

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Monday - June 1, 2015, 5:30 PM Brady Towers

AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the October 16, 2013 Minutes
- 2. Approval of the October 17, 2013 Minutes
- 3. Approval of the October 21, 2013 Minutes
- 4. Approval of the October 22, 2013 Minutes
- 5. Approval of the October 23, 2013 Minutes
- 6. Approval of the October 28, 2013 Minutes
- 7. 190220: Discuss in Committee (Connolly) That this Board requests that the Traffic Commission consider re-instating the policy of providing free resident parking stickers for residents 60 years old and older.
- 8. 190693: Discuss in Committee (Roche, Sullivan) That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that the two street lights on Skilton Avenue, along the tracks closest to 240 Pearl Street, are continually illuminated, and that the Chief of Police monitor the area on a regular basis, from dusk to dawn, for individuals gathered there.

- **9. 190885: Discuss in Committee** (Gewirtz) That this Board supports the Mayor in conducting a thorough investigation of the allegations pertaining to the Council on Aging, and urges that the findings of this investigation be reported to the Senior Services Committee.
- 10. 190905: Discuss in Committee (Taylor, Sullivan) That the Chief of Police coordinate with the Housing Authority Police to enforce "Resident & Visitor Only" parking at 114 Highland Avenue, 252 Medford Street and 13 Warren Avenue.
- **11. 191363: Discuss in Committee** (Taylor) That this Board requests that the Administration investigate establishing a Seasonal Senior Clean Up Program in specific areas, for not more than 19 hours per week, to provide a stipend in conjunction with the Senior Tax Write-Off Program.
- **12. 192149: Discuss in Committee** (Trane, and the Entire Board) That this Board stands opposed to the proposed increase in the Medicare eligibility age currently being debated in Congress.
- **13. 192159: Discuss in Committee** (Roche, White Jr., Sullivan) That the Director of the Council on Aging update the Senior Services Committee of any personnel changes, programming changes and number of regular attendee changes for each senior center.
- 14. 192281: Discuss in Committee (Sullivan, White Jr., Connolly, Desmond, Taylor, Heuston)

 That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the city's Traffic Engineer appear before this Board's Committee on Senior Services to address pedestrian safety concerns in Union Square.
- **15. 192403: Discuss in Committee** (Connolly, Taylor, Desmond, Sullivan, White Jr.) That the Water Superintendent review the water bills of the Somerville Home on Summer Street for accuracy, advise of water conservation measures, and review its eligibility for reimbursable state or federal funds.
- 16. 192550: Discuss in Committee (O'Donovan, Gewirtz) That this Board's Committee on Senior Services and the city's Communications Dept. caution residents, especially senior citizens, to beware of ads sent to them by private vendors about water line insurance, and that the Law Dept. determine the legitimacy of these offers.
- **17. 192564: Discuss in Committee** (Trane) That the Director of Traffic and Parking report back to the Committee on Senior Services whether Parking Control Officers can issue

tickets to truck operators who keep their vehicles idling.

- **18. 194842: Discuss in Committee** (Taylor) That the Director of Traffic and Parking lengthen the pedestrian WALK signal in Union Square beginning at the corner of Warren Avenue/Bow Street and continuing to Somerville Avenue.
- **19. 195685: Discuss in Committee** (White Jr.) That the Traffic Commission examine the traffic pattern on Franklin Street and Broadway and report its findings to the this Board's Committee on Senior Services.
- **20. 195760: Discuss in Committee** (Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) enforce the restriction against allowing dogs in the park beside 252 Pearl Street and report back to the Committee on Senior Services.
- **21. 198440: Discuss** (McLaughlin, and the Entire Board) That this Board supports the Don't Leave Seniors Behind Healthcare Campaign of the MA Senior Action Council.
- 22. 198504: Discuss (Niedergang) That the Directors of Constituent Services and the Council on Aging work with the Mayor's Office to develop a more robust program for low-cost shoveling for low-income seniors and people with disabilities who can't shovel or pay market rates.
- **23. 199248: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the Director of the Council on Aging consider providing transportation to local supermarkets for seniors at Cobble Hill until construction of a new corner store is complete.
- **24. 196052: Discuss in Committee** Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting a response to #195685 re: the intersection of Franklin Street and Broadway.
- **25. 192685: Discuss in Committee** Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders.
- **26. 192611: Discuss in Committee** Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders.
- **27. 192327: Discuss in Committee** Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders.
- 28. 195028: Discuss in Committee Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board

Orders.