

City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 23, 2015, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

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OPENING OF THE MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Absent	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call
198937
(ID:11526)

Call of the Roll.

President White announced an upcoming celebration of life for former Ald. Tom Taylor. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Carmilla Toner. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Joe Antonelli. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Kevin Sullivan.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE
2. Minutes
198938
(ID:11527)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, March 26, 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED

CITATIONS

3. Citation
198939
(ID:11248)

By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Robert Schofield on winning a MA Secondary Schools Athletic Directors Association Award for re-invigorating youth softball and baseball in Somerville.

RESULT: APPROVED

4. Citation 198940 (ID:11633) By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Seamus O'Donovan, who has been accepted to the US Naval Academy.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE
FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. Withdrawn 198941 (ID:11634) Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

6. Grant of Location 198942 (ID:11635) Submitted by Eversource, for 7 feet of conduit in Day Street, from Pole 96/7 to a point of pickup at 49 Day Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the details on the work that needs to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

7. Grant of Location 198943 (ID:11636) Submitted by Eversource, for 260 feet of conduit in Broadway: 115 feet from a manhole near Boston Ave to a point of pickup at the Ball Sq. Bridge, and 145 feet from a manhole near Winchester Ave to another point of pickup at the bridge.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the details on the work that needs to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

8. Order 198944 (ID:11587) By Ald. Lafuente That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the stairs and surrounding area from Mystic Housing to the Healey School.

Alderman Niedergang complained that the stairs have been an ongoing problem for many years. Alderman Lafuente agreed, saying he makes a similar request twice a year.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

9. Order 198945 (ID:11588) By Ald. Lafuente That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the yards and perimeter of the Healey school.

RESULT: APPROVED

10. Order 198946 (ID:11589) By Ald. Lafuente That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider changing the traffic flow on Medford Street, from Pearl Street to McGrath Highway, to flow with the rush hour traffic.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

11. Order 198947 (ID:11590) By Ald. Lafuente That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole on Heath Street, between Bond and Fenwick Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

12. Order 198948 (ID:11591) By Ald. Lafuente That the Commissioner of Public Works contact DCR to clean the area around the Blessing of the Bay boat house.

RESULT: APPROVED

13. Order 198949 (ID:11592) By Ald. Lafuente That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at 111-113 Bailey Road.

RESULT: APPROVED

14. Order 198950 (ID:11593) By Ald. Lafuente That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at the corner of Bailey Road and Ten Hills Road.

RESULT: APPROVED

15. Order 198951 (ID:11594) By Ald. Lafuente That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the Winter Hill Market for rubbish and fine the business and building owner.

Alderman Lafuente stated the owner did not comply with his commitment in keeping the area clean as promised.
RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

16. Order 198952 (ID:11595) By Ald. Lafuente That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect DentPlant, at 281 Broadway, and remove any illegal signs or banners.

RESULT: APPROVED

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| <p>17. Order
198953
(ID:11596)</p> | <p>By Ald. Lafuente
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the former Star Market site for all violations and inspect the parking lot for unsafe conditions and litter.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee</p> | |
| <p>18. Order
198954
(ID:11597)</p> | <p>By Ald. Lafuente
That the Commissioner of Public Works contact Mass DOT to fix the fence under I-93, in front of 19-21 Bailey Road.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> | |
| <p>19. Order
198955
(ID:11598)</p> | <p>By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin
That the Administration of Teen Empowerment update this Board of its recent accomplishments and plans for the remainder of the calendar year.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Youth Services Committee</p> | |
| <p>20. Resolution
198956
(ID:11603)</p> | <p>By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti
That the Administration develop with this Board a strategy to analyze the increasing use of Runway 33L at Logan Airport and document the adverse noise impacts.</p> |
| <p>Alderman White explained what a huge impact the airplane noise has on residents. He asked that flight patterns and the number of residents affected be analyzed and be compared with other runways. Alderman Rossetti announced that BU Professor Levy will present the results of a study of airplane noise on 4/30/15. She expressed a concern that the time frame of the study had minimal flights, however, saying that 3 days after the completion of the study she was inundated with the plane noise again and the constituents that participated with the study were extremely frustrated.</p> | |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee</p> | |
| <p>21. Order
198957
(ID:11604)</p> | <p>By Ald. White Jr., Gewirtz, Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board to discuss the circumstances that led to the collapse of the Brown School roof.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee</p> | |
| <p>22. Order
198958
(ID:11605)</p> | <p>By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan
That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint appropriate roadway markings at the speed bump on Shore Drive to alert drivers as they approach it.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee</p> | |

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23. Order 198959 (ID:11606) By Ald. White Jr., McLaughlin That the Traffic Engineer examine the rotary at Grand Union Blvd. and River Road for safety and install appropriate signage.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED |
| FOLLOWUP: | Traffic and Parking Committee |
24. Order 198960 (ID:11607) By Ald. White Jr., Gewirtz, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect and report to this Board on the safety of the telephone pole and tree that abut 351 Summer Street.
- Alderman Gewirtz expressed her opposition to removing this shade tree or any healthy public shade tree.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED |
| FOLLOWUP: | Public Health and Public Safety Committee |
25. Order 198961 (ID:11608) By Ald. Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the several potholes on Linden Avenue.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED |
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26. Order 198962 (ID:11609) By Ald. Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the huge pothole at 28-30 Woodbine Street and the sidewalk at 20 Woodbine Street, and inspect the area for other defects.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED |
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27. Order 198963 (ID:11610) By Ald. Niedergang That the Director of SPCD (ISD) cite the owners of the shuttered Royal White laundry facility on Warwick and Cedar Streets and require that they remove the litter on the Cedar Street side of their property.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED |
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28. Order 198964 (ID:11611) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr. That the Commissioner of Public Works or the Director of Traffic and Parking install a bump out at the corner of Columbus and Bonner Avenues.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED |
| FOLLOWUP: | Traffic and Parking Committee |
29. Order 198965 (ID:11612) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr. That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the steps on School Street leading up to the high school.
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| RESULT: | APPROVED |
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| 30. Order
198966
(ID:11613) | By Ald. McWatters
That the Director of SPCD install a tree at 112 Belmont Street. |
| RESULT: APPROVED | |
| 31. Order
198967
(ID:11614) | By Ald. McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk in front of 18 Spring Hill Terrace. |
| RESULT: APPROVED | |
| 32. Order
198968
(ID:11615) | By Ald. McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the damaged sidewalk panels from 17 Spring Hill Terrace to the corner of Highland Avenue. |
| RESULT: APPROVED | |
| 33. Order
198969
(ID:11616) | By Ald. McWatters
That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol on Madison Street, Monday-Friday, 7:30-8:30 AM, to enforce the speed limit. |
| RESULT: APPROVED | |
| 34. Resolution
198970
(ID:11617) | By Ald. Gewirtz, Niedergang
That the Administration detail a plan to mitigate flooding on the community path in the vicinity of Morrison Avenue and Highland Road. |
| RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Flood Forum Special Committee | |
| 35. Resolution
198971
(ID:11618) | By Ald. Gewirtz
That the Administration detail plans for the Davis Square infrastructure project and confirm when the project will begin. |
| Alderman Gerwirtz commented on how Kenny Park went from disrepair to a flourishing park, including a water feature for the community. This is an example showing how much Davis Park needs a facelift.
RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee | |
| 36. Resolution
198972
(ID:11619) | By Ald. Gewirtz
That the Administration update this Board on conversations with the owner of the old Social Security building in Davis Square and confirm the date that the scaffolding will come down, and reply to the Ward Alderman within 2 weeks. |
| Alderman Gewirtz stated this resolution will be repeated as necessary until the scaffolding is removed, since the owner is unnecessarily blocking the sidewalk without doing any work.
RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee | |

37. Order 198973 (ID:11620) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the state streets off Broadway for rodents, and bait accordingly.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

38. Resolution 198974 (ID:11621) By Ald. McLaughlin, Niedergang That the Administration and the Director of Personnel provide this Board with the ethnic and racial breakdown of the city's workforce and its boards and commissions.

Alderman McLaughlin spoke about keeping diversity in the forefront when hiring. Alderman Niedergang requested a breakdown for the Committee to see of all the various positions filled in the City by ethnicity and cultural makeup, including their goals.
RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

39. Order 198975 (ID:11622) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works update the Ward One Alderman regarding repairs to the Harris Park slide.

RESULT: APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

40. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198976 (ID:11602) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on April 21, 2015 as a Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Heuston reported on the various appointments approved at the 4/21 meeting.
RESULT: APPROVED

- B. Mayor's Request 198596 (ID:11166) Requesting the appointment of Katherine Fichter to the Redevelopment Authority.

RESULT: APPROVED

- C. Mayor's Request 198597 (ID:11167) Requesting the appointment of Josh Safdie as a full member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

RESULT: APPROVED

D.	Mayor's Request 198598 (ID:11137)	Requesting the re-appointment of Adrian Botelho as Constable.	RESULT: APPROVED
E.	Mayor's Request 198599 (ID:11138)	Requesting the re-appointment of Nathaniel Greene as Constable.	RESULT: APPROVED
F.	Mayor's Request 198600 (ID:11139)	Requesting the re-appointment of Robert Lomanno as Constable.	RESULT: APPROVED
G.	Mayor's Request 198676 (ID:11255)	Requesting the confirmation of the appointment of Jamie Lefkowitz to the Conservation Commission.	RESULT: APPROVED
H.	Mayor's Request 198705 (ID:11284)	Requesting the reappointment of William Roche as Director of Personnel.	RESULT: APPROVED
I.	Mayor's Request 198757 (ID:11427)	Requesting the appointment of Richard Lavey Jr. as Police Lieutenant.	RESULT: APPROVED
J.	Mayor's Request 198758 (ID:11428)	Requesting the appointment of Joseph McCain as Police Lieutenant.	RESULT: APPROVED
K.	Mayor's Request 198759 (ID:11429)	Requesting the appointment of Jeffrey DiGregorio as Police Lieutenant.	RESULT: APPROVED
L.	Mayor's Request 198760 (ID:11430)	Requesting the appointment of Diogo DeOliveira as Police Sergeant.	RESULT: APPROVED
M.	Mayor's Request 198761 (ID:11431)	Requesting the appointment of Salvatore Fusco, Jr. as Police Sergeant.	RESULT: APPROVED
N.	Mayor's Request 198762 (ID:11303)	Requesting the appointment of Diane Prophete as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.	RESULT: APPROVED
O.	Mayor's Request 198763 (ID:11304)	Requesting the appointment of Orlando Jacquet as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.	RESULT: APPROVED

P.	Mayor's Request 198764 (ID:11305)	Requesting the appointment of George D'Amelio as Permanent Full-time Police Officer. RESULT: APPROVED
Q.	Mayor's Request 198765 (ID:11306)	Requesting the appointment of Christopher Fusco as Permanent Full-time Police Officer. RESULT: APPROVED
R.	Mayor's Request 198766 (ID:11307)	Requesting the appointment of Christine Lyons as Permanent Full-time Police Officer. RESULT: APPROVED
S.	Mayor's Request 198768 (ID:11309)	Requesting the appointment of Ana Fernandes as Permanent Full-time Police Officer. RESULT: APPROVED
T.	Mayor's Request 198769 (ID:11311)	Requesting the appointment of Kevin Goulart as Permanent Full-time Police Officer. RESULT: APPROVED
U.	Mayor's Request 198770 (ID:11312)	Requesting the appointment of Eric O'Brien as Permanent Full-time Police Officer. RESULT: APPROVED
V.	Mayor's Request 198771 (ID:11313)	Requesting the appointment of Courtney Reece as Permanent Full-time Police Officer. RESULT: APPROVED
W.	Mayor's Request 198772 (ID:11482)	Requesting the appointment of James Rooney as a Special Police Officer. RESULT: APPROVED
X.	Mayor's Request 198773 (ID:11483)	Requesting the appointment of Robert Ankenbauer as a Special Police Officer. RESULT: APPROVED
Y.	Mayor's Request 198774 (ID:11484)	Requesting the appointment of Bruce Campbell as a Special Police Officer. RESULT: APPROVED
Z.	Mayor's Request 198930 (ID:11515)	Requesting the reappointment of Nicholas Salerno as Elections Commissioner. RESULT: APPROVED

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| AA. | Mayor's Request
198931
(ID:11516) | Requesting the appointment of Robert Massie to the Retirement Board.
RESULT: APPROVED |
| AB. | Mayor's Request
198932
(ID:11510) | Requesting the appointment of Daniel Rego as Police Sergeant.
RESULT: APPROVED |
| AC. | Mayor's Request
198933
(ID:11499) | Requesting the appointment of James Torres as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.
RESULT: APPROVED |

41. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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| A. | Committee Report
198977
(ID:11600) | Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on April 14, 2015.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He gave an update on the SomerVision goals and progress reports, the redevelopment of the Central Hill playground in front of the library, plans for a walkway between East Somerville and Assembly Square, and lastly the traffic safety at the Lowell Street bridge area with the new community path extension opening up onto the bridge. President White questioned the discussion of the Tree Ordinance, and Alderman Niedergang and Alderman Gewirtz discussed the pros and cons of the tree ordinance in regards to public safety and the well being of the trees, including the possibility of hiring an outside arborist.
RESULT: APPROVED |
| B. | Order
196369
(ID:8900) | By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD submit a SomerVision implementation and accountability plan as described within.
RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| C. | Order
197862
(ID:10423) | By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD (Planning) update this Board on the construction start date at 77-83 North Street.
RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| D. | Order
197975
(ID:10574) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD report to this Board the possibility of providing administrative support and funding for a business and community association such as a Main Streets initiative for both the Magoun Square and Winter Hill business districts.
RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |

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| E. Order
197983
(ID:10590) | By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr.
That the Director of SPCD determine if Central Hill Playground is on a renovation list for the coming fiscal year and inform the Ward 3 Alderman of future plans for the park. |
| RESULT: WORK COMPLETED | |
| F. Order
198096
(ID:10670) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD inquire of the developer of the complex on McGrath Highway, between Otis and Bonair Streets, why they aren't abiding by their promises for resident parking, lighting, and repairs to the McGrath Highway overpass. |
| RESULT: WORK COMPLETED | |
| G. Order
198107
(ID:10685) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the construction plans and timeline for the curb cut at the elbow on Warwick Street to enable bicycle access to the concrete path that leads to the Community Path extension. |
| RESULT: WORK COMPLETED | |
| H. Order
198193
(ID:10766) | By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan, Heuston, Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Communications revise the Planning and Zoning Depts.' web pages to make them more accessible and transparent. |
| RESULT: WORK COMPLETED | |
| I. Officer's
Communication
198421
(ID:10854) | DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/25/14. |
| RESULT: WORK COMPLETED | |
| J. Order
198445
(ID:11038) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) report to this Board on why the Tree Advisory Committee, created under the Tree Preservation Ordinance, appears to be completely inactive, and present a plan for activating it by March 26, 2015. |
| RESULT: WORK COMPLETED | |
| K. Order
198503
(ID:11083) | By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD submit a progress report on SomerVision by March 26, 2015. |
| RESULT: WORK COMPLETED | |

- L. Order 198576 (ID:11143) By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 3 Alderman on any plans to renovate Central Hill Park.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

42. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198978 (ID:11601) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on April 16, 2015 as a Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She gave an update on the pervious surfaces and storm water ordinances. She also spoke about the continued discussion of the anti-nepotism ordinance with the Board and the School Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

- B. Resolution 197411 (ID:9980) By Ald. White Jr. That the Mayor's Office inform this Board of its dealings with Catalog Choice.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- C. Officer's Communication 197684 (ID:10176) DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 8/28/14.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

FOLLOWUP: Flood Forum Special Committee

43. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198979 (ID:11599) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on April 14, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported that numerous license and permit issues were taken up. A public hearing had been scheduled, but the item was withdrawn by the applicant.

RESULT: APPROVED

- B. License/Permit 197940 (ID:10502) New Garage License, ABJ Foreign Auto Supply, 91 Marshall St., 3 cars inside, 27 outside, M-F 8-6PM, Sa 8-3PM.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

- C. License/Permit 198611 (ID:11186) New Livery License, Jean Adrien, 121 Temple St., 1 vehicle.

RESULT: APPROVED

- D. License/Permit 198693 (ID:11260) New Extended Operating Hours License, Brooklyn Boulders, 12A Tyler St., Opening until 2AM on selected dates.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

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| 44. | Mayor's Request 198980 (ID:11523) | Requesting the transfer \$47,000 within the Engineering Division, from its Salaries Account to its Professional and Technical Services Account, to fund certain engineering services. | Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 44 through 48 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee |
| 45. | Mayor's Request 198981 (ID:11524) | Requesting the transfer of \$2,017 within the Elections Department, from its Professional and Technical Services Account to its Salaries Account, to fund a retirement payout. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee |
| 46. | Mayor's Request 198982 (ID:11525) | Requesting the transfer of \$1,000 within the Grants Development Department, from its Professional and Technical Services Account to its Salaries Account, to fund increased hours for the grant writer. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee |
| 47. | Mayor's Request 198983 (ID:11518) | Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice of \$360 in the Planning Division of SPCD. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee |
| 48. | Mayor's Request 198984 (ID:11520) | Requesting the acceptance of a \$12,500 grant from the Metro Mayors Community Safety Initiative, for the Police Department's Shannon Grant for youth violence prevention. | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee |
| 49. | Mayor's Request 198985 (ID:11630) | Requesting the appointment of Rebecca Schrumm to the Somerville Redevelopment Authority. | Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 49 through 51 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee |

50. Mayor's Request 198986 (ID:11629) Requesting the appointment of Peter Granitsas as a Special Police Officer for the Housing Authority Police.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

51. Mayor's Request 198987 (ID:11522) Requesting the appointment of John Aufiero as a Special Police Officer.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

52. Officer's Communication 198988 (ID:11512) Director of Personnel responding to #198732 re: hiring a Director and an Assistant Director of Engineering.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 52 through 54 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

53. Officer's Communication 198989 (ID:11511) Director of Personnel responding to #198733 re: hiring a Director of Transportation and Infrastructure and a Senior Transportation Planner.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

54. Officer's Communication 198990 (ID:11521) Asst. City Solicitor providing an update on easement acquisitions for the Beacon Street reconstruction project.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

NEW BUSINESS

55. License/Permit 198991 (ID:11628) Public Event Permit, Tufts GSC 5K Walk/Run, Tufts campus area, May 2, 9AM-2PM.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 55 through 83 and items 85 through 117 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: APPROVED

56. License/Permit 198992 (ID:11631) Public Event Permit, Dysautonomia International POTS 5K Race, Medford to Mystic River path and Shore Drive, May 9, 8AM-1PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

57. License/Permit 198993 (ID:11632) Public Event Permit, Divino Espirito Santo Procession, 203 Somerville Ave to St. Joseph's Church and back, May 24, 8AM-12:30PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

58.	License/Permit 198994 (ID:11528)	Public Event Permit, Chamber of Commerce's Taste of Somerville, Buena Vista Parking Lot, Jun 3, 7AM-Midnite (raindate Jun 10).	RESULT: APPROVED
59.	License/Permit 198995 (ID:11529)	Public Event Permit, Matty Mae Theater Project Wakeville Stories, Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Jun 20-21, 27-28, Noon-5PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
60.	License/Permit 198996 (ID:11530)	Public Event Permit, Electric Avenue Block Party, from Packard Ave to Mason Ave, Jul 18, Noon-6PM (raindate Jul 19).	RESULT: APPROVED
61.	License/Permit 198997 (ID:11531)	Public Event Permit, Taza Chocolate Day of the Dead Celebration, 561 Windsor St., 10-31, 10AM-7PM (raindate 11/1).	RESULT: APPROVED
62.	License/Permit 198998 (ID:11637)	Public Event Permit, Team Chase 5K Road Race, East Somerville and Assembly Row areas, Nov 8, 8AM-2PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
63.	License/Permit 198999 (ID:11532)	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Tri Construction.	RESULT: APPROVED
64.	License/Permit 199000 (ID:11533)	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Lamountain Brothers.	RESULT: APPROVED
65.	License/Permit 199001 (ID:11534)	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Suffolk Engineering.	RESULT: APPROVED
66.	License/Permit 199002 (ID:11535)	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Lederman Engineering.	RESULT: APPROVED
67.	License/Permit 199003 (ID:11536)	Renewing Drainlayer's License, C.J. Doherty.	RESULT: APPROVED
68.	License/Permit 199004 (ID:11537)	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Brooksdale Construction.	RESULT: APPROVED

69.	License/Permit 199005 (ID:11538)	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Metro Equipment.	RESULT: APPROVED
70.	License/Permit 199006 (ID:11539)	Renewing Drainlayer's License, CRL Inc.	RESULT: APPROVED
71.	License/Permit 199007 (ID:11540)	Renewing Drainlayer's License, J. Marchese and Sons.	RESULT: APPROVED
72.	License/Permit 199008 (ID:11541)	Renewing Flammables License, Pete's Boy's, 229R Lowell St.	RESULT: APPROVED
73.	License/Permit 199009 (ID:11542)	Renewing Flammables License, Drake Petroleum, 360 Medford St.	RESULT: APPROVED
74.	License/Permit 199010 (ID:11543)	Renewing Flammables License, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston Ave.	RESULT: APPROVED
75.	License/Permit 199011 (ID:11544)	Renewing Flammables License, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, 182 Washington St.	RESULT: APPROVED
76.	License/Permit 199012 (ID:11545)	Renewing Flammables License, Beacon Sales Company, 50 Webster Ave.	RESULT: APPROVED
77.	License/Permit 199013 (ID:11546)	Renewing Flammables License, Hess #21521, 709 Mcgrath Hwy.	RESULT: APPROVED
78.	License/Permit 199014 (ID:11547)	Renewing Flammables License, Cubby Oil, 20 Medford St.	RESULT: APPROVED
79.	License/Permit 199015 (ID:11548)	Renewing Flammables License, Union Gulf Service, 231 Washington St.	RESULT: APPROVED
80.	License/Permit 199016 (ID:11549)	Renewing Flammables License, Teele Square Auto, 1284 Broadway.	RESULT: APPROVED

81.	License/Permit 199017 (ID:11550)	Renewing Flammables License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy.	RESULT: APPROVED
82.	License/Permit 199018 (ID:11551)	Renewing Garage License, Union Gulf Service, 231 Washington St.	RESULT: APPROVED
83.	License/Permit 199019 (ID:11552)	Renewing Garage License, Teele Square Auto, 1284 Broadway.	RESULT: APPROVED
84.	License/Permit 199020 (ID:11553)	Renewing Garage License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy. Alderman Sullivan stated that Alewife Automotive has violated the terms of their license in the past, particularly by overcrowding the parking lot and using street parking, and he moved to approve a 6-month license only, so the Board can review their performance at that point. The motion was approved.	RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS CONDITION: License is approved through October 31 only.
85.	License/Permit 199021 (ID:11554)	Renewing Garage License, EZ Auto Body, 627 Somerville Ave.	RESULT: APPROVED
86.	License/Permit 199022 (ID:11555)	Renewing Garage License, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, 182 Washington St.	RESULT: APPROVED
87.	License/Permit 199023 (ID:11556)	Renewing Garage License, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston Ave.	RESULT: APPROVED
88.	License/Permit 199024 (ID:11557)	Renewing Garage License, Hawkins Street Automotive, 9 Hawkins St.	RESULT: APPROVED
89.	License/Permit 199025 (ID:11558)	Renewing Garage License, Boston Sand and Gravel Company, 492 Rutherford Ave.	RESULT: APPROVED
90.	License/Permit 199026 (ID:11559)	Renewing Garage License, Ideal Automotive Services, 96 Dover St.	RESULT: APPROVED
91.	License/Permit 199027 (ID:11560)	Renewing Garage License, Goodyear Auto Service Center, 1 Bow St.	RESULT: APPROVED

92.	License/Permit 199028 (ID:11561)	Renewing Garage License, BBC Auto Repair, 483 Somerville Ave. RESULT: APPROVED
93.	License/Permit 199029 (ID:11562)	Renewing Garage License, Monro Muffler Brake, 223 Washington St. RESULT: APPROVED
94.	License/Permit 199030 (ID:11563)	Renewing Garage License, Chicken & Shakes Automotive, 6 Beach Ave. RESULT: APPROVED
95.	License/Permit 199031 (ID:11564)	Renewing Garage License, Pete's Boy's (#721), 229R Lowell St. RESULT: APPROVED
96.	License/Permit 199032 (ID:11565)	Renewing Garage License, Pete's Boy's (#722), 83 Albion St. RESULT: APPROVED
97.	License/Permit 199033 (ID:11566)	Renewing Garage License, 429 Corp., 109 Prospect St. RESULT: APPROVED
98.	License/Permit 199034 (ID:11567)	Renewing Garage License, Hillside Service Center, 45 Mystic Ave. RESULT: APPROVED
99.	License/Permit 199035 (ID:11568)	Renewing Garage License, Tech Auto Body, 9 Union Sq. RESULT: APPROVED
100.	License/Permit 199036 (ID:11569)	Renewing Garage License, Somerville Auto Center, 193 Somerville Ave. RESULT: APPROVED
101.	License/Permit 199037 (ID:11570)	Renewing Garage License, Beacon Sales, 50 Webster Ave. RESULT: APPROVED
102.	License/Permit 199038 (ID:11571)	Renewing Garage License, J&E Auto Body, 9 Hawkins St. RESULT: APPROVED
103.	License/Permit 199039 (ID:11572)	Renewing Garage License, Fabrizio Realty, 290R Somerville Ave. RESULT: APPROVED

104.	License/Permit 199040 (ID:11574)	Renewing Taxi Medallion License, TR Cab, Med #2.	RESULT: APPROVED
105.	License/Permit 199041 (ID:11573)	Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Victory Cab, Med #56.	RESULT: APPROVED
106.	License/Permit 199042 (ID:11575)	Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Madkep Transportation, Med #64.	RESULT: APPROVED
107.	License/Permit 199043 (ID:11576)	Renewing Taxi Medallion License, J&J Transportation, Med #74.	RESULT: APPROVED
108.	License/Permit 199044 (ID:11581)	Renewing Junk Dealer's License, LBC Boutique, 235A Elm St.	RESULT: APPROVED
109.	License/Permit 199045 (ID:11582)	Renewing Junk Dealer's License, All Checks Cashed, 12 Union Sq.	RESULT: APPROVED
110.	License/Permit 199046 (ID:11577)	Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Mcdonald's, 14 Mcgrath Hwy.	RESULT: APPROVED
111.	License/Permit 199047 (ID:11578)	Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Mr. B's, 142 Cross St.	RESULT: APPROVED
112.	License/Permit 199048 (ID:11579)	Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Domino's Pizza, 201 Elm St.	RESULT: APPROVED
113.	License/Permit 199049 (ID:11580)	Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Gold's Gym, 14 Mcgrath Hwy.	RESULT: APPROVED
114.	License/Permit 199050 (ID:11583)	Renewing Outdoor Parking License, 534 Central, 11 Washington St.	RESULT: APPROVED
115.	License/Permit 199051 (ID:11584)	Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston St.	RESULT: APPROVED

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| 116. | License/Permit
199052
(ID:11585) | Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Union Sq. Pizza, 63 Union Sq.
RESULT: APPROVED |
| 117. | License/Permit
199053
(ID:11586) | New Outdoor Seating License, India Palace, 23 Union Sq., 4 tables, 8 seats.
RESULT: APPROVED |
| 118. | Public
Communication
199054
(ID:11639) | MA DOT responding to #198702 re: noise and pollution barriers along I-93.
President White advised that residents have a valid concern regarding pollution, and he suggested that the Administration obtain pictures of abutting residents' backyards, to show the Governor the extent of the problem.
RESULT: PLACED ON FILE
FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee |

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

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| 119. | Order
199055
(ID:11641) | By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the concrete slabs around the trees in front of 71 and 95 Ossipee Road.
RESULT: APPROVED |
| 120. | Order
199056
(ID:11642) | By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the heaving concrete slabs around two trees on Packard Avenue, between Ossipee Road and Powderhouse Blvd.
RESULT: APPROVED |
| 121. | Order
199057
(ID:11643) | By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the lane arrows at the traffic light on Holland Street, in Teele Square.
RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee |
| 122. | Order
199058
(ID:11644) | By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of Traffic and Parking appear before this Board to discuss the on-street parking permits given to Tufts University employees.
RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee |

123. Order 199059 (ID:11645) By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD consider drafting an ordinance to clearly define the Historic Preservation process and methods for contacting the appropriate fiduciary members or owners of church and nonprofit properties before designating a building historic.

Alderman Ballantyne requested that this proposed Ordinance be specific as to notification procedures, so that active officials of the churches or nonprofits are made aware of any proposed historic property designations.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

124. Order 199060 (ID:11664) By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair and install solar flashing lights on the pedestrian crossing sign at Washington and Hawkins Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

125. Order 199061 (ID:11665) By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalk at Joseph Street and Lincoln Parkway and install flashing lights at the STOP sign there.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

126. Order 199062 (ID:11666) By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install signage on Park Street alerting motorists of children crossing at 44 Park Street.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

127. Resolution 199063 (ID:11667) By Ald. Heuston
That the Administration provide an update to plans for the mitigation of flooding on Clark Street and Dane Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Flood Forum Special Committee

128. Order 199064 (ID:11668) By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) and the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board of enforcement of the trash ordinance for private trash pickup (barrels and dumpsters), when trash can be set out prior to pickup, and whether the current ordinance can be amended to address private trash pickups.

Alderman Heuston commented there is confusion if the current trash Ordinance applies to private and commercial trash pick ups.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

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| 129. Order
199065
(ID:11674) | By Ald. Sullivan, Rossetti, Heuston, McWatters, White Jr., Connolly
That the Traffic Engineer review the pedestrian walkway on Somerville Avenue at the RITE AID, and make safety improvements. |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee</p> | |
| 130. Mayor's Request
199066
(ID:11663) | Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,475,000 in a bond for LED Light Conversion. |
| <p>Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 130 and 132 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> | |
| 131. Mayor's Request
199067
(ID:11669) | Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$300,000 in a bond for backlog sidewalk repairs including demolition, removal and disposal of materials, installation of ADA ramps and driveway aprons. |
| <p>Alderman Lafuente sponsored DPW Commissioner Stan Koty, who reported on ongoing repairs and accessibility upgrades after the winter snows. This bond is necessary to continue funding that work.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne
ABSENT: Connolly</p> | |
| 132. Mayor's Request
199068
(ID:11662) | Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$120,000 in a bond for Engine 7 Roof Replacement. |
| <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> | |
| 133. Officer's Communication
199069
(ID:11519) | DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 3/26/15.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 133 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. |
| <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</p> | |

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| 134. License/Permit
199070
(ID:11673) | Amending Mobile Food Vendor License, Wizard Catering, adding Grand Union Blvd at Artisan Way (Revolution Drive at Home Depot was previously approved). |
| | <p>Alderman Sullivan stated that Wizard Catering and the Administration had come to an agreement on their Grand Union Blvd. location, which had been previously vetoed by the Mayor, and he moved approval for a 6-month period, so the city could review the item again in the fall. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS</p> <p>CONDITION: License is approved through October 31 only.</p> |
| 135. License/Permit
199071
(ID:11661) | Renewing Drainlayer's License, Marchi Paving. |
| | <p>Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 135 through 154 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 136. License/Permit
199072
(ID:11646) | Renewing Flammables License, U-Haul of Boston, 151 Linwood St. |
| | RESULT: APPROVED |
| 137. License/Permit
199073
(ID:11647) | Renewing Flammables License, U-Haul of Boston, 600 Mystic Valley Parkway. |
| | RESULT: APPROVED |
| 138. License/Permit
199074
(ID:11648) | Renewing Flammables License, Coresite Real Estate, 70 Innerbelt Rd. |
| | RESULT: APPROVED |
| 139. License/Permit
199075
(ID:11649) | Renewing Flammables License, Home Depot, 75 Mystic Ave. |
| | RESULT: APPROVED |
| 140. License/Permit
199076
(ID:11650) | Renewing Flammables License, Cumberland Farms, 701 Somerville Ave. |
| | RESULT: APPROVED |
| 141. License/Permit
199077
(ID:11651) | Renewing Flammables License, Cumberland Farms, 212 Broadway. |
| | RESULT: APPROVED |
| 142. License/Permit
199078
(ID:11652) | Renewing Garage License, U-Haul of Boston, 151 Linwood St. |
| | RESULT: APPROVED |
| 143. License/Permit
199079
(ID:11653) | Renewing Garage License, Gasper Ostuni, 195 Highland Ave. |
| | RESULT: APPROVED |

144.	License/Permit 199080 (ID:11654)	Renewing Garage License, JC Auto Repair, 91 Prospect St.	RESULT:	APPROVED
145.	License/Permit 199081 (ID:11655)	Renewing Garage License, Mike's Auto Service, 6 Beach Ave.	RESULT:	APPROVED
146.	License/Permit 199082 (ID:11656)	Renewing Garage License, Maaco Auto Painting, 444 Somerville Ave.	RESULT:	APPROVED
147.	License/Permit 199083 (ID:11657)	Renewing Garage License, A&M Foreign Motors, 400 Mystic Ave.	RESULT:	APPROVED
148.	License/Permit 199084 (ID:11671)	Renewing Taxi Medallion License, WLEJ Inc., Med #76.	RESULT:	APPROVED
149.	License/Permit 199085 (ID:11672)	Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Hess, 709 McGrath Hwy.	RESULT:	APPROVED
150.	License/Permit 199086 (ID:11658)	Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Urban Equity Development, 55 Day St.	RESULT:	APPROVED
151.	License/Permit 199087 (ID:11659)	Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Urban Equity Development, 7 Herbert St.	RESULT:	APPROVED
152.	License/Permit 199088 (ID:11660)	Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Cataldo Ambulance Service, 137 Washington St.	RESULT:	APPROVED
153.	License/Permit 199089 (ID:11670)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Ball Sq. Cafe and Breakfast, 708 Broadway.	RESULT:	APPROVED
154.	License/Permit 199090 (ID:11676)	Sign/Awning Permit, Pleasant Exchange, 370 Mystic Ave., 1 sign.	RESULT:	APPROVED

155. Public Middlesex District Attorney responding to #196432 re: the investigation into
Communication the murder of Deanna Cremin.
199091
(ID:11675)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE
FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

LATE ITEMS

156. Mayor's Conveying the veto of #197846, a Mobile Food Vendor license issued to
Communication Wizard Catering on 3/26/15.
198775
(ID:11497)

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits.
Alderman Sullivan reported that since the Administration and Wizard Catering had agreed on an Assembly Row location (#134 on the agenda), this veto message could be placed on file. With no opposition, the Board approved his motion.
RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

157. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, Niedergang, White Jr.
199092 That the Tree Warden report to this Board over the last 3 years, how many
(ID:11679) public shade trees have been removed, and how many public hearings have been held.

Aldermen Gewirtz, Niedergang and White want to make sure that the city is adhering to the terms of the tree ordinance.
RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.