

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts**  
**Matters of Business of the City Council**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

May 9, 2019, 7:00 PM  
 City Council Chamber, City Hall-93 Highland Avenue  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Ward Seven City Councilor Katjana Ballantyne.

| <b>Attendee Name</b>            | <b>Title</b>              | <b>Status</b> | <b>Arrived</b> |
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| Stephanie Hirsch                | City Councilor At Large   | Present       |                |
| Wilfred N. Mbah                 | City Councilor At Large   | Present       |                |
| Mary Jo Rossetti                | City Councilor At Large   | Present       |                |
| William A. White Jr.            | City Councilor At Large   | Present       |                |
| Matthew McLaughlin              | Ward One City Councilor   | Present       |                |
| Jefferson Thomas ("J.T.") Scott | Ward Two City Councilor   | Present       |                |
| Ben Ewen-Campen                 | Ward Three City Councilor | Present       |                |
| Jesse Clingan                   | Ward Four City Councilor  | Present       |                |
| Mark Niedergang                 | Ward Five City Councilor  | Present       |                |
| Lance L. Davis                  | Ward Six City Councilor   | Present       |                |
| Katjana Ballantyne              | Ward Seven City Councilor | Present       |                |

1. Roll Call  
208138  
(ID:21035)      Call of the Roll.  

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| Councilor Scott sponsored a moment of silence for Anna Moran. Councilor Rossetti sponsored a moment of silence for Joan Sullivan.<br><b>RESULT:            PLACED ON FILE</b> |
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2. Minutes  
208139  
(ID:21036)      Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, April 11, 2019.  

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| <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b> |
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**CITATIONS**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 3. Grant of Location 208140 (ID:21018) Submitted by Eversource to install 85 feet of conduit in Washington St, from Pole 358/40A to a point of pickup at 263-265 Washington St.

Councilor Scott recused.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource Energy discussed the work to be completed. Councilor Rossetti mentioned that there are a couple of dumpster's on the site, and asked if Eversource can work around them. Ms. Duffy replied that they can work around them, and avoid the large tree there, too. Councilor Rossetti recommended that a condition be added to accommodate the dumpsters and the root structure of the tree, possibly with the supervision of the City Arborist. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**

**CONDITIONS:** NStar/Eversource must work around the dumpsters and large tree located onsite, and must obtain the approval of the City Arborist before performing the work.

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

- 4. Resolution 208141 (ID:21001) By City Councilor Clingan, Hirsch, McLaughlin, Davis, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Ballantyne, Niedergang, Rossetti, Mbah, White Jr., and the Mayor Proclaiming May 2019 as Asthma Awareness Month.

A brief video was shown to introduce this Resolution. The video can be viewed at [https://community.aafa.org/blog/losing-laura-each-day-10-too-many-people-die-from-asthma?utm\\_source=feedburner&utm\\_medium=feed&utm\\_campaign=Feed%3A+asthma-allergy+%28Asthma+and+Allergy+Foundation+of+America%3A+Blog+Posts%29](https://community.aafa.org/blog/losing-laura-each-day-10-too-many-people-die-from-asthma?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+asthma-allergy+%28Asthma+and+Allergy+Foundation+of+America%3A+Blog+Posts%29).

Peter DeMarco thanked the Council for recognizing the need for greater asthma awareness and spoke of his own loss with the passing of his wife, Laura Levis.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- 5. Ordinance 208142 (ID:20991) By City Councilor Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Mbah, Davis, McLaughlin, Ballantyne, Scott, Rossetti, White Jr. Banning the usage of facial recognition technology in Somerville.

Councilor Ewen-Campen said that facial recognition technology could allow the government to track the whereabouts of essentially every person at any time with no clear regulations. Research has shown that the existing technology is not particularly accurate and is less accurate with people, especially women, of darker skin. He proposed a ban on the use of this type of surveillance in Somerville until we come up with transparent regulations for its use. He sponsored Emiliano Falcon from the ACLU, who spoke on behalf of the proposed Ordinance.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

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6. Resolution 208143 (ID:20994) By City Councilor Ewen-Campen, Mbah, McLaughlin, Hirsch, White Jr., Ballantyne, Clingan Supporting Federal efforts to save the North American Right Whale.
- Councilor Ewen-Campen submitted this Resolution on behalf of a number of local environmental groups to draw attention to Federal Legislation that would protect one of the most endangered whale species in the world, the Right Whale. If action is not taken now, this is a species that will go extinct in our lifetime. The leading causing of death is entanglement in commercial fishing apparatus.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
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7. Order 208144 (ID:20992) By City Councilor Ewen-Campen, Scott That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER sign and/or paint the curb yellow at on the southeast corner of Summer Street and Quincy Street.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
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8. Order 208145 (ID:20993) By City Councilor Ewen-Campen That item #s 202021, 202995, 206201, 207167, 207173, and 207905 be discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development and referred to the Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
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9. Resolution 208146 (ID:20995) By City Councilor Niedergang, Clingan, Mbah, Ewen-Campen, Hirsch, Rossetti, Ballantyne, McLaughlin, Scott Supporting Senate #1376, An Act Relative to Automated Enforcement.
- Councilor Niedergang reported this Act would support cameras at intersections to record motorists who run red lights, speed, fail to stop at crosswalks, etc. Councilor Ewen-Campen said his research found that these cameras can't be used for anything other than traffic enforcement, and he is proud to support this Act.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
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10. Resolution 208147 (ID:20996) By City Councilor Niedergang, Rossetti, Clingan, Mbah, Davis, Ewen-Campen, Ballantyne, Scott, Hirsch, White Jr. Expressing support to Governor Charlie Baker and Somerville's State Delegation for widening the paved width of the Community Path Extension, for safe passage and the large number of future users, as expressed in the attached letter from Friends of the Community Path.
- Councilor Niedergang submitted this Resolution on behalf of the Friends of the Community Path, expressing their concerns about having a large stretch of the Community Path extension too narrow for safety. The ten-foot proposed width doesn't meet Federal or State Standards.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
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11. Order 208148 (ID:20997) By City Councilor Niedergang  
That the Director of SPCD report to this Council the status of and staffing for the City’s community gardens program, and the plan and steps being taken to develop new community gardens for the hundreds of residents on the waiting lists.

Councilor Niedergang said that as far as he knows, there is no real plan to expand Community Gardens and there should be, as there are waiting lists over 100 people long.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

12. Resolution 208149 (ID:20998) By City Councilor Hirsch  
That the Administration consider including funds for the following FY20 requests: 1) An analysis of how to reach 30-40% deed-restricted units by 2040; 2) Project management, service delivery and coordination for out-of-school time, especially for underserved populations; and 3) A software engineer to support technology architecture and integration across divisions.

Councilor Hirsch suggested that the City Council try to elevate their priorities throughout the FY20 Budget approval process.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

13. Resolution 208150 (ID:20999) By City Councilor Hirsch, Rossetti, Clingan  
That any interested members of the City Council, School Committee, Boards and Commissions, and Administration meet to consider how to design at least quarterly community interactive meetings, with childcare and interpretation, to solicit feedback on municipal priorities, policies, and resource decisions.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

14. Order 208151 (ID:21000) By City Councilor Hirsch  
That the Director of SomerStat make de-identified vehicle excise data available through the Socrata portal.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

15. Committee Report 208050 (ID:20852) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on April 22, 2018.

Councilor Davis reported that the Committee discussed various proposed open space amendments to the zoning ordinances. The next item, which was not discussed in detail, was the zoning overhaul.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**16. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE**

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| <p>A. Committee Report<br/>208152<br/>(ID:21006)</p> | <p>Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on May 6, 2019.</p>  | <p>Councilor Scott reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed special municipal employee status, and the Administration was supportive of making all board and commission members special municipal employees. There was a discussion of the independent nature of these commissions, and ways to manage conflicts of interest. The Committee also discussed its procedures for the appointment of constables, and approved several constables and other appointees. Finally, there were some housekeeping items, with appointments withdrawn because the candidates had moved out of the City.</p> <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p> |
| <p>B. Resolution<br/>203603<br/>(ID:16320)</p>       | <p>By City Councilor Niedergang<br/>That the Mayor submit to this Board for confirmation, the names of all Board and Commission members whose terms have expired, especially those who serve on Boards that deal with critical development issues such as the Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Redevelopment Authority and the Condominium Review Board.</p> | <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>  |
| <p>C. Order<br/>205203<br/>(ID:17995)</p>            | <p>By City Councilor Davis<br/>That the City Solicitor advise this Board’s Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters of any legal requirements and/or standards that may exist for appointments and re-appointments.</p>   | <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>  |
| <p>D. Resolution<br/>205204<br/>(ID:17996)</p>       | <p>By City Councilor Davis<br/>That the Administration provide this Board’s Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters with all documentation considered for each appointee's appointment, and any updated information since the time of any appointment to a “reserve list”.</p>   | <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>  |
| <p>E. Resolution<br/>205474<br/>(ID:18444)</p>       | <p>By City Councilor Davis<br/>That the Administration update this Board on discussions to determine an ideal policy to sequence appointments so the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters can review relevant information about candidates.</p>   | <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>  |

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| F. | Resolution<br>205475<br>(ID:18445)                 | By City Councilor Davis<br>That the Administration provide historical data on complaints relevant to violations of the city's anti-harassment and anti-discrimination policy.   | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| G. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>205529<br>(ID:18192) | City Solicitor responding to #205373 re: adjusting the sequence of appointments for the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| H. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>205530<br>(ID:18193) | City Solicitor responding #205372 re: the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters review of executive session minutes.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| I. | Order<br>205688<br>(ID:18511)                      | By City Councilor Niedergang, and the Entire Board<br>That the Director of Personnel share with this Board, in writing, the Administration's outreach plan to get more diverse candidates to take the Fire and Police Department civil service exams. | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| J. | Mayor's<br>Request<br>205725<br>(ID:18454)         | Requesting the appointment of retired Police Officer Michael Cabral as a Special Police Officer.  | <b>RESULT: WITHDRAWN</b>      |
| K. | Mayor's<br>Request<br>205726<br>(ID:18455)         | Requesting the appointment of retired Police Officer Martha Costa as a Special Police Officer.  | <b>RESULT: WITHDRAWN</b>      |
| L. | Mayor's<br>Request<br>205847<br>(ID:18407)         | Requesting the re-appointment of Frank Santangelo as Constable.   | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>       |
| M. | Order<br>206073<br>(ID:18871)                      | By City Councilor Davis<br>That the City Solicitor provide an opinion on whether any content of an individual's personnel file may be reviewed by the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters when considering appointments.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |

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| N. | Order<br>206433<br>(ID:19224)           | By City Councilor Scott, Davis, Clingan, Rossetti, Ewen-Campen, Niedergang, White Jr., Ballantyne, Mbah, McLaughlin<br>That the Director of Personnel provide this Board with aggregate data for sexual harassment complaints, as noted within. | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| O. | Mayor's Request<br>207299<br>(ID:20087) | Requesting the re-appointment of Andrew Haynes as Constable.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>       |
| P. | Mayor's Request<br>207300<br>(ID:20088) | Requesting the re-appointment of Darcy Haynes as Constable.   | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>       |
| Q. | Mayor's Request<br>207422<br>(ID:20171) | Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Sharon Komarow to the Urban Forestry Committee.   | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>       |
| R. | Mayor's Request<br>207425<br>(ID:20175) | Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Amy Mertl to the Urban Forestry Committee.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>       |
| S. | Mayor's Request<br>207426<br>(ID:20176) | Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Alden Johnson to the Urban Forestry Committee.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>       |
| T. | Order<br>207442<br>(ID:20235)           | By City Councilor Clingan<br>That the Director of Personnel report to this Board any and all past efforts taken to make residents aware of police and fire exams.   | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| U. | Order<br>207443<br>(ID:20236)           | By City Councilor Clingan<br>That the Director of Personnel report to this Board on plans to make residents aware of upcoming police and fire civil service exams, and to encourage more women and people of color to take those exams.         | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| V. | Order<br>207444<br>(ID:20237)           | By City Councilor Clingan<br>That the Director of Personnel provide this Board with the 2016 Fire Department Candidate Eligibility List.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |

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| W.  | Mayor's Request<br>207546<br>(ID:20273)         | Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Jennifer Flygare to the Somerville Commission for Women.<br><b>RESULT: WITHDRAWN</b>                       |
| X.  | Mayor's Request<br>207547<br>(ID:20216)         | Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of Kristen Strezo to the Somerville Commission for Women.<br><b>RESULT: WITHDRAWN</b>                      |
| Y.  | Public Communication<br>207620<br>(ID:20427)    | Renee Scott submitting comments re: #207544, requesting the appointment of Tim Talun to the Planning Board.<br><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>             |
| Z.  | Officer's Communication<br>207679<br>(ID:20401) | Director of Personnel responding to #207443 re: plans to publicize upcoming civil service exam opportunities.<br><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>           |
| AA. | Officer's Communication<br>207680<br>(ID:20402) | Director of Personnel responding to #207444 re: the 2016 Fire Department eligibility list.<br><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>                              |
| AB. | Public Communication<br>207700<br>(ID:20498)    | David Gibbs submitting comments re: #207544, requesting the appointment of Tim Talun to the Planning Board.<br><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>             |
| AC. | Mayor's Request<br>208052<br>(ID:20830)         | Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Brielle Short to the Affordable Housing Trust as the non-profit representative.<br><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |

17. FINANCE COMMITTEE

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| A. | Committee Report<br>208153<br>(ID:21007) | Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on May 7, 2019.<br>Councilor White reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee reviewed the FY19 budget process and discussed refinements for this year's budget review. The Committee discussed the option for property owners to add a second water meter for irrigation and other outdoor uses. The Committee approved extending the contract with Police Chief David Fallon for another 5 years. The Committee received an update on funding from FRIT that resulted from the Assembly Square development. The Committee heard Water and Sewer Director John Deluca say that he had not seen any patterns in increased water usage as noted by some constituents. Finance Director Ed Bean discussed the monetary split with the State for traffic enforcement citations: it's a 50/50 split, but since there can |
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be delays on when a community receives the revenue from the State, the Committee asked him to reach out to the MA Municipal Association to see if other communities are facing these delays. The Committee recommended approval of an amendment to Ordinance 2-123 to require the City Solicitor to notify the City Council of suits filed against the City. Finally, the Committee voted down the water and sewer rates that the Water and Sewer Director had proposed for FY20, saying that the increases were too much.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Resolution 207494 (ID:20332) By City Councilor Niedergang, Hirsch, Ballantyne  
That the Mayor and the Director of SPCD add 2 positions in the Planning Department in the FY20 budget to complete various neighborhood plans, and to revise or complete plans for overlay districts.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- C. Resolution 207495 (ID:20333) By City Councilor Niedergang, Hirsch, Ewen-Campen, Mbah, White Jr., Ballantyne, Davis  
That the Mayor and the Director of SPCD add 2 positions in the Transportation and Infrastructure Department in the FY20 budget, or sooner, to work on traffic calming and pedestrian safety.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- D. Mayor's Request 207523 (ID:20054) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$457,325 in a bond for the creation of recreational land through the ArtFarm project, with debt payments to be funded through CPA revenue.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

- E. Order 207720 (ID:20522) By City Councilor Hirsch  
That the Director of Water and Sewer discuss any information about any patterns in increased water usage, as noted on bills by constituents.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- F. Ordinance 207739 (ID:20659) By City Councilor White Jr., Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Ballantyne, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Hirsch, Mbah  
Proposing an amendment to Ordinance 2-123 to require the City Solicitor to notify the City Council of suits filed against the City.

**RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

- G. Mayor's Request 207761 (ID:20389) Requesting a Contract Extension for the Weston & Samson Design and Construction services contract.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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| H. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>207768<br>(ID:20551) | Director of Water and Sewer submitting proposed water and sewer rates for FY20.  | <b>RESULT: NOT APPROVED</b>                                   |
| I. | Mayor's<br>Request<br>208051<br>(ID:20832)         | Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$3,200 using available funds in the SPCD Economic Development Division's Professional and Technical Services Account for appraisal services. | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>                                       |
| J. | Mayor's<br>Request<br>208118<br>(ID:20400)         | Requesting approval to amend and extend a contract for 5 years with David Fallon as Chief of Police.   | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>                                       |
| K. | Mayor's<br>Request<br>208119<br>(ID:20927)         | Requesting a transfer of \$350,000 in the Law Department, from its Judgments/Settlements Account to its Legal Services Account, to fund contracts with outside legal counsel.                          | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>                                       |
| L. | Mayor's<br>Request<br>208120<br>(ID:20930)         | Requesting acceptance of a \$400,000 grant with no new match required, from the MBTA to SPCD's Transportation & Infrastructure Division for public safety emergency first responder costs.             | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>                                       |
| M. | Order<br>208136<br>(ID:20943)                      | By City Councilor Hirsch<br>That this Council debrief on the FY19 budget and discuss ideas for refinements of the FY20 budget review.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>                                 |
| N. | Order<br>208154<br>(ID:21037)                      | By City Councilor Rossetti<br>That the Chief Fire Engineer provide the Finance Committee with the allocation of apparatus while some city bridges are closed due to the GLX project.                   | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</b> |

18. LAND USE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 208155 (ID:21003) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on April 30, 2019.

Councilor Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee was joined by SPCD Director George Proakis and Planner Dan Bartman. This was a 3-hour meeting on one topic: the proposed zoning overhaul, specifically parking requirements. Mr. Bartman gave a presentation on parking policy which is available online at [www.somervillezoning.com](http://www.somervillezoning.com).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Resolution 208156 (ID:20953) By City Councilor Ballantyne That the Administration provide the Land Use Committee with a timeline for when changes could be made within Traffic and Parking and whether a retroactive implementation could be made as well.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

19. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 208157 (ID:21005) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on May 2, 2019.

Councilor Niedergang reported that the Committee discussed in detail the proposed Tree Preservation Ordinance and the proposed Short-Term Rental Ordinance, and also passed two Home Rule Petitions and an Ordinance revision at this meeting. Information on the Tree Preservation Ordinance can be found at [www.somervillema.gov/treeordinance](http://www.somervillema.gov/treeordinance). When discussing the Short-Term Rental Ordinance, Councilor McLaughlin commented that since the process for registering a short-term rental under the proposal would be so onerous that likely very few people would abide by it, why not just outlaw all entire-unit short-term rentals by people who don't live in the units? Mayor's Assistant Tim Snyder said the Administration could support this proposal, and would have a revised proposal ready for the next Committee meeting on May 16. A few shorter items were also discussed and approved: 3-year terms for Planning Board members, 3-year terms for Zoning Board of Appeals members, and allowing 16 and 17 year-olds to vote in municipal elections. This last approval passed unanimously after two public hearings on the subject.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Mayor's Request 207393 (ID:20168) Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition to provide legal voting rights in municipal elections for residents aged 16 and 17 years old.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**

**AYES:** Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

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| C. | Order<br>207938<br>(ID:20731) | By City Councilor McLaughlin<br>That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to reflect a 3-year term for Planning Board members. |
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| D. | Order<br>207939<br>(ID:20732) | By City Councilor McLaughlin<br>That the City Solicitor draft a Home Rule Petition to change the Zoning Board of Appeals members' terms to 3 years. |
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| E. | Public<br>Communication<br>207998<br>(ID:20796) | 4 residents submitting comments re: #207393, permitting 16-17 year-olds to vote in municipal elections. |
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| F. | Order<br>208158<br>(ID:21042) | By City Councilor McLaughlin<br>That the Administration draft language regarding medical hardship. |
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20. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

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| A. | Committee<br>Report<br>208159<br>(ID:21004) | Report of the Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting on May 1, 2019.   |
|    |   | Councilor Mbah reported that the Committee discussed and approved the plastic straw ban ordinance. The Committee also discussed responses from city officers about current parks projects and public fields projects.<br><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b> |
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| B. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>204506<br>(ID:17169) | DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/12/17. |
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| C. | Resolution<br>204966<br>(ID:17710) | By City Councilor Mbah<br>That the Administration consider including an anaerobic digester at the new High School. |
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| D. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>205234<br>(ID:17941) | Director of Sustainability and Environment submitting an update on the Administration's sustainability initiatives. |
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| E. Order<br>205247<br>(ID:17982)                   | By City Councilor Ballantyne<br>That the Director of Sustainability and Environment report to this Board on the progress of the Mayor’s initiative to attain carbon neutrality by 2050.  |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>                      |  |
| F. Order<br>206055<br>(ID:18839)                   | By City Councilor Mbah, Ballantyne<br>That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance banning plastic straws.   |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>                      |  |
| G. Resolution<br>206425<br>(ID:19219)              | By City Councilor Hirsch, Davis, Mbah<br>That the Administration and this Board convene several meetings with residents who have expertise in waste reduction strategies to explore our recycling and solid waste disposal model, to see if better options exist, both in terms of labor and environmental impact. |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>                      |  |
| H. Order<br>206586<br>(ID:19383)                   | By City Councilor Hirsch<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works provide information on challenges with recycling items that go into recycling bins in parks and on streets.  |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>                      |  |
| I. Public<br>Communication<br>207871<br>(ID:20678) | Ulysses Lateiner submitting comments re: #206055, an Order that the City Solicitor draft a plastic straw ban ordinance.  |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>                      |  |

21. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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| A. Committee<br>Report<br>208160<br>(ID:21002)   | Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on April 29, 2019. |
| <p>Councilor Clingan reported that the Committee met to discuss the death of Laura Levis in September, 2016. She died outside the Somerville Hospital Emergency Room, trying to find the right entrance. Since then, numerous articles have been written by her husband, Peter DeMarco, who discussed with Cambridge Health Alliance representative Ms. Alberti a report that found that no single individual or group, but rather system failures, led to the tragedy. Working with the MA Hospital Association, the CHA identified several issues to be addressed, including improved exterior lighting and signage, a second walk-in entrance along the main entrance, an ambulance sensor to alert when patients are there, and opening 24/7. Also, the Somerville Hospital changed its address to 33 Tower Street for GPS purposes.</p> |  |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |  |

- B. Order 207041 (ID:19823) By City Councilor Hirsch, Ballantyne, Ewen-Campen, Niedergang, and the Entire Board  
That the Director of Health and Human Services, or related staff, discuss education efforts for the general public or child-serving providers on how to determine the severity of an asthma attack.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- C. Order 207446 (ID:20239) By City Councilor Clingan  
That the Director of Health and Human Services inform this Board's Committee on Public Health and Public Safety about Cambridge Health Alliance's plans to turn Somerville Hospital's Emergency Department into an urgent care center.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- D. Resolution 207873 (ID:20679) By City Councilor Clingan  
That representatives from the Cambridge Health Alliance discuss with this Council's Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, at its April 29, 2019 meeting, the findings of the external review of the death of Laura Levis.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

22. YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 208161 (ID:21008) Report of the Committee on Youth Services, meeting on May 7, 2019.  
Councilor Hirsch reported on the many items discussed at the meeting. First was placing porta-potties in the parks in the summer. Two were added last summer, and the Administration is still studying the results. The Committee wondered what specifically is being studied, and what is preventing their use this summer. The Committee discussed composting and recycling, and learned that it will expand to all schools in the Fall, with the exception of the High School, which will be on hold until the new opening. The Committee discussed the Kennedy School Playground, which has been historically locked and is now open during the day when not in use by the school. It will be open on weekends and locked at night by a custodian. The last item discussed was whether community schools can be opened to the public for community groups to use. The Committee learned that it could be expensive because of the cost of the custodial details. The Committee asked whether the Administration could add a budget line to subsidize those details.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Resolution 204871 (ID:17638) By City Councilor Hirsch, Niedergang  
That the Administration report to this Board, by the next Youth Services Committee meeting, on ways to keep the Kennedy School playground open for public use during non-school day daytime hours.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

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| C. Order<br>206701<br>(ID:19475)  | By City Councilor Hirsch<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works report on the materials and practices used for school cleaning in terms of their impact on childhood health conditions, such as asthma.   |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>   |   |
| D. Resolution<br>207948<br>(ID:20813)   | By City Councilor Davis<br>That the Administration report to this Council the specific plans to expand school cafeteria recycling and food waste reduction and collection programs beyond the current pilot program.                              |
| <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>   |   |
| E. Resolution<br>208162<br>(ID:21038)   | By City Councilor Davis<br>That the Administration advise the City Council in writing not later than May 23, what specifically is being studied and what specifically is preventing installation of port-a-potties in City parks and playgrounds. |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Public Health and Public Safety Committee |   |
| F. Resolution<br>208163<br>(ID:21039)   | By City Councilor Hirsch<br>That the Administration report to the Youth Services Committee the feasibility of adding a budget line to make school facilities more affordable for use by community groups by helping to cover custodial fees.      |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Youth Services Committee                  |   |

**COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

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| 23. Mayor's Request<br>208164<br>(ID:20957)   | Requesting approval of the 2019-2020 HUD One Year Action Plan, for CDBG, HOME, and ESG programming.   |
| Councilor Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 23 and refer it to the Housing and Community Development Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Housing and Community Development Committee |   |
| 24. Mayor's Request<br>208165<br>(ID:21015)   | Requesting the appropriation of \$996,947 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") Account to the Debt Service - Interest on Notes-BAN Account in order to pay interest on notes due on June 7, 2019. |
| Councilor White requested to waive the reading of item 24 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee  |   |

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| 25. Mayor's Request 208166 (ID:20948) | Requesting acceptance of a \$17,055.36 grant that requires a match, from the Metro Mayors Shannon Initiative to the Police Department for youth violence prevention.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |
| 26. Mayor's Request 208167 (ID:20950) | Requesting acceptance of a \$9,500 grant, with no new match required, from the MA Department of Health through the Cambridge Health Alliance to the Health & Human Services Department, for emergency preparedness. | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |
| 27. Mayor's Request 208168 (ID:20988) | Requesting acceptance of an \$8,000 grant with no new match required, from the MA Office of Public Safety and Security to the Police Department for pedestrian and bicycle safety enforcement.                      | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |
| 28. Mayor's Request 208169 (ID:20949) | Requesting a transfer of \$4,263.84 from the Police Overtime Account to the Grant Match Account to cover the Metro Mayors Shannon Grant match requirement.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |
| 29. Mayor's Request 208170 (ID:20947) | Requesting acceptance of a \$3,000 grant with no new match required, from the Housing Authority to the Arts Council to support the Mystic Mural Project.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |
| 30. Mayor's Request 208171 (ID:20952) | Requesting acceptance of a \$1,000 grant with no new match required, from Tufts University's Neighborhood Service Fund to the Public Library for the expansion of its Citizenship Corner.                           | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |
| 31. Mayor's Request 208172 (ID:20951) | Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Sarah Sweeting to the Urban Forestry Committee.   | <p data-bbox="508 1472 1429 1572">Councilor Scott requested to waive the readings of items 31 through 33 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p data-bbox="508 1577 1429 1608"><b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b></p> <p data-bbox="508 1612 1429 1686"><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee</p> |



32. Mayor's Request 208173 (ID:20989) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of David Castellarin to the Retirement Board.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

33. Mayor's Request 208174 (ID:20990) Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of Christopher Allen to the Licensing Commission.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

34. License/Permit 208175 (ID:21019) Public Event License, Somerville Action Team Stop and Dial for the ROE Act Tabling, Davis Sq Statue Park, May 17, 6-8:30PM.

Councilor Rossetti requested to waive the readings of item 34 through 84 and approve them, with items 70 through 75 also sent to the License and Permits Committee for follow-up. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

35. License/Permit 208176 (ID:21020) Public Event License, Redbones Bike Party, Chester St from Elm St to Herbert St, Jun 3, Noon-10PM (raindate Jun 10).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

36. License/Permit 208177 (ID:21021) Public Event License, Somerville Homeless Coalition Save Our Homes Walk, City Hall-East Somerville sidewalks, Jun 9, Noon-4:30PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

37. License/Permit 208178 (ID:21022) Public Event License, Lake St-Olive Sq Block Party, Olive Sq and Lake St from #12 to Hawkins St, Jun 9, 3-8PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

38. License/Permit 208179 (ID:21023) Public Event License, Wallace St Block Party, Jun 15, 1:30-9:30PM (raindate Jun 16).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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| 39. | License/Permit<br>208180<br>(ID:21024) | Public Event License, Wayside Youth and Family Support Network HIV Free Testing Awareness Day, Davis Sq Statue Park, Jun 22, 11:30AM-4:30PM (raindate Jun 23).                     | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 40. | License/Permit<br>208181<br>(ID:21025) | Public Event License, Independence Day Fireworks, Trum Field and Broadway from Ball Sq Bridge Closure to Medford St, Jun 27, Noon-Midnight (raindate Jun 28).                      | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 41. | License/Permit<br>208182<br>(ID:21026) | Public Event License, Arts Council Nepal Festival, Union Sq Plaza, Jun 30, 10AM-7PM (raindate Jul 7).  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 42. | License/Permit<br>208183<br>(ID:21027) | Public Event License, Portuguese American Civic League Holy Ghost Feast, Springfield St, Jul 12 6PM-Midnight, Jul 13 7PM-Midnight, Jul 14 9AM-Midnight.                            | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 43. | License/Permit<br>208184<br>(ID:21028) | Public Event License, Arts Council ArtBeat, Davis Sq Parks and Holland/Elm Sts from Buena Vista Rd to Summer St, Day St, Dover St, Chester St, Jul 13, 8AM-11PM (raindate Jul 14). | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 44. | License/Permit<br>208185<br>(ID:21029) | Public Event License, Arts Council August SomerStreets, Holland St from Winter St to Cameron Av, Aug 4, Noon-8PM.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 45. | License/Permit<br>208186<br>(ID:21030) | Public Event License, Arts Council Ignite Festival, Union Sq Plaza and adjacent portion of Somerville Av, Aug 10, 3PM-Midnight (raindate Aug 11).                                  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 46. | License/Permit<br>208187<br>(ID:21031) | Public Event License, Somerville Foundation for Animals Dog Festival, Trum Field and Franey Rd, Sep 8, 7AM-5PM.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 47. | License/Permit<br>208188<br>(ID:21032) | Public Event License, Arts Council September SomerStreets, Highland Av from School St to Lowell St, Sep 15, Noon-8PM.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |

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| 48. | License/Permit<br>208189<br>(ID:21033) | Public Event License, Arts Council Fluff Festival, Union Sq Plaza and Somerville Av from Bow St to Prospect St, Sep 21, Noon-9PM (raindate Sep 22). | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 49. | License/Permit<br>208190<br>(ID:21034) | Public Event License, Arts Council October SomerStreets, Somerville Av from Park St to Warren Av, Oct 20, Noon-8PM (raindate Oct 27).               | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 50. | License/Permit<br>208191<br>(ID:21017) | Sign/Awning Permit, Gauchao Brazilian Cuisine, 102 Broadway, 2 wall signs.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 51. | License/Permit<br>208192<br>(ID:20959) | New Drainlayer's License, Milltown Plumbing and Heating.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 52. | License/Permit<br>208193<br>(ID:20961) | Renewing Drainlayer's License, Capitol Services.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 53. | License/Permit<br>208194<br>(ID:20958) | Renewing Drainlayer's License, JRF Corp.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 54. | License/Permit<br>208195<br>(ID:20960) | Renewing Drainlayer's License, EB Rotondi and Sons.   | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 55. | License/Permit<br>208196<br>(ID:21012) | Renewing Drainlayer's License, Brennan Construction.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 56. | License/Permit<br>208197<br>(ID:20962) | Renewing Flammables License, Internap Corp, 50 Innerbelt Rd.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 57. | License/Permit<br>208198<br>(ID:20963) | Renewing Garage License, Boston Sand and Gravel, 492 Rutherford Ave.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 58. | License/Permit<br>208199<br>(ID:20964) | Renewing Garage License, Fred Susan Auto Body, 269 Somerville Ave.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |
| 59. | License/Permit<br>208200<br>(ID:20965) | Renewing Garage License, Chicken and Shakes Automotive, 6 Beach Ave.  | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> |

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| 60. | License/Permit<br>208201<br>(ID:20966) | Renewing Garage License, Broadway Brake, 45 Broadway.                     | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 61. | License/Permit<br>208202<br>(ID:20967) | Renewing Garage License, Hawkins St Automotive, 9 Hawkins St.             | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 62. | License/Permit<br>208203<br>(ID:20968) | Renewing Garage License, Good Gas Somerville, 343 Medford St.             | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 63. | License/Permit<br>208204<br>(ID:20969) | Renewing Garage License, Fellsway Auto Repair, 693 McGrath Hwy.           | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 64. | License/Permit<br>208205<br>(ID:20970) | Renewing Garage License, JC Auto Repair Center, 91 Prospect St.           | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 65. | License/Permit<br>208206<br>(ID:20971) | Renewing Garage License, Top Car Auto Repair, 497 Columbia St.            | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 66. | License/Permit<br>208207<br>(ID:20972) | Renewing Garage License, Mike's Auto Services, 6 Beach Ave.               | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 67. | License/Permit<br>208208<br>(ID:20973) | Renewing Garage License, Webster Auto Body, 69 Webster Ave.               | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 68. | License/Permit<br>208209<br>(ID:20974) | Renewing Garage License, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, 182 Washington St. | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 69. | License/Permit<br>208210<br>(ID:21014) | Renewing Garage License, Somerville Auto Center, 193 Somerville Ave.      | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 70. | License/Permit<br>208211<br>(ID:20975) | Renewing Garage License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 19 Joy St.              | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Licenses and Permits Committee |
| 71. | License/Permit<br>208212<br>(ID:20976) | Renewing Garage License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 161 Linwood St.         | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Licenses and Permits Committee |

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| 72. | License/Permit<br>208213<br>(ID:20977) | Renewing Garage License, Mercedes Benz of Boston Commercial Vans, 161 Linwood St.  | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Licenses and Permits Committee |
| 73. | License/Permit<br>208214<br>(ID:20978) | Renewing Garage License, Herb Chambers I-93, 71 Linwood St.                        | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Licenses and Permits Committee |
| 74. | License/Permit<br>208215<br>(ID:20979) | Renewing Garage License, Herb Chambers I-93, 259 McGrath Hwy.                      | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Licenses and Permits Committee |
| 75. | License/Permit<br>208216<br>(ID:20985) | Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 161 Linwood St.         | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Licenses and Permits Committee |
| 76. | License/Permit<br>208217<br>(ID:20984) | Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston Ave.            | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 77. | License/Permit<br>208218<br>(ID:20982) | Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Lucky Strike, 325 Revolution Dr.        | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 78. | License/Permit<br>208219<br>(ID:20983) | Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Domino's Pizza, 201 Elm St.             | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 79. | License/Permit<br>208220<br>(ID:20980) | Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Tisch Library Cafe, 35 Professors Row.  | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 80. | License/Permit<br>208221<br>(ID:20981) | Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Mayer Campus Center, 44 Professors Row. | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |
| 81. | License/Permit<br>208222<br>(ID:21016) | Renewing Fortune Teller License, Sean Tene dba Astrology Studio, 3 Holland St.     | <b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>  |

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| 82. | License/Permit<br>208223<br>(ID:20986)          | Renewing Junk Dealer's License, All Checks Cashed, 12 Union Sq.<br><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b>   |
| 83. | License/Permit<br>208224<br>(ID:20987)          | Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Rincon Mexicano, 99 Broadway.<br><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b>   |
| 84. | License/Permit<br>208225<br>(ID:21013)          | Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Union Sq Pizza, 63 Union Sq.<br><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b>  |
| 85. | Public<br>Communication<br>208226<br>(ID:21011) | MBTA GLX Program Manager responding to #207736, #207737, and #207890, 3 resolutions calling for accessibility, design, and community path enhancements.<br>Councilor Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 85 and place it on file with a copy to the Housing and Community Development Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT:        PLACED ON FILE</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Housing and Community Development Committee</b> |
| 86. | Public<br>Communication<br>208227<br>(ID:21010) | 3 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.<br>Councilor Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 86 and place it on file with a copy to the Traffic and Parking Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT:        PLACED ON FILE</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Traffic and Parking Committee</b>   |
| 87. | Public<br>Communication<br>208228<br>(ID:21009) | David Bresnick submitting comments re: #207461 and #207498, Tree Protection Ordinance.<br>Councilor Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 87 and place it on file with a copy to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT:        PLACED ON FILE</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Legislative Matters Committee</b>  |

**SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

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| 88. | Order<br>208229<br>(ID:21040) | By City Councilor Clingan, Niedergang, Davis<br>That the Director of Parks and Recreation address the security breach at the Kennedy School pool by either assigning a door monitor or locking the door and installing another system to monitor who comes and goes through the Sartwell Avenue door that leads directly to the pool area and into the school.<br><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Youth Services Committee</b> |
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| 89. Order<br>208230<br>(ID:21043) | By City Councilor Ballantyne<br>That the Director of SPCD plant a tree at 34 Garrison Avenue.   | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>  |
| 90. Order<br>208231<br>(ID:21044) | By City Councilor Ballantyne, Niedergang, Davis<br>That the Director of SPCD and/or the Director of Communications request that the appropriate state agency add "Businesses are Open in Ball Square" to all signs in and outside Somerville, to correct misinformation currently posted.                                   | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>  |
| 91. Order<br>208232<br>(ID:21045) | By City Councilor Ballantyne<br>That the Director of Parks and Recreation and the Commissioner of Public Works explore starting a monthly volunteer trash pickup day for the Dilboy DCR and Alewife Brook areas.  | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee</b>  |
| 92. Order<br>208233<br>(ID:21046) | By City Councilor Ballantyne<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking require Eversource to re-paint the bike markings once they finish their work which may have required them to dig up city roads.  | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Public Utilities and Public Works Committee</b>   |
| 93. Order<br>208234<br>(ID:21047) | By City Councilor Ballantyne<br>That the Director of Inspectional Services issue appropriate fines at 33-35 Barton Street for plant overgrowth onto the Hamilton Road public sidewalk.  | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>  |
| 94. Order<br>208235<br>(ID:21048) | By City Councilor Ewen-Campen<br>That items 204968, 205706, 207156 be discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development and referred to the Committee on Open Space, Energy and the Environment.   | Councilor Ewen-Campen requested to waive the reading of item 94 and approve it. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b> |
| 95. Order<br>208236<br>(ID:21049) | By City Councilor Ewen-Campen<br>That the Director of Finance investigate whether residents who submit their Excise Tax payments online are receiving "Paid" receipts before payment has in fact cleared, and whether residents whose payments do not clear are properly informed of this fact prior to fees being charged. | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>  |

96. Officer's Communication 208237 (ID:20955) Assistant City Solicitor responding to #207938 with a proposed ordinance to reduce Planning Board terms to 3 years as recommended by the Committee on Legislative Matters at its 5/2/19 meeting.

**RESULT:** **ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

97. Officer's Communication 208238 (ID:20956) Assistant City Solicitor responding to #206055 with a proposed ordinance to regulate plastic straws and stirrers, as recommended by the Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy at its 5/1/19 meeting.

Councilor McLaughlin commented that this is the "Straws Optional Ordinance". Councilor Scott commented that a straw can be a vital medical supply for the elderly and a wide swath of the disability community. This is not a straw ban but a way to remove straws from automatic dispensing, but keep them available for the people who need them.  
**RESULT:** **ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

98. Mayor's Request 208239 (ID:21041) Requesting an adjustment to income limits and interest rates with respect to the senior property tax deferral under MGL c59 s5(41A).

**RESULT:** **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

**LATE ITEMS**

99. Officer's Communication 208124 (ID:20938) Assistant City Solicitor responding to #207939 with a draft Home Rule Petition to amend the terms of the members of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Discharged from the Committee on Legislative Matters.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

100. Order 202021 (ID:14684) By City Councilor Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the feasibility of demolishing the bus shelter at Broadway and Cedar Street and replacing it with a garden, small park or sitting area. (2nd request)

Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development pursuant to #208145.  
**RESULT:** **REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee



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101. Order 202995 (ID:15693) By City Councilor Niedergang, Davis  
That the Director of SPCD redesign the asphalt front playground at the Kennedy School and work with all stakeholders to make it usable by more people for a broader range of activities.
- Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development pursuant to #208145.  
**RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee
102. Order 204968 (ID:17712) By City Councilor Mbah  
That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with a list of all city owned parcels, indicating any brownfields, and any plans to remediate those sites and use them for housing.
- Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development pursuant to #208235.  
**RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee
103. Resolution 205706 (ID:18538) By City Councilor Scott, Hirsch, Ballantyne  
That the Administration report in writing on the net change in green and open space based on all projects planned for 2018.
- Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development pursuant to #208235.  
**RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee
104. Order 206201 (ID:18991) By City Councilor Hirsch  
That the Director of SomerStat share an update on implementing a work order system for asset management, CRM requests, preventive maintenance, and related functions, for departments like Public Works, Engineering, and Urban Forestry.
- Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development pursuant to #208145.  
**RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee
105. Order 207156 (ID:20006) By City Councilor Hirsch, Mbah  
That the Director of SPCD provide an updated list of all open space projects in the queue, with anticipated cost, funding, and timeline to completion.
- Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development pursuant to #208235.  
**RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

106. Order 207167 (ID:20007) By City Councilor Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD share biannual CIP progress reports for all new open space and parks projects.
- Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development pursuant to #208145.
- RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION**
- FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee
107. Resolution 207173 (ID:19993) By City Councilor McLaughlin, Clingan, Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, Ballantyne That the Administration provide to this Board by its January 10, 2019 meeting a response to the attached petition of Foss Park stakeholders, which requests a schematic community design process and a plan for financing and managing the facility.
- Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development pursuant to #208145.
- RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION**
- FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee
108. Resolution 207905 (ID:20709) By City Councilor Davis, Hirsch, Mbah, Clingan That the Administration work with the High School Building Committee to explore any options to sever construction (or take similar actions) of the playing field as part of the High School project, with the intention to incorporate it into a future capital project to include a parking garage beneath the playing surface.
- Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development pursuant to #208145.
- RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION**
- FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee
109. Order 208240 (ID:21052) By City Councilor White Jr., Clingan That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk at 50 Dartmouth Street as it poses a significant safety hazard. (2nd request)
- RESULT: APPROVED**
- FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:30 PM.