City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Charter Review Special Committee
Meeting Minutes Dispositions

Tuesday, October 29, 2024	**6:00 PM**	**City Council Chamber and Remote Participation**

Committee of the Whole

This meeting was called to order by Chair Scott at 6:05 pm and adjourned at 7:53 pm on a Roll Call Vote of 9 in favor (Councilors McLaughlin, Davis, Wilson, Sait, Mbah, Burnley, Clingan, Strezo, Scott), 0 opposed, 2 absent (Pineda Neufeld, Ewen-Campen).

Others present: Cindy Amara – City Solicitor; Ed Bean – Finance Director; Anne Gill – HR Director; Neha Singh – Director of Intergovernmental Affairs; Michael Mastrobuoni – Budget Director; Brendan Salisbury – Legislative and Policy Analyst; Kimberly Wells – City Clerk; Marilyn Contreas - Edward J. Collins Center for Public Management; Steve McGoldrick – Edward J. Collins Center for Public Management

Roll Call

Present:	Ward Two City Councilor Jefferson Thomas (J.T.) Scott, City Councilor At Large Jake Wilson, Ward One City Councilor Matthew McLaughlin, Lance L. Davis, Naima Sait, Wilfred N. Mbah, Willie Burnley Jr., Jesse Clingan and Kristen Strezo
Absent:	Ben Ewen-Campen and Judy Pineda Neufeld

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Charter Review Special Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 24, 2023. **23-0843**

   Accepted

Aye:	Ward Two City Councilor Scott, City Councilor At Large Wilson, Ward One City Councilor McLaughlin, Davis, Sait, Mbah, Burnley Jr., Clingan and Strezo
Absent:	Ewen-Campen and Pineda Neufeld

2. That the Administration update this City Council on the status of Charter reform. **24-0061**

   Sponsors: Councilor McLaughlin

   Recommended to be marked work completed

3. Conveying recommendations on Charter reform. **24-1308**

   Kept in committee

Referenced Documents:
- Charter Review - 2024-10-29 Non-Substantive Changes (with 24-1308)
- Charter Review - 2024-10-29 Mayor charter recommendations comparison (with 24-1308)
- Charter Review - 2024-10-29 Legislative and Policy Analyst Recommendations Red Line (with 24-1308)
- Charter Review - 2024-10-29 Memorandum - Legislative and Policy Analyst Recommendations (with 24-1308)