



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## City Council

### Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 25, 2024

6:00 PM

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#### 1. OPENING CEREMONIES

**Present:** Ward One City Councilor Matthew McLaughlin  
 City Councilor At Large Jake Wilson  
 Ward Five City Councilor Naima Sait  
 Ward Two City Councilor Jefferson Thomas (J.T.) Scott  
 City Councilor At Large Wilfred N. Mbah  
 City Councilor At Large Willie Burnley Jr.  
 Ward Four City Councilor Jesse Clingan  
 City Councilor At Large Kristen Strezo  
 Ward Seven City Councilor Judy Pineda Neufeld  
 Ward Three City Councilor Ben Ewen-Campen

**Absent:** Ward Six City Councilor Lance L. Davis

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Ward Three City Councilor Ben Ewen-Campen.

- 1.1. Roll Call                      Call of the Roll.  
       (ID # [24-0969](#))

Councilor Burnley arrived at 6:06 PM.  
**RESULT:     PLACED ON FILE**

#### 2. CITATIONS

#### 3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

#### 4. ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

#### 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### 6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### 7. COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

- 7.1. Mayor's Request    Requesting the appropriation of \$1,590,949 from the Unreserved Fund  
       (ID # [24-0964](#))    Balance ("Free Cash") to supplement the FY 2025 Water Enterprise Fund  
                                  budget.

Director Bean explained that this amount represents the difference between the originally proposed water increase and the adopted 0% increase and will be used to provide revenue to backstop the FY 2025 budget.

President Ewen-Campen moved for reconsideration of the item. The motion was not approved on a roll call vote of 0 in favor, 9 opposed (McLaughlin, Wilson, Sait, Scott, Mbah, Clingan, Strezo, Pineda Neufeld, Ewen-Campen), 2 absent (Davis, Burnley).

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**AYE:** Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward Five City Councilor Sait, Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Mbah, Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, City Councilor At Large Strezo, Ward Seven City Councilor Pineda Neufeld, and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

**ABSENT:** Ward Six City Councilor Davis, and City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr.

**8. COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**10. SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 6:07 PM on a roll call vote of 10 in favor (McLaughlin, Wilson, Sait, Scott, Mbah, Burnley, Clingan, Strezo, Pineda Neufeld, Ewen-Campen), 0 opposed, 1 absent (Davis).