

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

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

June 28, 2018, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
 (ID # 19003)

2. Minutes Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting, May
 (ID # 19004) 24, 2018, and the Regular Meeting, May 24, 2018.

CITATIONS

3. Citation By Ald. White Jr., McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the
 (ID # 19005) Mayor
 Commending Maria LoRusso on the happy occasion of
 her 75th birthday.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. Grant of Submitted by Comcast to install 576 feet of conduit in
 Location Pennsylvania Ave, starting at a Verizon Manhole in front
 (ID # 19008) of 63 Pennsylvania Ave and travelling 9 feet to a new
 Vault #1, then continuing 567 feet to a point of pickup at
 67 Broadway.

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. Resolution By Ald. Mbah
 (ID # 18951) Calling on the government of Cameroon to address the
 humanitarian crisis plaguing its English-speaking region.

6. Resolution By Ald. Ewen-Campen, Niedergang, Hirsch, Mbah,
 (ID # 18960) Ballantyne, and the Entire Board
 That the Administration update this Board prior to July
 12, 2018, on providing public restrooms at public parks,
 including parks that will be used by programs that would
 otherwise use Conway Park, including Dickerman Park.

7. Order By Ald. Ewen-Campen
 (ID # 18961) That the Director of SPCD provide recommendations to
 improve pedestrian safety at the dangerous intersection
 of Walnut Street, Summit Avenue and Boston Street.

8. Withdrawn Withdrawn.
 (ID # 18962)

9. Resolution By Ald. Ewen-Campen
 (ID # 18963) That this Board hereby joins the National Geographic Society, the Audubon Society and others in declaring 2018 the Year of the Bird and in celebrating the 100-year anniversary of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, the most important bird-protection law ever passed.

10. Communication By Ald. Niedergang
 (ID # 18978) Reporting to this Board and submitting a summary report, attached, on the Capital Projects Master Planning Working Group with Ward 5 School Committee Member Laura Pitone.

11. Order By Ald. Niedergang
 (ID # 18979) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken light in Junction Park. (2nd request)

12. Order By Ald. Niedergang
 (ID # 18980) That the Director of SPCD replace the small dead tree at 235 Lowell Street with a healthy sapling.

13. Order By Ald. Niedergang
 (ID # 18981) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the light on the short black lamppost in front of Albion Park, that is making a loud buzzing noise and disturbing neighbors.

14. Order By Ald. Ballantyne
 (ID # 18986) That the Director of SomerPromise share with this Board, the meeting notes of the Out of School Time Taskforce.

15. Order By Ald. Clingan
 (ID # 18987) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NO THRU TRAFFIC 7-9AM AND 4-6PM EXCEPT FOR ABUTTERS sign on Fenwick Street at Broadway.

16. Order By Ald. Clingan
 (ID # 18988) That the Director of Engineering address the drainage problem at the bottom of Dartmouth Street near Evergreen Avenue.

17. Order By Ald. Hirsch
 (ID # 18989) That the Director of SPCD share how decisions are made regarding the placement of bike racks.

18. Order (ID # 18990) By Ald. Hirsch
That the Commissioner of Public Works share the policy for removing items that are blocking sidewalks.
19. Order (ID # 18991) By Ald. 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.
20. Order (ID # 18992) By Ald. Hirsch
That the Director of Traffic and Parking share how it enforces the prohibition of cars and trucks parked in bus lanes and bike lanes.
21. Order (ID # 18993) By Ald. Hirsch, Ewen-Campen
That the Director of SPCD assess the pedestrian crossing at Bow and Summer Streets for safety, in terms of visibility and length of crossing.
22. Order (ID # 18994) By Ald. Hirsch, Ewen-Campen
That the Commissioner of Public Works report on the feasibility of extending yard waste pickup later in the season.
23. Order (ID # 18995) By Ald. Hirsch, Scott
That the Director of SPCD install a pedestrian signal at Calvin and Washington Streets.
24. Order (ID # 18996) By Ald. Scott
That the Director of SPCD submit a proposal for improving the pedestrian crossings at the intersection of Dane and Washington Streets.
25. Resolution (ID # 18997) By Ald. Scott
That the Administration proceed immediately, pursuant to Ch.12 Art.VI Sec.12-100 of the Code of City Ordinances, to present candidates for appointment to the Urban Forestry Committee.
26. Order (ID # 18998) By Ald. Scott
That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services respond to the Ward 2 Alderman, in writing, with the action taken to address the rat problem at 40 Lake Street.
27. Order (ID # 18999) By Ald. Scott
That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services cite the Star Market at 275 Beacon Street for a rat problem and advise them on rat abatement.

- 28. Order (ID # 19000) By Ald. Scott
That the Director of Traffic and Parking update the Ward 2 Alderman on the traffic calming petition that was presented by residents of Lake Street in July 2017.

- 29. Order (ID # 19001) By Ald. Scott
That the Director of SPCD install a raised crosswalk at Calvin Street, near the intersection of Dimick Street.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 30. License/Permit 206123 Public Event License, Zombie Apocalypse Game, Union Sq Plaza, Sep 15, 2-4:30PM (raindate Sep 16).

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

31. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18966) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 6, 2018.

32. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18967) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 7, 2018.

33. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18968) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 11, 2018.

34. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18969) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 12, 2018.

35. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18970) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 13, 2018.

36. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 19, 2018.
(ID # 18971)

37. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 20, 2018.
(ID # 18972)

38. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 21, 2018.
(ID # 18973)

39. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 25, 2018.
(ID # 18974)

40. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 26, 2018.
(ID # 18975)

- B. Officer's Communication 206035 Director of Water and Sewer submitting proposed FY19 Water and Sewer Rates, including updated fire suppression charges.
RECOMMENDED: Approved as Amended

41. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 27, 2018.
(ID # 18976)

- B. Mayor's Request 206078 Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,543,000 in a bond for Water Main Replacement.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

- C. Mayor's Request 206088 Requesting approval to appropriate \$18,855.55 from the USQ Revitalization Stabilization Fund for legal services.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

- D. Mayor's Request 206093 Requesting acceptance of a \$133,132.50 grant with no new match required, from the Boston Mayor's Office of Emergency Management to the Police Department for expenditures and backfill/overtime for the Special Response Team.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- E. Mayor's Request 206094 Requesting acceptance of a \$120,000 grant with no new match required, from the Boston Mayor's Office of Emergency Management to the Police Department for expenditures, training and backfill/overtime for the Special Response Team.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- F. Mayor's Request 206095 Requesting acceptance of a \$900 grant that requires a match, from the MA Council on Aging to the Council on Aging for exercise equipment.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- G. Mayor's Request 205952 Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$90 using available funds in the Personnel Advertising Account for an advertisement on Idealist.com.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- H. Mayor's Request 205954 Requesting acceptance of a \$94,622.16 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Public Health to the Health and Human Services Department for Tobacco Control Prevention.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- I. Mayor's Request 205955 Requesting acceptance of a \$32,354.14 bequeath from the Estate of Mary M. Fontaine to the Council on Aging.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- J. Mayor's Request 205957 Requesting approval of a time-only extension of the CBI Consulting House Doctor contract, to June 28, 2019, to allow for the closeout of construction projects.
RECOMMENDED: Approved
- K. Mayor's Request 205958 Requesting approval of a time-only extension to the contract with D&R General Contracting for the 2015 Street Resurfacing Project to April 30, 2019.
RECOMMENDED: Approved

42. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18977) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 28, 2018.

43. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report (ID # 18965) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on June 21, 2018.

- B. Officer's Special Counsel submitting a revised Community
Communication Benefits Ordinance.
206161

RECOMMENDED: Approved as Amended

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

44. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of certain Assembly Row
(ID # 18722) streets as Public Ways, including portions of Great River
Road, Revolution Drive and Grand Union Boulevard.
45. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of the fee interest in portions of
(ID # 18953) Great River Road, Revolution Drive and Grand Union
Boulevard.

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

46. Officer's Special Counsel submitting an Ordinance to establish a
Communication Neighborhood Council designation process.
(ID # 18957)
47. Officer's Special Counsel submitting Notice of a Settlement in the
Communication matter of Prospect Iron v. the Somerville Redevelopment
(ID # 18954) Authority.
48. Officer's Chief Fire Engineer responding to #205808 re: calls for
Communication Wards 6 and 7.
(ID # 18777)

NEW BUSINESS

49. License/Permit Public Event License, Berkeley St Block Party, Adding
(ID # 19009) Berkeley St Hersey St to Central St to the previously-
approved portion from School St to Hersey St
(#206111), Jul 1, Noon-7PM (Raindate Jul 8).
50. License/Permit Public Event License, Monmouth St 4th of July Block
(ID # 19010) Party, closing 2 parking spaces at 16 Monmouth St only,
Jul 4, 5-10:15PM.
51. License/Permit Public Event License, ArtBeat, Davis Sq area, Jul 14,
(ID # 19011) 8AM-11PM (raindate Jul 15).
52. License/Permit Public Event License, Skehan St Block Party, from
(ID # 19012) Hanson St to Durham St, Jul 14, 10AM-11PM (Raindate
Jul 15).
53. License/Permit Public Event License, Endicott Ave Block Party, Jul 15,
(ID # 19013) 2:30-7:30PM (Raindate Jul 28).

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- 54. License/Permit (ID # 19014) Public Event License, Hancock St Block Party, from Summer St to Highland Ave, Jul 29, 2-9PM (Raindate Aug 11).
 - 55. License/Permit (ID # 19015) Public Event License, Norwood Ave Block Party, Aug 4, 1-7:30PM (Raindate Aug 5).
 - 56. License/Permit (ID # 19016) Public Event License, Munroe St Block Party, from Greenville St to Bigelow St, Aug 4, 2:30-8PM (Raindate Aug 5).
 - 57. License/Permit (ID # 19017) Public Event License, Church St Block Party, from Summer St to Somerville Ave, Aug 4, 3-7PM (Raindate Aug 11).
 - 58. License/Permit (ID # 19018) Public Event License, Thorpe St Presents Summer Fest, ArtFarm, Aug 18, 10AM-7PM (raindate Aug 19).
 - 59. License/Permit (ID # 19019) Public Event License, Radcliffe Rd Block Party, Aug 25, 2-8PM (Raindate Aug 26).
 - 60. License/Permit (ID # 19020) Public Event License, Franklin Ave Block Party, Aug 26, 2-7PM.
 - 61. License/Permit (ID # 19021) Public Event License, Pleasant Ave/Summit Ave Block Party, Pleasant Ave, Sep 8, 3-7:30PM (Raindate Sep 9).
 - 62. License/Permit (ID # 19022) Public Event License, Electric Ave Block Party, from Packard Ave to Mason St, Sep 15, Noon-5PM.
 - 63. License/Permit (ID # 19023) Public Event License, Homeless Coalition Somerville 5K Road Race, Davis Sq area streets, Oct 6, 6AM-12:30PM.
 - 64. License/Permit (ID # 19024) Renewing Garage License, M. Korson and Company, 91 Washington St.
 - 65. License/Permit (ID # 19025) Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Forge Baking Company, 626 Somerville Ave.
 - 66. Public Communication (ID # 19006) Chris Dwan submitting comments re: the trees removed on Beacon Street.
 - 67. Public Communication (ID # 19007) Chris Dwan submitting comments re: the Urban Forestry Committee.

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

68. Order (ID # 19027) By Ald. Hirsch
That the Director of SPCD, the Director of Housing Stability, or the City Solicitor explain under what circumstances a current resident could be given preference for a deed-restricted unit.
69. Order (ID # 19028) By Ald. Ewen-Campen, Hirsch
That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion discuss with this Board's Committee on Traffic and Parking, the city's policies regarding flashing street signs and their effects on residents with certain neurological conditions.
70. Order (ID # 19038) By Ald. Davis
That the City Arborist prune or perform other maintenance as needed on the trees in Seven Hills Park to ensure public safety and optimal tree health.
71. Resolution (ID # 19039) By Ald. Davis
That the Administration work with the Ward 6 Alderman and the community to devise an accelerated plan to replace the brick sidewalks in Davis Square with something that ensures pedestrian safety while maintaining a connection to the familiar character of the bricks.
72. Resolution (ID # 19040) By Ald. Davis
That the Administration and the Traffic Commission implement an extensive 20mph Safety Zone across all of Ward 6.
73. Resolution (ID # 19041) By Ald. Davis
That the Administration and the Traffic Commission make any changes possible to the traffic patterns and signal timing at the Powderhouse Circle intersection in advance of the closing of the Broadway bridge at Ball Square.
74. Mayor's Request (ID # 19035) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,528,787 from the Sewer Retained Earnings Account to the Water/Sewer Stabilization Fund in order to accumulate capital for planned infrastructure projects.
75. Mayor's Request (ID # 19032) Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund.

76. Mayor's Request (ID # 19034) Requesting the appropriation of \$300,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Stabilization Fund.r
77. Mayor's Request (ID # 18952) Requesting the appropriation of \$60,000 from the Boynton Yards Stabilization Fund for engineering and design work.
78. Mayor's Request (ID # 19029) Requesting to rescind \$344,747 of \$553,378 in CPA funds appropriated for the Somerville Hispanic Association for Community Development, to replace a portion of the roof on the historic Grace Baptist Church.
79. Mayor's Request (ID # 19030) Requesting to appropriate \$344,747 in CPA funds for the Somerville Hispanic Association for Community Development to use for emergency structural improvements and window restoration at the Grace Baptist Church.
80. Mayor's Request (ID # 19033) Requesting the appropriation of \$210,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve to the Somerville Community Corporation for the purchase of 35 Richardson Street as perpetual open space.
81. Mayor's Request (ID # 19031) Requesting the reallocation of \$1,352 in cost savings from the CPA Fund's FY16 grant to the Somerville Museum to expand the scope of security improvements to include the purchase and installation of a fire panel.
82. Mayor's Request (ID # 18955) Requesting approval to enter into a net-metering agreement with Sunwealth.
83. Mayor's Request (ID # 18959) Requesting approval to enter into a tax agreement with Sunwealth for a solar energy system at 1 Maxwells Green.
84. Mayor's Request (ID # 18956) Requesting acceptance of a \$350,000 grant that requires an in-kind match to the Office of Sustainability and Environment from the MA Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs for stormwater system modeling and climate change planning.
85. Mayor's Request (ID # 18865) Requesting acceptance of an \$11,000 grant with no new match required, from the Cambridge Public Health Department to the Health and Human Services Department for participation in the regional prevention collaborative grant.

- 86. Officer's Communication (ID # 19046) City Solicitor submitting an Ordinance regarding Adult Use Marijuana Establishments.
- 87. Officer's Communication (ID # 19047) City Solicitor submitting Zoning Ordinance Amendments regarding Adult Use Marijuana Establishments.
- 88. Officer's Communication (ID # 19026) Director of Capital Projects and Planning submitting the Public Safety Feasibility Study/Programming and Site Evaluation Report (related to #s 206003, #206004, and #206005).
- 89. License/Permit (ID # 19042) New Dog Kennel License, Elliots House Pet Care and More, 230 Somerville Ave, 60 dogs for day care and training only.
- 90. License/Permit (ID # 19043) Renewing Billiards and Bowling License, On the Hill Tavern, 499 Broadway.
- 91. License/Permit (ID # 19044) Renewing Outdoor Seating License, On the Hill Tavern, 499 Broadway.
- 92. License/Permit (ID # 19045) Renewing Garage License, Jim's Heavy Duty Service, 40 Joy St.

LATE ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT