

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Tuesday - June 22, 2021, 6:00 PM Virtual

AGENDA

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting of a City Council Committee will be conducted via remote participation. We will post an audio recording, audio-video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of these proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting on the City of Somerville website and local cable access government channels.

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1. Review of the FY-22 Budget

Enterprise Funds, Revolving Funds, PEG Access, Water and Sewer

- 2. 205501: Recommend Requesting approval of an Administrative Order providing for the appointment of school physicians and nurses by the School Committee.
- **3. 211857: Recommend** Director of Water and Sewer submitting the FY22 water and sewer volumetric rate recommendation.
- 4. 212033: Recommend City Solicitor requesting approval to retain Greenberg Traurig as outside legal counsel in the matter of 191 Highland Avenue.
- 5. Possible Executive Session to discuss item # 212033.
- 6. 212057: Recommend Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$11,318,094 in a bond for the Spring Hill Sewer Separation Project and drainage improvements.
- 7. 212058: Recommend Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$9,415,818 in a bond for the Spring Hill Sewer Separation Project water improvements.

8. 212059: Recommend Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$8,002,417 in a bond for the Spring Hill Sewer Separation Project streetscape improvements.

Unfinished Business

- **9.** (**ID** # **24992**): **Recommend** (Rossetti) That the administration strike the language "related to ongoing/exiting litigation" from the 3rd paragraph of the Ordinary Maintenance Changes narrative on the City Council page in the FY-22 Budget book.
- **10.** (**ID** # **24993**): **Recommend** (Scott) That the mayor allocate appropriate funds for hardware to administrate hybrid meetings and also provide funding for the City Council or Clerks of Committees budget for support staff.
- **11.** (**ID** # **24994**): **Recommend** (Scott) That the mayor set aside an additional \$300,000 in a segregated fund to be available for Racial and Social Justice appropriations mid-year.
- **12.** (**ID** # **24995**): **Recommend** (Scott) That the mayor appropriate \$80,000 for a community engagement specialist for the City Council and for committee meetings.
- 13. (ID # 24996): Recommend (Scott) That the mayor create 2 fully funded new positions (one Review Planner and one Violation Inspector for existing infrastructure) within ISD, requiring hires to have demonstrable experience and knowledge on ADA compliance matters.
- 14. (ID # 24997): Recommend (Scott) That the administration provide for the creation of a position starting July 1, 2021 for a clerk to assist with the planned superannuation of an employee and ensure a fully staffed department, in the amount of \$90,000 for FY22.
- **15.** (**ID** # **24998**): **Recommend** (Scott) That the administration provide for the creation of a position starting October 1, 2021 for an administrative clerk to assist with ARPA and fund tracking documentation, in the amount of \$50,000 for FY22.
- **16.** (**ID** # **24999**): **Recommend** (Scott) That the administration devote roughly \$100,000 in personal services to support the position requests of an additional projector manager and the fractional support from the general fund budget for administrative support for IAM.
- 17. (ID # 25000): Recommend (Scott) That the administration devote \$1.5 million as requested for the building reconstruction (line 582002) and improvement (line 582003) in Capital Projects.
- **18.** (**ID** # **25001**): **Recommend** (Scott) Councilor Scott moved that the administration devote \$500,000 for street repairs (line 588002) in Engineering.

- **19.** (**ID** # **25002**): **Recommend** (Scott) That the administration add \$100,000 to Engineering Personal Services to fund an engineering position for implementation of short-term ADA compliant designs for street and building improvements working in collaboration with DPW.
- **20.** (**ID** # **25017**): **Recommend** (Mbah) That the Police Department Overtime line (513000) be reduced by \$500,000.
- 21. (ID # 25023): Recommend (Rossetti) That the Administration reconsider its proposed budget by incorporating 10% of ARPA funds towards the FY-22 Budget, given the increase in Water and Sewer rates, Real Estate Taxes, and the High School debt exclusion, coupled with a 9% increase in the proposed FY-22 Budget.