



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

City Council

Special Meeting Agenda

Thursday, May 30, 2024

7:00 PM

**City Council Chamber and Remote
Participation**

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This Special Meeting of the City Council has been called by the Mayor solely for the presentation of the proposed FY 2025 municipal and enterprise fund budgets, with related appropriations, transfers, and other financial items.

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1. OPENING CEREMONIES

- 1.1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
(ID # [24-0850](#))

2. CITATIONS

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

7. COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

- 7.1. Mayor's Request Requesting the appropriation of \$342,878,129 to fund the
(ID # [24-0814](#)) FY 2025 General Fund Operating Budget.

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| 7.2. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0816) | Requesting the appropriation of \$31,947,141 to fund the FY 2025 Sewer Enterprise Fund budget. |
| 7.3. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0817) | Requesting the appropriation of \$21,398,392 to fund the FY 2025 Water Enterprise Fund budget. |
| 7.4. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0818) | Requesting the appropriation of \$736,255 to fund the FY 2025 Kennedy School Pool Enterprise Fund budget. |
| 7.5. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0819) | Requesting the appropriation of \$237,000 to fund the FY 2025 Dilboy Fields Enterprise Fund budget. |
| 7.6. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0820) | Requesting the appropriation or reserve of \$3,436,205 in estimated FY 2025 Community Preservation Act (CPA) revenue for CPA projects and expenses. |
| 7.7. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0821) | Requesting approval of the expenditure limitations for departmental Revolving Funds for FY 2025. |
| 7.8. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0822) | Requesting the appropriation of \$2,584,976 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Rainy Day Stabilization Fund. |
| 7.9. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0831) | Requesting the appropriation of \$2,089,659 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Street Reconstruction and Renovation Stabilization Fund to support the 5-Year Capital Investment Plan. |
| 7.10. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0826) | Requesting the appropriation of \$1,600,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Sewer Stabilization Fund to support the Water-Sewer Capital Investment Plan. |
| 7.11. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0825) | Requesting the appropriation of \$1,200,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund. |
| 7.12. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0823) | Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Salary & Wage Stabilization Fund. |
| 7.13. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0845) | Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Participatory Budgeting Stabilization Fund for the Participatory Budgeting Program. |
| 7.14. | Mayor's Request
(ID # 24-0828) | Requesting the appropriation of \$943,392 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Parks Stabilization Fund to support the 5-Year Capital Investment Plan. |
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- 7.15. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0849](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$850,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Open Space Acquisition Stabilization Fund to acquire new publicly accessible open space.
- 7.16. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0843](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$700,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund for a Fire Alarm Alerting System.
- 7.17. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0824](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$500,00 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Compensated Absence Liability Fund.
- 7.18. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0830](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$403,187 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Energy Stabilization Fund for projects that reduce carbon emissions and energy costs.
- 7.19. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0827](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$400,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Water Stabilization Fund to support the Water-Sewer Capital Investment Plan.
- 7.20. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0847](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$266,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Emergency Stabilization Fund to provide funding for the Warming Center.
- 7.21. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0840](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,432,778 from the Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings Account to the FY 2025 Water Enterprise Fund budget.
- 7.22. Withdrawn (ID # [24-0844](#)) Withdrawn.
- 7.23. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0842](#)) Requesting approval to appropriate \$149,051 from the Racial & Social Justice Fund to hire a Project Manager for the development of an Alternative Emergency Response Program.

8. COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

- 10.1. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0832](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$7,635,022 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Facility Renovation and Reconstruction Stabilization Fund to support the 5-Year Capital Investment Plan.
- 10.2. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0829](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$2,589,087 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund to support the 5-Year Capital Investment Plan.
- 10.3. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0835](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to support flexible rental assistance programs.
- 10.4. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0833](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Traffic Safety Stabilization Fund for traffic safety improvements.
- 10.5. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0837](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the COVID-19 Stabilization Fund to fund the Somerville Public School Parent/Guardian Transit Pass Program.
- 10.6. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0841](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund to supplement a prior appropriation to purchase and install prefabricated standalone public toilets.
- 10.7. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0846](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$350,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Community Composting Stabilization Fund for a pilot community composting program.
- 10.8. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0836](#)) Requesting the appropriation of \$270,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Immigrant Legal Services Stabilization Fund for immigration legal services.
- 10.9. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0834](#)) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$2,110,472 from the Salary Contingency Account-Salaries to the Salary & Wage Stabilization Fund.
- 10.10. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0839](#)) Requesting approval to create the Community Composting Program Stabilization Fund.

- 10.11. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0851](#)) Requesting approval to appropriate \$725,000 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund to fund the Fire Alarm Alerting System.
- 10.12. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0838](#)) Requesting approval to appropriate \$500,000 from the COVID-19 Stabilization Fund for funding for the SPS Parent/Guardian Transit Pass Program.
- 10.13. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0848](#)) Requesting approval to appropriate \$270,000 from the Immigrant Legal Services Stabilization Fund for legal services to immigrants.

11. ADJOURNMENT