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- 4.2. Order
(ID # [24-0071](#)) By Councilor Strezo
That the Director of Planning, Preservation and Zoning discuss the potential for density bonus incentives, such as \$150,000 for homeowners to build affordable housing for rent or homeownership.
- 4.3. Order
(ID # [24-0072](#)) By Councilor Strezo
That the Director of Health and Human Services provide an update on the communication efforts and rollout of the Warming Center, including the plan to inform Armory tenants, and the plan for security and client assistance.
- 4.4. Order
(ID # [24-0075](#)) By Councilor Strezo
That the Director of Office of Housing Stability appear before the Housing and Community Development Committee to discuss the current status of residents facing displacement and the number of households seeking rental assistance.
- 4.5. Order
(ID # [24-0076](#)) By Councilor Strezo
That the Executive Director of the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development discuss the maintenance plan for the Armory building.
- 4.6. Resolution
(ID # [24-0073](#)) By Councilor Strezo
That the Administration, in conjunction with the Housing and Water and Sewer Departments, provide optional, affordable, water utility assessments in low-income housing units and in benevolent landlord and subsidized landlord housing, whereby residents would pay their own water and sewer bills.
- 4.7. Resolution
(ID # [24-0074](#)) By Councilor Strezo
That the Administration provide an update on plans for Universal Basic Income/Guaranteed Basic Income implementation and roll out.
- 4.8. Order
(ID # [24-0085](#)) By Councilor Ewen-Campen
That the Commissioner of Public Works discuss with this City Council how the sidewalk clearing pilot program is working this winter.
- 4.9. Order
(ID # [24-0088](#)) By Councilor Ewen-Campen
That the Director of Engineering install robust, permanent pedestrian crossing signage at the intersection of Vinal and Highland Avenues, given the importance of this crosswalk for High School students and many others.
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- 4.10. Resolution
(ID # [24-0086](#)) By Councilor Ewen-Campen
That the Administration explain the issues that are preventing Reavis Field from opening and how the process may be expedited.
- 4.11. Resolution
(ID # [24-0087](#)) By Councilor Ewen-Campen and Councilor Clingan
That the Administration discuss with this Council's Special Committee on School Building Facilities and Maintenance, whether the financial comparisons of various new school building scenarios have taken into consideration projected costs of creating new usages at the current Winter Hill and Brown School sites.
- 4.12. Resolution
(ID # [24-0089](#)) By Councilor Ewen-Campen
In support of an enduring ceasefire in Gaza.
- 4.13. Order
(ID # [24-0090](#)) By Councilor Sait, Councilor Burnley Jr. and Councilor Wilson
That the Director of Economic Development take the steps described within, relative to the Armory building.
- 4.14. Order
(ID # [24-0091](#)) By Councilor Mbah
That the Director of Parks and Recreation and the Director of Public Space and Urban Forestry report to this Council's Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy on the status of the parks and open spaces that have been completed or are under construction and planning as part of redevelopment projects.
- 4.15. Communication
(ID # [24-0092](#)) By Councilor Pineda Neufeld and Councilor Ewen-Campen
In her capacity as Chair of the Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee, conveying new guidelines for discussion, for interviewing applicants in committee.
- 4.16. Order
(ID # [24-0093](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Director of Inspectional Services update the Ward 1 Councilor regarding any fines associated with 24-28 Broadway, the former Taco Loco site, due to repeated cleanliness and business violations within the last two years.
- 4.17. Order
(ID # [24-0094](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Director of Inspectional Services update the Ward 1 Councilor regarding any fines associated with 112 Broadway, formerly the East End Grill, for any violations within the last ten years.
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- 4.18. Order
(ID # [24-0095](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Director of Inspectional Services update the Ward 1 Councilor regarding any fines associated with 176-182 Broadway, formerly Patsy's Pastries, in the last ten years.
- 4.19. Order
(ID # [24-0096](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Director of Inspectional Services inspect 112 Broadway, 176-182 Broadway, and 24-28 Broadway for violations and report the findings to the Ward 1 City Councilor.
- 4.20. Order
(ID # [24-0097](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Director of Inspectional Services address trash and other violations by the Rent-A-Center on Broadway.
- 4.21. Order
(ID # [24-0098](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Tree Warden inspect and trim the tree at 11 Melvin Street.
- 4.22. Order
(ID # [24-0099](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Tree Warden trim the tree at 11 Illinois Avenue.
- 4.23. Order
(ID # [24-0100](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Director of Parking address the low-hanging traffic sign on Washington Street, by Oliveria's Steakhouse and the BlueBike Station, that makes it difficult for pedestrians to pass.
- 4.24. Order
(ID # [24-0101](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect the many uneven sidewalks on the north side of Broadway in East Somerville, commonly known as the State streets.
- 4.25. Order
(ID # [24-0102](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works address the uneven sidewalk in front of 11 Illinois Avenue.
- 4.26. Order
(ID # [24-0103](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Director of Water and Sewer clean the sewer at the intersection of Gilman and Cross Streets.
- 4.27. Order
(ID # [24-0104](#)) By Councilor McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works work with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (Mass DOT) to address the piles of trash under Interstate-93, by the Stop and Shop.

- 4.28. Order By Councilor McLaughlin
(ID # [24-0105](#)) That the Director of Engineering inspect the traffic signal at Foley Street and Middlesex Avenue to ensure the timing is functioning correctly.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

6.A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- 6.A.1. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on January
(ID # [24-0077](#)) 23, 2024.
- 6.A.2. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling
(ID # [23-1757](#)) \$2,833.59 using available funds in the Human Resources Department Professional & Technical Services Account for investigative services.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.3. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling
(ID # [23-1772](#)) \$1,175.32 using available funds in the Parks and Recreation Professional & Technical Services Account for online payment services.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.4. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$37,500
(ID # [23-1776](#)) grant with no new match required, from the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) to the Fire Department for maritime related training and equipment.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.5. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$15,000
(ID # [23-1777](#)) grant with no new match required, from New England Foundation for the Arts (NEFA) to the Arts Council for training and funding for a public art project.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.6. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling
(ID # [23-1803](#)) \$13,190.05 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Moving Services Account for moving of furniture and equipment.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.7. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of a time-only contract extension of
(ID # [23-1828](#)) eight months with Symmes Maini & McKee Associates, Inc. for design services for the Somerville High School project.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.

- 6.A.8. Mayor's Request
(ID # [23-1829](#)) Requesting approval of a time-only contract extension of eight months for PMA, LLC for Owner's Project Manager services for the Somerville High School project.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.9. Mayor's Request
(ID # [23-1840](#)) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$48,529.99 grant with no new match required, from the Boston's Mayor's Office of Emergency Management to the Police Department for installation of access controls, card entry access, and indoor fencing.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.10. Mayor's Request
(ID # [23-1846](#)) Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$135,000 grant with no new match required, from the Executive Office of Administration and Finance for the implementation of a records management system.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.11. Mayor's Request
(ID # [23-1847](#)) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$16,041.33 using available funds in the Department of Infrastructure & Asset Management Professional & Technical Services Account for the Asset Management Program.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.12. Mayor's Request
(ID # [23-1848](#)) Requesting approval to accept a \$5,000 gift from the Cummings Foundation for the Basic Income Pilot.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.13. Mayor's Request
(ID # [23-1852](#)) Requesting acceptance of, and approval to expend, a \$75,000 grant with no new match required, from the Boston Mayor's Office of Emergency Management to the Police Department for Special Response Team expenditures and overtime.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.14. Mayor's Request
(ID # [23-1864](#)) Requesting approval of a grant of easement and maintenance agreement for US Union Square D2.1 Owner LLC for 10 Prospect Street and Somerville Avenue.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.15. Mayor's Request
(ID # [23-1875](#)) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$420 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Fire Alarm R&M Account for alarm monitoring.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.

- 6.A.16.Mayor's Request
(ID # [23-1876](#)) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$1632.31 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Roofing R&M Account for roof repairs.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.17.Mayor's Request
(ID # [23-1877](#)) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$325 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Towing Account for towing services.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.18.Mayor's Request
(ID # [24-0010](#)) Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$122,627 grant with no new match required, from Mass General Hospital/Cambridge Health Alliance to the Health and Human Services Department for recruitment and training of Community Health Workers.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be withdrawn.
- 6.A.19.Mayor's Request
(ID # [24-0011](#)) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$28.75 using available funds in the Human Resources Department Wellness Account for an employee Weight Watchers wellness benefit.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.20.Mayor's Request
(ID # [24-0012](#)) Requesting approval of a time-only extension to the contract with WSP, Inc. for design work on the Somerville Avenue Utilities and Streetscape Improvements project.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.21.Mayor's Request
(ID # [24-0013](#)) Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$3,000 grant with no new match required, from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to the Council on Aging for senior transportation.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.22.Mayor's Request
(ID # [24-0014](#)) Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$76,867 grant with no new match required, from the Massachusetts Office of Elder Affairs to the Council on Aging for social, educational and physical wellness programming.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.23.Mayor's Request
(ID # [24-0015](#)) Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$3,600 grant with no new match required, from Massachusetts Councils on Aging to the Council on Aging for the Somerville Memory Cafe.
RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.

- 6.A.24. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0035](#)) Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$91,211.79 grant with no new match required, from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to the Fire Department for staffing costs. RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.25. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0036](#)) Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$53,200 grant with no new match required, from the Mass Cultural Council to the Arts Council for the Local Cultural Council grant program. RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.
- 6.A.26. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0045](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$260,836.34 from the GLX Developer Contribution Fund Account for procuring an owners project representative for the 100 Chestnut Pedestrian Bridge. RECOMMENDED: Recommended to be approved.

7. COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

- 7.1. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0053](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,405,962 from the Community Preservation Act (CPA) Fund Community Housing Reserve to the Affordable Housing Trust.
- 7.2. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0055](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$426,925 from the Community Preservation Act (CPA) Fund to the Mystic River Watershed Association for improvements to the Blessing of the Bay Linear Park.
- 7.3. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0054](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$35,000 from the Community Preservation Act (CPA) Fund Open Space Reserve to the Public Space & Urban Forestry Division for design of the Kennedy Schoolyard.
- 7.4. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0056](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$25,000 from the Community Preservation Act (CPA) Fund Historic Preservation Reserve to Vida Real for a condition assessment of the building at 404 Broadway.
- 7.5. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0052](#)) Requesting the transfer of \$75,605 from the Community Preservation Act (CPA) Fund Undesignated Fund Balance to the Community Housing Reserve.
- 7.6. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0080](#)) Requesting approval of an extension and amendment to the contract with Symmes Maini and McKee Associates for an additional three years to 2/28/2027, and a revised amount of \$978,649, for Central Hill design and construction administration.

- 7.7. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0038](#)) Requesting approval of a time-only extension until 12/31/2024 for the contract with Warner Larson Landscape Architects, to complete additional design services and punch list work at the Healey Schoolyard and Athletic Field.
- 7.8. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0067](#)) Requesting approval of a time-only extension until 1/1/2026 for the contract with Beyer Blinder Belle Architects & Planners for design services on the Building Master Plan.
- 7.9. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0057](#)) Requesting approval of a time-only extension of three years for the contract with Vida Real for restoration of the bell tower at 404 Broadway.
- 7.10. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0084](#)) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Austin Brower to the Board of Elections Commissioners.

8. COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

9. NEW BUSINESS

- 9.1. License (ID # [24-0109](#)) New Lodging House License, Tufts University, 29 Sawyer Ave, 27 residents.
- 9.2. License (ID # [24-0108](#)) Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 56 Professors Row.
- 9.3. License (ID # [24-0110](#)) Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Raymy Inc, #59.
- 9.4. License (ID # [24-0111](#)) Renewing Used Car Dealer License Class 2, Intercar, 39 Webster Ave.
- 9.5. Public Communication (ID # [24-0112](#)) Five residents submitting comments re: proposed Zoning Ordinance Climate & Equity Innovation Sub-Area Overlay District.
- 9.6. Public Communication (ID # [24-0068](#)) Julie Corwin submitting comments re: Green Line Extension.
- 9.7. Public Communication (ID # [24-0069](#)) Dan Seaman submitting comments re: Little Free Library on Cedar Street.
- 9.8. Public Communication (ID # [24-0082](#)) Peter Heald submitting comments re: facial recognition technology.

10. SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

- 10.1. Order
(ID # [24-0106](#)) By Councilor Burnley Jr.
That the Director of the Office of Sustainability and Environment work with this Council and Green and Open Somerville to develop a job description for an Invasive Species position to spearhead outreach, education, and citywide invasive plant species removal and to allocate funding for such a position in the FY 2025 budget.
- 10.2. Order
(ID # [24-0107](#)) By Councilor Burnley Jr.
That the Director of Economic Development update this Council on efforts taken to inform relevant business owners about the newly implemented closed captioning ordinance.
- 10.3. Order
(ID # [24-0116](#)) By Councilor Pineda Neufeld
That the City Solicitor appear before the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters to discuss the scope and role of the Committee in confirming various appointments.
- 10.4. Order
(ID # [24-0117](#)) By Councilor Strezo
That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management report on leaks at the Benjamin Brown School and any exterior envelope damages in the past six months, and actions being taken to address such leaks and damages including the recently dislodged downspout.
- 10.5. Order
(ID # [24-0118](#)) By Councilor Strezo
That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management report on leaks at the Arts at the Armory Building and any exterior envelope damages in the past six months, and actions being taken to address such leaks and damages including the recently dislodged downspout.
- 10.6. Mayor's Request
(ID # [24-0079](#)) Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$30,000 grant with no new match required, from MA Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to the Economic Development Division for the implementation of a green jobs training program for nontraditional students.
- 10.7. Mayor's Request
(ID # [24-0119](#)) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Jason Mackey to the Human Rights Commission.

- 10.8. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0120](#)) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Martin Polignone to the Human Rights Commission.
- 10.9. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0121](#)) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Elyse Best to the Human Rights Commission.
- 10.10. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0122](#)) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Mallory Carroll to the Commission for Women.
- 10.11. License (ID # [24-0123](#)) New Drainlayer's License, D'Alessandro Corp.
- 10.12. License (ID # [24-0124](#)) New Garage License, John's Auto Sales Inc, 181 Somerville Ave, for 2 vehicles inside and 22 vehicles outside for mechanical repairs only, Mon-Fri: 8am-6pm, Sat: 8am-2pm, Sun: Closed.
- 10.13. Public Communication (ID # [24-0083](#)) Meriwether Buruss submitting comments re: ceasefire.
- 10.14. Public Communication (ID # [24-0125](#)) Eleven individuals, including five residents, submitting comments re: item 24-0089 a resolution in support of an enduring ceasefire in Gaza.

11. ADJOURNMENT