



**CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**KATJANA BALLANTYNE  
MAYOR**

JILL LATHAN  
DPW COMMISSIONER

ERIC WEISMAN  
DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

**Date:** March 16, 2022

**RE:** DPW Commissioner responding to City Council requests from recent letter 2.24.22

**Agenda Item 213114**

*That the Commissioner of Public Works identify, and provide the information requested within, staff who are designated to school building maintenance and management.*

<b>Division</b>	<b>Position Title</b>	<b>Designation</b>	<b>Required Licenses</b>
Buildings	SUPERINDEPENDENT BUILDINGS AND CUSTODIANS	City and School	
Custodians	FACILITIES SUPERVISOR	City and School	
Custodians	ASST SUPER OF NIGHT CUSTODIANS	City and School	
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Buildings	UNIT A BUILDING FOREMAN	City and School	CDL
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Buildings	WKFM3/PLUMBER/PWL	City and School	Plumbing License
Buildings	WKFM3 CARPENTER	City and School	Carpentry License
Buildings	PLUMBER	City and School	Plumbing License
Buildings	ELECTRICIAN	City and School	Electrician License
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Buildings	CARPENTER PLASTERER	City and School	Carpentry License
Buildings	PWMAINTMECH/PWL	City and	



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Buildings	PREV MAINT MANAGER	City and School	

**Agenda Item 213115**

*That the Commissioner of Public Works identify vendors contracted for school building maintenance and the scope of their contracts.*

<b>SCHOOL BUILDING MAINTENANCE VENDORS</b>	
<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>SCOPE</b>
J.C. Cannistraro	Addresses most climate control issues and preventative maintenance to HVAC equipment including heating, cooling, and other air circulation throughout our schools.
Honeywell	Preventative maintenance and repair/replacement of HVAC controls and communication only
United Elevator	Provides preventative maintenance, repair, and annual testing of all the schools elevators
Aqua Barriers	Provides roof maintenance and repair of areas with water penetration
Aetna	Provides fire alarm testing and monitoring
Fire Equipment	Sprinkler maintenance, certification, and repair
General Glass	Glass repair and replacement
Sanibel Corp	Electrician (when we don't use our in-house staff)
Irvine & Sons	Plumbing (when we don't use our in-house staff)
Clean Harbors/ Safety Clean	Waste/chemical removal
HUB Testing	Provides environmental testing, sampling and investigation.
Atkinson Floors	Replaces/Repairs flooring finishes



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Bello Painting	Interior and exterior painting
Weld Power	Maintenance, repair and testing of all school back-up generators
Boston Carting	Waste and Recycling services

\* Please note this is a list of DPW vendors that provide maintenance and repair at our schools.

**Agenda Item 213135**

*That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the MA Department of Transportation to determine their plan for the recently condemned staircase connecting McGrath Highway to Ten Hills Road.*

- This item is within Mobility’s preview.

**Agenda Item 213136**

*That the Commissioner of Public Works discuss with this Council the current city contract for trash and recycling disposal services.*

- The Boston Carting Service Contract covers the hauling of residential and municipal trash, recycling, and yard waste. It was signed on 12/8/2020. Boston Carting Purchased the business and took over the contract for operations of Somerville’s Trash and Recycling hauling from Langton and Douglas. Boston Carting’s contract is set to expire with the City on 12/31/2024. Please see a pricing sheet below:



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Service Type	Municipal Waste Pick Up and Hauling Price is Per Ton	Dual Stream Recycling Pick Up and Hauling*	Single Stream Recycling Pick Up and Hauling Price is Per Ton	Yard Waste Pick Up and Hauling Price is Flat, Annual Fee
July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014	\$81	NA	\$157.00	\$266,700.00
July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015	\$83.50	NA	\$160.00	\$274,680.00
July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016	\$86.00	NA	\$163.20	\$282,912.00
July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017	\$88.58	NA	\$166.47	\$291,408.00
July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018	\$91.23	NA	\$169.80	\$300,144.00
July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019	\$93.96	NA	\$173.20	\$309,144.00
July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020	\$96.77	NA	\$176.67	\$318,420.00
July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021	\$99.67	NA	\$180.21	\$327,972.00
July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022	\$102.66	NA	\$183.82	\$337,812.00
July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023	\$105.73	NA	\$187.50	\$347,952.00
July 1, 2023 - Dec 31, 2024	\$108.80	NA	\$191.25	\$358,392.00

\*= No longer part of contract. All recycling now covered under single stream

**Agenda Item 213137**

*That the Commissioner of Public Works replace all open garbage cans in city parks and on the Community Path with closed rat-proof garbage cans.*

**See CC correspondence on 1.19.22**

- Colin Zeigler has identified 6 parks adjacent to high rat-activity areas, (Glen Park, Florence Park, Perry Park, Lincoln Park, Prospect Hill, and Nunziato Park), and we will



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meet with Big Belly to get a quote for those areas. We will gradually transition all parks to have closed trash containers.

**Agenda Item 213138**

*That the Commissioner of Public Works update this Council with details on the sidewalk snow-shoveling pilot which was included in the FY2022 budget.*

**See CC correspondence on 1.20.22**

- The DPW submitted a memo outlining our plan for a sidewalk clearing pilot in November. The DPW had an existing vendor in place to cover the snow removal portion of the pilot. Snow pilot started Sunday January 30, 2022.

**Will submit a communication to CC in April after snow season.**

**Agenda Item 213139**

*That the Commissioner of Public Works establish a maximum time frame for a sidewalk panel to be dug up and replaced.*

**See CC correspondence on 1.19.22**

- The Service-Level Agreement for Sidewalk requests is 14 days. However, due to staffing issues, the DPW highway department has fallen short of that measure. We are currently staffing up for the spring, and we fully intend to meet that SLA going forward.

**Agenda Item 213226**

*That the Commissioner of Public Works work with the MA Department of Transportation to address highway safety measures along I-93 that directly abuts the East Somerville neighborhood.*

- This item is within Mobility's preview.