

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

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

September 10, 2015, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call  
199840  
(ID:12509)

Call of the Roll.

President White held a moment of silence for Daniel Murphy. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Matthew Terrio.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

2. Minutes  
199841  
(ID:12510)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, July 9, 2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**CITATIONS**

3. Citation  
199842  
(ID:12511)

By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board and the Mayor  
Congratulating the Somerville High School Scholarship Foundation as it celebrates 25 years of supporting the aspirations of Somerville High School graduates to attain a higher education.

Alderman Rossetti emphasized the importance of this foundation. President Favadoro said the foundation would hold a gala on October 17, 2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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

4. Order 199843 (ID:12469) By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the cement curbs and the bench in Kelley Park that were put in the skate board area without authorization from the city. (Photos attached)

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee**

5. Order 199844 (ID:12470) By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Chief of Police order directed patrols at Kelley Park to enforce the 10PM closing time.

Alderman McWatters explained the skateboarders at Kelley Park have overstepped their bounds by adding cement barriers and benches, encroaching on other areas of the park and using the park significantly past closing time. Alderman Niedergang stated there is a skateboard organization, DIY, that wants to respectfully and responsibly set up skateboard equipment that younger skateboarders can enjoy.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

6. Order 199845 (ID:12471) By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Director of Traffic and Parking notify MASS DOT about the malfunctioning traffic signal at McGrath Highway and Medford Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee**

7. Resolution 199846 (ID:12472) By Ald. McWatters, McLaughlin That MASS DOT consider placing a pedestrian signal at Chester Street and McGrath Highway.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee**

8. Order 199847 (ID:12473) By Ald. McWatters That the Director of SPCD plant trees at 112 Belmont Street and 18 Richdale Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

9. Order 199848 (ID:12474) By Ald. McWatters That the Commissioner of Public Works street sweep Harvard Place.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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| 10. Order<br>199849<br>(ID:12475)      | By Ald. McWatters<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the grass at Prospect Hill Park.  | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>  |
| 11. Resolution<br>199850<br>(ID:12476) | By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.<br>That the Administration consider the attached Policy Order recently adopted by Cambridge for air traffic noise pollution, and report back to this Board at its next meeting. | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:    Public Health and Public Safety Committee</b> |
| 12. Order<br>199851<br>(ID:12477)      | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the bulb in the streetlight at the entrance to Junction Park at Woodbine and Centre Streets.  | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>  |
| 13. Order<br>199852<br>(ID:12478)      | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of SomerStat inform the Ward 5 Alderman about the likely timeline for repaving Carver Street and Robinson Street and explain the process for reconsidering the schedule.                | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>  |
| 14. Order<br>199853<br>(ID:12479)      | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a second DO NOT ENTER sign on the southwest corner at Conwell Street and Highland Avenue.  | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>  |
| 15. Order<br>199854<br>(ID:12480)      | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the decorative bench in Lincoln Park at the end of Fremont Street.   | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>  |
| 16. Order<br>199855<br>(ID:12481)      | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 471 Somerville Avenue for a valid garage license and report back to the Ward 2 Alderman.  | <b>RESULT:            APPROVED</b>  |

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| 17.   | Order<br>199856<br>(ID:12482) | By Ald. Heuston, Rossetti<br>That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) update this Board on the Beacon Street reconstruction project and work with the Ward 2 Alderman on a Community meeting to update the public. |
| <p style="margin: 0;">Alderman Heuston stated that the BOA needs regular updates and there needs to be informational community meetings to keep the public informed.</p> <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b></p> <p style="margin: 0;"><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Public Utilities and Public Works Committee</p> |                               |   |
| 18.   | Order<br>199857<br>(ID:12483) | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Chief of Police add a school crossing guard to the crossing at Washington Street and Hawkins Street.  |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b></p>   |                               |   |
| 19.   | Order<br>199858<br>(ID:12484) | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking add solar blinking lights to the SLOW pedestrian sign in front of Catholic Charities on Washington Street.  |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b></p>   |                               |   |
| 20.   | Order<br>199859<br>(ID:12485) | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalks on Dane Street and the crosswalk at Calvin and Washington Streets.   |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b></p>   |                               |   |
| 21.   | Order<br>199860<br>(ID:12486) | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board of the plan for fall plantings and flowers for Union Square and Somerville Avenue.   |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b></p> <p style="margin: 0;"><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Public Utilities and Public Works Committee</p>  |                               |   |
| 22.   | Order<br>199861<br>(ID:12487) | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the catch basins along the entire length of Somerville Avenue.   |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b></p>   |                               |   |
| 23.   | Order<br>199862<br>(ID:12488) | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works maintain and make needed repairs to all of the tree wells and traffic islands along Somerville Avenue.   |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b></p> <p style="margin: 0;"><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Public Utilities and Public Works Committee</p>  |                               |   |

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| 24. Resolution<br>199863<br>(ID:12489)   | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Administration consider the development of a Tree and Bench donation program to supplement the City's investments in these areas.  |                |                 |                  |  |
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| 25. Resolution<br>199864<br>(ID:12490)   | By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board<br>That the Administration develop a city-wide Open Space Integrated Plan for the protection, development, maintenance and programming of both private and public open spaces.   |                |                 |                  |  |
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| 26. Order<br>199865<br>(ID:12491)  | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking inventory crosswalks that need painting in Ward 2 and report back to the Ward 2 Alderman on a plan for having them painted.  |                |                 |                  |  |
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| 27. Order<br>199866<br>(ID:12492)  | By Ald. Heuston, McLaughlin, Ballantyne<br>That the Director of SPCD (Planning) and the Supervisor of Inspectional Services compile a list of properties citywide that have been granted Zoning or Planning Board approval or building permits in the last 24 months but have not completed construction, including the reasons why. |                |                 |                  |  |
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| 28. Order<br>199867<br>(ID:12493)  | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board how the city addresses the increase in trash during late August and early September due to the influx of students.  |                |                 |                  |  |
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| 29. Order<br>199868<br>(ID:12494)  | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works install additional bicycle racks on Washington Street, from Beacon Street to Union Square.  |                |                 |                  |  |
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| 30. Resolution<br>199869<br>(ID:12495)  | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Administration inform the Clark Street neighbors about the TV pipe testing which should have been performed in 2014.                                       |                |                 |                  |   |
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| 31. Resolution<br>199870<br>(ID:12496)  | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Administration add Bolton Street to the re-paving list.  |                |                 |                  |   |
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| 32. Order<br>199871<br>(ID:12497)   | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the lights on the median at the corner of Broadway and McGrath Highway and on Kensington Avenue, close to Broadway. |                |                 |                  |   |
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| 33. Order<br>199872<br>(ID:12498)   | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works modify the sidewalk at 69 Pearl Street to make it ADA accessible.  |                |                 |                  |   |
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| <b>FOLLOWUP:</b>  | Public Utilities and Public Works Committee  |                |                 |                  |   |
| 34. Order<br>199873<br>(ID:12499)   | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the overgrowth along McGrath Highway.   |                |                 |                  |   |
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| 35. Order<br>199874<br>(ID:12500)   | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the overgrowth at 22 Everett Avenue.  |                |                 |                  |   |
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| 36. Order<br>199875<br>(ID:12501)   | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken lights on Everett Avenue.  |                |                 |                  |   |
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| 37. Order<br>199876<br>(ID:12502)   | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the City Arborist inspect the trees at 13 Everett Avenue and 43 Cross Street and take appropriate action.   |                |                 |                  |   |
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38. Order 199877 (ID:12503) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that the sidewalk at 43 Cross Street is ADA compliant.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

39. Resolution 199878 (ID:12504) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Administration place Everett Avenue on the re-paving list.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

40. Grant of Location 199648 (ID:12265) Submitted by Comcast for 40 feet of conduit in Windsor Place from Pole #439/1 to 600 Windsor Pl.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

41. Order 199659 (ID:12372) By Ald. Rossetti That the City Solicitor appear before this Board to address the concerns of SCATV and the city's contract with Comcast.

The City Solicitor addressed the Board, saying the existing contract with Comcast, which runs from 2013 through 2023, does not require that they provide SCATV an HD channel; neither is RCN required.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

42. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 199879 (ID:12468) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on September 3, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The proposed Plastic Bag Ordinance was compared to other cities' ordinances. The Board will hold a public hearing on it on September 30. The next item was the home rule petition requiring city approval of an Institutional Master Plan for certain institutions; the committee recommended approval. Next was the Pervious Surfaces Ordinance on which Mr. Proakis and staff will present additional information on October 15. The last item was the private trash ordinance, and the problems that concern commercial dumpsters which are bound by state legislation. The City Solicitor will review the current ordinance and bring recommendations to a future meeting.  
**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Mayor's Request 198000 (ID:10607) Requesting an amendment to the Trash Ordinance in Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

- C. Order 198393 (ID:10963) By Ald. Ballantyne  
That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance requiring an institutional master plan for any institution in Somerville.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- D. Order 199267 (ID:11842) By Ald. Ballantyne  
That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance that institutional master plans must require home rule petition approval from the Legislature (per a 5/7/15 Planning Staff memo).

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- E. Order 199880 (ID:12464) By Ald. Rossetti  
That the Clerk of Committees request of Representative Denise Provost why H739, which she sponsored, requires that recycled bags contain a minimum of 80% recycled material.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

43. RODENT ISSUES SPECIAL COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 199881 (ID:12466) Report of the Special Committee on Rodent Issues, meeting on September 9, 2015.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She announced there were 12 committee items that still require status reports from the Supervisor of Inspectional Services.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Resolution 199678 (ID:12389) By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Administration provide financial assistance to residents to combat rodent problems on MacArthur Street and all of East Somerville.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- C. Order 199683 (ID:12433) By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Director of SomerStat consider other options for measuring rodent control efforts.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- D. Order 199882 (ID:12550) By Ald. Heuston  
That the Directors of Inspectional Services and SomerStat attend all meetings of the Special Committee on Rodent Issues or, if unable to attend, send representatives in their place.

**RESULT: APPROVED**



- E. Order 199883 (ID:12548) By Ald. Heuston  
That the City Clerk request of Representative Tim Toomey that the state address the rodent issue behind 11 Austin Street and I-93.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee**

- F. Order 199884 (ID:12549) By Ald. Heuston  
That the Director of Communications notify the Special Committee on Rodent Issues, within 30 days, of the plan to utilize Connect CTY and other means of communication to remind residents of the importance of rodent prevention, as directed in #199680.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee**

44. TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 199885 (ID:12465) Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking, meeting on September 9, 2015.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He suggested that all Aldermen review the new Article 14 of the Traffic Regulations regarding traffic management and traffic calming. He explained there are protocols for requesting temporary speed bumps and crosswalks. He also said 47 parking spots have been eliminated due to the work being done on Washington and Medford Streets.

**RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED**  
**AMENDED: #199586 is returned to the Committee on Traffic and Parking.**

- B. Order 196185 (ID:8704) By Ald. Heuston  
That the Commissioner of Public Works provide a timeline to replace the traffic signal at the intersection of Washington and Beacon Streets.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- C. Resolution 197707 (ID:10260) By Ald. Heuston  
That the Traffic Commission consider eliminating the requirement that before a temporary speed bump can be installed, 66% of residents on the street must formally agree to request it.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- D. Order 197890 (ID:10454) By Ald. Sullivan, Gewirtz, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Superintendent of Inspectional Services update this Board on safety measures undertaken at the Elm Street bus stop located in front of Dunkin Donuts.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

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| E. | Order<br>198570<br>(ID:11144)      | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board and the School Committee about enforcing parking regulations during street cleaning near schools in the morning between 8 and 8:30 AM. |
|    |                                    | <b>RESULT:            WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| F. | Order<br>198725<br>(ID:11438)      | By Ald. Heuston, McWatters<br>That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the status of Mass DOT work on McGrath Highway.  |
|    |                                    | <b>RESULT:            WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| G. | Order<br>199058<br>(ID:11644)      | By Ald. Ballantyne<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking appear before this Board to discuss the on-street parking permits given to Tufts University employees.   |
|    |                                    | <b>RESULT:            WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| H. | Order<br>199135<br>(ID:11771)      | By Ald. Ballantyne<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the damaged NO LEFT TURN sign at Cameron Avenue and Mead Street.  |
|    |                                    | <b>RESULT:            WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| I. | Order<br>199137<br>(ID:11773)      | By Ald. Ballantyne<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking confirm whether parking is allowed in the middle of the end of Fairmount Street abutting Russell Road, and address installing a NO PARKING sign there.   |
|    |                                    | <b>RESULT:            WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| J. | Order<br>199269<br>(ID:11844)      | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing Hanson street sign at Village and Hanson Streets and install a ONE WAY sign for Hanson Street.  |
|    |                                    | <b>RESULT:            WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| K. | Order<br>199271<br>(ID:11846)      | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking re-paint crosswalk striping on Somerville Avenue to distinguish the brick paved pedestrian crosswalks.  |
|    |                                    | <b>RESULT:            WORK COMPLETED</b>  |
| L. | Resolution<br>199278<br>(ID:11879) | By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters<br>That the Mayor's Office provide to this Board by June 11, the consultant's study on the Traffic Commission's regulations for the public process to request traffic calming measures.   |
|    |                                    | <b>RESULT:            WORK COMPLETED</b>  |

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| M. | Order<br>199281<br>(ID:11882)                      | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking or the Commissioner of Public Works prevent vehicles from parking on the east side of Cedar Street at the Community Path Extension, as automotive fluids are staining the Path Extension.    | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| N. | Order<br>199283<br>(ID:11884)                      | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a NO PARKING spot on the south side of Vernon Street at Trull Street to allow fire engines to turn onto Trull Street, and report back to the Ward 5 Alderman.            | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| O. | Resolution<br>199343<br>(ID:11921)                 | By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan<br>That the Administration arrange for members of the Boxing Club to park in the East Somerville Community School parking lot weekdays 4-9PM.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| P. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>199360<br>(ID:11855) | DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/23/15.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| Q. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>199362<br>(ID:11860) | Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 4/23/15.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| R. | Order<br>199415<br>(ID:12005)                      | By Ald. Rossetti<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider changing the signage on side streets that only allow access to abutters at certain times of the day, by changing the word abutters to residents.                                      | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| S. | Order<br>199462<br>(ID:12053)                      | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking install solar blinking lights at the pedestrian crossing at 270 Washington Street.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| T. | Order<br>199463<br>(ID:12054)                      | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider traffic calming measures to reduce the speed of vehicles around Hoyt-Sullivan Park, including applying to reduce the speed limit on the entirety of Central Street to 20 or 25 mph. | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |

U.	Officer's Communication 199563 (ID:12062)	Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 5/14/15.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>WORK COMPLETED</b>
V.	Officer's Communication 199564 (ID:12063)	DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/28/15.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>WORK COMPLETED</b>
W.	Order 199571 (ID:12162)	By Ald. White Jr. That the Committee on Traffic and Parking investigate why the directive in #198726, regarding notification to residents, property owners, and businesses of changes to parking regulations along Medford Street with respect to the McGrath Highway project, was not complied with.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>WORK COMPLETED</b>
X.	Order 199586 (ID:12187)	By Ald. Niedergang That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Director of the Office of Sustainability and the Environment report to this Board on the design, placement, effectiveness and enforcement of "NO IDLING" signs by all schools.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b> <b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Traffic and Parking Committee
Y.	Order 199662 (ID:12394)	By Ald. Rossetti, Gewirtz, Connolly, White Jr. That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a crosswalk at 64 College Avenue.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>WORK COMPLETED</b>
Z.	Order 199690 (ID:12399)	By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police inspect, monitor and develop a plan to control the speed of traffic on Medford Street, between Central and School Streets.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>WORK COMPLETED</b>
AA.	Order 199691 (ID:12400)	By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan That the Director of Traffic and Parking inspect the corners of James and Marshall Streets, at their intersection with Pearl Street, and suggest a plan to increase visibility for motorists who are turning onto Pearl Street.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>WORK COMPLETED</b>
AB.	Order 199693 (ID:12402)	By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk at the intersection of Thurston and Fenwick Streets and Broadway.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>WORK COMPLETED</b>

AC. Order 199697 (ID:12406) By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Chief of Police order directed patrols on Greenville Street from 7 to 9 AM and 4 to 6 PM, to ensure that motorists aren't illegally cutting through Prospect Hill.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

AD. Order 199707 (ID:12415) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to the Ward 7 Alderman on a plan to clear up the confusing signage at Capen Street, 405 Alewife Brook Parkway and Capen Court.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

45. YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199886 (ID:12467) Report of the Committee on Youth Services, meeting on September 8, 2015.

Alderman McLaughlin reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The first discussion was how often the Recreation Department purchase report should be submitted. Next was the request to add 2 youth outreach positions to the Recreation Department. Alderman McLaughlin explained due to a decline in participation, the Somerville Youth Football League dissolved its Board, and the league is now supervised by Recreation. It will be spun off as a nonprofit; this will be reassessed within the year. Lastly, Babe Ruth baseball will continue to be a Recreation program, accepting all youth who want to participate.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

B. Order 199665 (ID:12376) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of Recreation and Youth appear before the Youth Services Committee to discuss changes to youth football and baseball programs.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

C. Order 199887 (ID:12537) By Ald. Rossetti That the Director of Recreation submit a detailed cost analysis of the Commonwealth Youth Football League.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

**COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

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| 46. | Mayor's Request<br>199888<br>(ID:12463) | Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$262,000 for Phase 1 of the Building Assessment/Preventive Maintenance Plan. | Alderman LaFuente requested to waive the readings of items 46 through 51 and refer them 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 |
| 47. | Mayor's Request<br>199889<br>(ID:12251) | Requesting acceptance of an 18 month lease of the West Somerville Police Substation and office space at 1114 Broadway.                | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee  |
| 48. | Mayor's Request<br>199890<br>(ID:12456) | Requesting an appropriation of \$142,036 From the Capital Stabilization Fund to purchase 4 police vehicles.                           | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee  |
| 49. | Mayor's Request<br>199891<br>(ID:12457) | Requesting approval for the Inspectional Services Weights & Measures Division to use FY16 funds to pay a FY15 invoice of \$434.77.    | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee  |
| 50. | Mayor's Request<br>199892<br>(ID:12459) | Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$2,500 from Mass Creative for the Arts Council to support organization and advocacy.         | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee  |
| 51. | Mayor's Request<br>199893<br>(ID:12506) | Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$1,792.72 from the Mass DEP for recycling outreach and materials.                                | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee  |
| 52. | Mayor's Request<br>199894<br>(ID:12461) | Requesting the appointment of Robson Lemos to the Arts Council.   | Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 52 through 53 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.<br><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |

53. Mayor's Request 199895 (ID:12462) Requesting the appointment of Nan Levinson to the Arts Council.
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**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

54. Officer's Communication 199896 (ID:12505) SRA Special Counsel conveying an Amended Master Developer Designation Agreement.
- Alderman Neidergang requested to waive the reading of item 54 and refer it to the Committee on Housing and Community Development. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
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| <b>FOLLOWUP:</b> | Housing and Community Development Committee |

55. Officer's Communication 199897 (ID:12458) Director of Personnel responding to #199656 re: employee vacancies.
- Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 55 through 56 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>PLACED ON FILE</b> |
| <b>FOLLOWUP:</b> | Finance Committee     |

56. Officer's Communication 199898 (ID:12460) Director of Personnel responding to #199717 re: employee sick leave.
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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>PLACED ON FILE</b> |
| <b>FOLLOWUP:</b> | Finance Committee     |

**NEW BUSINESS**

57. License/Permit 199899 (ID:12512) Public Event Permit, Somerville Overcoming Addiction Candlelight Memorial Vigil, High School Atrium, Sep 15, 6-10:30PM (raindate Sep 16).
- Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 57 through 71 and approve them with item 71 going to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
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58. License/Permit 199900 (ID:12513) Public Event Permit, Irving St Block Party, Sep 19, Noon-8PM (raindate Sep 20).
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59. License/Permit 199901 (ID:12522) Public Event Permit, Ossipee Rd Block Party, 56 Ossipee Rd to Packard Ave, Sep 20, 3:30-6:30 PM (raindate Sep 27).
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60.	License/Permit 199902 (ID:12514)	Public Event Permit, Redbones Oktoberfest, Chester St from Elm to Herbert Sts, Sep 27, 7AM-6PM (raindate Oct 4).	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
61.	License/Permit 199903 (ID:12515)	Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets Brazil 5K Road Race, East Broadway-Assembly Row, Sep 27, 8AM-3PM.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
62.	License/Permit 199904 (ID:12516)	Public Event Permit, First Church Somerville Block Party, Francesca Ave at College Ave, Sep 27, Noon-6PM.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
63.	License/Permit 199905 (ID:12517)	Public Event Permit, Boston-Prichard Ave Block Party, Boston Ave from Kidder to Prichard, Sep 27, 3-8:30PM (raindate Oct 4).	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
64.	License/Permit 199906 (ID:12518)	Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets Foodie Crawl, East Broadway, Sep 29, 4-10PM (raindate Sep 30).	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
65.	License/Permit 199907 (ID:12519)	Public Event Permit, Arts Council Solar System Pop-up Playground, Perry Park, Oct 3, 10AM-9PM (raindate Oct 10).	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
66.	License/Permit 199908 (ID:12520)	Public Event Permit, Office of Commissions Candlelight Vigil for Domestic Violence Awareness, Police Station to Union Sq Plaza, Oct 7, 5-7PM.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
67.	License/Permit 199909 (ID:12521)	Public Event Permit, HONK! Festival, Hodgkins Park on Oct 9, Davis Sq area on Oct 10, Davis Sq to Beech St on Oct 11, various times.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
68.	License/Permit 199910 (ID:12523)	New Drainlayer License, J. Masterson Construction.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
69.	License/Permit 199911 (ID:12524)	New Outdoor Seating License, Taco Party, 711 Broadway, 1 table, 2 seats, 1 planter.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>



70. License/Permit 199912 (ID:12525) New Outdoor Seating License, Nine Bar Espresso, 11 Holland St, 4 tables, 8 seats, 1 A-frame sign.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

71. License/Permit 199913 (ID:12526) New Garage License, ABJ Auto Repair, 91 Marshall St, 6 cars inside, 25 outside.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

**SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

72. Order 199914 (ID:12507) By Ald. Connolly, Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the dead public shade tree on Cedar Street near Hudson Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

73. Order 199915 (ID:12534) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD (Transportation) relocate the hubway holding station so it does not cover the gutter on Holland Street at PJ Ryans.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

74. Order 199916 (ID:12535) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Commissioner of Public Works reposition the black city bench so that it does not obstruct the business mailbox at 1212 Broadway.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

75. Order 199917 (ID:12536) By Ald. Ballantyne That Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 43 Barton Street for severe overgrowth onto city sidewalks on Barton Street and Hamilton Road, and take the appropriate action.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

76. Ordinance 199918 (ID:12539) By Ald. White Jr. That the provisions of Ordinance 11-105, regarding the demolition of buildings, be amended as described within.

Alderman White explained the BOA did not contemplate that an entire year could go by when asking for a revision of a building demolition permit and the Ordinance amendment will indicate time limits, when the extension can take place and the new notification process.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

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| 77. | Order<br>199919<br>(ID:12540)              | <p>By Ald. White Jr.<br/>That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the ticketing of homeowners for overhanging tree branches per Ordinance 12-14, and that this Board consider amending that Ordinance to clarify its intent.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #f0f0f0;"> <p>President White stated this ordinance was not in place to fine homeowners for overhanging tree branches. Alderman Heuston commented there are some obstructions with tree branches blocking and affecting businesses, and private homes have branches impeding public sidewalks, however this does need clarification. The intent would be to notify the home or business owner to correct the problem, not necessarily hand out a fine.</p> <p><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b></p> <p><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Legislative Matters Committee</p> </div> |
| 78. | Resolution<br>199920<br>(ID:12541)         | <p>By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti<br/>That the Administration provide assistance, including financial where appropriate, to resident homeowners whose property is damaged from the roots of trees planted by the City.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #f0f0f0;"> <p>Alderman White pointed out if a city tree is causing damage to a homeowner's property, like a sewer or foundation, the homeowner should not have to be financially responsible for the correction of the problem.</p> <p><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b></p> </div>   |
| 79. | Order<br>199921<br>(ID:12542)              | <p>By Ald. White Jr.<br/>That the Director of SPCD change the practice of not immediately responding to messages left at 617-625-6600 ext 2577 for homeowners seeking assistance for heating system rehabilitation.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #f0f0f0;"> <p><b>RESULT:           APPROVED</b></p> </div>  |
| 80. | Mayor's<br>Request<br>199922<br>(ID:12239) | <p>Requesting approval to pay an FY12 invoice of \$45,000 in the DPW using FY16 appropriations.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #f0f0f0;"> <p><b>RESULT:           REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b></p> <p><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Finance Committee</p> </div>   |
| 81. | Mayor's<br>Request<br>199923<br>(ID:12246) | <p>Requesting the appointment of Linda Ingersol to the Recreation and Youth Commission.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #f0f0f0;"> <p><b>RESULT:           REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b></p> <p><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Confirmation of Appointments Committee</p> </div>  |

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| 82. Officer's Request<br>199924<br>(ID:12538) | Assistant City Solicitor submitting for approval a Home Rule Petition to require city approval of Institutional Master Plans.  |
|   | <p>Ald. Heuston recused.</p> <p>Ald. Rossetti moved approval of this Home Rule Petition, requiring city approval of an Institutional Master Plan for all large nonprofit institutions in Somerville. The language submitted in this item is what was developed in the Legislative Matters Committee's 9/3/15 meeting (see item 42).</p> <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p> |
| 83. License/Permit<br>199925<br>(ID:12528)    | Public Event Permit, Madison St Block Party, Sep 13, 1-5PM.  |
|   | <p>Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 83 through 89 and approve them, with 89 conditioned on having a police detail officer present. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>  |
| 84. License/Permit<br>199926<br>(ID:12529)    | Public Event Permit, Food Truck Festivals of New England - SomerstrEATS, Powderhouse Park, Tuesdays Sep 15-Dec 29, 4-8:30PM.   |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |
| 85. License/Permit<br>199927<br>(ID:12530)    | Public Event Permit, Brain Arts "Grass Stains Somerville" concert, Davis Sq Statue Park, Sep 19, 2-9PM.  |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |
| 86. License/Permit<br>199928<br>(ID:12531)    | Public Event Permit, Chandler St Block Party, Chandler St from Chapel to Park Sts, Sep 19, 3:30-7:30PM (raindate Sep 20).  |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |
| 87. License/Permit<br>199929<br>(ID:12532)    | Public Event Permit, Reunion Church Picnic, Powderhouse Park, Sep 20, 11:30AM-3PM (raindate Sep 27).   |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |
| 88. License/Permit<br>199930<br>(ID:12533)    | Public Event Permit, Highland Rd Block Party, Highland Rd from Kidder to Morrison Aves, Sep 27, 2-8:30PM (raindate Oct 4).   |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |
| 89. License/Permit<br>199931<br>(ID:12551)    | Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Target Store T 1441, 180 Somerville Ave.  |
|   | <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS</b></p> <p><b>CONDITION:</b> A Police Detail must be present from 1 AM to 5 AM.</p>   |

90. Public Communication 199932 (ID:12543) Tufts Senior Vice President submitting comments re: #198393, a Home Rule Petition to require local review of all institutional master plans.

Alderman Rossetti announced a letter from Tufts University was received requesting a reconsideration of the Institutional Master Plan home rule petition. Alderman Rossetti disagrees and feels that institutions like Tufts University and Cambridge Health Alliance can work with the city to devise a satisfactory ordinance. Alderman Ballantyne commented that although large non-profit institutions create business and employment, they also protect their own interests, and the city needs to protect the public's interests as well.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**LATE ITEMS**

91. Resolution 199933 (ID:12544) By Ald. McLaughlin That this Board expresses its support for National Recovery Month and its proclamation to promote recovery.

Alderman McLaughlin sponsored 2 speakers regarding this item, Cory Mashburn and Malek Coroni. Cory read a Mayor's Proclamation that the month of September be Recovery Month in Somerville. Malek pointed out that Somerville lacks, but desperately needs, a recovery center. Alderman Connolly said there will be a meeting with the Mayor, Cambridge Health Alliance and support groups to work on this.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

92. Mayor's Request 199738 (ID:12169) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$100,000 from the MA Substance Abuse Prevention Collaborative for a regional underage drinking prevention effort.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

93. Mayor's Request 199744 (ID:12170) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$15,603.29 from the MA Department of Public Health Region 4b for emergency preparedness activities.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

94. Mayor's Request 199745 (ID:12171) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$9,990 from CHNA17 for the Health and Human Services Department, for mental health and wellbeing training.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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| <p>95. Mayor's Request<br/>199746<br/>(ID:12172)</p>   | <p>Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$5,000 from CHNA17 for the Health and Human Services Department, for capacity building.</p>  |
| <p>Discharged from the Committee on Finance.<br/><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |  |
| <p>96. Order<br/>199934<br/>(ID:12545)</p>   | <p>By Ald. Heuston<br/>That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services create a Rental Registration Program to require owners of 6 or more rental units that are not owner-occupied to annually register those units, pay a registration fee, and provide information to facilitate inspections, notices of violations, and resolution of complaints.</p> |
| <p>Alderman Heuston emphasized the need for this Rental Registration Program and said it would be an easy database to create.<br/><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Legislative Matters Committee</p>   |  |
| <p>97. Order<br/>199935<br/>(ID:12546)</p>   | <p>By Ald. McWatters<br/>That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 19 Greenville Street.</p>  |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |  |
| <p>98. Communication<br/>199936<br/>(ID:12547)</p>   | <p>By Ald. Rossetti<br/>Reporting on the High School Building Committee meeting of September 9th.</p>  |
| <p>Alderman Rossetti updated the Board on the progress of the new Somerville High School building. The architect has been chosen along with the operations project manager. There will be public meetings held every 2 to 3 weeks, with a website available for the public to view and communicate to the 14 committee members. The timeline is as follows: preliminary design completed by February, 2016; plans completed by May, 2017; construction starting in Summer, 2018; and completion by Fall, 2021.<br/><b>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</b></p> |  |
| <p>99. Resolution<br/>199937<br/>(ID:12554)</p>  | <p>By Ald. Gewirtz, and the Entire Board<br/>That this Board declares its support for the Administration's continuing efforts to work with the Baker Administration to deliver the MBTA Green Line Extension.</p>  |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |  |

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.