

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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2014, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

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OPENING OF THE MEETING

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Absent	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. #197129 Call of the Roll.
Roll Call

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

Alderman McWatters requested a moment of silence for Clair McCarthy. Alderman Connolly requested a moment of silence for Ruth Malone. Alderman Heuston requested a moment of silence for Ben Mealey. Alderman Sullivan requested a moment of silence for Firefighters Joseph Reilly and Robert Brickley, who died in the line of duty 40 years ago in the Arrow Paper fire.

2. #197130 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, May 8, 2014.
Minutes

RESULT: APPROVED

CITATIONS

3. #197131 Citation
By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Richard Knibbs, whose dedication to Somerville and its children has been a tremendous benefit to this community.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Connolly spoke about Mr. Knibbs and the great work he has done in Somerville. Dave Mangan also spoke about Mr. Knibbs and how he has been a cornerstone for the youth. Richard Knibbs thanked the Board for this Citation.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. #197132 Order By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang That the Chief of Police enforce the NO BIKING ON SIDEWALK ordinance citywide, especially in business districts, and attend the next Public Health and Safety Committee meeting to discuss bicycle safety education and enforcement.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman McWatters expressed his concerns about bicyclists in the Union Square area. Alderman Niedergang joined Alderman McWatters as a co-sponsor on this item. He invited the Bicycle Community to join the meeting to have further discussion on keeping everyone safe and obeying the laws. Alderman Sullivan added that riding on bikes outside business districts is not illegal, but he would like to see a ban around senior centers as he has seen issues there before.

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

5. #197133 Order By Ald. McWatters That the Director of SPCD dispatch the NIT Team to inspect 10-12 Prescott Street for code violations and signs of rodent activity.

RESULT: APPROVED

6. #197134 Order By Ald. McWatters That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the hardtop on the sidewalks on Prospect Hill Avenue with concrete.

RESULT: APPROVED

7. #197135 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk and plant a tree at 10 Wisconsin Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

8. #197136 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the bus stop sign in front of 165 Broadway.

RESULT: APPROVED

9. #197137 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalks at 26 and 30 Wesley Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

10. #197138 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the slide at Chuckie Harris Park.

RESULT: APPROVED

11. #197139 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works contact Mass Highway to request that the median strip along McGrath Highway be cleaned of debris.

RESULT: APPROVED

12. #197140 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the trash near the bus stop off Alston Street (on McGrath Highway) and clean the medians along McGrath Highway.

RESULT: APPROVED

13. #197141 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait Sunnyside Avenue for rodents.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

14. #197142 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait the Alston Street area for rodents.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

15. #197143 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait Pennsylvania Avenue for rodents.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

16. #197144 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works investigate and remedy the low pressure of the water fountains at the ESCS and the strange taste of the water from the school's second floor faucets.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

17. #197145 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works install NO DOGS ALLOWED signs along the ESCS.

RESULT: APPROVED

18. #197146 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works increase the number of recycling stations in the ESCS.

RESULT: APPROVED

19. #197147 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the Ward One Alderman with an update on the soap dispensers at the ESCS, that are still not working after having been previously reported.

RESULT: APPROVED

20. #197148 Order By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a STOP sign on Melville Road at its intersection of Ten Hills Road.

RESULT: APPROVED

21. #197149 Order By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan That the Commissioner of Public Works install a speed bump on Jaques Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

22. #197150 Order By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a CHILDREN PLAYING sign on Evergreen Avenue between School and Marshall Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

23. #197151 Order By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the streetlights in front of 94, 98-100 Morrison Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

24. #197152 Order By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the middle street light in Junction Park and the one on Woodbine Street that is second-closest to Junction Park.

RESULT: APPROVED

25. #197153 Resolution By Ald. Niedergang, Lafuente, Heuston
That the Superintendent of Recreation report to this Board by the end of June 2014, the reason why the outfield grass section of Trum Field is not scheduled for Saturday Fall Youth Soccer League games.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Niedergang discussed concern about the limited number of playing fields and the growing number of children playing sports. Alderman Lafuente commented on the benefits of adding soccer fields. Alderman Rossetti commented on items of discussion at the upcoming Fields Use Committee meeting. Alderman Hueston stated she will join as a sponsor to this order. She commented on the studies associated with the project and asked that the city consider including Foss Park. Alderman McLaughlin showed support for Alderman Hueston's idea on Foss Park, pointing out its poor conditions and how it needs to be improved. President White requested the Fields Committee to look at Draw Seven Park, which Alderman Rossetti mentioned is being looked into. Alderman Ballantyne added Dillboy Park is underused and should be looked into.

26. #197154 Order By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Traffic Engineer report to this Board whether STOP signs should be added to the intersection of Morrison Avenue and Highland Road to make it a four-way stop, to slow speeding traffic on Morrison Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

27. #197155
Order
- By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD and the Superintendent of ISD report to this Board with a plan to ensure prompt and coordinated responses to Board Orders, 311 call entries, emails and phone calls from Aldermen about constituent issues.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Niedergang pointed out that Inspectional Services may have a problem with coordination, and requested this item be put into the Housing and Community Development Committee to try to put together a consistent schedule of communication. Alderman McLaughlin added his concerns about prompt responses.

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

28. #197156
Order
- By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works present to this Board the results of the recent pavement management plan by Fay, Spofford & Thorndike.

RESULT: APPROVED

29. #197157
Resolution
- By Ald. Niedergang
That the Administration explain to this Board the decision making process for deciding the priority order and timeline for repaving streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

30. #197158
Resolution
- By Ald. Connolly, Niedergang, McLaughlin
Supporting Mayor Curtatone's May 22, 2014, Executive Order regarding the US Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Secure Communities Program.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Ald. McWatters recused. Alderman Connolly expressed concern for the plight of undocumented immigrants, and his opposition to the Secure Communities Act. He made a motion to sponsor the Mayor, and, with no opposition, the motion passed. The Mayor reiterated his support for families and the immigrant community, and the reasons for putting forward his Executive Order. The President stated his intention to postpone consideration of this item to a public hearing before the Board, sometime in September, when all interested persons can express their opinions. Ald. Lafuente expressed his need for more information on the subject, and his disappointment that the Mayor didn't consult with the Board before making his announcement. He moved that the item be placed on file. He expressed his hope that an inclusive conversation on the status of immigrants in this country and in this city could begin. Alderman Heuston stated that this item requires further discussion. She opposes the motion to place the item on file, and supports the proposal for a public hearing. Alderman Niedergang also opposed the motion to place the item

on file, and urged a public hearing on the topic. Alderman Sullivan stated he would like more discussion on immigration. He supported placing the item on file and moving forward with a new Board initiative. Alderman McLaughlin voiced support for the Mayor's Executive Order. He said the Executive Order would not directly affect many people, but it would let immigrants know they could feel comfortable going to the police when needed, and it would let the federal government know that the current policy is inadequate. Alderman Ballantyne questioned why the Mayor didn't consult the Board. She said she is open to discussing the resolution in September, and opposes placing it on file. Stepping down as Chair, Alderman White said the Executive Order did not have to be enacted immediately, and that he has never seen an Executive Order approved by the Board. He used the Dream Act as an example of the Mayor and Board working together, and how a successful outcome resulted. Alderman White stated he supports the motion to place the item on file. Alderman Connolly said he opposes placing the item on file, and will continue to fight for this topic. Alderman Lafuente then withdrew his motion to place the item on file, and the Board approved that withdrawal. President White then referred the item to the Committee of the Whole as unfinished business. Alderman Rossetti requested to hear from the Police Chief at the Committee of the Whole meeting, and President White clarified that the Public Hearing will come first, before the Board conducts its regular deliberation.

FOLLOWUP: Committee of the Whole

31. #197159
Order

By Ald. Connolly
That the Director of Personnel appear before this Board at its regular meeting on June 12, 2014, to provide an update on the Police Chief selection process and the work of the Advisory Committee, to date.

RESULT: APPROVED

Mr. Roche discussed the appointments of the members of the committee and reported June 25th will be a public hearing for the final four candidates. Alderman Connolly added that the four candidates are very strong candidates.

32. #197160
Order

By Ald. Connolly, McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works replace dead tree on Belmont Street, near the intersection of Summer Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

33. #197161
Order

By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the roadway defects on College Avenue between the Powderhouse Rotary and Morrison Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

34. #197162 Order By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Ballantyne That the Commissioner of Public Works repair or replace the fence along Broadway, in front of the city's Veterans' Memorial Cemetery.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Connolly commented on the Memorial Day Parade and noted the Park should be in pristine condition to honor Veterans.

35. #197163 Order By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Niedergang, Gewirtz That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pedestrian/bike path and trim the shrubs along the path, from Cedar Street to the Cambridge Line.

RESULT: APPROVED

36. #197164 Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the missing sidewalk bricks at the intersection of Elm and Day Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

37. #197165 Order By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr., McWatters, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti That the Chief of Police monitor traffic on McGrath Highway, near Brady Towers, for speeding vehicles and issue citations accordingly.

RESULT: APPROVED

38. #197166 Order By Ald. Ballantyne, Rossetti That the Director of SPCD (ISD) cite the owners of 75, 79 and 83 Ossipee Road and order them to remove the furniture from their front porches.

RESULT: APPROVED

39. #197167 Order By Ald. Ballantyne That the Chief Fire Engineer share with this Board, the fire safety plan for the newly opened stores and housing at Assembly Square.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

40. #197042 Mayor's Request Requesting to appear before this Board in Executive Session to discuss litigation strategy relating to pending requests regarding Clear Channel billboards.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE

41. #196340 129 registered voters requesting a public hearing before this Board on
Public divesting the city's pension fund from the fossil fuel industry.
Communication

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE

President White explained that because of a clerical error, this item was not on the original agenda published Tuesday, so, while he had hoped to deal with it this evening, he will now leave it as unfinished business for the June 26 meeting. He reminded members to consult with the City Solicitor on specific resolutions, and to prepare for a vote on directing the City Solicitor to file a Declaratory Judgment Action in Superior Court.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

42. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

- A. #197168 Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on
Committee Report June 12, 2014.

RESULT: APPROVED

The Confirmation of Appointments Committee met and recommending promoting candidates in the Fire Department. There being no opposition, the report was approved, and the candidates were sworn in.

- B. #197052 Requesting the Appointment of Michael Avery to the Position of Deputy
Mayor's Request Fire Chief.

RESULT: APPROVED

- C. #197053 Requesting the Appointment of Sean Tierney to the Position of Deputy Fire
Mayor's Request Chief.

RESULT: APPROVED

- D. #197054 Requesting the Appointment of Gregory French to the Position of Fire
Mayor's Request Captain.

RESULT: APPROVED

- E. #197055 Requesting the Appointment of Steven Maura to the Position of Fire
Mayor's Request Captain.

RESULT: APPROVED

- F. #197056 Requesting the Appointment of Timothy Flynn to the Position of Fire
Mayor's Request Lieutenant.

RESULT: APPROVED

- G. #197057 Requesting the Appointment of Paul French to the Position of Fire
Mayor's Request Lieutenant.

RESULT: APPROVED

43. ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

- A. #197169 Report of the Committee on Environment and Energy, meeting on May 27,
Committee Report 2014.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Ballantyne spoke about #196628 on Plastic Bag reduction techniques used by other Municipalities in Massachusetts. This item will be kept in Committee.

- B. #197061 Assistant City Solicitor Responding to #196628 re: Plastic Bag Reduction.
Officer's
Communication

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

44. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. #197170 Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on May 27, 2014.
Committee Report

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Rossetti discussed #195024 re campaign contributions and many areas of concern for this item, including legal challenges, penalties and violations. The item was kept in Committee. She also mentioned #196780 re Globe Direct, and said the Committee will look into enforcing this issue.

45. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

- A. #197171 Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on May 28, Committee Report 2014.

RESULT: APPROVED

- B. #196484 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Charles River AlleyCats Meow Mile 5K Road Race, Highland Avenue-Summer Street and area roads, Oct 12, 6AM-12:30PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

- C. #196486 License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Fortissimo Coffeehouse, 365 Somerville Ave.

RESULT: APPROVED

- D. #196691 License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Diva Indian Bistro, 246 Elm St.

RESULT: APPROVED

- E. #196799 Order By Ald. Heuston That the City Solicitor advise the Committee on Licenses and Permits on the legality of parking vehicles with dealer plates, or no plates, at the Dilboy Field lot, and the city's ability to ticket and tow at that lot.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- F. #196979 Grant of Location Submitted by NStar Electric to install 145 feet of conduit in Prospect Street from Pole 292/12 to 97 Prospect St.

RESULT: APPROVED

- G. #197086 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Assembly Row Assembled Arts Market, 1 Assembly Sq Drive, Saturdays Jun 7-Sep 13, 9AM-4PM.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED

AMENDED: That this event is only permitted for a location within Block 5.

- H. #197172 Order By Ald. Sullivan, Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD (ISD) provide the Committee on Licenses and Permits with an explanation of how the work on St. James Avenue, referenced in #196765, was performed prior to the issuance of a permit and whether the work has been inspected.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

46. RODENT ISSUES SPECIAL COMMITTEE

- A. #197173 Report of the Special Committee on Rodent Issues, meeting on June 4, Committee Report 2014.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Heuston reported on concerns over dumpsters having a rubber cover as opposed to metal. She discussed the presentation from the Rodent Task Force and the new trash barrel program. Alderman Niedergang asked about Senestech conducting a “pilot project” in Somerville, but said that the number of residents being serviced seemed to be large for a pilot project. Alderman Heuston but suggested it may be based on the amount of money funded for the project. Alderman Niedergang said he supports pilot projects, but would be concerned with the number of residents this project is affecting if it was not tested properly. He also commented on tracking powder and rat poisons. President Connolly recommended speaking with the ISD Director, as he had a detailed explanation on that. Alderman Heuston recommended having a second meeting or a Skype discussion with Senestech to speak about the poison.

- B. #196294 Order By Ald. Heuston That the Director of Health appear before this Board's Rodent Issues Special Committee to present the work of the Rodent Task Force and new programs to address rodent issues.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- C. #196301 Resolution By Ald. Heuston, Rossetti That the Rodent Task Force present its findings and recommendations at the next scheduled meeting of this Board's Rodent Issues Special Committee.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

47. #197174 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$750,000 for the cost of replacing DPW equipment and authorization to borrow \$750,000 in a bond to meet the appropriation.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Alderman Lafuente moved to waive the readings of items 47 through 64, with the exception of item 60. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

48. #197175 Mayor's Request Requesting a transfer of \$248,925 from Salary Contingency to the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

49. #197176 Mayor's Request Request approval of a transfer of \$150,000 from the Sanitation Division to the Buildings & Grounds Division to pay Electricity and Heating Oil costs.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

50. #197177 Mayor's Request Requesting a transfer of \$9,536 from the Building Insurance Account to the Pension/Non-Contributory Ordinary Maintenance Account to fund a projected year end deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

51. #197178 Mayor's Request Request to transfer \$9,174 in the School Custodians Dept., from its Personal Services Account to its Ordinary Maintenance Account to pay outstanding invoices.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

52. #197179 Mayor's Request Requesting a transfer of \$7,000 from the Executive Capital Projects Management Salaries Account to the Workers Compensation Salaries Account to fund a projected year-end deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

53. #197180 Mayor's Request Requesting approval to transfer \$6,767.44 from the MWRA Assessments Account to Debt Service.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

54. #197181 Mayor's Request Requesting transfer of \$220 in the Arts Council from its Professional & Technical Services Account to its Salaries Account to fund a projected year end deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

55. #197182 Mayor's Request Requesting authorization to seek a PARC grant of \$400,000 for Otis Playground Renovations.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

56. #197183 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a \$200,000 grant for renovations to the Marshall Street Playground.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

57. #197184 Mayor's Request Requesting authorization of funding necessary to complete renovation of Marshall Street Playground, as a requirement for grant acceptance of a reimbursable Our Common Backyards grant for \$200,000.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

58. #197185 Mayor's Request Requesting the dedication of Marshall Street Playground in perpetuity for park and recreation purposes.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

59. #197186 Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a mitigation payment of \$94,744.75 to establish the Open Space Improvements Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

60. #197187 Mayor's Request Requesting approval of a \$60,000 grant from the Metro North Regional Employment Board for Mystic Learning Center and Groundworks employment opportunities.

RESULT: APPROVED

President White asked Ms. Bacci if there was a matching component to the Grant. She responded that there is and it will be met by local non-profit agencies.

61. #197188 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$35,000 from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council for the Police Department's Bicycle-Pedestrian Traffic Enforcement Program.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

62. #197189 Mayor's Request Requesting approval of a \$10,000 grant from the Eastern Bank Charitable Foundation for the Arts Council's Mystic Mural and Art in the Garden programs.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

63. #197190 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of an additional \$3,116 from the MA Department of Agriculture, for the Urban Agriculture Pilot Program.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

64. #197191 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$3,000 from the Somerville Housing Authority for the Arts Council's Mystic Mural Project.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

65. #197192 Officer's Communication Assistant City Solicitor responding to #196799 re: the Dilboy Field Parking Lot.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

NEW BUSINESS

66. #197193 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Josephine Avenue Summer Play events, Jun 15 from Kidder to Broadway, Jul 13 and Aug 17 from Kidder to Morrison, all 4-8PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Sullivan moved to waive the readings of items 66 through 91, with the exception of items 81, 89 and 90. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

67. #197194 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Senior Thesis Moth Collection Project, Bailey Park, random dates Jun 16-Jul 15, 10PM-2AM.

RESULT: APPROVED

68. #197195 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council ArtsUnion Summer and Fall events, various locations and times from Jun 22 to Sep 27.

RESULT: APPROVED

69. #197196 License/Permit Public Event Permit, SomerMovie Fest, various locations, Thursdays Jul 10-Aug 28, Sunset.

RESULT: APPROVED

70. #197197 License/Permit Public Event Permit, StarlabFest Music and Arts Festival, 32 Prospect St and 453 Somerville Ave, Jul 19, 11AM-10PM (raindate Jul 26).

RESULT: APPROVED

71. #197198 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Redbones Block Party, Chester St, Jul 28, 5-10PM (raindate Aug 4).

RESULT: APPROVED

72. #197199 License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Winter Hill Bank, 337 Broadway, 1 sign.

RESULT: APPROVED

73. #197200 License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Vinnie's at Night, 76 Broadway, 6 tables, 24 chairs.

RESULT: APPROVED

74. #197201 License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Gauchao Brazilian Cuisine, 102 Broadway, 3 tables, 12 chairs.

RESULT: APPROVED

75. #197202 License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Maya Sol Mexican Grill, 179 Broadway, 3 tables, 12 chairs.

RESULT: APPROVED

76. #197203 License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Ball Square Cafe, 708 Broadway, 3 tables, 8 chairs.

RESULT: APPROVED

77. #197204 License/Permit New Drainlayer License, Lederman Engineering.

RESULT: APPROVED

78. #197205 License/Permit New Drainlayer License, Hydra Tech.

RESULT: APPROVED

79. #197206 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, Manafort Brothers.

RESULT: APPROVED

80. #197207 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, Capitol Services.

RESULT: APPROVED

81. #197208 License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

82. #197209 License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Shield, 620 Broadway.

RESULT: APPROVED

83. #197210 License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Good Gas Somerville, 343 Medford St.

RESULT: APPROVED

84. #197211 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Good Gas Somerville, 343 Medford St.

RESULT: APPROVED

85. #197212 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Drain Doctor, 612 Broadway.

RESULT: APPROVED

86. #197213 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Automotive Transport Service, 495 Columbia St.

RESULT: APPROVED

87. #197214 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Fred M Susan Auto Body, 269 Somerville Ave.

RESULT: APPROVED

88. #197215 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, AutoSal, 444R Somerville Ave.

RESULT: APPROVED

89. #197216 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

90. #197217 License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealer License Class 2, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

91. #197218 License/Permit Renewing Billiards and Bowling License, On the Hill Tavern, 499 Broadway.

RESULT: APPROVED

92. #197219 Public Communication Courtney O'Keefe submitting comments re: #197043, an appropriation of \$1,355,671 to the Community Preservation Act Fund.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

President White moved to waive the reading. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

93. #197220 Communication By Ald. Rossetti Presenting a report of the June 10 meeting of the Local Government Advisory Committee.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

Alderman Rossetti discussed the Municipal Healthcare Reform analysis, tax revenue, and the increased use of multi-family projects throughout the community.

94. #197221 Order 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.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Heuston spoke on the parking lot being used by teachers during the school year, with residents taking advantage when the school is not using it.

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

95. #197222 Order By Ald. Heuston That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the fire damaged property at 27 Dickinson Street for violations and hazards which negatively impact the neighborhood, and direct the owners to make all required changes.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Heuston stated the fire was a year ago, and the smell is unbearable.

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

96. #197223
Order
- By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) direct the owner of 47 Webster Avenue to clear the rear lot of all overgrowth and debris and bait the property if evidence of rodent activity is found.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

97. #197224
Order
- By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect the tree at 19 Rose Street and take appropriate actions if the tree is deemed unhealthy and/or a hazard to residents.

RESULT: APPROVED

98. #197225
Order
- By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the tree well at 25 Rose Street so that it does not present a hazard to pedestrians.

RESULT: APPROVED

99. #197226
Order
- By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the clock in the Argenziano School cafetorium.

RESULT: APPROVED

100. #197227
Order
- By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken door at the Argenziano School leading to the cafetorium.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Heuston emphasized how this item is on every meeting, and they are still waiting on the door and clock to be fixed.

101. #197228
Order
- By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect the double poles at 13 and 23 Dane Avenue regarding an oil-like odor and have said poles removed and replaced if necessary.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

102. #197229
Order By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works address the tangle of wires in the tree at 48 Dimick Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

103. #197230
Order By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of SPCD advise the Ward 2 Alderman of a date in July when resumption of the Lincoln Park redesign will take place.

RESULT: APPROVED

104. #197231
Order By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board
That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) arrange a meeting with Mass DOT and the Ward Two Alderman to discuss noise mitigation during the Green Line Extension project to diminish construction noise in the affected neighborhoods.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Heuston stated that all Alderman may be concerned with noise mitigation caused by Green Line construction.

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

105. #197232
Order By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) direct the owner of the vacant lot adjacent to 12 Beacon Place to clear it of overgrowth and debris, bait it for rodents, and address rodent burrows.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

106. #197233
Order By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Commissioner of Public Works direct Verizon to remove unused utility boxes from the side lawn of the West Somerville Neighborhood School, and from the north side of the grounds of the Powderhouse Community School.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

107. #197234
Order By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the weeds and mow the grass at the West Somerville Neighborhood School as it is growing onto the adjacent property at 10-12 Raymond Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

108. #197235
Order
By Ald. McWatters
That the Director of Traffic and Parking post signs prohibiting parking at 34 Highland Avenue on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 7 AM-Noon to allow the dumpster there to be emptied.

RESULT: APPROVED

109. #197236
Order
By Ald. McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the hot top sidewalk at 26 Bow Street with cement.

RESULT: APPROVED

110. #197237
Order
By Ald. Connolly, Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk and curbing at Lowell and Wilton Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

111. #197238
Order
By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan
That the City Engineer review drainage on Shore Drive, especially with storm water runoff during heavy rains, particularly at the corner of Shore Drive and Putnam Street, as well as the impact of development at Assembly Square on the sewer outflow line.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman White expressed concern on the Shore Drive sewage pipe. Neighbors have seen flooding on the street. Alderman Sullivan added that garbage is coming up through the sewage systems, which is not sanitary.

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

112. #197239
Mayor's Request
Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$171,000 in a bond to install lighting for the turf field at the Capuano School.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

The readings for items 112 through 114 were waived.

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

113. #197240
Mayor's Request
Requesting an appropriation of \$64,300 and authorization to borrow that amount in a bond for additional final phase work pertaining to the design and engineering contract for the Davis Square streetscape improvements.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

114. #197241 Mayor's Request Requesting the transfer of \$130,000 from the E911 Salaries Account to the Police Overtime Account to cover projected overtime costs.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

115. #197242 Officer's Communication Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

President White moved to waive the reading of item 115. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

116. #197243 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Brian Higgins Road Race, 682 Broadway and area roads, Sep 14, 8AM-3PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

117. #197244 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Vecna Cares 5K/Robot Run, Davis Square-Highland Ave-Summer St, changing the date to Sep 21, 6-11AM.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Alderman Rossetti questioned if the Board has approved races for organizations that do not have a presence in Somerville. Alderman Sullivan responded that he could not recall that a race has ever been declined. Alderman Rossetti has attended many road races, and feels it is about the community, and since this organization is outside of the community, she would not recommend approval. President White stated he would like to have the City Solicitor review whether the Board has discretion to deny it. Alderman Sullivan feels it would not be right to deny this permit based on the fact they are not located in Somerville. Alderman Connolly supported keeping the item in Committee, as he does not see a benefit to the City. Alderman Niedergang commented he understands why applications have not been denied, but word is spreading and many organizations are coming to Somerville for their road races. He said he would like to see it sent to Committee for further discussion.

FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

118. #197245 License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Perfect Dental, 128 Broadway, A-Frame sign.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Sullivan moved to waive the readings of items 118 and 119. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

119. #197246 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, Roto Rooter Services.

RESULT: APPROVED

LATE ITEMS

120. #196765 Grant of Location Submitted by NStar Electric, to install 45 feet of conduit in St James Ave from a pole to a point of pickup on St James Ave.

RESULT: APPROVED

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits on a motion by Ald. Sullivan.

121. #196816 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, Caruso Corp.

RESULT: APPROVED

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits on a motion by Ald. Sullivan.

122. #197044 Mayor's Request Requesting appropriation of \$431,256 from the Capital Stabilization fund to purchase twelve front-line police vehicles.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Houston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne

ABSENT: Rebekah L. Gewirtz

Discharged from the Committee on Finance on a motion by Ald. Lafuente.

123. #197046 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$108,588 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the purchase of four command vehicles in the Police Department.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,
Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne
ABSENT: Rebekah L. Gewirtz

Discharged from the Committee on Finance on a motion by Ald. Lafuente.

124. #197116 Mayor's Request Requesting to appropriate or reserve \$1,978,808 in estimated FY 2015 CPA revenues for CPA projects and expenses per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,
Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne
ABSENT: Rebekah L. Gewirtz

Discharged from the Committee on Finance on a motion by Ald. Lafuente.

125. #197247 Order By Ald. Heuston That the Director of SPCD provide funding to address problems at the Milk Row Cemetery, including cleaning, repairs, resetting fallen obelisks and other cosmetic repairs and maintenance.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman Heuston expressed that the property is in disrepair and that repairs would cost just \$1,500 and should be completed.

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

126. #197248 Order By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan That the Chief of Police monitor Everett Avenue for speeding traffic.

RESULT: APPROVED

127. #197249 Order By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan That the Commissioner of Public Works install a temporary speed bump along Everett Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

128. #197250 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works relocate the trash barrel at the corner of Franklin and Pearl Streets away from the curb.

RESULT: APPROVED

129. #197251 Order 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.

RESULT: APPROVED

Alderman McLaughlin spoke about major traffic problems in the area since Assembly Row opened, and would like to open this up to the community to discuss this problem and come up with a resolution.

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

130. #197252 Order By Ald. McWatters, Heuston
That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol in Union Square, at the junction of Webster Avenue and Washington Street, during the morning and evening rush hours to ensure that traffic laws are being adhered to.

RESULT: APPROVED

131. #197253 Officer's Communication DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/12/14.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

ADJOURNMENT

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.