

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Thursday - December 1, 2016, 6:00 PM Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

(Posted online: 11/18/16 at 8:35 AM) original (Posted online: 11/25/16 at 8:21 AM) revised

1. Approval of the November 3, 2016 Minutes

- 2. **199934: Discuss** (Heuston) 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.
- **3. 201008: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the City Solicitor report to this Board on why the Statement of Financial Interests forms filed by elected officials and department heads are so heavily redacted when provided to the public.
- 4. 201306: Recommend (Heuston) That the Director of SPCD and the City Solicitor draft an amendment to the demolition ordinance notification to abutters that includes a reason why the demolition permit was granted.
- 5. 201890: Discuss (Connolly, Sullivan) That the City Solicitor research the potential illegality of the Condominium Conversion Ordinance and provide a written opinion to this Board's Committee on Legislative Matters at the earliest opportunity.
- 6. 201899: Discuss (Niedergang, McLaughlin, McWatters, Lafuente, Sullivan, Davis, White Jr., Rossetti, Ballantyne, Connolly) That this Board calls upon developers that receive any form of public financial support to use responsible prevailing-wage contractors that provide

health insurance, worker's compensation, retirement benefits, and apprenticeship training to build their projects.

- 7. 201901: Discuss (Niedergang) That the City Solicitor and Director of SPCD develop with this Board a revised Condominium Conversion Ordinance to remove the illegal sections in the current ordinance, and provide maximum protections to prevent the displacement of tenants or ease their transition.
- 8. 201913: Discuss (Connolly) That the Administration meet with Alderman Heuston and other Aldermen as necessary to prepare recommendations re: #199934 before the Legislative Matters Committee's next meeting.
- **9. 202023: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the Administration's plans for the Somerville Municipal Job Creation and Retention Trust Fund and jobs linkage fee for new commercial development.
- **10. 202074: Discuss** (Ballantyne) That all departments post all public hearing dates on the city's website and newsletter.
- **11. 202122: Discuss** (Rossetti) That the Administration present its recommendations and a draft ordinance for the proposed Rental Registration Program (#199934) to the Committee on Legislative Matters at its meeting on October 20, 2016.
- **12. 202256: Discuss** (White Jr.) That this Board be given the powers of the Redevelopment Authority for Union Square redevelopment.
- **13. 202360: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the City Solicitor prepare a draft ordinance for jobs linkage fees.
- **14. 202412: Discuss** (Heuston, Rossetti) That the City Solicitor draft language to amend Ordinance 11-51 to require that all new building construction provide utilities that are underground.
- **15. 202487: Recommend** Requesting approval of the dedication of Lincoln Park as Public Open Space.