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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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OPENING OF THE MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

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	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 202712 (ID:15441) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Connolly thanked the Board for their encouragement and support during his triple by-pass surgery. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Tom Mercier, Sr.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 202713 (ID:15442)

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meetings of December 1, 6, and 13, 2016, and the Regular Meeting of December 8, 2016.

CITATIONS

3. Citation 202714

By Ald. McWatters, White Jr., and the Entire Board

Commending Sister Rachel Ferdinand on the auspicious occasion of her 100th

(ID:15443) birthday.

Alderman McWatters reported that he presented the Citation to Sister Rachel

Ferdinand at her birthday party. **RESULT:** APPROVED

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD share with this Board a marketing plan for (ID:15405) commercial development, highlighting the transformative districts.

Alderman Ballantyne feels that the City needs to promote that it is open for commercial development citywide with a marketing plan.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

5. Order 202716 (ID:15406)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Chief of Police monitor traffic exiting from Tannery Brook Road onto Cameron Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

6. Order 202717

By Ald. Ballantyne

(ID:15407)

That the City Solicitor and Director of Traffic and Parking advise what surrounding communities' best practices are regarding home addresses written on residential guest parking permits.

Alderman Ballantyne stated that in Ward 7 people are renewing their parking permits and want to know why their addresses have to appear on the parking permits.

RESULT: APPROVED

7. Order 202718 (ID:15424)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalks on Oakland and Evergreen Avenues between Thurston and Marshall Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

8. Order 202719 (ID:15425)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalks at the Marshall Street Playground.

9. Order 202720 (ID:15426)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Commissioner of Public Works direct Eversource to replace the poles at the corner of School Street and Oakland Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

10. Resolution 202721 (ID:15427)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Licensing Commission revoke all licenses held by the Winter Hill Market at 269 Broadway.

Alderman Lafuente stated that this business has been a nuisance for quite some time. He would like to see the Licensing Commission revoke their license. The neighbors in the area have had enough.

RESULT: APPROVED

11. Order 202722 (ID:15428)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the City Solicitor contact the State Lottery Commission to begin revoking the lottery license for the Winter Hill Market at 269 Broadway.

RESULT: APPROVED

12. Order 202723 (ID:15429)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services bait School Street between Medford Street and Broadway, and all around the Healy school.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

13. Resolution 202724 (ID:15430)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Superintendent of Schools look into how trash is kept at the Healy School, to prevent rodent activity.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

14. Resolution 202725 (ID:15431)

By Ald. Rossetti, McWatters

That the Administration unveil the CPA-funded Prospect Hill Tour inclusion video at this Board's next meeting.

Alderman Rossetti would like the Prospect Hill video unveiled at a future Board meeting.

15. Order 202726 (ID:15432)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board the City's position on installing artificial turf fields with crumb rubber infill while the US EPA studies the potential health and environmental hazards of such infill, and explain why the City doesn't use organic infill.

Alderman Niedergang questioned the environmental and health impacts of the crumb rubber infill turf. He does not feel that the City should install any more crumb rubber infill turf fields until more studies from the US EPA are done. There are organic alternatives.

RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

16. Order 202727 (ID:15433)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works work with the Mayor, Representative Provost and Senator Jehlen to get the appropriate state agency to clean state-owned trash-filled land on the east and west sides of the Central Street Bridge.

Alderman Niedergang has been trying to get the sides of the Central St. Bridge cleaned up for quite some time. This is State-owned land, so the City cannot clean it itself. He has contacted the State Representative about the problem. President White suggested contacting the Sheriff to have the inmate workforce possibly clean the area.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

17. Order 202728 (ID:15434)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to the Ward 5 Alderman on whether large truck traffic can be curtailed or banned on Cedar Street to avoid disturbing residents' peace and damaging their foundations.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

18. Order 202729 (ID:15435)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Davis

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the timer on the walkway lamps at Powder House Park on the College Avenue side.

RESULT: APPROVED

19. Order 202730 (ID:15436)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Chief of Police provide traffic enforcement on Atherton Street between Beech and Spring Streets at various times.

20. Resolution 202731

(ID:15437)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Administration consider providing a sprinkler and irrigation system for Prospect Hill Park.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

21. Order 202732 (ID:15438) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD update this Board with the schedule and locations of this spring's tree plantings.

RESULT: APPROVED

22. Order 202733 (ID:15439)

By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly, McLaughlin That the appropriate department head request that the commuter rail operator address some early morning noise issues.

Alderman Sullivan stated something has to be done about the morning noise issues. Alderman McLaughlin stated that 240 Pearl Street was promised soundproofing materials when the Green Line comes through. He is not sure where that currently stands, but it may be a solution.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

23. Order 202734 (ID:15440) By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the NO CYCLING sidewalk decals in all central business districts, as soon as weather permits.

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RESULT: APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

24. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202735 (ID:15412) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters meeting on January 25, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There were 6 appointments for the Women's Commission, along with its Director, Christopher Hosman. Rich Raiche was confirmed as City Engineer. Ron Bonnie was appointed as Superintendent of Fleet Management. Anne Tate was appointed, with a great resume and a great perspective, to the Redevelopment Authority. The Committee approved a Special Police Officer, and will discuss why those appointments are approved by the Board.

B. Mayor's Request 202379 (ID:15007)	Request	Requesting the appointment of Cristina DeWeese to the Commission for Women.		
	RESULT:	APPROVED		
C. Mayor's Request 202380 (ID:15009)	Requesting the re-appointment of Daisy Monsalve to the Commission for Women.			
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
D. Mayor's Request 202452	•	Requesting the a	appointment of Kat Rutkin to the Commission for Women.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
E. Mayor's Request 202453 (ID:15130)	Requesting the r Women.	e-appointment of Katherine M. Wallace to the Commission for		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
F. Mayor's Request 202454 (ID:15010)	Requesting the re-appointment of Marlena Erdos to the Commission for Women.			
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
G. Mayor's Request		Requesting the re-appointment of Melissa Alfone to the Commission for Women.		
	202455 (ID:15011)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
H. Mayor's Request 202647	•	Requesting the confirmation of Rich Raiche as City Engineer.		
	202647	RESULT:	APPROVED	
(ID:15305) I. Mayor's Request		Requesting confirmation of Christopher Hosman as Executive Director of the Women's Commission.		
	202655 (ID:15346)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
J. Mayor's Request		Requesting the appointment of Housing Authority employee Daniel J. Meade as a Special police Officer.		
	202663 (ID:15312)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
	Mayor's Request	Requesting the a Preservation Con	appointment of Jessica Palacios Yamakawa to the Community mmittee.	
	202664	RESULT:	APPROVED	

APPROVED

RESULT:

(ID:15296)

L. Mayor's Request 202692 (ID:15341) Requesting the confirmation of Ron Bonney as Superintendent of Fleet Management.

RESULT: APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 202693 (ID:15324) Requesting the appointment of William Roche as Municipal Hearing Officer.

RESULT: APPROVED

N. Mayor's Request 202694 (ID:15385) Requesting the appointment of Anne Tate to the Somerville Redevelopment Authority.

RESULT: APPROVED

O. Mayor's Request 202698 (ID:15386) Requesting confirmation of appointment of Maren Chiu to the Board of Library Trustees.

RESULT: APPROVED

25. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202736 (ID:15411) Report of the Committee on Finance meeting on January 25, 2017.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There were a series of transfers from different accounts to pay for previous year invoices. The Committee approved CPA Funding for a Land Acquisition Study Fund. They also approved a \$1.6 million Bond for the construction of water and sewer projects.

Alderman White recused on all matters related to the Community Preservation Act.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 202374 (ID:14995) Requesting the appropriation of \$40,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space and Recreation Land Reserve budget to the Parks and Open Space Division for a Land Acquisition Study Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 202488 (ID:15137) Requesting the appropriation of \$250,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Law Department Legal Services Account to fund additional outside legal counsel services.

RESULT: APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 202489 (ID:15021) Requesting the appropriation of \$150,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Heath & Human Services Professional and Technical Services Account to contract with Teen Empowerment for youth development.

E. Mayor's Request 202532 (ID:15191) Requesting a transfer of \$93,000 from the Sanitation Recycling Account to the Highway Overtime Account to fund overtime for maintenance of the increased vehicle fleet.

RESULT: APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 202629 (ID:15334) Requesting authorization to borrow \$1,660,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount for construction services as part of the MWRA Local Water Assistance Program.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

G. Mayor's Request 202630 (ID:15292) Requesting to transfer CPA funds totaling \$889,962 from the CPA Fund Budgeted Reserve to designated CPA reserves per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 202631 (ID:15293) Requesting the appropriation of \$880,416 from the CPA Fund Community Housing Reserve to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

I. Mayor's Request 202632 (ID:15344) Requesting an appropriation of \$274,879 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund for the purchase of FY17 Police capital equipment and vehicles.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

J. Mayor's Request 202633 (ID:15338) Requesting the acceptance and appropriation of an additional \$45,000 from US2 Associates into the Union Sq Revitalization and Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

K. Mayor's Request 202634 (ID:15339) Requesting an appropriation of \$45,000 from the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund for the redevelopment of Union Square.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

L. Mayor's Request 202636 (ID:15202) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$750 using available funds in the Engineering Department Professional and Technical Services Account.

RESULT: APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 202640 (ID:15213) Requesting approval to accept the gift of a painting from the village of San Esteban Catarina, El Salvador.

RESULT: APPROVED

N. Mayor's Request 202690 (ID:15389) Requesting an appropriation of \$50,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Law Department's Damages to Persons & Property Judgments/Settlements Account.

RESULT: APPROVED

O. Officer's Communication 202702

Officer's City Solicitor requesting approval of a contract with Deutsch Williams as Communication outside legal counsel.

(ID:15388)

RESULT: APPROVED

26. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202737 (ID:15408)

Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on January 17, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The primary topic of the meeting was the Union Square Zoning, as well as the proposed 68/32 minimum mixed use ratio. The take away from this meeting was that with or without the Union Square project, the infrastructure has to be done.

27. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202738 (ID:15410) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on January 24, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. They discussed the minimum mixed use ratio proposal, the displacement of small businesses that would occur in the vicinity of Union Square, and hiring locals and unions for the development work. Mr. Galligani presented the framework for ensuring contributions from the developer. The discussion shifted to the financing mechanisms. Mr. Bean discussed the mechanics of District Improvement Financing.

RESULT: APPROVED

28. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202739 (ID:15409) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters meeting on January 19, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about creating a rental registration program, and what should be included. Also discussed was a proposed Ordinance for a mid fiscal year report of municipal finance, with next fiscal year budget projections. The Committee talked about calling upon developers that receive public financial support to use responsible prevailing wage contractors that provide health insurance, workers comp, retirement benefits and apprenticeship training to build their projects. They discussed a draft ordinance to extend protections for trees on City-owned property. They requested an SPCD report on plans for the Somerville Municipal Job Creation and Retention Trust Fund, and Jobs Linkage Fee for new commercial development. They also discussed providing relief from water and sewer charges to property owners who occupy their homes, by providing an exemption similar to the residential property tax exemption. Lastly, they reviewed and approved an amendment to Ordinance 9-1 to allow alcohol in public parks for licensed events.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED

AMENDED: #202689 was Placed on File, and replaced with #202762.

B. Resolution 201899 (ID:14577)

By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin, McWatters, Lafuente, Sullivan, Davis, White Jr., Rossetti, Ballantyne, Connolly

That this Board calls upon developers that receive any form of public financial support to use responsible prevailing-wage contractors that provide health insurance, worker's compensation, retirement benefits, and apprenticeship training to build their projects.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 201905 (ID:14595) By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne

That this Board, with the City Solicitor, develop an ordinance for trees on cityowned property that extends to them the requirements for public notices and hearings currently in place for all "public shade trees."

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Resolution 201913

By Ald. Connolly

That the Administration meet with Alderman Heuston and other Aldermen as (ID:14657) necessary to prepare recommendations re: #199934 before the Legislative Matters Committee's next meeting.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 202361

(ID:15018)

By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor provide an opinion on inserting a fee in the proposed jobs linkage ordinance, prior to the next Nexus study being completed.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 202510 (ID:15198) By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor draft a Home Rule Petition allowing residents who purchase a home from an absentee landlord the ability to claim residential tax exemption from the date of purchase.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 202511 (ID:15199) By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor advise this Board of its ability to not allow absentee landlords the continued benefit of the residential tax exemption at the time of purchase from a residential tax exempt homeowner.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Mayor's Request 202689 (ID:15387) Requesting approval to amend Ordinance 9-1 regarding alcohol in public parks.

For action on this item, see #202762.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

29. Mayor's Request 202740 (ID:15413) Requesting the appropriation of \$2,335,038 from the Salary Contingency and Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to various Police Department Personal Services Accounts to fund retroactive and FY17 wage provisions of the JLMC Police Employees Association.

City Solicitor Frank Wright described the JLMC decision on the contract with the Patrolmen's Union. The decision, issued on December 22, was for a 3-year contract, with wage increases of 2.5%, 2% and 2%. Educational incentives shall include officers hired after July 1, 2009 with more than 3, but less than 5, years of service who have received a degree in Criminal Justice, receiving 5% for an Associates, 10% for a Bachelors, and 12.5% for Masters or Law Degree. After 5 years, officers shall be eligible for 10%, 20%, or 25% depending on the degree. Officers already employed prior to July 1, 2009 shall be similarly eligible. Ballistic vests shall be worn by the officers as determined by the Chief. The Chief shall be allowed up to five professional picks for specialty assignments. Alcohol testing for officers shall have a standard of .04 and IT positions shall be civilianized. Not granted is hazardous duty pay, longevity, an increase in the detail rate, and the use of body cameras. Finance Director Ed Bean reported that the award would cost \$2,335,038 through this fiscal year.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

30. Mayor's Request 202741 (ID:15418) Requesting authorization to borrow \$500,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount, for ADA accessibility building improvements.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 30 and 31 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

31. Mayor's Request 202742 (ID:15420) Requesting authorization to borrow \$410,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount, for Phase 2 of the Building Assessment / Preventive Maintenance Plan / Master Plan Project.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

32. Mayor's Request 202743 (ID:15348) Requesting acceptance of a \$22,460 grant with no new match required, from the MA Emergency Management Agency to the Health & Human Services Department for emergency preparedness activities.

33. Mayor's Request 202744 (ID:15416) Requesting acceptance of a \$11,000 grant with no new match required, from Tufts' Tisch Community Research Center to the Health & Human Services Department for a comprehensive food system assessment.

Mayor's Legislative Liaison Tim Snyder explained the purpose of this grant is to fund the initial steps of a collaborative city wide comprehensive food system assessment.

APPROVED RESULT:

34. Mayor's Request 202745 (ID:15415)

Requesting acceptance of a \$7,465 grant with no new match required, from the Metro Regional Employment Board to the Health & Human Services Department for youth employment.

APPROVED RESULT:

35. Mayor's Request 202746 (ID:15335) Requesting the re-appointment of Paula Machado to the Board of Health.

RESULT: APPROVED

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

36. Officer's City Clerk requesting approval of his Public Official's Bond.

Request 202747 (ID:15444)

RESULT: APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS

37. 202748 (ID:15445)

License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Dali Restaurant, 415 Washington St.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 37 through 41 and approve items 37 through 39 and refer items 40 and 41 to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

38.

License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Soundbites, 704 Broadway.

202749 (ID:15449)

RESULT: APPROVED

License/Permit 39. 202750

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Parkway.

(ID:15446)

RESULT: APPROVED

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40. 202751

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, CM Auto Sales, 39 Webster Ave.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

(ID:15447)

FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee 41. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, DM Auto Services, 45 Webster Ave.

202752

(ID:15448) RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

42. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

202753

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a blinking STOP sign on the

(ID:15452) corner of Mount Vernon and Pearl Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

43. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

202754 (ID:15453)

(ID:15414)

(ID:15454)

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the downed street light on the corner of Mount Vernon and Pearl Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

44. Order By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

202755 That the Chief of Police enforce speed limits on lower Porter Street, by Carver

(ID:15455) Street and Williams Court, especially during rush hours.

RESULT: APPROVED

45. Mayor's Requesting approval of an Ordinance amending the Local Historic District
Request Map to create a new Harvard Hill Historic District encompassing properties in
the area of Beacon Street and Smith Avenue.

Alderman Heuston requested the prompt approval of an Ordinance amending the Local Historic District Map to include a new Harvard Hill District.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

46. Mayor's Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$375,000 in a bond for the construction of a U8 Winter Hill Community School Soccer Field.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 46 through 48 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

47. Mayor's Request 202758 (ID:15402) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$36,730.52 using available funds within various Department of Public Works accounts.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

48. Mayor's Request 202759 (ID:15419) Requesting acceptance of a 12 month lease of the West Somerville Police Substation and office space at 1112-1114 Broadway.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

49. Mayor's Request 202760 (ID:15451) Requesting approval to use the firm of Foley Hoag as pro bono legal counsel for legal research and analysis regarding Sanctuary City status.

Mayor's Legislative Liaison Tim Snyder requested prompt consideration of this item.

RESULT: APPROVED

50. Mayor's Request 202761 (ID:15450) Requesting the appointment of retired Police Officer Richard Gilberti as a Special Police Officer.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

51. Officer's 202762 (ID:15417)

Assistant City Solicitor submitting an amended Ordinance relating to alcohol Communication in public parks as recommended at the 1/19/17 meeting of the Committee on Legislative Matters (#202689).

For discussion of this item, see #202689.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

LATE ITEMS

52. Order 202763 (ID:15464) By Ald. McLaughlin

That this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety determine the extent of soundproofing to be installed for the Green Line Extension.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee 53. Order 202764

(ID:15457)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD meet with the Administration, Cambridge transportation planners, and the MBTA business group to discuss Inman Square's intersection redesign, and further, that the Director assign planning staff to attend and address Somerville's concerns at Cambridge planning meetings, and further, that said staff brief this Board and organize with the Ward 2 Alderman a neighborhood meeting to share findings and feedback.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

54. Order 202765 (ID:15458)

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer and the Commissioner of Public Works implement an accessible pedestrian walkway on Poplar Street, surrounding ARTFARM, in anticipation of its future development.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

55. Order 202766 (ID:15459)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the new construction on Beacon Place to determine if it complies with the approved construction plan, and report the findings to the Ward 2 Alderman.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

56. Order 202767 (ID:15460)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the asphalt sidewalk panels within the 300 to 400 Washington Street blocks.

RESULT: APPROVED

57. Order 202768 (ID:15461)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at 400 Washington Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

58. Resolution 202769

By Ald. Ballantyne

(ID:15465)

That the Administration present to this Board's Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy the Fields Presentation dated November 15, 2016.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:35 PM.