



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

School Building Facilities and Maintenance Committee

Meeting Minutes Dispositions

Monday, March 23, 2026

6:00 PM

Virtual

Joint Meeting with the School Committee's School Building Facilities and Maintenance Committee

This meeting was held virtually via Zoom and was called to order at 6:03 pm by Chair Link and adjourned at 7:33 pm with a roll call vote of 3 in favor (Councilors Scott, Sait and Link), none opposed, and none absent.

Others present: Leiran Biton - School Committee Chair, Laura Pitone - School Committee Member, Elizabeth Eldridge - School Committee Member, Rich Raiche - Infrastructure and Asset Management Director, Danielle Barry - Facilities, Safety and Transportation Coordinator, Amanda Nagim-Williams - Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Matthew Bennett - Superintendent of Buildings, Eric Weisman - Interim Department of Public Works Commissioner and Delaney Fisher-Cassioli - Clerk of Committees

The committee went into recess at 6:05pm and returned at 6:06pm on a roll call vote of 3 in favor (Councilors Scott, Sait and Link), none opposed, and none absent.

Roll Call

Present: Ward Two City Councilor Jefferson Thomas (J.T.) Scott, Ward Five City Councilor Naima Sait and City Councilor At Large Jon Link

1. Approval of the Minutes of the School Building Facilities and Maintenance Special Committee Meeting of December 8, 2025. [25-1860](#)

Accepted

Aye: Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Five City Councilor Sait and City Councilor At Large Link

2. That the Commissioner of Public Works provide to the City Council a full-time equivalent analysis and recommendations for custodial staffing at each Somerville Public School, including distinctions between day versus evening shifts, disparities between school size, usage, and current custodial assignments. [26-0102](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Davis

Recommended to be marked work completed

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3. That the Commissioner of Public Works update this Council on maintenance issues in the East Somerville, Capuano and Edgerly Schools. [26-0107](#)
Sponsors: Councilor McLaughlin, Councilor Strezo and Councilor Mbah
Recommended to be marked work completed
4. That the Commissioner of Public Works provide a written update to this Council and the School Committee on the status of restoring hot water to all areas of the Capuano Early Education Center, including which areas are affected, actions taken, and an estimated timeline for full restoration. [26-0109](#)
Sponsors: Councilor Davis
Recommended to be marked work completed
5. That the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management and the Director of the Office of Sustainability and Environment provide a written report to this Council on updates to measures and practices taken to assess, monitor, maintain, and improve the physical environment in schools. [26-0134](#)
Sponsors: Councilor Sait
Recommended to be marked work completed
6. That the Administration provide the Committee on School Building Facilities and Maintenance with regular updates on the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) process for the Winter Hill and Brown Schools. [26-0241](#)
Sponsors: Councilor Link and Councilor Mbah
Kept in committee
7. Director of Infrastructure & Asset Management conveying the Strategic Asset Management Plan report. [26-0266](#)
Kept in committee
8. Director of Public Space & Urban Forestry conveying information regarding the Kennedy Inclusive Schoolyard renovation. [26-0267](#)
Recommended to be marked work completed

Referenced Documents:

- SBFM - 2026-03-23 Memo (with 26-0102)
- SBFM - 2026-03-23 Attachment (with 26-0134)
- SMFM - 2026-03-23 Attachment (with 26-0241)
- SBFM - 2026-03-23 Memo (with 26-0107, 26-0109)