



## CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

### PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Wednesday - December 10, 2014, 7:00 PM

Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

### AGENDA

#### **Approval of the Minutes of November 03, 2014**

#### **Approval of the Minutes of November 19, 2014**

- **198104: Discuss** That the Chief Fire Engineer appear at this Board's December 10 Public Health and Safety Committee meeting to report on the Fire Department this past year and the forecast for 2015, preferably in writing.
- **197997: Discuss** That the Clerk of Committees invite representatives from MassPort and the FAA to attend a future meeting to discuss air traffic noise over Somerville.
- **195509: Discuss** That the Administration provide an update on air traffic noise over Somerville and continuing efforts to reduce this noise.
- **195082: Discuss** That the City's Disability Coordinator appear before the Committee on Public Health and Safety to update the Committee on pending claims on accessibility issues and the status of plans to improve access to City buildings and sidewalks, including the East and West Branch Libraries.
- **197886: Discuss** That the Chief of Police and representatives of the Administration report to this Board on the safety of neighbors of the Vinfen group home at 155 Central Street, and on discussions with Vinfen, DMH, and Somerville's state legislative delegation.
- **192737: Discuss** That this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety arrange for representatives of Riverside Community Care aka Somerville Mental Health Association, to appear before the Committee to explain where the programs are and how the City can assist them.

- **194408: Discuss** That this Board requests that representatives of the Community Assessment of Freeway Exposure and Health study and SPCD's Housing Division appear before the Committee on Public Health and Safety to discuss the recent \$675,000 grant from the Kresge Foundation to address health risks to residents from I-93.
- **194939: Discuss** That this Board requests that the Cambridge Health Alliance cease, or shelve, its proposed consolidation plan until they convene stakeholders to discuss how best to meet the challenges of an ever changing health care landscape, while meeting the needs of our community.
- **195671: Discuss** That the Director of the Women's Commission appear at a future Public Health and Safety Committee meeting to update this Board on the city's domestic violence prevention efforts.
- **196432: Discuss** That the Middlesex County District Attorney update the City on the investigation into the murder of Deanna Cremin, on this, the 19th anniversary of her death.
- **196787: Discuss** That the Director of Public Health and Commissioner of Public Works install a sign on the island at Bow Street and Somerville Avenue prohibiting feeding the birds, and that the Director of Public Health distribute a flyer around the neighborhood explaining why birds may not be fed, and that the Police, Animal Control, ISD, and DPW enforce Ordinance 3-3 at this island.
- **197713: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the property at the corner of Broadway and McGrath Highway (formerly a gas station), and issue fines where appropriate.
- **197960: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD (ISD) investigate 50 Tufts Street for possible ordinance violations.
- **197962: Discuss** That the Administration and NSTAR provide this Board with an update regarding the numerous blackouts in East Somerville and the surrounding neighborhoods.
- **197969: Discuss** That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light at the corner of Prospect Street and Somerville Avenue.
- **198097: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD update this Board on its public education campaign concerning appropriate bicycling in central business districts.
- **198099: Discuss** That the Chief Fire Engineer explain the emergency procedures associated with gaining access to residents at Housing Authority buildings.