

City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

November 9, 2010, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

OPENING OF THE MEETING

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| 1. | Roll Call | Call of the Roll. |
| 2. | Minutes | Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting,
October 14, 2010. |

CITATIONS

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| 3. | Citation | By Ald. Pero, Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor

Congratulating Firefighters Michael Powers, Patrick Dorant, and Ryan Epps, each awarded the Thomas Chetham Firefighter of the Year Award by American Legion Post 19. |
| 4. | Citation | By Ald. Connolly, O'Donovan, Roche, Desmond, and the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Fire Lieutenant Michael Anzalone and Firefighters Michael Marino, John Beckwith and Robert Galvin for their heroic actions to rescue a motorist from rising waters during the July 10 flood. |
| 5. | Citation | By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Senior Fire Alarm Operator James Swanton and Fire Alarm Operator Kyle Brien for their outstanding professionalism while managing hundreds of emergency calls during the July 10 flood. |
| 6. | Citation | By Ald. Pero, Connolly, O'Donovan, Roche, Desmond, and the Entire Board and the Mayor

Congratulating Police Officer Dante DiFronzo, awarded the Alexander McQuestion Award by American Legion Post 19. |

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

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| 7. | Resolution | By Ald. O'Donovan, and the Entire Board

That this Board dedicates this meeting in memory of Robert A. "Bucky" McWatters, who passed away on November 1st. |
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8. Order By Ald. O'Donovan
That the Commissioner of Public Works take the appropriate measures to ensure that a street light is operational at the corner of Kidder and Josephine Avenues, forthwith.
9. Order By Ald. O'Donovan
That the Director of Traffic and Parking appear before this Board's Committee on Traffic and Parking regarding vehicles exiting from Clyde Street onto Cedar Street.
10. Order By Ald. O'Donovan
That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works to discuss efforts to stop automobiles from turning around in the middle of Boston Avenue at Pritchard Avenue.
11. Order By Ald. O'Donovan
That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works regarding the lack of handicap ramps at the intersection of Highland Road and Kidder Avenue.
12. Order By Ald. O'Donovan
That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works regarding proper signage at the intersection of Hinckley Street and Broadway.
13. Order By Ald. O'Donovan
That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works regarding Parker Place and Conwell Street.
14. Order By Ald. White Jr.
That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety to discuss the impact of the use of brick cross walks, their impact on the handicapped community, the measures in place to ensure that such cross walks comply with all state regulations and whether such cross walks should be used in future road work.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

15. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Thomas Pasquarello to the position of Chief of Police.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

16. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE, NOVEMBER 8, 2010

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| A. | Committee Report | Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, November 8, 2010 |
| B. | Mayor's Communication | Requesting the appointment of Adrian J. Botelho as Constable. |
| C. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of Angela Allen as Purchasing Director. |
| D. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of William Lee to the Position of Deputy Fire Chief. |
| E. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of Dennis Murphy to the Position of District Fire Chief. |
| F. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of Christopher Major to the Position of Fire Captain. |
| G. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of Michael Avery to the Position of Fire Captain. |
| H. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of William Fitzpatrick to the Position of Fire Captain. |
| I. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of Timothy Bakey to the Position of Fire Lieutenant. |
| J. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of Gregory French to the Position of Fire Lieutenant. |
| K. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of David Stiltner to the Position of Fire Lieutenant. |
| L. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of Steven Murras to the Position of Fire Lieutenant. |
| M. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of Mark Matthews to the Position of Fire Lieutenant. |
| N. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of Stephen Belski to the Position of Fire Lieutenant. |
| O. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of Patrick Halloran to the Fire Reserve List. |
| P. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the Appointment of Brian Tilley to the Position of Police Officer. |

- Q. Mayor's Request Requesting the Appointment of Timothy Vannostrand to the Position of Police Officer.
- R. Order By Ald. Taylor
- That the City Solicitor report to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments on the city's residency requirement, as applicable to department heads, and explain the waiver process for those who do not reside in the city.

17. LAND USE COMMITTEE, NOVEMBER 4, 2010

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Land Use, November 4, 2010

18. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE, NOVEMBER 3, 2010

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, November 3, 2010
- B. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of an amendment to Ordinance 9-57 for provisions related to inoperable vehicles, unregistered vehicles, storage of boats, trailers, or recreational vehicles, and associated fines.

19. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE, NOVEMBER 9, 2010

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, November 9, 2010

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

20. Mayor's Request Requesting an amendment to the Local Historic District Map to create 3 new Districts (Thurston-Walnut, Pearl, and 9 Brastow) and add 6 properties to these Districts, and to add 5 properties to existing Districts (Central-Atherton-Spring-Summer (CASS), Florence-Myrtle, Flint, and Prospect Hill) (Group D).
21. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to change the rate of pay for the position of Police Chief from \$165,000 per year to \$185,000 per year.
22. Mayor's Request Requesting the use of \$9,264 in available funds in the Police Dept. Salaries Account to fund the increase in the rate of pay for the Police Chief position from December 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011.

23. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a donation of \$1,275 in labor and equipment from Dagle Electrical Construction Corp., to install Christmas Trees in city squares on November 16, 2010.
24. Mayor's Request Requesting the creation of the Rockwell Restaurant Group Stabilization Fund and acceptance of a mitigation payment to the fund of \$9,015 from the Rockwell Restaurant Group, to purchase a multi-spaced parking meter.
25. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Mary McDonald to the Somerville Housing Authority as the Mayor's Tenant Representative.
26. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Timothy Talun to the Bicycle Advisory Committee.
27. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Kenneth Carlson to the Bicycle Advisory Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

28. Officer's Communication The Director of Personnel, Robert Collins, Matthew Buckley, and the Chief Fire Engineer responding to #190356.
29. Officer's Request Chief Assessor requesting to appear at this Board's next meeting, on November 23, 2010, for a Classification Public Hearing.
30. Officer's Communication Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders.

NEW BUSINESS

31. License/Permit New Drainlayer License, RAP General Contracting.
32. License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Papa John's Pizza, 622 Somerville Ave., operating to 2AM Sun-Thu and to 3AM Fri-Sa.
33. License/Permit New Junk Dealer License, All Checks Cashed Inc., 12 Union Sq., buying gold.

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

34. Resolution By Ald. Desmond, O'Donovan, and the Entire Board
That this Board urges the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission to ban the sale of products combining high levels of caffeine and alcohol, such as "Four Loko", anywhere within the Commonwealth.

35. Order By Ald. Taylor
That the Commissioner of Public Works provide this Board with an update on the city's street sweeping operation, including the current schedule and effectiveness of the program.
36. Order By Ald. Heuston
That the Commissioner of Public Works take appropriate measures to ensure that street lights are operational at 36 and 40 Adrian Street.
37. Order By Ald. Heuston
That the Director of Traffic and Parking appear before this Board's Committee on Traffic and Parking to discuss pedestrian safety and traffic issues on Concord and Newton Streets and remedies to eliminate speeding traffic and unsafe situations for pedestrians and children who attend the Argenziano School.
38. Mayor's Request Requesting payment of a Fiscal Year 2010 Bay Windows invoice for \$83 in the Health Dept.
39. Officer's Communication City Solicitor responding to #189435 re: the review of a Constable appointment.
40. Officer's Communication Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders.
41. Public Communication Sean O'Brien conveying that Andrew Puglia will appear as his representative pursuant to #190356.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk