



## CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

Tuesday - October 11, 2011, 7:00 PM

Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

### AGENDA

- **189056: Discuss in Committee** An Ordinance Regarding Providing a Procedure for Reasonable Accommodation in the City's Land Use and Zoning and Building Regulations Pursuant to the Fair Housing Laws.
- **189229: Discuss in Committee** Maryanne Manfra Submitting Comments Re: #188655, Amending the Local Historic District Ordinance (Group B).
- **189880: Discuss in Committee** That the Environmental Programs Manager investigate creating a paper/plastic recycling initiative at fast food establishments.
- **190445: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of SPCD meet with representatives from Federal Realty Investment Trust and the utility companies involved in Assembly Square on the Stretch Energy Code, and report back to the Committee on Legislative Matters on or before February 1, 2011.
- **190446: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of SPCD consult the the Boston Society of Architects about building projects with the Stretch Energy Code and report back to the Committee on Legislative Matters with any recommendations.
- **190686: Discuss in Committee** That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance requiring properties of a certain use and size, to obtain a permit before using an amplified sound system, and be soundproofed.
- **190737: Recommend** Requesting approval of an amendment to the Ordinances at Chapter 12 regarding the Placement and Maintenance of News racks.
- **190758: Recommend** That this Board amends Ordinance Section 2-355, aka The Responsible Employer Ordinance, as noted within. (see attachment)
- **190781: Recommend** Requesting an amendment to the Code of Ordinances to establish regulations for paving driveways and other impervious surfaces.

- **191045: Recommend** Requesting an amendment to the Local Historic District Map to add 1 property to the existing Florence-Myrtle District (remaining unapproved property from Group D).
- **191050: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of SPCD inform this Board how the city can protect our residents when developers with a history of building or other code violations seek permits for new projects.
- **191068: Discuss in Committee** That the City Solicitor, the Chief of Police and the Director of SPCD (ISD) draft amendments to the noise ordinance to deal with organizations using enhanced sound systems in RA and RB districts and report back to the Committee on Legislative Matters at its April 26th meeting.
- **191351: Recommend** Sixty registered voters submitting a “Proposed Ordinance to Ensure that Development Financed with the Sale of DIF Bonds Yields Jobs for Somerville Residents.”
- **191563: Recommend** That the City adopt the attached Local Hiring Ordinance.
- **191671: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of SPCD (Planning) report to this Board on the feasibility of changing the zoning ordinance to allow shared-car space as a use in the RA and RB districts, as the current ordinance prohibits most residents from renting a driveway space to ZipCar.
- **191744: Recommend** Requesting an amendment to the Local Historic District Map to create 4 new Districts (Winter Hill, Hinckley-Magoun, College Ave. Corridor of Faith, and Teele Sq.) and add 17 properties to these Districts, and to add 1 property to an existing District (East Somerville) (Group E).
- **191788: Recommend** Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition authorizing the increase of the number of liquor licenses that the Licensing Commission may issue.
- **191931: Discuss in Committee** That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance fining homeowners and contractors who remove a Stop Work order posted by the City on buildings undergoing unauthorized construction work.
- **192033: Recommend** William Campbell submitting comments re: H1972, An Act Regulating Election Primaries.