



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Housing and Community Development Committee

Meeting Minutes Dispositions

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

6:00 PM

Virtual

Others present: Tom Galligani – Director of Economic Development, Officer Joseph Teves – SPD, Hannah Carrillo – Legislative Liaison, Peter Forcellese - Legislative Clerk.

The meeting took place virtually via GoToWebinar and was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair Strezo and adjourned at 7:21 PM on a roll call vote of 3 in favor (Councilors Pineda Neufeld, Ewen-Campen and Strezo), none against and none absent.

Roll Call

Present: Chairperson Kristen Strezo, Vice Chair Ben Ewen-Campen and Judy Pineda Neufeld

1. Approval of the Housing and Community Development Committee Minutes of September 29, 2022. **22-1701**

Approved

2. That the Director of the Office of Housing Stability appear before the Housing and Community Development Committee to discuss the current status of Somerville residents facing displacement and the number of households seeking rental assistance. **22-0085**

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo

Kept in committee

3. That the Director of the Office of Housing Stability discuss proactive measures to inform tenants in inclusionary housing units of the rights and resources available to them. **22-0174**

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo and Councilor McLaughlin

Kept in committee

Public Hearing re: 22-1032

4. 55 voters submitting a petition calling for a public hearing re: the Arts at the Armory building. **22-1032**

Recommended to be marked work completed

Armory Items

5. That the Director of Economic Development update this Council on the efforts to hire a consultant regarding the Armory. [22-0501](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Burnley Jr., Councilor Kelly, Councilor Pineda Neufeld and Councilor Gomez Mouakad

Recommended to be marked work completed

6. That the Director of Economic Development discuss the city's maintenance plan for tenants and occupants of the Arts at the Armory. [22-0169](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo and Councilor Gomez Mouakad

Recommended to be marked work completed

Crossing Guards

7. That the Director of Human Resources update this Council on the hiring process and staffing numbers for crossing guards for the 2022-2023 school year. [22-1566](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo, Councilor Kelly, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Pineda Neufeld and Councilor Burnley Jr.

Kept in committee

8. That the Director of Human Resources discuss the possibility of modernizing crossing guard positions to attract candidates and increase hiring. [22-1567](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo, Councilor Kelly, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Pineda Neufeld and Councilor Burnley Jr.

Kept in committee