

City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Equity, Gender, Seniors, Families and Vulnerable Populations Committee

Meeting Minutes Dispositions

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

6:00 PM

Sub Committee Room and Remote Participation

This meeting was held in person in the Sub-Committee room and via Zoom and was called to order by Chair Strezo at 6:02pm and adjourned at 6:59pm on a roll call vote of 2 in favor (Councilors Davis and Strezo), 0 opposed, and 1 absent. (Councilor Mbah).

Others present: Suzanne Yerkes - Director of Parks and Recreation, Brad Rawson - Director of Mobility, Neha Singh - Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Erica Satin-Hernandez - ARPA Director, Madalyn Letellier - Legislative Services Manager.

Roll Call

Present: City Councilor At Large Kristen Strezo and Lance L. Davis

Absent: City Councilor At Large Wilfred N. Mbah

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Equity, Gender, Seniors, Families and Vulnerable Populations Committee Meeting of February 3, 2025.

Accepted

Aye: City Councilor At Large Strezo and Davis

Absent: City Councilor At Large Mbah

2. That the Director of Parks and Recreation discuss in the Committee on Equity, Gender, Seniors, Families and Vulnerable Populations, the introduction of an ongoing middle school girls intramural hockey program.

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo, Councilor Burnley Jr., Councilor Clingan,

Councilor Davis, Councilor Ewen-Campen, Councilor Mbah, Councilor McLaughlin, Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Sait

and Councilor Wilson

Kept in committee

3. That the Director of Human Resources, Director of Parking, Director of Mobility and Chief of Police respond to the recent incidents of four children being hit by cars in the past few months on their paths to school.

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Sponsors: Councilor Strezo

Recommended to be marked work completed

4. That the Chief of Police report on the current number of regularly staffed crossing guards throughout the city and the total number of crossing guard positions currently available.

25-0464

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo and Councilor Mbah

Recommended to be marked work completed

5. That the Administration provide an update on plans for Universal Basic Income/Guaranteed Basic Income implementation and roll out.

24-0074

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo and Councilor Wilson

Kept in committee

6. That the Administration discuss post-pilot plan considerations of the Guaranteed Basic Income pilot program.

24-0418

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo

Kept in committee

Referenced Documents:

- Equity 2025-04-16 GBI Background Info (with 24-0074)
- Equity 2025-04-16 Girls Hockey Memo 4.16.25 with 25-0117 (with 25-0117)