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management responding to #211944 re: coordination with the EPA and MWRA on Combined Sewer Overflows.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

P. Officer's Communication 212086 (ID:25010) Director of Racial and Social Justice conveying a letter regarding the June 7 Finance Committee budget hearing.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

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| Q. | Order
212257
(ID:26220) | By City Councilor Scott, Mbah
That the Director of Economic Development provide an update regarding the leases at the Armory building and the plan for tenancy and uses moving forward. | | | | | | |
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| RESULT: | PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0] | | | | | | | |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne | | | | | | | |
| RECUSED: | McLaughlin | | | | | | | |
| R. | Mayor's Request
212267
(ID:26175) | Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,331,543 in a bond for the construction of an outdoor elevator to improve accessibility between the High School Field Level and the new Green Line Extension Gilman Square Station. | | | | | | |
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| RESULT: | PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0] | | | | | | | |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne | | | | | | | |
| RECUSED: | McLaughlin | | | | | | | |
| S. | Mayor's Request
212268
(ID:26174) | Requesting approval to re-purpose the Green Line Extension Stabilization Fund and appropriate \$7,668,457 from said fund for the construction of an elevator between the High School Field and the new Green Line Gilman Square Station. | | | | | | |
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| RESULT: | PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0] | | | | | | | |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne | | | | | | | |
| RECUSED: | McLaughlin | | | | | | | |
| T. | Mayor's Request
212269
(ID:26167) | Requesting approval to appropriate \$151,000 from the Facility Construction and Renovation Stabilization Fund for additional design and electrical conduit work related to the Gilman Station elevator and GLX platform. | | | | | | |
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| RESULT: | PLACED ON FILE. [10 TO 0] | | | | | | | |
| AYES: | Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne | | | | | | | |
| RECUSED: | McLaughlin | | | | | | | |
| U. | Mayor's Request
212362
(ID:27271) | Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$725,000 in a bond for Construction Manager at-Risk services for the pre-construction phase of the Public Safety Building . | | | | | | |
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V. Mayor's Request 212414 (ID:27340) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$4,400,000 in a bond for construction services as part of the MWRA Marginal Interceptor Sewer Rehabilitation.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

W. Mayor's Request 212416 (ID:27267) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,600,000 in a bond for a Sewer System Evaluation Study and Infiltration/Inflow Assessment.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

X. Mayor's Request 212418 (ID:26173) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$275,751.91 using available FY22 funds within various DPW accounts.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

Y. Officer's Communication 212450 (ID:27375) Chief Assessor requesting approval to retain outside legal counsel for Appellate Tax Board Settlement matters.

RESULT: APPROVED. [10 TO 0]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
RECUSED: McLaughlin

46. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 212505 (ID:27434) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on September 29, 2021.

Councilor Strezio presented the Committee Report and asked that it be accepted.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

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| <p>B. Order
211059
(ID:23991)</p> | <p>By City Councilor McLaughlin
That the Director of Economic Development work with this Council on a Memorandum of Understanding for the Winter Hill Urban Renewal Plan.</p> | <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>C. Mayor's Request
211613
(ID:24487)</p> | <p>Requesting approval of the 2021-2022 HUD One Year Action Plan, for CDBG, HOME, and ESG Programming.</p> | <p>RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>D. Officer's Communication
212139
(ID:25020)</p> | <p>Planning Director requesting this Council's endorsement of the SomerVision 2040 Plan.</p> | <p>RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |

47. LAND USE COMMITTEE

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| <p>A. Committee Report
212506
(ID:27433)</p> | <p>Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting in Joint Session with the Planning Board on September 28, 2021.</p> | <p>Councilor Ewen-Campen presented the Committee Report and spoke about a series of amendments for Boynton Yards. He asked that the report be accepted.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
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48. LAND USE COMMITTEE

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| <p>A. Committee Report
212507
(ID:27437)</p> | <p>Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting on October 5, 2021.</p> | <p>Councilor Ewen-Campen presented the Committee Report and reported that progress is being made regarding rooftop mechanicals and that there was a discussion about parking at Boynton Yards. He asked that the report be accepted.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
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| <p>B. Public Communication
208951
(ID:21772)</p> | <p>29 Washington Street Realty Trust proposing a zoning amendment to re-zone their property at 29 Washington St to MR4 or MR5.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>C. Public Communication
209034
(ID:21852)</p> | <p>Washington TN LLC proposing a zoning amendment to re-zone their property at 373 Washington St to UR.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>D. Public Communication
209338
(ID:22164)</p> | <p>Jack Saade withdrawing a zoning amendment he proposed on 9/12/19, #208899, to re-zone his property at 453 Somerville Ave.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>E. Communication
209342
(ID:22174)</p> | <p>By City Councilor Hirsch
Providing compiled property and zoning relief application data, to inform the affordability requirements built into the zoning overhaul.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>F. Public Communication
209419
(ID:22254)</p> | <p>Alessandro & Elaine T. Leccese Family Trust proposing a zoning amendment to re-zone their properties at 198 Washington Street to MR5.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>G. Public Communication
209735
(ID:22578)</p> | <p>George and Maria Hatzis proposing a zoning amendment to re-zone their property at 248 Somerville Ave to MR5.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>H. Public Communication
210452
(ID:23323)</p> | <p>LaCourt Foundation LLC proposing a zoning amendment to re-zone their property at 34-36 Merriam St to UR.</p> | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |

- I. Order 210930 (ID:23817) By City Councilor Ewen-Campen, Strezo
That the Director of SPCD commission independent Community Impact Studies for each upcoming Neighborhood Plan and large-scale redevelopment effort, to quantify possible displacement, rent increase, and other negative outcomes, and to propose mitigation strategies.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- J. Order 211133 (ID:24031) By City Councilor Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Ballantyne, Strezo, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Mbah, White Jr.
That the Director of SPCD discuss with the Land Use Committee the fair housing amendment recently passed in Boston that requires new developments to be reviewed for impacts on displacement and housing discrimination.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- K. Officer's Communication 212189 (ID:26089) Planning Board conveying its recommendations on #'s 211170, 211433, 211611, 211612, and 211693, all requests to amend the Zoning Ordinances.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- L. Officer's Communication 212285 (ID:26145) Planning Board conveying its recommendations on items 211675, 211890, 211988, 211889, 212047, 212050, 212051, and 212052, all requests to amend the Zoning Ordinances.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- M. Order 212508 (ID:27427) By City Councilor Davis
That the administration advise this Council and provide the language to allow cannabis delivery in the most streamlined way possible.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

49. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

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| <p>A. Committee Report 212509 (ID:27435)</p> | <p>Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on September 30, 2021.</p> | <p>Councilor Davis presented the Committee Report and spoke about some of the various actions taken by the committee. He spoke about an item involving the release of documents by the city, as ruled by the Public Records Office, which the city is appealing. Councilor Scott commented that the city is pursuing the appeal at a great cost, to the outrage of Ward 2 residents. Councilor Davis noted that there may not be a legal avenue for the Council to follow to stop the city’s appeal.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>B. Resolution 205489 (ID:18414)</p> | <p>By City Councilor Rossetti
That the Administration compile a report for this Board of all emails and letters received on the proposed Real Estate Transfer Fee, and work with this Board to host community forums that bring all interested parties to the table.</p> | <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>C. Order 210233 (ID:23128)</p> | <p>By City Councilor Davis, Niedergang, Ewen-Campen, Strezio, Rossetti, Mbah, Ballantyne, Clingan, White Jr., McLaughlin
That this Council draft an ordinance to establish a Use of Force Policy applicable to municipal law enforcement agencies.</p> | <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| <p>D. Resolution 210557 (ID:23458)</p> | <p>By City Councilor Ewen-Campen, Scott, Davis, Ballantyne
Congratulating the Administration on a very successful rehabilitation and re-opening of Prospect Hill Park, and requesting a reduction in the excessively bright lighting from the new lamp posts.</p> | <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |

- E. Order 210742 (ID:23624) By City Councilor McLaughlin, Ballantyne, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Scott, Strezo, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, Mbah, White Jr. That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance similar to Boston's PILOT ordinance, formalizing payments in lieu of taxes to create a fair and transparent system of taxation for large tax-exempt non-profit organizations.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- F. Order 211002 (ID:23916) By City Councilor Davis That the Chief of Police and the Administration discuss with the Legislative Matters Committee, potential revisions to the citation form for violations of City ordinances, to include demographic data.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- G. Resolution 212401 (ID:27331) By City Councilor Scott, Mbah That the Administration cease the lawsuit seeking to overturn the ruling of the Public Records Office, as outlined in the attached.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- H. Officer's Communication 212449 (ID:27337) Assistant City Solicitor submitting an Ordinance to require the City Clerk to forward all members of the City Council copies of G. L. c. 268A, sections 20(c) and 20(d), disclosure forms filed with the City Clerk.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

50. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 212510 (ID:27438) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on October 10, 2021.

Councilor Davis presented the Committee Report and relayed the discussions that took place on various items. He asked that the report be accepted. Item #211812 was enrolled and ordained.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

B. Mayor's Request 207392 (ID:20167) Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition providing for legal voting rights in municipal elections for non-citizen residents.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

C. Order 210605 (ID:23483) By City Councilor Davis That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance prohibiting the installation of public lighting in excess of a temperature level to be determined.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

D. Ordinance 210719 (ID:23593) By City Councilor White Jr., Clingan, Strezo That the provisions of Sec. 8-3(1) be amended by changing "for not less than a twelve month period" to "not less than a one month period"

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

E. Order 211262 (ID:24156) By City Councilor Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Ballantyne, Strezo, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Mbah, White Jr. That this Council pursue a Charter or Ordinance amendment to expand Police and Fire Interview Panels to include a City Councilor and a designee of the Director of Racial and Social Justice.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

F. Order 211601 (ID:24502) By City Councilor McLaughlin, Clingan, Ballantyne, Davis, Scott, Strezo, Mbah That the City Solicitor and the Chief of Police discuss with the Committee on Legislative Matters a formal policy or ordinance to decriminalize or deprioritize arrests for drug possession, and prioritize treatment over incarceration.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- G. Ordinance 211812 (ID:24721) By City Councilor White Jr., Scott, Clingan, Mbah, Davis, Ballantyne Proposing an amendment to Ordinance 2-123 that would require notification to this Council of claims against the City filed at the MA Commission Against Discrimination.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
NOTE: Ordained absent Mayor's signature pursuant to section 16 of the City Charter.

- H. Order 212511 (ID:27464) By City Councilor Niedergang That this Council approve the Automated Speed Enforcement in School Zones Home Rule Petition (Item #212255), with an amendment to increase the fine in Section 3. (a) to the maximum recommended by the City Solicitor's Office.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

51. PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 212512 (ID:27431) Report of the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works, meeting on September 27, 2021.

Councilor Clingan presented the Committee Report and stated that the committee received updates on several matters. He asked that the report be accepted.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- B. Order 210996 (ID:23885) By City Councilor Niedergang That the Director of SPCD, the Director of Parks and Recreation, or the Commissioner of Public Works discuss with this Council the installation of electrical outlets in parks, playgrounds and other public places to charge cell phones, computers, and other such equipment.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- C. Order 211596 (ID:24509) By City Councilor Ballantyne, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Strezio, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Mbah, White Jr. That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that no hostile architecture public benches are installed in the city.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- D. Order 211718 (ID:24631) By City Councilor Clingan That the Director of Water and Sewer discuss with the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works the notification process regarding non-emergency work.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- E. Order 211719 (ID:24630) By City Councilor Clingan That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street lights at 31-33 Bailey Road.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

52. RULES SPECIAL COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 212513 (ID:27436) Report of the Special Committee on Rules, meeting on October 4, 2021.

Councilor White asked that this item be tabled until the updates are reflected.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE
FOLLOWUP: City Council

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

53. Mayor's Request 212514 (ID:27475) Requesting to appear in Executive Session for the purposes of discussing Item #27465, a contract with Conduent State and Local Solutions Inc., due to the imminent threat of litigation.

The Council moved into Executive Session at 10:00 PM to discuss item #27465 (Item #91 on tonight's agenda).

The Council returned from Executive Session and reconvened the regular Council meeting at 10:13 PM. President McLaughlin announced that no votes were taken in the Executive Session except the vote to return to the open session.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

54. Withdrawn 212515 (ID:27477) Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

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55. Mayor's Request 212516 (ID:27338) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$3,604,801 in a bond for street resurfacing, sidewalk improvements and ADA ramps and improvements.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the readings and refer this item to the Finance Committee.
- RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee
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56. Mayor's Request 212517 (ID:27476) Requesting approval to appropriate and transfer \$8,796,290 from the Facility Construction and Renovation Stabilization Fund to the Somerville High School Construction Fund.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the readings and refer this item to the Finance Committee.
- RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee
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57. Mayor's Request 212518 (ID:27423) Requesting approval to appropriate \$1,235,641 from the Sewer Capital Stabilization Fund to the Sewer Enterprise Fund in order to balance the FY 2022 Sewer Enterprise Fund budget.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the readings and refer this item to the Finance Committee.
- RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee
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58. Mayor's Request 212519 (ID:27424) Requesting approval to appropriate \$1,023,399 from the Water Capital Stabilization Fund to the Water Enterprise Fund in order to balance the FY 2022 Water Enterprise Fund budget.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the readings and refer this item to the Finance Committee.
- RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee
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59. Mayor's Request 212520 (ID:27459) Requesting approval to appropriate \$500,000 from the Street Reconstruction Stabilization Fund for Street & Sidewalk Repairs and ADA Improvements.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the readings and refer this item to the Finance Committee.
- RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee
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60. Mayor's Request 212521 (ID:27461) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$7,901,613.11 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 grant.
- Kate Hartke explained that this is the first half of the ARPA funds being distributed by the county. Meetings will be held in the coming weeks to get public feedback of how the funds should be expended.
- RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
61. Mayor's Request 212522 (ID:27418) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$42,500 grant, with no new match required, from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council to the Council on Aging for taxi transportation for older adults.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the readings and approve this item.
- RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
62. Mayor's Request 212523 (ID:27416) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$7,816 grant, with no new match required, from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to the Council on Aging for the Senior Fit-4-Life Health and Wellness Program.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the readings and approve this item.
- RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
63. Mayor's Request 212524 (ID:27417) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$3,000 grant, with no new match required, from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to the Council on Aging for transportation.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the readings and approve this item.
- RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
64. Mayor's Request 212525 (ID:27469) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$800 using available funds in the Mobility Ordinary Maintenance Account for Police Details for the Mystic Ave Shared Streets implementation work.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the readings and approve this item.
- RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

65. Mayor's Request 212526 (ID:27413) Requesting confirmation of the promotion of Eli D. Kim to the position of Police Sergeant.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

66. Officer's Communication 212527 (ID:27422) Assistant City Solicitor submitting proposed Ordinance 2-106, that the City Clerk forward copies of disclosures filed pursuant to G. L. c. 268A, Sections 20(c) and 20(d) to all Councilors, as approved by the Legislative Matters Committee on 9/30/21.

Councilor Davis moved for approval, enrollment and ordainment of this item. The item was approved, enrolled and ordained.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

67. Officer's Communication 212528 (ID:27440) Treasurer/Collector requesting approval to retain Hinckley Allen as bond counsel.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

68. Officer's Communication 212529 (ID:27463) Director of SomerStat requesting an opportunity to provide this Council an update on the reprecincting process.

SomerStat Director Cortni Desir updated the Council about redistricting. The process was delayed due to COVID-19 and a recommendation will be presented to the Council on October 28th. Somerville's population grew by 7% from 2010 to 2020 to over 81,000 and every ward absorbed some of that increase. Ms. Desir gave a presentation of the population by ward and detailed where the boundaries need to be changed to meet state requirements. Councilor Ewen-Campen commented that the precincts aren't ordered on the map. Councilor Niedergang objected to the boundary of Ward 5, as it will shift the School Committee representative from Ward 5 to Ward 6, thereby making her unable to serve after December 31st. He will put forth amendments to rectify this situation at the next Council meeting. Director Desir stated that she was not aware of this problem and re-stated that this presentation is only a draft, adding that the public may comment on the proposal by contacting City Hall. President McLaughlin commented that he is pleased with the changes to Ward 1 and asked if changes to the state districts may impact the city's redistricting. Director Desir noted that the city has reached out to its state delegation to inform them of the changes being proposed in Somerville.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

69. Officer's Communication 212530 (ID:27415) OPSCD Executive Director submitting an update regarding the SomerVision 2040 Plan.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

NEW BUSINESS

70. License/Permit 212531 (ID:27455) Public Event License, Honk Festival, Honk/MAMAS Neighbor Celebration, Lincoln Park Basketball court and Nunziato Park, Oct 9, 1PM-5PM (Interim Approval granted).

Councilor White moved to waive the readings and approve this item.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

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| 71. License/Permit 212532 (ID:27456) | Public Event License, Honk Festival, Seven Hills Park, Oct 9, 10AM-9:30PM (Interim Approval granted). | <p>Councilor White moved to waive the readings and approve this item.
 RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| 72. License/Permit 212533 (ID:27448) | Public Event License, Gilman Square Block Party, Bradley Street from Pearl St to Radcliffe Rd, Oct 16, 11AM-6:30PM (raindate Oct 17). | <p>Councilor White moved to waive the readings and approve this item.
 RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| 73. License/Permit 212534 (ID:27449) | Public Event License, Somerville Community Corp, Light Up Walk, Nunziato Park, Oct 16, 5PM-9:30PM (raindate Oct 17). | <p>Councilor White moved to waive the readings and approve this item.
 RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| 74. License/Permit 212535 (ID:27452) | Public Event License, School St Block Party, School St from Summer St to Knapp St, Oct 16, 2PM-6PM (raindate Oct 17). | <p>Councilor White moved to waive the readings and approve this item.
 RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| 75. License/Permit 212536 (ID:27453) | Public Event License, Prospect Hill Block Party, Prospect Hill Park and Munroe Street from Bigelow St to Prospect Hill Ave, Oct 17 & Oct 24, 1:30PM-6:30PM. | <p>Councilor White moved to waive the readings and approve this item.
 RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| 76. License/Permit 212537 (ID:27450) | Public Event License, Authors in Action, Statue Park, Oct 23, 2:30PM-6:30PM (raindate Oct 30). | <p>Councilor White moved to waive the readings and approve this item.
 RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
 AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |

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| 77. License/Permit
212538
(ID:27454) | Public Event License, Commission for Women, Candlelight Vigil, Statue Park, Oct 26, 5PM-7PM. | <p>Councilor White moved to waive the readings and approve this item.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]</p> <p>AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| 78. License/Permit
212539
(ID:27451) | Public Event License, Lexington Ave Halloween Block Party, Lexington Ave, Oct 31, 5PM-9PM. | <p>Councilor White moved to waive the readings and approve this item.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]</p> <p>AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |
| 79. Public
Communication
212540
(ID:27457) | 10 registered voters requesting the adoption of a Zoning Map amendment to change the zoning district of 3 Prescott Street from UR to NR. | <p>Councilor Ewen-Campen moved to waive the readings and refer this item to the Land Use Committee.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee</p> |
| 80. Public
Communication
212541
(ID:27462) | Comar Real Estate Trust proposing a zoning map amendment to re-zone their properties at 299 Broadway and 15 Temple Street from MR5, MR3 and NR Districts to MR6, MR4 and NR Districts. | <p>Councilor Ewen-Campen moved to waive the readings and refer this item to the Land Use Committee.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee</p> |
| 81. Public
Communication
212542
(ID:27458) | Lee Auspitz submitting comments re: biosafety. | <p>Councilor Ewen-Campen moved to waive the readings and refer this item to the Land Use Committee.</p> <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]</p> <p>AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee</p> |
| 82. Public
Communication
212543
(ID:27460) | 8 residents submitting comments re: Central Hill and the proposed GLX elevator. | <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]</p> <p>AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p> |

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

83. Order 212544 (ID:27482) By City Councilor Ewen-Campen, Davis, Strezo, Ballantyne That the City Solicitor draft a Home Rule Petition to exempt Somerville from MGL 135 Sec 8, and thus allow the City of Somerville to donate unclaimed bicycles to local non-profit organizations, rather than selling them at auction.
- RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee
84. Order 212545 (ID:27483) By City Councilor Ewen-Campen, Davis, Mbah That the Executive Director of the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development provide a written memo to this Council on State and Federal regulations which regulate biological research safety, and advise on whether any local zoning ordinances are additionally necessary.
- Councilor Ewen-Campen has requested this to determine if there’s anything that needs to be done at the local level.
- RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee
85. Mayor's Request 212546 (ID:27484) Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition to provide for legal voting rights in municipal elections for non-citizen residents of the City of Somerville.
- Councilor Davis commented that non-citizen voting was the normal course of action until recently. Councilor Davis moved for approval of this item.
- RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
86. Mayor's Request 212547 (ID:27486) Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition authorizing the City of Somerville to employ automated enforcement of speed limit violations in designated School Zones within the City of Somerville.
- Councilor Davis recommended that this item be referred to the Legislative Matters Committee.
- RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

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87. Mayor's Request 212548 (ID:27488) Requesting an amendment to the Somerville High School Construction appropriation to a new amount of \$278,790,633 and increasing the amount of bonds, fund transfers, and other available funds of the city authorized to meet said appropriation.
- Councilor Rossetti stated that she was unaware of this and isn't sure what this dollar amount is for.
RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee
88. Mayor's Request 212549 (ID:27487) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$3,300,000 for Poplar Street Pump Station Pump House & Facilities pre-construction services.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and refer this item to the Finance Committee.
RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee
89. Mayor's Request 212550 (ID:27481) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$16,400 using available funds in the Human Resources Department Arbitration Services Account for arbitration services.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and refer this item to the Finance Committee.
RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee
90. Mayor's Request 212551 (ID:27406) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$2,000 gift with no new match required, from Michael and Laura Lieberman to the Somerville Public Library for the Children's Department.
- Councilor Scott moved to waive the reading and approve this item.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
91. Mayor's Request 212552 (ID:27465) Requesting approval of an extension of up to 12 months to the contract between the City of Somerville and Conduent State and Local Solutions Inc.
- This item was discussed in Executive Session. See agenda #53.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

92. Mayor's Communication 212553 (ID:27485) Conveying a memo from the City Solicitor's office regarding Item #211812, notification to the City Council of claims against the City filed at the MA Commission Against Discrimination.
- RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
93. Officer's Communication 212554 (ID:27489) Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management submitting a memo regarding the Central Hill elevator, requesting Items #212267, #212268, and #212269 be placed on file.
- RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

LATE ITEMS

94. Mayor's Request 212474 (ID:27401) Requesting approval of a grant of easement in Inner Belt Road for Fiber Optic Communications Equipment.
- Councilor Scott moved to discharge items #212415 and #212474 from the Finance Committee and approve them this evening. The items were discharged, and Councilor Scott sponsored Brian Postlewaite to speak about item #212474, an easement project on Inner Belt Way. Mr. Postlewaite explained what's involved and assured the Council that the city's interests are being protected. Councilor White commented that the Council has not received a copy of the easement and Mr. Postlewaite stated that copies were sent to members of the Finance Committee and that the work has already started in the private way, i.e., the portion not owned by the city. Councilor White requested that item #212474 be recommitted to the Finance Committee. Item #212415 was approved.
- RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee
95. Mayor's Request 212415 (ID:27266) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$4,050,000 in a bond for sewer improvements.
- See 212415.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezio, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
96. Mayor's Request 204905 (ID:17592) Requesting the re-appointment of Frank Wright as City Solicitor.
- RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

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| 97. Mayor's Request 207403 (ID:20153) | Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of Frank Wright as City Solicitor. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
| 98. Mayor's Request 209498 (ID:22334) | Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of Frank Wright as City Solicitor. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
| 99. Mayor's Request 211292 (ID:24168) | Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of Frank Wright as City Solicitor. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
| 100. Mayor's Request 204907 (ID:17594) | Requesting the re-appointment of Steve Craig as 311 Director. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
| 101. Mayor's Request 207405 (ID:20155) | Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of Steve Craig as 311 Director. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
| 102. Mayor's Request 209500 (ID:22336) | Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of Steve Craig as 311 Director. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
| 103. Mayor's Request 211293 (ID:24169) | Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of Steve Craig as 311 Director. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |

104. Mayor's Request 204918 (ID:17605) Requesting the re-appointment of William Roche as Municipal Hearing Officer.
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| RESULT: | REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION |
| FOLLOWUP: | Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
105. Mayor's Request 207410 (ID:20160) Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of William Roche as Municipal Hearing Officer.
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| RESULT: | REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION |
| FOLLOWUP: | Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
106. Mayor's Request 209504 (ID:22340) Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of William Roche as Municipal Hearing Officer.
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| RESULT: | REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION |
| FOLLOWUP: | Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
107. Mayor's Request 211288 (ID:24163) Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of William Roche as Municipal Hearing Officer.
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| RESULT: | REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION |
| FOLLOWUP: | Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 11:51 PM.