



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Committee of the Whole

Wednesday - June 23, 2021, 6:00 PM
Virtual

AGENDA

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting of a City Council Committee will be conducted via remote participation. We will post an audio recording, audio-video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of these proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting on the City of Somerville website and local cable access government channels.

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1. Review of FY-22 Budget

Cuts, Questions, Year-end Transfers, Appropriations to Reserves

Unfinished Business

- 2. (ID # 24992): Recommend** (Rossetti) – That the administration strike the language “related to ongoing/exiting litigation” from the 3rd paragraph of the Ordinary Maintenance Changes narrative on the City Council page in the FY-22 Budget book.
- 3. (ID # 24993): Recommend** (Scott) – That the mayor allocate appropriate funds for hardware to administrate hybrid meetings and also provide funding for the City Council or Clerks of Committees budget for support staff.
- 4. (ID # 24994): Recommend** (Scott) – That the mayor set aside an additional \$300,000 in a segregated fund to be available for Racial and Social Justice appropriations mid-year.
- 5. (ID # 24995): Recommend** (Scott) – That the mayor appropriate \$80,000 for a community engagement specialist for the City Council and for committee meetings.
- 6. (ID # 24996): Recommend** (Scott) – That the mayor create 2 fully funded new positions

(one Review Planner and one Violation Inspector for existing infrastructure) within ISD, requiring hires to have demonstrable experience and knowledge on ADA compliance matters.

7. **(ID # 24997): Recommend** (Scott) – That the administration provide for the creation of a position starting July 1, 2021 for a clerk to assist with the planned superannuation of an employee and ensure a fully staffed department, in the amount of \$90,000 for FY22.
8. **(ID # 24998): Recommend** (Scott) – That the administration provide for the creation of a position starting October 1, 2021 for an administrative clerk to assist with ARPA and fund tracking documentation, in the amount of \$50,000 for FY22.
9. **(ID # 24999): Recommend** (Scott) – That the administration devote roughly \$100,000 in personal services to support the position requests of an additional projector manager and the fractional support from the general fund budget for administrative support for IAM.
10. **(ID # 25000): Recommend** (Scott) – That the administration devote \$1.5 million as requested for the building reconstruction (line 582002) and improvement (line 582003) in Capital Projects.
11. **(ID # 25001): Recommend** (Scott) – Councilor Scott moved that the administration devote \$500,000 for street repairs (line 588002) in Engineering.
12. **(ID # 25002): Recommend** (Scott) – That the administration add \$100,000 to Engineering Personal Services to fund an engineering position for implementation of short-term ADA compliant designs for street and building improvements working in collaboration with DPW.
13. **(ID # 25017): Recommend** (Mbah) – That the Police Department Overtime line (513000) be reduced by \$500,000.
14. **(ID # 25023): Recommend** (Rossetti) – That the Administration reconsider its proposed budget by incorporating 10% of ARPA funds towards the FY-22 Budget, given the increase in Water and Sewer rates, Real Estate Taxes, and the High School debt exclusion, coupled with a 9% increase in the proposed FY-22 Budget.
15. **(ID # 25058): Recommend** (Scott) – That the administration reconsider its position to decline to bid on the Veterans Memorial Rink RFP and to place the Founders Rink management out to bid for an RFP.