

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

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

January 24, 2013, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

1. Roll Call                      Call of the Roll.
2. Minutes                      Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting,  
December 18, 2012.

**CITATIONS**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

3. Order                      By Ald. O'Donovan  
  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking recalibrate the traffic signal on Medford Street to allow more vehicles to exit Lowell Street onto Medford Street.
4. Order                      By Ald. O'Donovan  
  
That the Commissioner of Public Works illuminate street lights earlier than 6:00 AM to accommodate early morning walkers and runners.
5. Order                      By Ald. O'Donovan  
  
That the Commissioner of Public Works install a non-wood MAGOUN SQUARE sign in Magoun Square to showcase the area.
6. Communication          By Ald. White Jr.  
  
Acting as President, Appointing Wig Zamore to serve as his designee on the State's Technical Advisory Group for the study of the Safety Impacts of Ethanol Transportation by Rail through the cities of Boston, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett and Revere.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**7. FINANCE COMMITTEE**

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on January 22, 2013.
- B. Mayor's Request Request to accept a gift of unknown value in the form of a painting by Barbara D'Ambrosio.
- C. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a reciprocal easement over private property in Assembly Square.
- D. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$27,500 from the MA Emergency Management Agency for radiation detection equipment.
- E. Mayor's Request Requesting authorization to create a Traffic and Parking Special Event Revolving Fund, with a \$60,000 spending cap.
- F. Mayor's Request Requesting the dedication of North Street Veterans Playground for Open Space and Recreational Use in perpetuity.
- G. Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$715,000 for the renovation of the North Street Veterans Playground.
- H. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) grant of \$400,000 for the North Street Veterans Playground.
- I. Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$48,569 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for a Hybrid Administrative Command Vehicle for the Fire Department.
- J. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a reimbursement of \$3,369.54 from Federal Realty Investment Trust for Riverfest event expenses.
- K. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of two "Quick Deploy" video cameras from the Boston Office of Emergency Management for the Police Department.
- L. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a donation from Target Corporation to the Police Department for eight used Dell laptop computers.

8. LAND USE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting in Joint Session with the Planning Board on January 24, 2013.

9. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on January 22, 2013.

**10. RULES AD HOC COMMITTEE**

- A. Committee Report Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Rules, meeting on January 17, 2013.
- B. Order By Ald. White Jr.
- That this Board consider a series of changes to the Rules of this Board as described within to clarify and improve the proceedings of this Board and its Committees.
- C. Order By Ald. White Jr.
- That this Board adopts an Interim Rule, for each item that is currently referred to two or more committees, allowing any of the committees separately to discharge the item once it has been addressed.

**COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

11. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$10,000 for Preventive Policing Analytics from The Bureau of Justice Assistance.
12. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$7,625 from the MA Office of Public Safety and Security for the Fire Dept.'s Student Awareness of Fire Education program.
13. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of an Urban Areas Security Initiative Grant of \$2,332.27 from the Boston Office of Emergency Preparedness for radio installation in the Fire Dept.
14. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Rachel Borgatti to the Conservation Commission.
15. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Alexander Hackman to the Conservation Commission.

**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

17. License/Permit Public Event Permit, John Michelin Memorial Road Race, Somerville Ave to Washington St to Beacon St, Mar 24, 8AM-2PM.

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| 18. | License/Permit | Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Dave's Fresh Pasta, 79 Holland St.                      |
| 19. | License/Permit | Renewing Garage License, Mike's Auto Service, 298 Somerville Ave.                         |
| 20. | License/Permit | Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Automotive Transport Service, 495 Columbia St. |

**SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

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| 21. | Order           | By Ald. Cuff-Bastardi<br><br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the faded street signs on either end of Sunnyside Avenue.                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 22. | Order           | By Ald. Heuston, Taylor, White Jr., O'Donovan, Lafuente, Connolly<br><br>That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board whether Somerville Avenue has been turned over to the City by the State, and, if reconstruction is still incomplete, what actions are being taken to resolve any outstanding issues.     |
| 23. | Order           | By Ald. Heuston, Taylor, White Jr., O'Donovan, Lafuente, Connolly<br><br>That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Traffic and Parking provide this Board with recommendations to address the traffic and parking concerns of business owners on Somerville Avenue, especially within the 400-700 blocks. |
| 24. | Mayor's Request | Requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$124,965 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund for equipment for the school department                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 25. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of Special Police Officers Francis Pisani, Scott Gamble, Michael Devereaux, John Monte, David Lyons, Anthony Nargi, Dennis Silva, and George McLean.                                                                                                                                           |
| 26. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the re-appointment of James DiFraia as Constable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 27. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Browne as Constable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 28. | License/Permit  | Sign/Awning Permit, Dunkin Donuts, 76 Middlesex Ave., Awnings and lighting.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

**LATE ITEMS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk