



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Committee Meeting

Wednesday - April 5, 2017, 6:00 PM
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

(Posted online: 4/3/17 at 7:37 AM)

1. **Approval of the February 22, 2017 Minutes**
2. **201988: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 33-35 Barton Street weekly for continual overgrowth onto the public sidewalk.
3. **202335: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 18 School Street for building and health code violations and contact the property owner to make necessary repairs.
4. **202865: Discuss** (Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan) – That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services take steps to revoke all licenses held by the Winter Hill Market at 269 Broadway.
5. **202877: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the extent to which City inspectors enforce snow and ice removal in the city, broken down by ward, in response to complaints that many sidewalks were never cleared.
6. **203002: Discuss** (Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., Sullivan, McWatters) – That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 161 Lowell Street for all violations.
7. **202617: Discuss** (McLaughlin, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration advocate for sound barriers along I-93 in East Somerville to help reduce air pollution by up to 50 percent.
8. **202733: Discuss** (Sullivan, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly, McLaughlin) – That the appropriate department head request that the commuter rail operator address some early morning noise issues.

9. **202913: Discuss** (Connolly) – That the Administration prepare a Home Rule Petition to increase the maximum age of Special Police Officers from 65 years old to 68.
10. **203004: Discuss** (White Jr., McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti) – That the Mayor work with the State Delegation on an agreement with the State to permit City crossing guards at the crosswalks at Highland Avenue and McGrath Highway, and to permit the Police Department to enforce traffic laws there.
11. **203020: Recommend** Asst. City Solicitor responding to #202913 with a draft Home Rule Petition to increase the maximum age of Special Police Officers to 68 years old.
12. **202776: Discuss** (Connolly, and the Entire Board) – That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services, with the assistance of other departments as necessary, forward to this Board’s Committee on Public Health and Safety a list of AirBnB-type lodging facilities in the city.
13. **202782: Discuss** (Niedergang, Davis, and the Entire Board) – That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services and the Chief Fire Engineer report to this Board on the cause of the fire at 8-10 Appleton Street, including whether the AirBnB rental there was in compliance with city and state laws, and whether it played any role in the cause of the fire.
14. **202801: Discuss** (Davis, Rossetti, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration advise this Board on the proposed state regulation of AirBnB properties, and options the city might have for taxation and regulation.
15. **202907: Discuss** Conveying statistical and policy information from Airbnb relative to home sharing usage in Somerville.
16. **202341: Discuss** (Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.) – That the Commissioner of Public Works request of the commuter rail operator that the trash behind 104 Gilman Street be removed.
17. **202515: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Commissioner of Public Works cause the responsible utility companies to raise or move the low-hanging wires that cross Benton Road between numbers 75, 76 and 79. (second request)
18. **202703: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 12/8/16.

Note: Pending bicycle safety/educational issues before the PHPS Committee will be discussed at next scheduled committee meeting, when appropriate Bicycle Safety Commission member(s) and City staff are available to update the Committee.