



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

Regular Meeting Agenda

Monday, March 30, 2026

6:00 PM

Virtual

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In keeping with the decisions of the Civil Service Commission, this committee is required to consider candidates for civil service positions solely on the basis of their relative ability, knowledge, and skills. The commission's decisions and basic merit principles outlined in the Personnel Administrations rules prohibit the arbitrary and capricious rejection of a candidate, including for political reasons, and demand a standard of "neutrally applied public policy" as guidance for our review. Committee members are encouraged to adhere to this standard while considering all candidates, regardless of civil service status.

Roll Call

1. Committee Minutes (ID # [26-0261](#)) **Agenda Ready:** Approval of the Minutes of the Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee Meeting of February 2, 2026.
2. Mayor's Request (ID # [26-0322](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting confirmation of the promotion of Ashley Cataao to the position of Police Sergeant.
3. Mayor's Request (ID # [26-0321](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting confirmation of the promotion of Courtney Reece to the position of Police Sergeant.

4. Mayor's Request (ID # [26-0024](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting confirmation of the appointment of James Plotkin as Municipal Hearing Officer.
5. Order (ID # [26-0340](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** By Councilor Davis That this City Council appoints Jessica Smith to the Public Financing of Campaigns Committee.
6. Order (ID # [26-0341](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** By Councilor Davis That this City Council appoints James Leo Bedard to the Ranked Choice Voting Committee.
7. Order (ID # [26-0342](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** By Councilor Davis That this City Council appoints Crystal Huff to the Ranked Choice Voting Committee.

Note: The Committee may meet in Executive Session to review protected personnel information or to discuss matters related to individual candidates pursuant to MGL c30A s21(a)(1).