



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS

CLERK OF COMMITTEES

December 13, 2012

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Sean T. O'Donovan	Chair	Present	
Robert C. Trane	Vice Chair	Present	
John M Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Bruce M. Desmond	Alderman At Large	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Steve MacEachern	Supt., Lines and Lights	Present	
Steve Craig	Director of Constituent Services	Present	
Dan Hadley	Director of Somerstat	Present	
Richard Willette	Director of Operations, DPW	Present	
Omar Boukili	Aide to Mayor	Present	
Ken Bates	Community Service Rep.	Present	
Tim Kelly	Community Service Rep.	Present	
James-Michael Trotta	Service Account Manager	Present	
Eddie Nuzzo	Supt., ISD	Present	

- Noise from Verizon facility

Mr. Nuzzo reported that Verizon will be performing work on the fans at the facility. If the work is successful in reducing the decible level, then the soundproof wall won't need to be installed. The fans will be tested during the 2nd week of January.

- Street light repair contract

The members reviewed the process of how lighting problems are reported and repaired and were informed that some of the outages are the result of underground problems. Siemens is able to make the underground repairs, however a price would have to be agreed upon with the city. The committee asked for a definitive timeline for making the underground repairs and continued to express concern about delays in the reporting process.

193750 - That the Commissioner of Public Works add the double poles at College Hill Avenue, Raymond and North Streets, Conwell Ave (between Curtis and Hillsdale), Chetwynd Road, Curtis Street and 9 Granite Street to his utility company "double pole"

list, and that the Superintendent of Lines and Lights appear at the September 19, 2012 meeting of the Public Utilities and Works Committee.:

Mr. Usovicz from Verizon and Mr. Zamparelli from NSTAR were unable to attend this meeting, however, NSTAR did provide an update for the committee's review. At the present time, there are 38 double poles in the city, with 17 belonging to Verizon. The committee requested that Mr. MacEachern contact Verizon to expedite the removal of these 17 poles. Chairman O'Donovan recused himself from a discussion about an agreement regarding 9 Granite Street.

RESULT:

KEPT IN COMMITTEE