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

## **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

| Attendee Name        | Title               | Status Arrived |
|----------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| John M Connolly      | Alderman At Large   | Present        |
| Dennis M. Sullivan   | Alderman At Large   | Present        |
| William A. White Jr. | Alderman At Large   | Present        |
| William M. Roche     | Ward One Alderman   | Present        |
| Maryann M. Heuston   | Ward Two Alderman   | Present        |
| Thomas F. Taylor     | Ward Three Alderman | Present        |
| Walter F. Pero       | Ward Four Alderman  | Present        |
| Sean T. O'Donovan    | Ward Five Alderman  | Present        |
| Rebekah L. Gewirtz   | Ward Six Alderman   | Present        |
| Robert C. Trane      | Ward Seven Alderman | Present        |
| Bruce M Desmond      | Alderman            | Present        |

1. #189850 Call of the Roll. Roll Call

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

### **CITATIONS**

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

# **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

## 2. Finance Committee, June 15

A. #189851 Report of the Committee on Finance, June 15, 2010 Committee Report

RESULT: APPROVED

### 3. Finance Committee, June 16

A. #189852 Report of the Committee on Finance, June 16, 2010 Committee Report

RESULT: APPROVED

### 4. Finance Committee, June 21

#189853 Report of the Committee on Finance, June 21, 2010 A. Committee Report

RESULT: APPROVED

### 5. Finance Committee, June 22

A. #189854 Report of the Committee on Finance, June 22, 2010 Committee Report

RESULT: APPROVED

B. #189855 Resolution By Ald. Sullivan, Desmond, Heuston, Gewirtz, Trane, O'Donovan, Taylor, Pero, White Jr., Roche

That the Board of Aldermen Go on Record to Encourage the Administration and the School Custodians to Bargain in Good Faith to Agree Upon a Fair Contract.

RESULT: APPROVED

# 6. Finance Committee, June 29

#189856 Report of the Committee on Finance - June 29, 2010 A. Committee Report

RESULT: APPROVED

B. #189737

Request to Appropriate and Authorize Borrowing in the Amount of \$584,157 Mayor's Request to Make Needed Repairs to the Public Safety Building

> RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL [UNANIMOUS] Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., Roche, Heuston, Taylor, **AYES:**

O'Donovan, Gewirtz, Desmond **ABSENT:** Walter F. Pero, Robert C. Trane C. #189738

Requesting the Appropriation of \$354,166, and Authorization to Borrow the Mayor's Request Same Amount in a Bond, for the Resurfacing of 11 Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL [UNANIMOUS]

Connolly, White Jr., Roche, Heuston, Taylor, O'Donovan, **AYES:** 

Gewirtz, Desmond

**ABSENT:** Dennis M. Sullivan, Walter F. Pero, Robert C. Trane

D. #189739 Mayor's Request

Requesting the Appropriation and Authorization to Bond for Somerville High School Flooring in the Amount of \$313,635.

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL [UNANIMOUS] Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., Roche, Heuston, Taylor, **AYES:** 

O'Donovan, Gewirtz, Desmond

**ABSENT:** Walter F. Pero, Robert C. Trane

E. #189740 Mayor's Request

Requesting an Appropriation of the \$ 1,000,000 Federal Realty Investment Payment from Receipts Reserved for Appropriation to the Rainy Day Stabilization Fund

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL [UNANIMOUS] Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., Roche, Heuston, Taylor, **AYES:** 

O'Donovan, Gewirtz, Desmond

**ABSENT:** Walter F. Pero, Robert C. Trane

F. #189742

Transfer \$180,000 from Rubbish Removal 8006-52910 and \$124,900 from Mayor's Request Professional Services 8006-53000 to Offset Snow Deficit

RESULT: APPROVED

G. #189743 Mayor's Request

Transfer of \$111,017 from Fire Department Personal Services to Fire Alarm Personal Services to Eliminate a Year End Deficit

RESULT: APPROVED

H. #189744 Mayor's Request

Request to Transfer \$7,500 from Salary Contingency Funds to Constituent Services Personal Services to Meet a Year End Deficit.

RESULT: APPROVED

I. #189745 Mayor's Request

Request to Transfer \$3,540 from Salary Contingency to Clerk of Committee Salaries Monthly to Eliminate a Year End Deficit

RESULT: APPROVED

J. #189746 PARC Grant Application for Acquisition of 15-25 Cross Street East] Mayor's Request

#### RESULT: APPROVED

K. #189747 PARC Grant Application for Dickerman Playground Renovation Costs Mayor's Request

RESULT: APPROVED

L. #189748 PARC Grant Application for Morse-Kelley Playground Renovation Costs Mayor's Request

RESULT: APPROVED

M. #189749 Health Department and Somerville Trauma Response Network Request Mayor's Request Acceptance of a Grant from CHNA17 in the Amount of \$5,000.00.

RESULT: APPROVED

N. #189758 City Clerk Submitting Recommendations for Adjustments to Certain Fees Officer's Request Charged by the City Clerk's Office, Effective July 1, 2010.

RESULT: APPROVED

O. #189785 Short Term Contract Extension for Medicaid Reimbursement Claiming Mayor's Request

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

P. #189793 Request to Authorize the Young Somerville Advisory Group Revolving Fund Mayor's Request for FY2011

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Q. #189794 Request to Reauthorize the attached list of Departmental Revolving Funds
Mayor's Request for FY2011

RESULT: APPROVED

R. #189809 Requesting an Appropriation of \$1,000,000 of Sewer Retained Earnings to Mayor's Request Fund the FY2011 Sewer Enterprise Budget.

RESULT: APPROVED

## **COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

7. #189857 Requesting Approval to Proceed with CM-At-Risk Delivery Method for Mayor's Request ESCS Renovation Project

#### RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP**: Finance Committee

8. #189858 Mayor's Request

Requesting Approval for the Director of Capital Projects to Present Schematic Design Plans for the East Somerville Community School Renovation

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

9. #189859 Mayor's Request

Requesting Appropriation of \$50,000 from Receipts Reserved for Appropriation-Insurance Losses to East Somerville Community School Reconstruction for an Independent Cost Estimator for the ESCS Project

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP**: Finance Committee

10. #189860 Mayor's Request

Requesting Approval to Make a Presentation to the Finance Committee on the Closeout of the Construction Phase of the Argenziano School Project

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

11. #189861 Mayor's Request

Requesting Approval to Extend the Contract of Symmes Maini & McKee at the Argenziano School Project to Assist with the Administration of a Grant to Install Solar Panels

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

12. #189862

Requesting Approval to Extend the Contrat for J&J Contractors to Complete Mayor's Request Punch List Work at the Argenziano School

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

13. #189863 Requesting Approval to Extend the Contract of Johnson Roberts Associates Mayor's Request to 12/31/10

#### RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP**: Finance Committee

14. #189864 Mayor's Request 12/31/10

Requesting Approval to Extend the Contract of TBA Architects, Inc. to

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

15. #189865 Mayor's Request Request to Declare (16) Police Vehicles as Surplus.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

# **NEW BUSINESS**

# **LATE ITEMS**

16. #189788

Requesting Approval of an Appropriation of \$165,507,404 to fund the Fiscal Mayor's Request Year 2011 Operating Budget for the City of Somerville

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

17. #189789 Mayor's Request

Request for an appropriation in the amount of \$12,237,945 to fund the Fiscal Year 2011 Water Enterprise Fund Budget

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., Roche, Heuston, Taylor,

Pero, O'Donovan, Gewirtz, Desmond

**ABSENT:** Robert C. Trane

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

18. #189790 Request to Appropriate \$16,600,120 to fund the Fiscal Year 2011 Sewer Mayor's Request Enterprise Budget

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL [UNANIMOUS]

Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., Roche, Heuston, Taylor, **AYES:** 

Pero, O'Donovan, Gewirtz, Desmond

**ABSENT:** Robert C. Trane

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

19. #189791 Mayor's Request

Request an appropriation of \$3,500,000 from Free Cash to reduce the Fiscal Year 2011 tax levy

#### RESULT: APPROVED

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

20. #189792 Mayor's Request

Request to Appropriate \$850,000 from Free Cash to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund for the purpose of funding necessary Capital **Improvements** 

### RESULT: APPROVED

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

21. #189866

Submitting Revised Appropriation of \$165,507,404 to Fund the Fiscal Year Mayor's Request 2011 Operating Budget for the City

> RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED BY ROLL CA [9 TO 1] **AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., Roche, Heuston, Taylor,

> > Pero, O'Donovan, Desmond

Rebekah L. Gewirtz NAYS: **ABSENT:** Robert C. Trane

Budget proposal amended by the following reductions:

- \$ 4,450 from BOA Salaries
- \$ 4,922 from Exec Admin Salaries
- \$ 2,690 from Assessing Salaries
- \$ 4.923 from Law Salaries
- \$ 1.083 from SPCD Salaries
- \$ 4,134 from T & P Salaries
- \$16,000 from Health Salaries

906 from DPW Engineering Salaries

Resulting in an approved Revised Budget of \$165,467,296.

22. #189867 Resolution That This Board of Aldermen Hereby Requests that the Administration Make Plans to Merge E-911 and Fire Alarm as a Capital Project for FY-11, in Preparation for the Future Possibility of a Regional Response Center Being Established.

RESULT: APPROVED

23. #189868 Resolution That This Board of Aldermen Hereby Requests that Any Potential Cuts to the FY-11 Budget be Utilized to Re-Instate Any Reductions on Services And/Or Personnel.

### RESULT: APPROVED

24. #189869 Resolution That the City Auditor Make Arrangements in All Future Budgets that Line Item 53405 PSTN-Usage, be Used Solely to Describe the Amount of Money Spent on Phone Calls (Both Local and Long Distance) Made from City of Somerville Phones as is Indicated by the Line Description; and that Any Other Items Previously Included in This Line Item be Identified in More Appropriate Lines.

RESULT: APPROVED

## **ADJOURNMENT**

## Adjournment

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk