

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE Committee of the Whole

Wednesday - September 16, 2015, 6:00 PM Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the May 21, 2015 Minutes
- **1. 197711: Discuss** (Rossetti) Conveying the recommendations of the Somerville Fields Task Force.
- **2. 198203: Discuss** (Rossetti, Heuston) That the Administration report its Action Plan in response to the recommendation of the Fields Task Force.
- **3. 199713: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Commissioner of Public Works update this Board on the condition of all athletic playing fields, especially Lincoln Park.
- **4. 199791: Discuss** 671 Somerville petitioners communicating their support for keeping natural grass at Lincoln Park, not artificial turf.
- 5. 199792: Discuss Lynn Weismann submitting comments re: grass fields at Lincoln Park.
- **6. 199479: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the Administration update this Board on taking control of Foss Park, Draw 7 Park and the Dilboy Auxiliary Fields from the State.
- **7. 199519: Discuss** (Niedergang, and the Entire Board) That the Mayor pursue negotiations with DCR for control of Foss Park, Draw 7 Park and the Dilboy Auxiliary Fields and share regular updates with this Board.

- **8. 199133: Discuss** (McWatters, Sullivan, Lafuente, Heuston, Niedergang) That the Director of SPCD determine if any of the city's trees have been infected by the Emerald Ash Borer, and report back to this Board with any strategy to save them, possibly by spraying Tree Azin.
- **9. 199714: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Director of Recreation report to this Board on the use of athletic fields by non-Somerville groups, and whether Somerville youth organizations' access is restricted by those outside groups.
- **10. 199561: Discuss** Conveying information about exploring Electricity Community Choice Aggregation for Somerville.
- **11. 199625: Recommend** Requesting authorization to develop a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) plan to aggregate the electricity load of residents and businesses, per MGL c164 s134.
- **12. 199097: Discuss** Submitted by Vertex Companies Inc to install 2 groundwater monitoring wells in the grassy area just north of the Community Bike Path, 180 feet and 250 feet west of Cedar St.
- **13. 199419: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Director of Capital Projects and/or the Director of Sustainability and Environment update this Board and the Ward 5 Alderman regularly on the testing for contamination of groundwater from 154 Cedar Street.
- **14. 199420: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Director of Capital Projects and/or the Director of Sustainability and Environment report to this Board whether contaminated groundwater from underneath 154 Cedar Street may be getting into the pools of standing water beside the Community Path west of Cedar Street.
- **15. 199696: Discuss** (McWatters) That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 3 Alderman on plans for renovating Central Hill Park.
- **16. 199712: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Mayor's Aide and/or the Director of Sustainability and the Environment report to this Board on progress in addressing the litter from Globe Direct circulars, and whether Cambridge's agreement with Globe Direct is being implemented here.