



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE
Committee Meeting

Thursday - October 7, 2021, 6:00 PM
Virtual

AGENDA

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- 1. 206811: Discuss** Conveying the Report of the Clean and Open Elections Task Force.
- 2. 207392: Recommend** Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition providing for legal voting rights in municipal elections for non-citizen residents.
- 3. 210719: Recommend** (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"
- 4. 211812: Recommend** (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.
- 5. 211262: Discuss** (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.
- 6. 211260: Discuss** (Scott) – That the City Solicitor prepare legislation revoking the enabling

legislation for the Police Reserve List.

7. **211319: Recommend** Requesting rescission of the adoption of MGL Chapter 147 Sections 11, 12 and 13 relative to a Reserve Police Force.
8. **211261: Discuss** (Scott) – That the City Solicitor prepare legislation revoking the enabling legislation for the Fire Reserve List.
9. **211318: Recommend** Requesting rescission of the adoption of MGL Chapter 48 Sections 59B, 59C and 59D relative to a Reserve Fire Force.
10. **211601: Discuss** (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.
11. **210605: Discuss** (Davis) – That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance prohibiting the installation of public lighting in excess of a temperature level to be determined.
12. **212255: Discuss** (Scott, Ballantyne, Strezo, Davis, Mbah) – That this Council consider an Automated Speed Enforcement in School Zones Home Rule Petition similar to the one already approved by Salem MA.