

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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 12, 2015, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

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OPENING OF THE MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Absent	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call (ID:11168) Call of the Roll.

<p>The Board dedicated this meeting to the memory of former Aldermen Thomas Taylor. The President announced that on April 26, from 4-8 pm, there will be a tribute to Tom's life held at the City Club.</p> <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</p>

2. Minutes (ID:11169) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 12, 2015.

<p>RESULT: APPROVED</p>

CITATIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 3. Grant of Location 198563 (ID:11170) Submitted by NStar Electric for 129 feet of conduit in Tufts Street and the relocation of Pole 340/1 80 feet to the northwest.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED
- 4. Grant of Location 198564 (ID:11171) Submitted by NStar Electric for 5 feet of conduit in Medford Street from Pole 228/2 to a point of pickup at 9 Medford Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED
- 5. Grant of Location 198565 (ID:11172) Submitted by NStar Electric for 54 feet of conduit in Beech Street from Pole 281/1 to a point of pickup at 10 Beech Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED
- 6. Grant of Location 198566 (ID:11173) Submitted by NStar Electric for 7 feet of conduit in North Street from Pole 190/2 to a point of pickup at 11 North Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED
- 7. Grant of Location 198567 (ID:11174) Submitted by NStar Electric for 4 feet of conduit in Medford Street from Pole 228/3 to a point of pickup 17 feet northeast of Warren Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED
- 8. Grant of Location 198568 (ID:11175) Submitted by NStar Electric for 26 feet of conduit in Thorndike Street from Pole 333/5 to a point of pickup near the bike path.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

9. Resolution 198569 (ID:11140) By Ald. Niedergang, White Jr., Ballantyne, McLaughlin, Heuston, Sullivan, McWatters, Rossetti Urging that Union Square's D2 and D3 blocks adjacent to the planned T station be developed primarily as commercial office and lab space.

Alderman Heuston discussed the possibility of commercial development taking place in Union Square, saying the Board is responsible for the direction the square takes, and it needs to stay on the path that was intended for that area. She suggested the City be aggressive and move forward with commercial development. Alderman McWatters expressed his support for commercial development, jobs and housing, and said constituents feel the City is not living up to the expectations originally set in SomerVision. Alderman Niedergang said he met with US2, and they had not made all of their plans public yet. They're focused on D2 and D3 at this moment, per the City's request. He suggested slowing the plans down a bit, and coming up with a master plan. Alderman White referenced a 1998 study in Assembly Square that resulted in big boxes first, followed by office buildings later. He added that Somerville's population is made up of 43% millennials, which should be used to bring commercial development to the area. Alderman Rossetti spoke about families that are worried about the future, and the need to have commercial development in the area, to grow the commercial tax base. Alderman Ballantyne stated the priority is commercial development. She also spoke about the affordable housing gains already achieved.

RESULT: APPROVED

10. Order 198570 (ID:11144) By Ald. Niedergang That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board and the School Committee about enforcing parking regulations during street cleaning near schools in the morning between 8 and 8:30 AM.

Alderman Niedergang spoke about parents being ticketed while dropping off their children, and requested a change in street sweeping regulations to allow those drop-offs.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

11. Order 198571 (ID:11145) By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin That the Director of Recreation report to this Board on the playing fields for youth sports activities and efforts to develop new fields.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Youth Services Committee

12. Resolution 198572 (ID:11146) By Ald. Niedergang That the Mayor report to this Board on new main branch of the Public Library in Union Square.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

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| 13. Order
198573
(ID:11148) | By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Highland Avenue at Crocker Street, Belmont Street and Benton Road. |
| RESULT: APPROVED | |
| 14. Order
198574
(ID:11141) | By Ald. McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at the corner of Greenville and Munroe Streets. |
| RESULT: APPROVED | |
| 15. Order
198575
(ID:11142) | By Ald. McWatters
That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility company regarding low hanging wires at the corner of Columbus and Bonner Avenues. |
| RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee | |
| 16. Order
198576
(ID:11143) | By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.
That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 3 Alderman on any plans to renovate Central Hill Park. |
| RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee | |
| 17. Order
198577
(ID:11149) | By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr.
That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange for the Pothole Patrol on the major roadways and cross streets. |
| RESULT: APPROVED | |
| 18. Order
198578
(ID:11150) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes on Inner Belt Road. |
| RESULT: APPROVED | |
| 19. Order
198579
(ID:11151) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the Rent a Center store on Broadway for trash and other violations. |
| RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee | |

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20. Order 198580 (ID:11152) By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti
That the Chief of Police and the Chief Fire Engineer explain public safety efforts in Assembly Square.
- Alderman McLaughlin expressed the need to have Police and Fire crews available in the area. He also spoke about Avalon Bay apartments and recent fires in other buildings they've built. President White referenced a study on constructing a Police Station in the area.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee
21. Order 198581 (ID:11153) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the old Chuckie Harris Park and place a trash barrel at the location.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
22. Order 198582 (ID:11154) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect Walnut Street between Medford and Pearl Streets for possible chemical spills.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee
23. Order 198583 (ID:11155) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Veterans Services appear before this Board to discuss previous Board orders.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
FOLLOWUP: Veterans and Public Services Committee
24. Order 198584 (ID:11156) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD plan a walkway between East Somerville and Assembly Square in conjunction with Federal Realty and Criterion Development.
- RESULT: APPROVED**
FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee
25. Order 198585 (ID:11157) By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a new WALK sign on Broadway at the East Somerville Library.
- RESULT: APPROVED**

26. Order 198586 (ID:11158) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of SPCD update this Board on renovating and taking control of Foss Park.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Youth Services Committee

27. Order 198587 (ID:11159) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD (ISD) report back to the Ward 7 Alderman, every 2 weeks until May 1, with a car count on Alewife Automotive's lot, located at 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy.

RESULT: APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

28. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198588 (ID:11163) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on March 4, 2015.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting.
RESULT: APPROVED

- B. Mayor's Request 198476 (ID:11060) Requesting the appointment of Mark Sternman to the Historical Preservation Commission.

RESULT: APPROVED

- C. Mayor's Request 198477 (ID:11061) Requesting the appointment of Todd Zinn to the Historical Preservation Commission.

RESULT: APPROVED

- D. Mayor's Request 198478 (ID:11066) Requesting the appointment of Heather Davies as an Alternate Member of the Historical Preservation Commission.

RESULT: APPROVED

- E. Mayor's Request 198548 (ID:11111) Requesting the reappointment of Alyssa Rosen Saunders to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

RESULT: APPROVED

- F. Mayor's Request 198549 (ID:11112) Requesting the appointment of Matt Miller to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

RESULT: APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 198550 (ID:11113) Requesting the appointment of Vanessa Boukili to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change
RESULT: APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 198551 (ID:11114) Requesting the appointment of Spencer Lawrence to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.
RESULT: APPROVED

29. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198589 (ID:11162) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on March 4, 2015.
 Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about grants that were accepted by the City.
RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED
AMENDED: #197339 was referred back to the Committee on Finance.

B. Mayor's Request 196288 (ID:8799) Requesting the transfer of a parcel of land at 163 Glen Street to the Redevelopment Authority for neighborhood development.
RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

C. Mayor's Request 197339 (ID:9872) Requesting that the City-owned portion of 163 Glen Street be declared available for disposition.
 Mr. Glavin requested approval, as part of a sustainable neighborhood initiative. Alderman McLaughlin questioned if the project will exclude the possibility of open space. President White stated final approval will rest with the Board. Mr. Glavin explained that issuing an RFP for housing starts the process. Alderman Rossetti asked that RFP's go out for both housing and open space, to see the different ideas proposed. After further discussion, she moved that the item be returned to committee.
RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

D. Order 197349 (ID:9899) By Ald. White Jr. That the Commissioner of Public Works provide this Board with the invoices for electric light poles as they are purchased in FY15.
RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Mayor's Communication 197611 (ID:10018) Communicating information regarding the needed relocation of the Public Safety Building.
RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 197850 (ID:10417) By Ald. Niedergang That the Director of Finance and/or the City Treasurer report to this Board on what categories of grants, gifts, payments, donations, etc. and by what type of entities need to be formally accepted by a vote of this Board and which do not require official acceptance.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 197881 (ID:10444) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Chief Assessor report the addresses of all commercial properties that have decreased in land or building value.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 197922 (ID:10486) By Ald. Heuston That the Director of SPCD provide administrative support and funding for a Main Streets initiative for the Beacon Street corridor.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Resolution 197988 (ID:10630) By Ald. Ballantyne That the Administration work with this Board to reschedule the community meetings currently set for November 19 and 20.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Resolution 197989 (ID:10632) By Ald. Heuston That the Administration hold off from advertising the proposed community meetings on #196116, re: commercial and residential property tax valuations, and immediately direct the Communication Department to cease advertising as well.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Order 197990 (ID:10635) By Ald. White Jr. That the Director of Finance create a database to track developers' contributions to stabilization funds and how those funds are utilized.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

L. Mayor's Request 198522 (ID:11074) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$400,000 from the EPA for SPCD's use in assessing brownfields sites throughout the city.

RESULT: APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 198523 (ID:10995) Requesting the acceptance of a \$17,924 grant from the DPH First Responder Naloxone (Narcan) Grant Program for the Police Dept.

RESULT: APPROVED

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| N. | Mayor's Request
198545
(ID:11005) | Requesting a contract extension for CDR Maguire through May 29, 2015, for engineering services for the East Somerville Community School. | RESULT: APPROVED |
| O. | Mayor's Request
198547
(ID:10982) | Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$64,423 from the MA Office of Public Safety and Security for police staffing for the Police Dept. | RESULT: APPROVED |
| P. | Mayor's Communication
198552
(ID:11127) | Conveying information about the construction of the Gilman Square Green Line station. | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |

30. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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| A. | Committee Report
198590
(ID:11160) | Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on March 3, 2015. | Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting, which included a presentation of CitizenServe permitting software. He also gave an update on job training programs, sustainable housing initiatives, and a master plan being created for establishments such as Tufts.
RESULT: APPROVED |
| B. | Order
196285
(ID:8815) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) provide this Board with an update on improvements and developments in the Inspectional Services Division, including data on new hires over the past six months. | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| C. | Order
196287
(ID:8817) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD, the Planning Director, and the Housing Director appear before this Board for an update on raising the inclusionary housing ordinance to promote development of more affordable housing. | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| D. | Order
196370
(ID:8901) | By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD and the City Solicitor submit to this Board a proposal to impose institutional master plans. | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |

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| E. | Order
197884
(ID:10448) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking report to this Board, before the Community Path extension is completed in November, on plans to protect pedestrians and cyclists from speeding motorists when Path users come up onto Lowell Street at the Lowell Street bridge. |
| | | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| F. | Resolution
197887
(ID:10451) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Administration update this Board on the status of the Jobs Linkage Fee Home Rule Petition at the statehouse, and the implementation of a Job Creation and Retention Trust Fund, and share their strategy for moving it forward. |
| | | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| G. | Order
198089
(ID:10654) | By Ald. Lafuente
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) appear before this Board to discuss morale issues at the Building Dept. |
| | | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| H. | Order
198090
(ID:10655) | By Ald. Lafuente
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) appear before this Board to explain the new process of obtaining permits and why it takes so long to obtain one, even on simple projects. |
| | | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| I. | Order
198094
(ID:10659) | By Ald. Lafuente
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) appear before this Board to explain why inspectors are asking to take pictures during inspections inside people's homes. |
| | | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| J. | Officer's
Communication
198174
(ID:10734) | SPCD Director responding to #196437 re: local hiring and workforce development initiatives. |
| | | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| K. | Order
198180
(ID:10746) | By Ald. Lafuente
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) explain to this Board why permits for solar panels have been placed on hold by the Inspectional Services Department. |
| | | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |
| L. | Order
198206
(ID:10785) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) demonstrate to this Board the CitizenServe software that is being used for the permitting process. |
| | | RESULT: WORK COMPLETED |

31. LAND USE COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198591 (ID:11164) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole in Joint Session with the Planning Board, on March 5, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He discussed one public hearing that took place regarding a zoning change, and stated constituent concerns regarding this change. Alderman Rossetti spoke about a mailing from Zone Smart Somerville, sent out by an individual, about concerns relating to the zoning proposal. She wanted to note that it was not a communication from the Board.

RESULT: APPROVED

- B. Public Communication 197941 (ID:10490) Thirteen registered voters submitting a Zoning Ordinance amendment to prohibit the damage or destruction of any shade or fruit tree during the conversion of a single-family or two-family dwelling.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

32. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198592 (ID:11165) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on March 9, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She discussed the time frame and enforcement for shoveling snow from sidewalks, along with the City's policies with parking during snow storms.

RESULT: APPROVED

33. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 198593 (ID:11161) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on March 3, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

- B. Resolution 196760 (ID:9293) By Ald. Heuston, Niedergang, Ballantyne That the Administration create a process to evaluate public events for financial impacts on city resources, and use it for all public event applications.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- C. License/Permit 197845 (ID:10398) New Extended Operating Hours License, Hess, 709 McGrath, operating 24/7.

RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

CONDITION: The licenseholder must regularly clean the property.

D. Order 197964 (ID:10561)	By Ald. Heuston That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inventory all businesses on Columbia Street to determine proper licensing and adherence to licensing requirements, and report his findings to the Ward 2 Alderman.
RESULT: WORK COMPLETED	
E. Grant of Location 198433 (ID:11009)	Submitted by Crown Castle to install 350 feet of fiber optic cable in new conduit from Pole 211/6 at Line Street along Smith Avenue to a point of pickup on the southeast side of Beacon Street near Smith Avenue.
RESULT: APPROVED	
F. Grant of Location 198434 (ID:11010)	Submitted by Crown Castle to install 1,533 feet of fiber optic cable in new conduit from Pole 142/29 at Kent Street proceeding northwest to Prentiss Street, then along Prentiss Street to Pole 161/2.
RESULT: APPROVED	
G. Grant of Location 198435 (ID:11011)	Submitted by Crown Castle to install optical repeater equipment, a pole-top antenna, and fiber optic cable from existing facilities to an existing wood utility pole at 181-183 Tremont Street.
RESULT: APPROVED	
H. Grant of Location 198436 (ID:11012)	Submitted by Crown Castle to install optical repeater equipment, a pole-top antenna, and fiber optic cable from existing facilities to an existing wood utility pole at 281 Beacon Street.
RESULT: APPROVED	
I. Grant of Location 198437 (ID:11013)	Submitted by Crown Castle to install optical repeater equipment, a pole-top antenna, and fiber optic cable from existing facilities to an existing wood utility pole at the corner of Beacon and Park Streets.
RESULT: APPROVED	
J. License/Permit 198453 (ID:11008)	Public Event Permit, Somerville Birdhouse Project, Union Square, Apr 25, 8:30AM-5PM (raindate May 2).
RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS CONDITION: That the Arts Council monitor the area for cleanliness.	
K. License/Permit 198457 (ID:11040)	New Garage License, Top Car Auto Repair, 497 Columbia St., 8 autos inside, 2 outside.
RESULT: APPROVED	

- L. License/Permit 198534 (ID:11107) New Used Car Dealer Class 2 License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy., 0 autos in, 18 autos out.

RESULT: **APPROVED AS AMENDED**
AMENDED: 1. The Used Car Dealer license was approved for 1 vehicle.
 2. The Garage license was reduced by 1 vehicle (to 28 vehicles, down from 29).
 3. No vehicles are to be sold at 395 Alewife Brook Parkway.

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

34. Mayor's Request 198594 (ID:11003) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totalling \$9,688.26 with FY15 funds in the Dept. of Public Works.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 34 and 35 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

35. Mayor's Request 198595 (ID:11120) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$460,000 from the MA Cultural Facilities Fund for the Arts Council's ARTFarm development.

RESULT: **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

36. Mayor's Request 198596 (ID:11166) Requesting the appointment of Katherine Fichter to the Redevelopment Authority.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 36 through 40 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

37. Mayor's Request 198597 (ID:11167) Requesting the appointment of Josh Safdie as a full member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

RESULT: **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

38. Mayor's Request 198598 (ID:11137) Requesting the re-appointment of Adrian Botelho as Constable.

RESULT: **REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

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| 39. | Mayor's Request
198599
(ID:11138) | Requesting the re-appointment of Nathaniel Greene as Constable. |
| | | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee |
| 40. | Mayor's Request
198600
(ID:11139) | Requesting the re-appointment of Robert Lomanno as Constable. |
| | | RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee |

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

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| 41. | Officer's Communication
198601
(ID:11185) | Retirement Board notifying this Board of its intention to vote at a regular meeting on a Cost of Living Adjustment for eligible retirees for 2015. |
| | | Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 41 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee |
| 42. | Officer's Communication
198602
(ID:11131) | DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/12/15. |
| | | Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 42 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: PLACED ON FILE
FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee |
| 43. | Officer's Communication
198603
(ID:11134) | Traffic and Parking Director responding to #198511 re: speed signs at the Lowell St. Bridge. |
| | | Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 43 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: PLACED ON FILE |

NEW BUSINESS

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| 44. | License/Permit
198604
(ID:11176) | Public Event Permit, Shape Up Somerville 5K Road Race, City Hall and area streets, Apr 19, 8AM-1PM. |
| | | Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 44 through 51, approve items 44 through 50, and refer item 51 to the Committee on Licenses and Permits. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: APPROVED |
| 45. | License/Permit
198605
(ID:11177) | Public Event Permit, Tufts U Tuftonias Day, Tufts Campus, Apr 24, 7AM-11:30PM (raindate Apr 26). |
| | | RESULT: APPROVED |

46.	License/Permit 198606 (ID:11178)	Public Event Permit, Kids4Peace Walk 4 Peace, Cambridge to Park St to Central St to Temple B'nai Brith, Apr 26, 1-5PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
47.	License/Permit 198607 (ID:11183)	Public Event Permit, Somerville Open Studios Info Booths, Davis Sq and Union Sq, May 2-3, 11AM-6:30PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
48.	License/Permit 198608 (ID:11179)	Public Event Permit, Food Truck Festivals of New England - SomerstrEATS, Powderhouse Park, Tuesdays Jun 2-Aug 25, 4:30-8:30PM.	RESULT: APPROVED
49.	License/Permit 198609 (ID:11181)	Public Event Permit, Maiden Phoenix Theatre Company Winter's Tale production, Powderhouse Park, Rehearsals Aug 9-13, shows Aug 14-16, 21-23, 28-30, afternoons and evenings.	RESULT: APPROVED
50.	License/Permit 198610 (ID:11182)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Mike's Restaurant, 8 Davis Sq.	RESULT: APPROVED
51.	License/Permit 198611 (ID:11186)	New Livery License, Jean Adrien, 121 Temple St., 1 vehicle.	RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
52.	Public Communication 198612 (ID:11132)	Mary Mangan submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance. Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 52 through 54, place them on file, and forward them to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.	RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee
53.	Public Communication 198613 (ID:11133)	Brendan Kearney submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.	RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee
54.	Public Communication 198614 (ID:11135)	Leonard Tower submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.	RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

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| 55. | Mayor's Request 198615 (ID:11184) | <p>Requesting the appropriation of \$258,669 in unused bond funds to renovate the Kennedy School Playground.</p> <p>Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 55 through 69 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |
| 56. | Mayor's Request 198616 (ID:11192) | <p>Requesting to appropriate \$500,000 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of Prospect Hill Tower per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |
| 57. | Mayor's Request 198617 (ID:11200) | <p>Requesting to appropriate \$450,945 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitation of Temple B'nai Brith per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |
| 58. | Mayor's Request 198618 (ID:11199) | <p>Requesting to appropriate \$243,000 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the rehabilitation of the historic windows at the Mystic Water Works per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |
| 59. | Mayor's Request 198619 (ID:11196) | <p>Requesting to appropriate \$200,000 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve and Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for design services for the rehabilitation of City Hall per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |
| 60. | Mayor's Request 198620 (ID:11193) | <p>Requesting to appropriate \$168,161 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of the Somerville Museum and the preservation of its collections per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.</p> <p>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee</p> |

61. Mayor's Request 198621 (ID:11203) Requesting to appropriate \$85,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for design services for the rehabilitation of Prospect Hill Park per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

62. Mayor's Request 198622 (ID:11201) Requesting to appropriate \$52,090 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the design of the rehabilitation of the Community Growing Center per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

63. Mayor's Request 198623 (ID:11195) Requesting to appropriate \$48,360 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of Milk Row Cemetery per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

64. Mayor's Request 198624 (ID:11204) Requesting to appropriate \$45,373 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the rehabilitation of eight school garden classrooms per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

65. Mayor's Request 198625 (ID:11202) Requesting to appropriate \$45,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the Healey School to Mystic project per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

66. Mayor's Request 198626 (ID:11198) Requesting to appropriate \$44,982 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitation of the stained glassed window at First Congregational Church of Somerville UCC per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

67. Mayor's Request 198627 (ID:11197) Requesting to appropriate \$43,000 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance to preserve a portion of the City's permanent archives collections per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

68. Mayor's Request 198628 (ID:11194) Requesting to appropriate \$7,500 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the preservation of the American Tube Works Complex through National Register of Historic Places Nomination per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

69. Mayor's Request 198629 (ID:11136) Requesting an appropriation of \$100,575 from the Capital Stabilization Fund, to allow the Public Works Dept. to purchase trash and recycling barrels as well as benches.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

70. Public Communication 198630 (ID:11187) Clint Richmond submitting comments re: the plastic bag ban.
 Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 70 and refer it to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

LATE ITEMS

71. Order 198631 (ID:11206) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sink hole at Pennsylvania Avenue and Wisconsin Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

72. Order 198632 (ID:11207) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the MBTA to repair the broken bus sign at Mt. Vernon Street and Broadway.

RESULT: APPROVED

73. Order 198633 (ID:11208) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol on Otis Street for parking violations Monday thru Friday, 5-8 PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

74. Mayor's Request 198634 (ID:11190) Requesting approval of the attached 2015 local election calendar.
 Alderman Niedergang pointed out a possible conflict with the preliminary election and Yom Kippur both falling on September 22.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

75. Officer's Request 198635 (ID:11212) City Solicitor requesting to appear before this Board in Executive Session to discuss a pending settlement.

The Board convened in Executive Session. Following the session, President White reported that one vote was taken, to approve the settlement.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne

ABSENT: Lafuente, Gewirtz

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:35 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.