

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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 26, 2015, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

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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	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
198636
(ID:11252)

Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Carol Bedell. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Bill Fasciano and Allan Wiswall. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Buddy O'Regan. Alderman Niedergang held a moment of silence for Donald Cronin. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for John O'Reven and Richard Dupont III. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Mary Lynch. RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 26, 2015.
198637
(ID:11253)

RESULT: APPROVED
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CITATIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

3. Order 198638 (ID:11223) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD (Planning) inform this Board in writing by March 30 of the number of additional dwelling units allowed under the proposed zoning ordinance.

Alderman Ballantyne spoke about the proposed zoning ordinances. She felt that assumptions were taken to get to the final document together. She also said that if housing density is increased, it will affect the infrastructure and finances of the City. Alderman Niedergang suggested commissioning an independent consultant to do a study to answer questions about the proposal. Alderman Sullivan spoke about the upcoming Land Use meetings to review the updated document. He anticipates it will take 4 to 5 meetings to consider the entire document and to schedule a public hearing before a vote can take place. He added his concern that the document will be very different from start to finish and public input is definitely required.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

4. Order 198639 (ID:11225) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD (Planning) submit a plan by March 30 that identifies how the proposed zoning ordinance will affect the zoning of city owned buildings.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

5. Order 198640 (ID:11226) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD (Planning) submit by March 30 an implementation plan for how the new proposed zoning ordinance relates to water and sewer, other infrastructure changes, police and fire personnel capacity, and public safety buildings.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

6. Order 198641 (ID:11227) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD and the City Solicitor advise this Board in writing by March 30 whether the proposed zoning ordinance complies with state law regarding the co-habitation of 4 unrelated adults and how much authority a municipality has in this regard.

Alderman White discussed the history of the zoning provision restricting the number of unrelated occupants, which predates the current proposal. It is in compliance with the State law and has been upheld in the US Supreme Court.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

7. Order 198642 (ID:11228) By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD (Planning) discuss with this Board by April 15 a requirement for Institutional Master Plans as part of the proposed zoning ordinance.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

8. Order 198643 (ID:11229) By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of Recreation and the Finance Director update this Board and its Committee on Youth Services about any outstanding invoices for the Veterans Rink in FY14 and FY15.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

9. Order 198644 (ID:11234) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works report to the Ward 5 Alderman on repairs to prevent tripping at the following crosswalks: Linden Avenue on the south side of Summer Street; Aberdeen Road by Highland Avenue; and Hall Street by Cherry Street. (3rd request)

RESULT: APPROVED

10. Order 198645 (ID:11231) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Hudson Street behind the Armory parking lot eastward to 46 Hudson Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

11. Withdrawn 198646 (ID:11232) Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

12. Order 198647 (ID:11233) By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on the east side of Lowell Street between Hudson Street and Albion Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

13. Order 198648 (ID:11236) By Ald. McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes at the Ward 3 locations describe within.

RESULT: APPROVED

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14. Order 198649 (ID:11238) By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Porter Street, between Summer Street and Highland Avenue.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
15. Order 198650 (ID:11237) By Ald. McWatters
That the Director of Traffic and Parking determine if there is an adequate sight line for motorists turning left onto Central Street from Oxford Street.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee
16. Order 198651 (ID:11239) By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz
That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the street sign at Winslow and College Avenues, including the Gordon Norman Square sign.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
17. Order 198652 (ID:11240) By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sunken manhole cover at Winslow Avenue and Grove Street.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
18. Order 198653 (ID:11241) By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD report in writing to this Board and to the residents of Cobble Hill, prior to this Board's next meeting, on the demolition and construction at 90 Washington Street.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
19. Order 198654 (ID:11242) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works clean and remove trash along lower Broadway.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
20. Order 198655 (ID:11243) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk sign at the corner of Cross Street and Auburn Avenue.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
21. Order 198656 (ID:11244) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inform businesses of their responsibility to clean in front of their properties.
- RESULT: APPROVED**

22. Order 198657 (ID:11245) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the traffic signs on the corners of Gilman Terrace/Pearl Street and Pennsylvania/Indiana Avenues.

RESULT: APPROVED

23. Order 198658 (ID:11246) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light on Washington Street near Cataldo Ambulance.

RESULT: APPROVED

24. Order 198659 (ID:11247) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait the area surrounding 94 Broadway for rodents.

RESULT: APPROVED

25. Communication 198660 (ID:11221) By Ald. Rossetti Conveying a Boston University Student Project relative to Logan Airport and community impacts.

Alderman Rossetti expressed her excitement that a project at Boston College will focus around Somerville, assessing the relationship to noise exposure and sleep. She asked constituents to volunteer to help in this project.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

26. Communication 198661 (ID:11222) By Ald. Rossetti Conveying a report of the first meeting of the SHS Construction Building Committee.

Alderman Rossetti discussed the details of the upcoming meetings.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

27. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198662 (ID:11218) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on March 24, 2015, as a Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. President White and Alderman Niedergang were recused from #198616 through #198628.

RESULT: APPROVED

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| <p>B. Mayor's Request
198228
(ID:10661)</p> | <p>Authorization to borrow \$300,000 and appropriate that amount in a bond for resignalization and an upgrade to the Powderhouse Square Rotary.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne</p> | |
| <p>C. Mayor's Request
198326
(ID:10888)</p> | <p>Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$8,400 from the Department of Environmental Protection for recycling.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> | |
| <p>D. Order
198354
(ID:10930)</p> | <p>By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the cost break down of last week's snow removal and de-icing and discuss the procedures for determining when to initiate snow removal and de-icing.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</p> | |
| <p>E. Mayor's Request
198415
(ID:10929)</p> | <p>Requesting approval of an intradepartmental transfer of \$17,500 in the Health and Human Services Dept., from the Personal Services Account to the Professional and Technical Services Account, to cover Shape Up Somerville's contract with the Head to Fitness Program Coordinator through FY15.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> | |
| <p>F. Mayor's Request
198520
(ID:11072)</p> | <p>Requesting approval to extend a lease with Zipcar through 12/31/15 for 7 spaces in municipal lots.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> | |
| <p>G. Order
198580
(ID:11152)</p> | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti
That the Chief of Police and the Chief Fire Engineer explain public safety efforts in Assembly Square.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</p> | |
| <p>H. Mayor's Request
198594
(ID:11003)</p> | <p>Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totalling \$9,688.26 with FY15 funds in the Dept. of Public Works.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> | |
| <p>I. Mayor's Request
198595
(ID:11120)</p> | <p>Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$460,000 from the MA Cultural Facilities Fund for the Arts Council's ARTFarm development.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> | |

J.	Officer's Communication 198601 (ID:11185)	Retirement Board notifying this Board of its intention to vote at a regular meeting on a Cost of Living Adjustment for eligible retirees for 2015.	RESULT: PLACED ON FILE
K.	Mayor's Request 198615 (ID:11184)	Requesting the appropriation of \$258,669 in unused bond funds to renovate the Kennedy School Playground.	RESULT: APPROVED
L.	Mayor's Request 198616 (ID:11192)	Requesting to appropriate \$500,000 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of Prospect Hill Tower per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
M.	Mayor's Request 198617 (ID:11200)	Requesting to appropriate \$450,945 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitation of Temple B'nai Brith per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
N.	Mayor's Request 198618 (ID:11199)	Requesting to appropriate \$243,000 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the rehabilitation of the historic windows at the Mystic Water Works per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
O.	Mayor's Request 198619 (ID:11196)	Requesting to appropriate \$200,000 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve and Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for design services for the rehabilitation of City Hall per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
P.	Mayor's Request 198620 (ID:11193)	Requesting to appropriate \$168,161 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of the Somerville Museum and the preservation of its collections per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
Q.	Mayor's Request 198621 (ID:11203)	Requesting to appropriate \$85,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for design services for the rehabilitation of Prospect Hill Park per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED

R.	Mayor's Request 198622 (ID:11201)	Requesting to appropriate \$52,090 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the design of the rehabilitation of the Community Growing Center per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
S.	Mayor's Request 198623 (ID:11195)	Requesting to appropriate \$48,360 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of Milk Row Cemetery per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
T.	Mayor's Request 198624 (ID:11204)	Requesting to appropriate \$45,373 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the rehabilitation of eight school garden classrooms per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
U.	Mayor's Request 198625 (ID:11202)	Requesting to appropriate \$45,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the Healey School to Mystic project per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
V.	Mayor's Request 198626 (ID:11198)	Requesting to appropriate \$44,982 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitation of the stained glassed window at First Congregational Church of Somerville UCC per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
W.	Mayor's Request 198627 (ID:11197)	Requesting to appropriate \$43,000 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance to preserve a portion of the City's permanent archives collections per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED
X.	Mayor's Request 198628 (ID:11194)	Requesting to appropriate \$7,500 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the preservation of the American Tube Works Complex through National Register of Historic Places Nomination per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	RESULT: APPROVED

- Y. Mayor's Request 198629 (ID:11136) Requesting an appropriation of \$100,575 from the Capital Stabilization Fund, to allow the Public Works Dept. to purchase trash and recycling barrels as well as benches.

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

28. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198663 (ID:11220) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on March 19, 2015, as a Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about the 2015 local election calendar, and said that Newton filed a home rule petition to change their election date. Mr. Richmond from Brookline spoke about the bag reduction Ordinance there, and advised what mistakes were made so they are not made again. Alderman Rossetti also said the committee completed its work on the amendment to the snow ordinance.
RESULT: APPROVED

- B. Public Communication 198462 (ID:11020) Linda Siraco submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- C. Public Communication 198463 (ID:11021) Kate Wheeler and David Guss submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- D. Public Communication 198464 (ID:11022) Rob Cheyne submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- E. Public Communication 198465 (ID:11023) Karen Molloy submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- F. Public Communication 198466 (ID:11024) Jennifer Grande submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- G. Public Communication 198467 (ID:11025) Mark Gallagher submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- H. Public Communication 198468 (ID:11026) MaJa Kietzke submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I.	Public Communication 198535 (ID:11071)	Kirsten Wesselhoeft submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
J.	Public Communication 198536 (ID:11075)	Erica Voolich submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
K.	Public Communication 198537 (ID:11081)	Kevin Oliver submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
L.	Public Communication 198538 (ID:11082)	Fred Berman and Lori Segall submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
M.	Public Communication 198539 (ID:11109)	John Bunzick submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
N.	Public Communication 198540 (ID:11115)	Rob Cheyne submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
O.	Public Communication 198555 (ID:11121)	Joe Lynch submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
P.	Public Communication 198556 (ID:11122)	Elizabeth Levy submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
Q.	Public Communication 198557 (ID:11123)	Allison Stieber submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
R.	Public Communication 198612 (ID:11132)	Mary Mangan submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
S.	Public Communication 198613 (ID:11133)	Brendan Kearney submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
T.	Public Communication 198614 (ID:11135)	Leonard Tower submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- U. Order 198664 (ID:11216) By Ald. Rossetti That the City Clerk inform the Chamber of Commerce, Union Square Main Streets and East Somerville Main Streets of the proposed plastic bag ordinance (#198251).

RESULT: APPROVED

29. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198665 (ID:11219) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on March 26, 2015, as a Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting, including the 2015 local election calendar. She said the committee completed its work on the amendment to the snow ordinance.

RESULT: APPROVED

- B. Order 198318 (ID:10890) By Ald. Rossetti, Heuston, Niedergang, Lafuente, Ballantyne That this Board discuss an amendment to the Snow Ordinance as it relates to the time frame for clearing sidewalks following a storm.

The Board approved a revised Snow Removal Ordinance submitted in #198708.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

- C. Mayor's Request 198634 (ID:11190) Requesting approval of the attached 2015 local election calendar.

The Board approved the revised Calendar submitted 3/26/15.

RESULT: APPROVED

30. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198666 (ID:11217) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on March 25, 2015.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He mentioned that the Cambridge Health Alliance spoke about current and future plans, and details on the community health center Alderman Neidergang discussed the Engine 3 Fire Station, which is in such bad condition that they have moved out and Union Square has no Fire Station. This item was not discussed in committee, as the Chief and Deputy Chief were not able to attend. Alderman Connolly emphasized the importance of this matter.

RESULT: APPROVED

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| <p>B. Resolution
194939
(ID:7422)</p> | <p>By Ald. Desmond, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., Bastardi, Taylor, Lafuente, O'Keefe, Gewirtz, Trane
That this Board requests that the Cambridge Health Alliance cease, or shelve, its proposed consolidation plan until they convene stakeholders to discuss how best to meet the challenges of an ever changing health care landscape, while meeting the needs of our community.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</p> | |
| <p>C. Resolution
197962
(ID:10559)</p> | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Administration and NSTAR provide this Board with an update regarding the numerous blackouts in East Somerville and the surrounding neighborhoods.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</p> | |
| <p>D. Officer's
Communication
198256
(ID:10722)</p> | <p>DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/13/14.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</p> | |
| <p>E. Order
198383
(ID:10953)</p> | <p>By Ald. Connolly, McWatters
That the Director of SPCD dispatch the NIT team to inspect 135 Lowell Street for building, health and/or zoning code violations.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</p> | |
| <p>F. Order
198579
(ID:11151)</p> | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the Rent a Center store on Broadway for trash and other violations.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</p> | |
| <p>G. Order
198582
(ID:11154)</p> | <p>By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect Walnut Street between Medford and Pearl Streets for possible chemical spills.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</p> | |
| <p>H. Order
198667
(ID:11282)</p> | <p>By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) perform weekly inspections of the Rent-a-Center store on Broadway for trash and other violations.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> | |
| <p>I. Order
198668
(ID:11283)</p> | <p>By Ald. Connolly
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) perform weekly inspections of Walnut Street between Medford and Pearl Streets for any signs of a chemical spill.</p> |
| <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> | |

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

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| <p>31. Mayor's Request 198669 (ID:11230)</p> | <p>Requesting approval of the 2015-2016 HUD One Year Action Plan, for CDBG, HOME, and ESG programming.</p> <p>Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 31 and 32 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |
| <p>32. Mayor's Request 198670 (ID:11209)</p> | <p>Requesting to pay outstanding FY14 invoices totalling \$9,438.42 in the Traffic and Parking Department.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |
| <p>33. Mayor's Request 198671 (ID:11251)</p> | <p>Requesting the acceptance of a reimbursement of \$169,736 from MassDOT for the Public Works Department through the Winter Rapid Recovery Road Program, for repairs to roads due to winter damage.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| <p>34. Mayor's Request 198672 (ID:11250)</p> | <p>Requesting approval to create a Tufts University Consolidated Gift Account.</p> <p>Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 34 through 36 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |
| <p>35. Mayor's Request 198673 (ID:11249)</p> | <p>Requesting the acceptance of a donation of \$75,000 from Tufts University for educational, recreational, or cultural purposes.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |
| <p>36. Mayor's Request 198674 (ID:11215)</p> | <p>Requesting approval to declare as surplus 3 vehicles in the Fire Department.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |
| <p>37. Mayor's Request 198675 (ID:11254)</p> | <p>Requesting the reappointment of Ed Bean to the position of City Auditor.</p> <p>Alderman Heuston informed the Board that if anyone would like the opportunity to ask questions regarding any appointment, she will honor those requests to send the matter to committee.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |

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| 38. | Mayor's Request
198676
(ID:11255) | Requesting the confirmation of the appointment of Jamie Lefkowitz to the Conservation Commission. |
| | | <p>Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 38 and refer it to the Committee of Confirmation of Appointments. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee</p> |

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

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| 39. | Officer's Communication
198677
(ID:11188) | DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/26/15. |
| | | <p>Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 39 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</p> |

NEW BUSINESS

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| 40. | License/Permit
198678
(ID:11264) | Public Event Permit, Assembly Row Spring Bunny Hop, Artisan Way, Mar 28, 8:30AM-1PM (raindate Mar 29). |
| | | <p>Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 40 through 55 and approve items 40 through 54, and send item 55 to the Committee on Licenses and Permits. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 41. | License/Permit
198679
(ID:11265) | Public Event Permit, Tufts Cycling Team Bike Race, Tufts campus area, Mar 29, 6:30AM-6:30PM. |
| | | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 42. | License/Permit
198680
(ID:11266) | Public Event Permit, St. Benedict Good Friday Passion Re-enactment, St. Benedict area, Apr 3, 5-6PM. |
| | | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 43. | License/Permit
198681
(ID:11267) | Public Event Permit, Connexion Easter Egg Hunt, Chuckie Harris Park, Apr 4, Noon-4PM. |
| | | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 44. | License/Permit
198682
(ID:11268) | Public Event Permit, Mayor's Spring Clean Up, Boat House and citywide, Apr 25, 9AM-3PM (raindate Apr 26). |
| | | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |

45.	License/Permit 198683 (ID:11269)	Public Event Permit, Somerville Homeless Coalition Street Store, Davis Sq 7 Hills Park, Apr 26, 10:30AM-3:30PM (raindate May 3).	RESULT: APPROVED
46.	Withdrawn 198684 (ID:11270)	Withdrawn.	RESULT: APPROVED
47.	License/Permit 198685 (ID:11271)	Public Event Permit, Union Sq Farmers Market, Saturdays May 16-Nov 21, 7AM-2PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
48.	License/Permit 198686 (ID:11272)	Public Event Permit, Arts Council Porchfest, Citywide, May 16, Noon-6PM (raindate May 17).	RESULT: APPROVED
49.	License/Permit 198687 (ID:11273)	Public Event Permit, Somerville Homeless Coalition Save Our Homes Walk, HS Concourse and area, May 17, Noon-4:30PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
50.	License/Permit 198688 (ID:11274)	Public Event Permit, Davis Sq Farmers Market, Herbet St Lot, Wednesdays May 20-Nov 25, 9:30AM-7PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
51.	License/Permit 198689 (ID:11275)	Public Event Permit, Lake St Block Party, Jun 6, 9AM-7PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
52.	License/Permit 198690 (ID:11276)	Public Event Permit, Assembly Farmers Market, Sundays Jun 7-Oct 25, 8:30AM-3:30PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
53.	License/Permit 198691 (ID:11277)	Public Event Permit, Somerville Foundation for Animals Dog Fest, Trum Field, Sep 13, 7AM-5:30PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
54.	License/Permit 198692 (ID:11258)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Blue Shirt Cafe, 424 Highland Ave.	RESULT: APPROVED

55.	License/Permit 198693 (ID:11260)	New Extended Operating Hours License, Brooklyn Boulders, 12A Tyler St., Opening until 2AM on selected dates. RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
56.	Public Communication 198694 (ID:11256)	Rep. Provost submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance. Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 56 through 60 and refer them to the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee
57.	Public Communication 198695 (ID:11210)	Nancy Donahue submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance. RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee
58.	Public Communication 198696 (ID:11211)	Kimberly Rego submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance. RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee
59.	Public Communication 198697 (ID:11214)	Bill Valletta submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance. RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee
60.	Public Communication 198698 (ID:11257)	Cecil Cummings submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance. RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

61.	Resolution 198699 (ID:11259)	By Ald. McLaughlin, Connolly, and the Entire Board That Katherine Cremin appear before this Board to provide an update on the Deanna Cremin case. Alderman Connolly said today would be the 37th birthday of Deanna Cremin who was strangled 20 years ago on March 30th. Alderman McLaughlin said the entire community is still looking for answers. Katherine Cremin, Deanna's mother, said she wants updates to the murder of her daughter but there are no updates. She thanked the Mayor and the City for increasing the reward for the capture her daughter's murderer from \$20,000 to \$70,000. President White held a moment of silence for Deanna. RESULT: APPROVED
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62. Order 198700 (ID:11261) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works install two new trash receptacles in front of 122 and 128 Broadway.

RESULT: APPROVED

63. Order 198701 (ID:11262) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that street cleaning is being performed on Glen Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

64. Resolution 198702 (ID:11263) By Ald. McLaughlin That the State Delegation secure the funding and achieve the installation of sound proof barriers along I-93, which would curb fine particle pollution.

Alderman McLaughlin reported a serious health problem and the need for sound barriers along 1-93 to help with the noise and most importantly the pollution particles. Alderman Sullivan expressed his frustration regarding this barrier not being completed, and the danger of the current conditions in the area. Alderman Gewirtz stated it may have been included in a bond bill but at the State level it needs the attention of the administration. Alderman Connolly discussed a study that showed cancer and various diseases around 1-93 are at extremely high levels.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

65. Order 198703 (ID:11278) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board That the Chief Fire Engineer report to this Board’s Committee on Public Health and Safety on present and future fire station locations as well as other matters before the Committee.

Alderman Connolly stated the need for the Fire Chief and staff be present to discuss present and future locations, response times, and conditions of stations and equipment. Public safety is the main concern and this has been delayed too often. The replacement of Engine 3 Station will be addressed. Alderman Heuston remarked this is a huge liability for public safety. She requested the Fire Chief submit information to the Board prior to the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

66. Order 198704 (ID:11281) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD (Planning) advise by zoning district (i.e. NR, UR, 3MU) the increase in housing density (e.g. RA & RB change into NR), what is the increase in housing units in the proposed new zoning districts.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

67. Mayor's Request 198705 (ID:11284) Requesting the reappointment of William Roche as Director of Personnel.

Alderman Niedergang discussed this reappointment, including current positions which have not been filled for over a year. Aldermen discussed his service and said there was no need for review of this reappointment. Alderman Heuston said the Confirmation of Appointments Committee cannot be a rubber stamp, and if members have questions, the Committee should take them up.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

68. License/Permit 198706 (ID:11279) Public Event Permit, Somerville Homeless Coalition 5K Road Race, Ceremony, and Banner, Davis Sq area, Oct 3, 6:30AM-1PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

LATE ITEMS

69. Order 198707 (ID:11288) By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, Rossetti That the Director of SPCD consider a 2nd written comment period for the new zoning proposal to allow for additional citizen input.

Alderman Heuston spoke about the constituents' concern that there was not enough time for their input. She requested the City Solicitor weigh in on a second public comment period. President White commented that due to State law, the date given at the public hearing when the record is closed cannot be revisited, but there will be an opportunity for an additional public hearing at the Land Use Committee. He added that the Board will not be rushed.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

70. License/Permit 197846 (ID:10397) New Mobile Food Vendor, Wizard Catering.

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED
AMENDED: Approved for two locations only:
 1. Revolution Drive at the Home Depot, and
 2. Grand Union Boulevard at Artisan Way.
FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

71. License/Permit 198533 (ID:11108) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Instacar, 38 Medford St.

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED
AMENDED: Approved for 4 cars outside only.

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| 72. Officer's Request
198708
(ID:11205) | Assistant City Solicitor submitting amendments to Ordinances 12-8(a) and 1-11(b) re: snow removal, per the 3/26/15 Legislative Matters Committee meeting. | <p>See #198318 for discussion.</p> <p>RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [10 TO 1]</p> <p>AYES: Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne</p> <p>NAYS: Rossetti</p> |
| 73. Order
198709
(ID:11286) | By Ald. McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Berkeley Street. | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 74. Order
198710
(ID:11289) | By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works address a potential sink hole at 44-46 Park Street. | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 75. Order
198711
(ID:11292) | By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Washington Street from Beacon Street to Webster Avenue, and on Properzi Way from Beacon Street to Village Street. | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 76. Officer's Communication
198712
(ID:11287) | Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #198429, requesting adoption of a new Zoning Ordinance to supersede the current Zoning Ordinance as originally adopted on March 23, 1990. | <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee</p> |
| 77. Officer's Communication
198713
(ID:11290) | Planning Board conveying its recommendation re: #198275, a proposed zoning amendment to require certain findings by the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals before granting Special Permits. | <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee</p> |
| 78. Officer's Communication
198714
(ID:11291) | Planning Board conveying its recommendation re: #198276, a proposed zoning amendment to limit the gross floor area increase to 15% for 1 and 2 family dwelling conversions requiring a Special Permit. | <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee</p> |

79. Public Communication 198715 (ID:11285) Ellin Reisner submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.
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| RESULT: | PLACED ON FILE |
| FOLLOWUP: | Land Use Committee |

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.