

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

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

November 13, 2014, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
(ID # 10555)

2. Minutes Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting,
(ID # 10556) October 9, 2014.

CITATIONS

3. Citation By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board and the
(ID # 10515) Mayor
 Commending those Somervillians who have honorably
 defended our nation with their dedicated military service
 in the post-9/11 era.

4. Citation By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board and the Mayor
(ID # 10466) Commending Police Officers Guerdy Legros and
 Timothy Nostrand, who were recently awarded the
 Alexander McQuestion Award, presented by American
 Legion Post 19 to the Police Officer of the Year.

5. Citation By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board and the Mayor
(ID # 10467) Commending Fire Captain William Fitzpatrick and
 Firefighter John Fitzgerald, who were recently awarded
 the Thomas Chetham Award, presented by American
 Legion Post 19 to the Firefighter of the Year.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. Grant of Submitted by NStar Electric for 36 feet of conduit
Location installed in Cedar Street from a pole near 154 Cedar
(ID # 10567) Street to a point of pickup at the Bike Path.

7. Withdrawn Withdrawn.
(ID # 10568)

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

8. Resolution (ID # 10577) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor
That the Mayor and this Board convey their deepest condolences to Mrs. Angela Menino and family on the loss of her husband, City of Boston Mayor Tom Menino.
9. Order (ID # 10579) By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Gewirtz
That the Commissioner of Public Works direct NStar to repair their non-operational floodlights on either side of the Willow Avenue transfer station.
10. Order (ID # 10580) By Ald. Connolly
That the Chief of Police appear before the Public Health and Safety Committee to report on the current and future progress of the Police Dept.
11. Order (ID # 10582) By Ald. Connolly
That the Commissioner of Public Works report to the Committee on Public Health and Safety on the streetlamp repair contractor and the repairs of streetlamps.
12. Order (ID # 10583) By Ald. Connolly, McWatters
That the Chief of Police monitor the intersection of Atherton and Harvard Streets for one way violators.
13. Order (ID # 10584) By Ald. Connolly
That the Chief of Police monitor the speed of vehicles on School Street, between Broadway and Medford Street, especially near school crossings,
14. Order (ID # 10557) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) investigate 50 Tufts Street for possible ordinance violations.
15. Order (ID # 10558) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works notify NStar to provide justification for its proposal to cut down a tree on Gilman Terrace to make room for its wires.
16. Resolution (ID # 10559) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Administration and NSTAR provide this Board with an update regarding the numerous blackouts in East Somerville and the surrounding neighborhoods.
17. Order (ID # 10560) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking take notice of the bus stop in front of 240 Pearl Street for illegally parked cars.

18. Order (ID # 10561) By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inventory all businesses on Columbia Street to determine proper licensing and adherence to licensing requirements, and report his findings to the Ward 2 Alderman.
19. Order (ID # 10562) By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking make recommendations to deal with speeding vehicles on Hammond and Elliot streets.
20. Order (ID # 10563) By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works provide a regular maintenance schedule for Perry Park to include proper functioning of lights, trimming of trees and attention to foliage.
21. Order (ID # 10564) By Ald. Heuston
The Chief of Police provide a directed patrol to monitor activity in Perry Park during late evening and early morning hours.
22. Order (ID # 10565) By Ald. Heuston
That the manager of Royal Hospitality Services appear before this Board to address issues related to their hours of operation and neighborhood disturbances cause by truck activity.
23. Order (ID # 10566) By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light at the corner of Prospect Street and Somerville Avenue.
24. Order (ID # 10569) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the pop-up caution signs that have disappeared from the crosswalks of (1) Morrison Avenue and Highland Road and (2) Central Street at Albion Street. (2nd request)
25. Order (ID # 10570) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 84 Albion Street.
26. Order (ID # 10571) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works complete all work before the winter in the Magoun Square neighborhood on the street, sidewalk, handicapped ramp and catch basin at Berwick and Hinckley Streets and also at Fennell and Hinckley Streets.

27. Order (ID # 10572) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking analyze the traffic signals in Magoun Square and report to the Ward 5 Alderman whether any changes can be made to facilitate traffic flow, especially cars backed up on Medford Street during the evening rush hour.
28. Order (ID # 10573) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works direct the contractor to repair the already-cracked new sidewalk in front of 88 Albion Street and at other locations on Albion Street between Lowell and Central Streets.
29. Order (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.
30. Order (ID # 10575) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Administration and Director of Capital Projects present to this Board, no later than January 22, 2015, a 5- and 10-year plan for the use, development and sale of City buildings.
31. Order (ID # 10576) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of the Office of Sustainability implement a plan to prohibit all departments, commissions and other bodies from distributing single-serve bottles of water at meetings, events, and other functions.
32. Order (ID # 10585) By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) and the Chief Fire Engineer inspect 28 Whitman Street for an upholstered couch on the front porch and issue citations as necessary.
33. Order (ID # 10586) By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) and the Chief Fire Engineer inspect 53 Packard Avenue for three upholstered couches on the front porch and issue citations as necessary.
34. Order (ID # 10587) By Ald. Sullivan
That the Director of Personnel update this Board on implementation of the domestic violence leave policy mandated by Chapter 260 of the Acts of 2014.

- 35. Order (ID # 10588) By Ald. McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works determine if it is feasible to place a bump out at the corner of Bonner and Columbus Avenues.

- 36. Order (ID # 10589) By Ald. McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at the Corner of Columbus Avenue and Walnut Street.

- 37. Order (ID # 10590) By Ald. McWatters
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.

- 38. Order (ID # 10591) By Ald. McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the broken and upraised sidewalk panels on Warren Avenue from Properzi Manner to Citizens Bank.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 39. Order 197894 By Ald. White Jr.
That this Board adopts a new Rule to establish an annual caucus on the Tuesday preceding Thanksgiving to express a preference for President and Vice President for the upcoming year.

- 40. Communication 197895 By Ald. White Jr.
Acting as President, reminding Committee Chairs to keep in mind the provisions of Rule 28.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

41. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 10600) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on November 13, 2014.

42. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 10594) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on October 28, 2014.

- B. Mayor's Request 197415 Requesting authorization to borrow \$1,700,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount, for public street and sidewalk repairs.

RECOMMENDED: Approved

- C. Mayor's Request 197416 Requesting authorization to borrow \$1,000,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount, for ADA Accessibility - Curb Ramp installation and improvements.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- D. Mayor's Request 197757 Requesting the establishment of an Infiltration/Inflow Stabilization Fund.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- E. Mayor's Request 197903 Requesting the acceptance of a donation of \$30,000 from Fill in the Blanks Production, to support community events, youth and senior programming and other community activities.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- F. Mayor's Request 197904 Requesting the acceptance of a donation of \$2,500 from AvalonBay Communities to support community events, youth and senior programming and other community activities.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- G. Mayor's Request 197927 Requesting an appropriation of \$79,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for repairs to the Retaining Wall on the bike path near Davis Square.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

43. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 10599) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on November 12, 2014.
- B. Order 196116 By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Rossetti, Gewirtz That the Chief Assessor and the Director of SPCD appear before this Board's Finance Committee to discuss the increase in commercial and residential property valuations and real estate taxes, especially for restaurants, and its impact on existing businesses and future development.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- C. Order 196146 By Ald. Connolly That the Chief Assessor appear before this Board to answer questions about tax bills.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- D. Officer's Communication 196268 City Assessor responding to Finance Committee questions raised at its meeting on February 4.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

- E. Order 196640 By Ald. Lafuente
That the Chief Assessor provide the Committee on Finance with a list of all Somerville property owned by Tufts with their assessments, the taxes they would pay if they paid taxes, and their actual payments to the city.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- F. Resolution 196759 By Ald. Heuston
That the Administration consider purchasing 2 additional radar feedback signs to provide additional capability to monitor traffic speeds.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- G. Order 196974 By Ald. White Jr.
That the Director of Finance provide the Board of Aldermen's Finance Committee with a breakdown of expenditures under the first DIF bond tronch and the background regarding the authorization for such money to be used to purchase real estate from Federal Realty Investment Trust to layout highways and sidewalks.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- H. Officer's Communication 197058 DIF Governing Board conveying that it ordered the Director of Finance to provide this Board's Finance Committee with a breakdown of expenditures under the first DIF bond tranche and the background regarding the authorization for such money to be used to purchase real estate from FRIT to lay out highways and sidewalks.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- I. Mayor's Request 197186 Requesting acceptance of a mitigation payment of \$94,744.75 to establish the Open Space Improvements Stabilization Fund.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- J. Order 197431 By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD, the Chief Assessor and the Director of Finance provide this Board with a 5 year revenue projection, to include real estate taxes by building type and specific projections for Assembly Square, Assembly Square (expanded), Union Square, East Somerville, Central Somerville, and West Somerville.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- K. Officer's Communication 197833 City Assessor responding to #197431 re: revenue projections.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- L. Resolution (ID # 10630) By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Administration work with this Board to reschedule the community meetings currently set for November 19 and 20.

- M. Resolution (ID # 10632) By Ald. Heuston
That the Administration hold off from advertising the proposed community meetings on #196116, re: commercial and residential property tax valuations, and immediately direct the Communication Department to cease advertising as well.
- N. Order (ID # 10635) By Ald. White Jr.
That the Director of Finance create a database to track developers' contributions to stabilization funds and how those funds are utilized.

44. FLOOD FORUM SPECIAL COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 10596) Report of the Flood Forum Special Committee meeting on October 30, 2014.
- B. Order 193933 By Ald. Gewirtz, Heuston
That the City Engineer report to this Board the steps that are being taken to mitigate flooding on streets that are regularly flooded, including Simpson Avenue.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- C. Order 195792 By Ald. Heuston
That the City Engineer investigate flooding occurrences in the Hunting and South Street area and provide his findings and recommendations to the Ward 2 Alderman.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- D. Order 196782 By Ald. Heuston
That the City Engineer and the Water Superintendent prepare a summary of water and sewer work completed in 2013 near Dane Avenue, Dane Street and Washington Street, and include plans for work near Kingman Road and Clark Street, and present this summary to this Board's Flood Forum Committee.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- E. Officer's Communication 196958 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted April 24, 2014.
RECOMMENDED: Placed on File
- F. Order 197471 By Ald. Ballantyne
That the City Engineer, the Director of SPCD, and the Superintendent of ISD advise this Board of their plan to manage and eliminate flooding on streets, in houses and in businesses throughout the city.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

- G. Resolution 197636 By Ald. Gewirtz, Niedergang, Ballantyne
That the Administration provide this Board with a detailed explanation of how future flooding events throughout the city will be mitigated and a plan to upgrade the dated city piping infrastructure.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- H. Order 197645 By Ald. Lafuente
That the Commissioner of Public Works investigate the sewer overflow problems on Richdale Avenue, especially in front of 12 Richdale Avenue.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- I. Order 197649 By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works clear sewer drains of leaves and other debris on Cedar Street between Highland Avenue and Summer Street, and on surrounding streets.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- J. Order 197657 By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Lafuente
That the Commissioner of Public Works prevent storm drain backups on Richdale Avenue.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- K. Order 197661 By Ald. McWatters, Lafuente
That the Commissioner of Public Works and the City Engineer determine if there are infrastructure problems on Richdale Avenue that contributed to the severe flooding during the last two storms.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- L. Officer's Communication 197684 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 8/28/14.
RECOMMENDED: Placed on File
- M. Officer's Communication 197906 Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 8/28/14.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- N. Order 197712 By Ald. Rossetti, Heuston, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.
That the Water Superintendent report to this Board on participation in the newly enacted Water Infrastructure legislation signed by the Governor on August 6, 2014.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- O. Officer's Communication 197836 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/11/14.
RECOMMENDED: Placed on File,
- P. Officer's Communication 197858 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/23/14.

45. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 10595) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on October 30, 2014.
- B. Order 197656 By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board That the Director of SPCD develop a plan for a substantial increase in low and moderate income affordable housing, given the affordable housing crisis and the need to increase the SomerVision target of 1,200 units over the next 20 years, and present the plan, in writing, to this Board before the end of 2014.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- C. Order 197787 By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan That the Director of SPCD apprise this Board of the Memorandum of Understanding being negotiated with the MA DOT for the city-owned parcels of land in Gilman Square.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- D. Order 197798 By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD explain the reason for the delay in completing the North Street Veterans Playground.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- E. Order 197878 By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD (Planning) confirm with the Ward 7 Alderman a date for the next meeting to discuss an RFP for the reuse of the Powderhouse Community School.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- F. Resolution 197885 By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board That the Administration report to this Board on the Green Line extension project, particularly regarding the recently announced delay in completion dates and the funding for the project.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- G. Resolution 197921 By Ald. Heuston That the Administration include as part of the Union Square traffic and infrastructure redesign, the stretch of Washington Street from Union Square to Beacon Street and the stretch of Somerville Avenue from Prospect Street to the McGrath Highway.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

46. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 10592) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on October 27, 2014.

- B. Officer's Request 197340 Planning Director requesting approval of an ordinance to de-designate 72R Dane Street as a single-building local historic district.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- C. Officer's Request 197612 Planning Director requesting approval of an ordinance to add 204 Morrison Avenue to the Morrison Avenue Local Historic District.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

47. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 10598) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on November 10, 2014.
- B. Order 197690 By Ald. Connolly
That the City accepts the 4th paragraph of MGL c59 s5C with respect to the property tax residential exemption for cooperative corporations.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- C. Order 197875 By Ald. McLaughlin
That the City Solicitor examine the possibility of banning online apartment rentals, as there are apartments being rented in violation of a zoning code permitting no more than four non-related residents living together at once.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

48. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 10597) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on November 3, 2014.
- B. Order 193094 By Ald. White Jr.
That the Director of Public Health provide the Committee on Public Health and Safety with the CAFÉ study information once it's completed.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- C. Order 195321 By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install an audio tone device for the pedestrian walk signal at Highland and College Avenues for the benefit of visually impaired individuals utilizing that crosswalk.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- D. Order 195502 By Ald. Gewirtz
That the Environmental Programs Manager report to the Ward 6 Alderman and the Committee on Public Health and Safety, the impact of bamboo and whether it is a plant that should be limited due to its invasive nature.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

- E. Resolution 196353 By Ald. Rossetti, McLaughlin, Heuston, Niedergang, McWatters, Ballantyne, Sullivan
That the Administration take steps to address the snow related concerns affecting public safety, especially of school aged children and elderly residents, expressed in the attached letter.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- F. Order 196766 By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) and the Director of Public Health explain the policy for food and food donations at charity or nonprofit events.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- G. Order 196891 By Ald. Lafuente
That the Director of the SPCD (ISD) and the City Solicitor appear before this Board to discuss the city's schedule of fines and how and/or why they have or have not been used fully.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- H. Order 197367 By Ald. McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr.
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) provide updates on the problems reported at 38 Illinois Avenue and 39-41 Michigan Avenue, detailing a plan of how these properties will be dealt with.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- I. Officer's Communication 197755 Chief Fire Engineer responding to #197483 re: 29 Dickinson St.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- J. Order 197780 By Ald. Rossetti, Ballantyne
That the City Solicitor review the attached 311 data as it relates to airplane noise pollution and report to this Board on a recommended course of action.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- K. Public Communication 197915 FAA Regional Director Corbett submitting comments re: #197474, a resolution to limit airplane noise over Somerville.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- L. Public Communication 197916 US Representative Capuano submitting comments re: #197474, a resolution to limit airplane noise over Somerville.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- M. Resolution (ID # 10623) By Ald. Rossetti
That the Administration work with Congressman Capuano's Office on a program to monitor air traffic noise over Somerville.

- N. Order By Ald. Connolly
(ID # 10624) That the Clerk of Committees invite representatives from MassPort and the FAA to attend a future meeting to discuss air traffic noise over Somerville.

49. TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report By Ald. O'Donovan, Desmond
(ID # 10593) Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking, meeting on October 28, 2014.
- B. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, Desmond
192634 That the Director of Traffic and Parking explain the increase of large truck traffic entering Magoun Square from the Medford and Route 93 areas.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- C. Order By Ald. Rossetti, Ballantyne
196155 That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing an appropriate traffic signal at the intersection of Cameron Avenue and Holland Street until a study is performed relative to the future use of the Powderhouse Community School.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- D. Order By Ald. Rossetti
196223 That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board whether the city is able to reduce the speed limit on side streets below 30 mph.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- E. Order By Ald. McWatters
196228 That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol on Greenville Street, at McGrath Highway, to ensure drivers are adhering to the NO RIGHT TURN restriction during the posted hours.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- F. Order By Ald. McWatters
196229 That the Director of Traffic and Parking determine if it is feasible to install a raised crosswalk at Monroe Street and Prospect Hill Road.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- G. Order By Ald. McWatters
196230 That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a STOP sign at Columbus Avenue (eastbound on Warren Avenue).
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

- H. Order 196286 By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking, the Commissioner of Public Works, and the Director of SPCD develop a plan to install traffic calming measures on both sides of the Lowell Street bridge following the serious accident on February 6, and that the Director of Traffic and Parking present this plan to this Board at its next regular meeting.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- I. Officer's Communication 196292 Interim Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders submitted 1/23/14.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- J. Order 196300 By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking suggest changes to ease traffic traveling through Union Square onto Webster Avenue weekdays between 7:30 and 9 AM.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- K. Order 196316 By Ald. McWatters, Connolly
That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a bump out on the corner of Prospect Hill Road and Boston Street.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- L. Resolution 196321 By Ald. Ballantyne, Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking explore changing the snow emergency parking policy to alternate parking during snow emergencies each year between the even and odd sides of the streets.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- M. Order 196354 By Ald. Rossetti
That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board about issuing parking permits for religious facilities, including the number per facility, their cost, and their duration.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- N. Order 196412 By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking restrict traffic from Dane Street onto Village Street for residents only, 7-9 AM and 4-7 PM.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- O. Order 196413 By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking post NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER signs at the corner of Somerville Avenue and Properzi Way, to allow for cars turning onto Properzi Way.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- P. Order 196415 By Ald. Rossetti, Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the 15 MINUTE PARKING postings citywide, especially at 514 Medford Street.

- RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- Q. Order 196446 By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a temporary speed bump on Jaques Street.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- R. Officer's Communication 196658 Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- S. Officer's Communication 196860 Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- T. Order 197024 By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking look into enhancing safety on the Lowell Street bridge by placing a NO PARKING sign at the curb cut on the east side of Lowell Street, immediately north of Vernon Street (in front of 279-281 Lowell Street) and inform the Ward 5 Alderman and this Board of her recommendation.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- U. Officer's Communication 197066 Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- V. Officer's Communication 197067 Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- W. Order 197221 By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking allow resident permit parking at the Washington Street parking lot across from the Argenziano School after 7 PM weekdays, all day Saturdays, and all day during the Summer.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- X. Officer's Communication 197242 Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- Y. Order 197251 By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking contact the Ward One Alderman to arrange a community meeting to discuss traffic issues along Mt. Vernon Street and Broadway.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

- Z. Order 197261 By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Traffic and Parking install temporary speed bumps and a pedestrian walkway with STOP signs on New Washington Street behind the Cobble Hill Apartments near the dog park.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AA. Order 197275 By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Traffic Engineer analyze the intersection of Glenwood Road and Medford Street and report to the Ward 5 Alderman on options to make exiting from Glenwood Road onto Medford Street less dangerous.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AB. Order 197276 By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Traffic Engineer consider traffic calming options for Trull Street.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AC. Officer's Communication 197315 Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AD. Officer's Communication 197354 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/26/14.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed, Work Completed,
- AE. Order 197366 By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Chief of Police determine if 16-wheel vehicles are allowed to drive down Tufts Street at odd hours of the night and if they are allowed to park there.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AF. Order 197375 By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a traffic light at the intersection of Tufts Street and Broadway.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AG. Order 197382 By Ald. Gewirtz
That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the STOP sign at the corner of Chandler Street and Park Avenue.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AH. Order 197400 By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a CHILDREN PLAYING sign on the east side of Trull Street, between Vernon Street and Medford Street, as close to 31-33 Trull Street as possible.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

- AI. Order 197404 By Ald. Sullivan, Gewirtz, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.
That the Commissioner of Public Works install a NO PARKING IN BUS STOP sign at the bus stop on Elm Street in front of Dunkin Donuts, and that the Chief of Police and the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce this restriction.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AJ. Order 197468 By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking inspect the "state" streets for vehicles parked at metered spots, causing numerous streets to have blind exits onto Broadway, and report the findings to the Ward One Alderman.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AK. Order 197497 By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking petition the Traffic Commission to create a NO PARKING zone at 278 Lowell Street to keep the intersection there clear.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AL. Order 197499 By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters
That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider reducing the speed limit to 25 MPH on Porter Street between Summer and Elm Streets.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AM. Officer's Communication 197538 Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AN. Officer's Communication 197539 Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AO. Order 197648 By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking remove one, or more, of the NO U TURN signs on the newly constructed lower Broadway.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AP. Order 197696 By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking amend the city's parking regulations to address the problem of the "warehousing" of vehicles that abuse the 48 hour parking rule.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AQ. Order 197697 By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking revise the resident parking sticker regulations for campers.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

- AR. Order 197698 By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking limit cut through traffic on Dane, Village and Skehen Streets by installing signage prohibiting turns onto Village and Skehen Streets from Dane Street 6-10 AM and installing a STOP sign at Dane and Village Streets.
RECOMMENDED: Placed on File
- AS. Order 197796 By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.
That the Director or Traffic and parking review the timing of traffic lights at Shore Drive and Mystic Avenue, consider reinstating two lanes on Shore Drive, and consider other improvements, all to improve traffic flow at this intersection.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AT. Order 197800 By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NO LEFT TURN sign on the corner of Broadway and Clarendon Avenue.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AU. Officer's Communication 197857 Director of Traffic and Parking submitting responses to various Board Orders.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AV. Order 197879 By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking arrange with the Ward 7 Alderman a community meeting to discuss traffic concerns for Teele Square.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed
- AW. Officer's Communication 197907 Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 9/11/14.
RECOMMENDED: Work Completed

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

50. Mayor's Request (ID # 10607) Requesting an amendment to the Trash Ordinance in Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances.
51. Mayor's Request (ID # 10483) Requesting the acceptance of a \$3,000 grant from the Somerville Health Foundation, for the Council on Aging's "fit for life" program at the Cross Street Center.
52. Mayor's Request (ID # 10521) Requesting the appointment of Paul Savage to the Fire Dept. Reserve List.
53. Mayor's Request (ID # 10522) Requesting the appointment of Douglas Henry to the Fire Dept. Reserve List.

54. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Sean Layton To The Fire
(ID # 10523) Dept. Reserve List.
55. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Christopher Galvin To
(ID # 10524) The Fire Dept. Reserve List.
56. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Jason Vroom To The Fire
(ID # 10525) Dept. Reserve List.
57. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Ryan Layton To The Fire
(ID # 10526) Dept. Reserve List.
58. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Robert Whelan To The
(ID # 10527) Fire Dept. Reserve List.
59. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Raymond Busi to the Fire
(ID # 10528) Dept. Reserve List.
60. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Stephen Cafferty to the
(ID # 10529) Fire Dept. Reserve List.
61. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Joseph Laudano to the
(ID # 10530) Fire Dept. Reserve List.
62. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Hallam Massiah to the
(ID # 10531) Fire Dept. Reserve List.
63. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Tommaso Saporito to the
(ID # 10532) Fire Dept. Reserve List.
64. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Daniel Willinger as
(ID # 10407) Constable.
65. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Alan Bishop as
(ID # 10408) Constable.
66. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Kenneth Edwards as
(ID # 10602) Constable.
67. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Ronald DiGiorgio as
(ID # 10603) Constable.
68. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Constable Catello
(ID # 10604) Battinelli II as Constable.
69. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Rocco Marciello as
(ID # 10605) Constable.

70. Mayor's Request (ID # 10606) Requesting the re-appointment of Pasquale DeFeo, Jr. as Constable.

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

71. Officer's Request (ID # 10509) City Assessor requesting a Property Tax Classification Public Hearing before this Board at its November 25, 2014, regular meeting, to consider and adopt the tax levy percentages for FY 2015.
72. Officer's Communication (ID # 10578) Chief Information Officer responding to #197797 re: a smartphone app for city work orders.
73. Officer's Communication (ID # 10518) Finance Director responding to #197850 re: grants and donations that require this Board's approval.
74. Officer's Communication (ID # 10425) Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 10/9/14.
75. Officer's Communication (ID # 10508) DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/23/14.

NEW BUSINESS

76. License/Permit (ID # 10533) Public Event Permit, High School Revolutionary War Re-enactment, HS Concourse, Nov 12, 1:15-2:45PM.
77. License/Permit (ID # 10534) Public Event Permit, LIFT Boston Holiday Tree Distribution, 366 Somerville Ave. Parking Lot, Dec 6, 10AM-6PM.
78. License/Permit (ID # 10535) Sign/Awning Permit, Gardini Law Office, 24 Dane St., 1 blade sign.
79. License/Permit (ID # 10612) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 1, Smart Center Boston, 257 McGrath Hwy.
80. License/Permit (ID # 10611) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 1, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 259 McGrath Hwy.
81. License/Permit (ID # 10610) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Executive Auto Leasing and Sales, 30 Medford St.

82. License/Permit (ID # 10609) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Teele Sq. Auto, 1284 Broadway.
83. License/Permit (ID # 10608) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Tech Auto Body, 9 Union Sq.
84. License/Permit (ID # 10536) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, William Doucette Auto Sales, 325 Alewife Brook Pkwy.
85. License/Permit (ID # 10537) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, John's Auto Sales, 266 Beacon St.
86. License/Permit (ID # 10538) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, PJ's Motorcars, 161 Broadway.
87. License/Permit (ID # 10539) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect St.
88. License/Permit (ID # 10540) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Pat's Enterprises, 182 Washington St.
89. License/Permit (ID # 10541) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Pat's Enterprises, 308 McGrath Hwy.
90. License/Permit (ID # 10542) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Barnes and Walsh, 224 Somerville Ave.
91. License/Permit (ID # 10543) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, BBS Services, 45 Broadway.
92. License/Permit (ID # 10544) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, UMP Corp./United Motors, 188 Broadway.
93. License/Permit (ID # 10545) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, DM Auto Body, 48 Joy St.
94. License/Permit (ID # 10546) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 3, Nissenbaum Auto Parts, 0 Windsor St.
95. License/Permit (ID # 10547) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 3, Nissenbaum Auto Parts, 480 Columbia St.
96. License/Permit (ID # 10548) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 3, Ed's Used Auto Parts, 516 Columbia St.
97. License/Permit (ID # 10549) Renewing Outdoor Seating License, El Potro Mexican Grill, 61 Union Sq.

- 98. License/Permit (ID # 10550) Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Smart Tan, 258 Elm St.
- 99. License/Permit (ID # 10551) Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Soundbites, 704 Broadway.
- 100. License/Permit (ID # 10552) Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Brass Union, 66 Union Sq.
- 101. License/Permit (ID # 10553) Renewing Outdoor Seating License, The Independent, 75 Union Sq.
- 102. License/Permit (ID # 10554) Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Five Horses Tavern, 400 Highland Ave.
- 103. Public Communication (ID # 10581) PERAC submitting the required FY 2016 retirement system appropriation.

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

- 104. Order (ID # 10613) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk on Pinckney Place.
- 105. Order (ID # 10614) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol in the Stop and Shop parking lot during the evening hours.
- 106. Order (ID # 10615) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Chief of Police monitor traffic, and cite speeding operators, on Franklin Street going towards Broadway.
- 107. Order (ID # 10616) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a new street sign on Michigan Avenue.
- 108. Order (ID # 10617) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) explain what steps have been taken to deal with the overflowing trash barrel at 14-16 Otis Street.
- 109. Order (ID # 10618) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Chief of Police monitor traffic Broadway and Mt. Vernon Street.

110. Order By Ald. McWatters
(ID # 10627) That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the street sign at Hillside Circle.

111. Communication By Ald. Rossetti
(ID # 10628) Reporting on the Governor's Local Government Advisory Commission meeting of November 12, 2014.

112. Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$1,012,171.75 for the
(ID # 10620) cost of DPW equipment and Departmental vehicles and authorization to borrow \$1,012,171.75 in a bond to meet the appropriation.

113. Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$200,000 from
(ID # 10621) Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Health and Human Services Professional and Technical Services Account to fund enhanced youth services programming.

114. Mayor's Request Requesting a transfer within the Water Enterprise Fund
(ID # 10619) of \$60,000 for an increased scope and time extension for full replacement of the water main at Beacon St.

115. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$39,946 from the
(ID # 10519) MA Department of Agriculture for the Health & Human Services Department's Shape Up Program to expand the food production/distribution triangle.

116. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$23,895 from the
(ID # 10512) Office of Justice Programs FY15 Byrne JAG Grant for Police Department programming.

117. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$10,000 from
(ID # 10520) CHNA 17, for the Health & Human Services Dept.'s SCAP Youth Leadership Program to increase youth engagement in social marketing prevention strategies.

118. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$9,990 from The
(ID # 10513) State Office of Public Safety and Security to the Police Department for underage alcohol enforcement.

119. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$5,000 from the
(ID # 10511) MA Office of Public Safety and Security's Highway Safety Division for the Police Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Enforcement initiative.

120. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a reimbursement of
(ID # 10510) \$3,770.61 from Federal Realty Investment Trust for 2014 Riverfest event expenses.

121. Mayor's Request (ID # 10514) Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$2,000 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to the Police Department for child passenger safety equipment.

122. Officer's Communication (ID # 10629) Economic Development Director providing this Board with an update on the implementation of the Union Square Revitalization Plan.

123. Officer's Communication (ID # 10626) Assistant City Solicitor submitting the acceptance of the 4th paragraph of Mass. General Law Chapter 59, Section 5C, re: cooperative corporations' real estate taxes.

LATE ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT