



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## Finance Committee

### Meeting Minutes Dispositions

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**Tuesday, April 23, 2024**

**6:00 PM**

**Virtual**

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The meeting took place virtually via Zoom and was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair Wilson and adjourned at 6:57 PM on a roll call vote of 5 in favor (Councilors Clingan, Burnley, Sait and Wilson), none against and 1 absent (Councilor Scott).

Others present:

Special Counsel Catherine Lester Salchert – Law, Director Alan Inacio - OSPCD, Director Rich Raiche – Capital Projects, Director of Finance and Administration Julie Spurr-Knight – DPW, Commissioner Jill Lathan – DPW, Hannah Carrillo – Legislative Liaison, Peter Forcellese – Legislative Clerk.

#### Roll Call

**Present:** City Councilor At Large Jake Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Jefferson Thomas (J.T.) Scott, Ward Two City Councilor Naima Sait, City Councilor At Large Willie Burnley Jr. and Ward Four City Councilor Jesse Clingan

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of April 9, 2024. [24-0484](#)

Accepted

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

2. Requesting approval to appropriate \$302,720 from the Energy Stabilization Fund to use as a Green Communities grant match to fund energy improvements for 42 Cross Street. [24-0412](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

3. Requesting authorization to borrow \$7,310,000 in a bond, and to appropriate the same amount for the FY 2024 Water Main Rehabilitation program as part of the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority's Local Water System Assistance Program. [24-0476](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

4. Requesting authorization to borrow \$1,800,000 in a bond, and to appropriate the same amount for the annual recurring FY 2024 Sewer System Evaluation & Infiltration/Inflow Assessment. [24-0495](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

5. Requesting approval of a transfer of \$42,500 from the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD) Housing Personal Services Account to the OSPCD Public Space and Urban Forestry Personal Services Account to cover a projected year-end salary deficit. [24-0492](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

6. Requesting approval of the Conveyance and Easement for Parcel D2.2 (Union Square) Civic Space Lot 2A. [24-0541](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

**Recused:** Ward Two City Councilor Scott

7. Requesting approval of a pedestrian access easement on Charlestown Place, approval of a grant of easements over certain alleys located in the D2.2 parcel, and approval of a grant of license from the City to Union Square RELP. [24-0540](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

**Recused:** Ward Two City Councilor Scott

8. Requesting approval to enter into an 84- and 89-month contract renewal term with Big Belly for existing equipment and deliverables, and enter into a new 96-month contract term with Big Belly for new units. [24-0490](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott,  
Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr.  
and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

9. Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$493.08 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Fleet Motor Parts and Accessories Account for vehicle repair parts. [24-0489](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott,  
Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr.  
and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

10. Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$224.67 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Bituminous Supplies Account for the purchase of asphalt. [24-0488](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott,  
Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr.  
and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

11. Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$3,780 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Rental Buildings Account for the lease of conduit to carry Fire Alarm equipment. [24-0487](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott,  
Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr.  
and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

12. Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$307.97 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Admin Postage Machine Rental Account for postage machine lease expenses. [24-0486](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott,  
Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr.  
and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

13. Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$108,373.07 using available funds in the Department of Public Works Natural Gas Account for natural gas expenses. [24-0485](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:**

City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Two City Councilor Scott,  
Ward Two City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr.  
and Ward Four City Councilor Clingan

Referenced Documents:

- Finance - 2024-04-23 Memo to Finance Committee (with 24-0412)