

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS LAW DEPARTMENT

March 7, 2014

Honorable Board of Aldermen City Hall 93 Highland Avenue Somerville, MA 02143

Re:

Order No. 196207

That the City Solicitor Inform this Board on Enforcement of the Wage Theft Ordinance

and Its Effectiveness in Reducing the Problem

Dear Honorable Board Members:

You have asked this office to inform this Board on the enforcement of the City of Somerville's Wage Theft Ordinance and its effectiveness in reducing the problem.

Somerville Ordinance 9-31 generally provides that licenses or permits issued by the City of Somerville may be revoked or suspended, or application therefor denied, in the event that an applicant, licensee, or permittee has been found guilty or liable for violating or attempting to commit a violation of certain state or federal laws regulating payment of wages and collection of debt. Somerville Ord. 9-31(a)-(c). I am informed as to the City Clerk's office that there has not been an instance of non-issuance, suspension, revocation, or non-renewal of a license or permit pursuant to Ordinance 9-31.

Please contact me if you have any additional questions.

Very truly yours,

Jason D. Grossfield Assistant City Solicitor

cc:

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone John Long, City Clerk

