



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## City Council

### Meeting Minutes

---

Thursday, July 11, 2024

7:00 PM

---

*NOTICE: This is NOT the official version of the City Council's minutes. While reasonable efforts have been made to assure the accuracy of the data provided, do not rely on this information without first checking with the City Clerk.*

#### 1. OPENING CEREMONIES

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Ward Three City Councilor Ben Ewen-Campen. The City Council entered recess at 7:45 PM and returned at 7:52 PM.

- 1.1. Roll Call                      Call of the Roll.  
(ID # [24-1049](#))

Councilor Mbah arrived at 7:05 PM.

**RESULT:**     **PLACED ON FILE**

**Present:**     Ward One City Councilor Matthew McLaughlin  
                    Ward Six City Councilor Lance L. Davis  
                    City Councilor At Large Jake Wilson  
                    Ward Five City Councilor Naima Sait  
                    Ward Two City Councilor Jefferson Thomas (J.T.) Scott  
                    City Councilor At Large Wilfred N. Mbah  
                    City Councilor At Large Willie Burnley Jr.  
                    City Councilor At Large Kristen Strezo  
                    Ward Three City Councilor Ben Ewen-Campen

**Absent:**       Ward Four City Councilor Jesse Clingan  
                    Ward Seven City Councilor Judy Pineda Neufeld

- 1.2. Remembrances            Remembrances.  
(ID # [24-1050](#))

**RESULT:**     **APPROVED**

- 1.3. Minutes                      Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 30, 2024.  
(ID # [24-1051](#))

**RESULT:**     **APPROVED**

**AYE:**           Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

1.4. Minutes  
(ID # [24-1052](#))

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 13, 2024.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

1.5. Minutes  
(ID # [24-1053](#))

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 20, 2024.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

1.6. Minutes  
(ID # [24-1054](#))

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 25, 2024.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

## 2. CITATIONS

2.1. Citation  
(ID # [24-1030](#))

By Councilor Ewen-Campen  
Commending Gene Brune on the auspicious occasion of his 95th birthday.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b><u>APPROVED</u></b>
<b>AYE:</b>	Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

### 3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 3.1. Grant of Location Comcast applying for a Grant of Location to install 55 feet of conduit in North Street, from Utility Pole 190/4 to a point of pickup at 34 North Street.  
(ID # [24-1012](#))

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b><u>APPROVED</u></b>
<b>AYE:</b>	Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 3.2. Grant of Location Eversource applying for a Grant of Location to install a total of 1,488 feet of conduit and three proposed manholes, as follows: Starting from MH25391, at the intersection of Prospect Street and Webster Avenue, to 169 Tremont Street; from proposed MH32362, located at the intersection of Tremont Street and Webster Avenue, to existing MH30846 located at the intersection of Windsor Place and Columbia Street; from MH32362 connecting conduit to existing MH13072 and existing MH4118 located at the intersection of Webster Avenue and Columbia Street.  
(ID # [24-1023](#))

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b><u>APPROVED</u></b>
<b>AYE:</b>	Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld
<b>RECUSED:</b>	Ward Two City Councilor Scott

### 4. ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4.1. Order  
(ID # [24-1029](#))

By Councilor Mbah

That the Director of Parks and Recreation, the Director of SomerPromise and the Out of School Time Coordinator, report to the City Council on the status of children and teen participation in the summer recreation and education programs.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED AND SENT FOR DISCUSSION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

4.2. Order  
(ID # [24-1032](#))

By Councilor Pineda Neufeld

That the Director of Health and Human Services discuss with this Council how to serve residents through an ongoing transit equity program when the Taxi to Health program funding ends in October.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED AND SENT FOR DISCUSSION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Equity, Gender, Seniors, Families and Vulnerable Populations Committee

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

4.3. Resolution  
(ID # [24-1033](#))

By Councilor Strezo

That the Director of the Somerville Housing Authority discuss the Family Self Sufficiency Program, which assists public housing residents to reach financial goals, and how to expand its purpose, presence and usage.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED AND SENT FOR DISCUSSION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Equity, Gender, Seniors, Families and Vulnerable Populations Committee

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

4.4. Order  
(ID # [24-1034](#))

By Councilor McLaughlin  
That the Director of Economic Development discuss outdoor seating policies and fees, especially pertaining to small businesses.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED AND SENT FOR DISCUSSION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

4.5. Order  
(ID # [24-1035](#))

By Councilor McLaughlin  
That the Director of Inspectional Services inspect the area at the intersection of Broadway and Glen Street for rodent activity.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED AND SENT FOR DISCUSSION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

4.6. Resolution  
(ID # [24-1036](#))

By Councilor McLaughlin  
That the Somerville City Council reaffirm its opposition to lateral hires in the Fire Department.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

## 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 5.1. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0987](#)) Requesting approval of a Deed and Maintenance Agreement for Leonard Grimes Park at 31 Tufts Street.

Councilor Ewen-Campen moved to substitute the documents in item 24-1028 to reflect the updated language. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 9 in favor (McLaughlin, Davis, Wilson, Sait, Scott, Mbah, Burnley, Strezo, Ewen-Campen), 0 opposed, 2 absent (Clingan, Pineda Neufeld).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

## 6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### 6.A. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

- 6.A.1. Committee Report (ID # [24-1024](#)) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on July 2, 2024.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 6.A.2. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0894](#)) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Christopher Johnson to the position of Firefighter.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 6.A.3. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-0895](#)) Requesting confirmation of the promotion of James M. Donovan to the position of Deputy Police Chief.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

## 6.B. LAND USE COMMITTEE

- 6.B.1. Committee Report (ID # [24-1025](#)) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting in Joint Session with the Planning Board on July 9, 2024.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

## 7. **COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

- 7.1. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1055](#)) Requesting approval of an exemption for Indira Evora under MGL c268A, s20(b).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 7.2. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1056](#)) Requesting approval of an exemption for Gabrielle Vieira under MGL c268A, s20(b).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 7.3. Mayor's Communication (ID # [24-1028](#)) Conveying updates to item 24-0987, Mayor requesting approval of a Deed and Maintenance Agreement for Leonard Grimes Park at 31 Tufts Street.

**RESULT:** **PLACED ON FILE**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 7.4. Mayor's Communication (ID # [24-1037](#)) Conveying a memorandum regarding items 24-0216 and 24-0988.

**RESULT:** **PLACED ON FILE**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 7.5. Mayor's Communication (ID # [24-1038](#)) Conveying a proposal to increase the Community Preservation Act surcharge.

**RESULT:** **PLACED ON FILE**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

## 8. COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

- 9.1. License (ID # [24-1039](#)) Renewing Drainlayer's License, D&R General Contracting.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 9.2. License (ID # [24-1040](#)) Renewing Drainlayer's License, Environic Solutions Inc.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 9.3. License  
(ID # [24-1043](#))
- New Garage License, Building 2 Owner LLC, 808 Windsor St, 242 vehicles inside, 0 vehicles outside for storing vehicles only, 7 days a week 24 hours.

**RESULT:** **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

- 9.4. License  
(ID # [24-1041](#))
- Renewing Garage License, GE Auto Repair, 631 Somerville Ave.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 9.5. License  
(ID # [24-1042](#))
- Renewing Livery License, Mass Cab, 45 Endicott Ave.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 9.6. License  
(ID # [24-1044](#))
- New Sign/Awning License, CultureHouse, 101 Franklin St, 5 signs.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.7. License  
(ID # [24-1045](#))

New Sign/Awning License, CultureHouse, 134 Washington St, 16 signs.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.8. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1026](#))

Somerville Public Library applying for a Public Event License for ComixCon 2024 on July 20 from 9am to 5pm (raindate July 27).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.9. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1022](#))

Get To The Gig Boston applying for a Public Event License for NICE, a fest on July 26, July 27, July 28, and July 29 from 8am to 10pm (raindates August 3 and August 4).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.10. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1047](#))

Somerville Public Library applying for a Public Event License for Family Movie on the Lawn: Elemental on August 14 from 6pm to 10pm.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.11. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1020](#))

Suzannah Blass applying for a Public Event License for Summit Avenue BP on August 24 from 11am to 7pm (raindate August 25).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.12. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1021](#))

East Somerville Main Streets applying for a Public Event License for Summer in the Park: Back to School on August 24 from 1pm to 7pm (raindate August 25).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.13. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1019](#))

Somerville Museum applying for a Public Event License for Spark of the Revolution on September 1 from 9am to 2pm (raindate September 8).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED****AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld9.14. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1018](#))

Mathias Neuber applying for a Public Event License for Electric Avenue BP on September 7 from 11am to 6pm (raindate September 8).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED****AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld9.15. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1048](#))

Arts Council applying for a Public Event License for Evolution of Hip Hop on September 7 from 2pm to 9:30pm (raindate September 14).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED****AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld9.16. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1017](#))

Arts Council applying for a Public Event License for Somerville Rock and Roll Yard Sale on September 8 from 7am to 7pm (raindate September 15).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED****AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.17. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1016](#))

Society of S.S. Cosmas & Damian of Somerville & Cambridge applying for a Public Event License for Procession for S.S. Cosmas & Damian on September 8 from 2:30pm to 6:30pm (raindate September 15).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.18. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1014](#))

Helen Corrigan applying for a Public Event License for Irving Street BP on September 14 from 11am to 8:30pm (raindate September 15).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.19. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1015](#))

Nancy Mader applying for a Public Event License for Robinson Street BP on September 14 from 2pm to 8pm (raindate September 15).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

9.20. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1013](#))

Nelson Salazar applying for a Public Event License for Virginia Street BP on September 15 from 2:30pm to 9pm.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**  
**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen  
**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

## 10. SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

- 10.1. Communication By Councilor Strezo  
(ID # [24-1057](#)) Conveying a report of the Children's Cabinet.

**RESULT:** **PLACED ON FILE**  
**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen  
**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 10.2. Resolution By Councilor Ewen-Campen  
(ID # [24-1058](#)) That the Administration and this Council work with the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) to address long-standing issues with service reliability with the Union Square (D-line) branch of the Green Line.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED AND SENT FOR DISCUSSION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee  
**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen  
**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

- 10.3. Resolution By Councilor Burnley Jr.  
(ID # [24-1068](#)) In support of social cannabis consumption.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

10.4. Resolution  
(ID # [24-1069](#))

By Councilor Burnley Jr.  
In support of statewide natural psychedelics therapy.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

10.5. Resolution  
(ID # [24-1070](#))

By Councilor Burnley Jr.  
Recognizing July 15-21 as the Week of Visibility for Non-Monogamy.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

10.6. License  
(ID # [24-1063](#))

New Sign/Awning License, Union Square Main Streets, 1 Bow Market Way, 4 signs.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

10.7. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1071](#))

Communications and Community Engagement applying for a Public Event License for Ward 5 Slice of the City on July 22 from 4:30pm to 7:30pm.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

10.8. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1061](#))

Peter Jehlen applying for a Public Event License for OPENAIR Circus on August 2 from 4pm to 9:30pm and on August 3 and 4 from 12pm to 5:30pm.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

10.9. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1060](#))

Kimberly Ford applying for a Public Event License for Francis St BP on August 3 from 1pm to 10pm (raindate August 10).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

10.10. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1059](#))

Priscilla Ribeiro applying for a Public Event License for National Night Out on August 6 from 10am to 11pm (raindate August 7).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED****AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld10.11. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1064](#))

Somerville Education Foundation applying for a Public Event License for Somerville Food Nation Celebration on September 6 from 3pm to 10pm (raindate September 13).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED****AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld10.12. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1065](#))

Kids Like You and Me applying for a Public Event License for Somerville Underground Pop Arts and Performance Showcase on September 14 from 12pm to 6pm (raindate September 15).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED****AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld10.13. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1067](#))

Brandon Wilson applying for a Public Event License for Josephine Ave BP on September 14 from 1:30pm to 9:30pm (raindate September 15).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

10.14. Public Event  
(ID # [24-1066](#))

Nels Nelson applying for a Public Event License for Munroe St. Playtime on September 14 from 2pm to 11pm (raindate September 15).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

10.15. Public  
Communication  
(ID # [24-1062](#))

Jarred Johnson submitting comments re: Green Line Extension.

**RESULT:** **PLACED ON FILE**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

**11. LATE ITEMS**

11.1. Mayor's Request  
(ID # [24-0216](#))

Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$39,000 grant with no new match required, from the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) to the Fire Department for the installation of security cameras for fire stations.

Councilor Wilson moved to discharge item 24-0216 from the Committee on Finance. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 8 in favor (McLaughlin, Davis, Wilson, Sait, Scott, Burnley, Strezo, Ewen-Campen), 0 opposed, 3 absent (Mbah, Clingan, Pineda Neufeld).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

11.2. Resolution  
(ID # [24-1072](#))

By Councilor Wilson, Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Davis, Councilor Scott and Councilor Mbah

That the Administration and the Director of Human Resources notify this council whenever: a director-level job becomes vacant; a director-level job is posted; and a director-level hire is made, including the start date.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Ward Six City Councilor Davis, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr., City Councilor At Large Strezo, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, and Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:15 PM on a roll call vote of 9 in favor (McLaughlin, Davis, Wilson, Sait, Scott, Mbah, Burnley, Strezo, Ewen-Campen), 0 opposed, and 2 absent (Clingan, Pineda Neufeld).