

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

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

January 25, 2018, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 PM by Ward Seven Alderman Katjana Ballantyne

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Stephanie Hirsch	Alderman At Large	Present	
Wilfred N. Mbah	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Jefferson Thomas ("J.T.") Scott	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Ben Ewen-Campen	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Jesse Clingan	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 204961 (ID:17782) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Rossetti and the entire Board sponsored a moment of silence for Barbara Koty. Alderman Niedergang and Alderman White sponsored a moment of silence for Gerry Fleming. <b>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</b>
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2. Minutes 204962 (ID:17783) Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting, December 12, 2017, and the Regular Meeting, December 14, 2017.

<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
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**CITATIONS**

3. Citation 204963 (ID:17781) By Ald. Rossetti, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Patrick Sullivan III, Chief Fire Engineer and Fire Fighter for 32 years, on the auspicious occasion of his retirement.

Alderman Rossetti presented a Citation commending Chief Patrick Sullivan, III for his 32 years of Service.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

4. Citation 204964 (ID:17757) By Ald. Niedergang, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Lea Ruscio for her tireless leadership as Executive Director of the Center for Arts at the Armory.

Alderman Niedergang introduced Robert Smythe, who read a poem, and Joe Lynch, who made a statement, honoring Lea Ruscio for her incredible efforts to make the Armory a thriving cultural destination.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

5. Order 204965 (ID:17709) By Ald. Mbah, Ballantyne, Rossetti, White Jr., Hirsch That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk at Woods Avenue and Route 16.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

6. Resolution 204966 (ID:17710) By Ald. Mbah That the Administration consider including an anaerobic digester at the new High School.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

7. Order 204967 (ID:17711) By Ald. Mbah That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with the street repaving schedule for 2018.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

8. Order  
204968  
(ID:17712)
- By Ald. Mbah  
That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with a list of all city owned parcels, indicating any brownfields, and any plans to remediate those sites and use them for housing.

Alderman Mbah would like a list of city-owned brownfields and their future plans.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

9. Order  
204969  
(ID:17733)
- By Ald. Mbah, McLaughlin  
That the Director of SPCD explain why the process of applying for affordable housing hasn't been consolidated into a single, universal, persistent application, lottery, and wait list.

Alderman Mbah feels the affordable housing application process needs to be streamlined. Alderman Niedergang and Alderman McLaughlin agree that this is very important for applicants.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

10. Resolution  
204970  
(ID:17734)
- By Ald. Mbah  
That the Administration consider installing solar panels on municipal buildings, and providing incentives for property owners to install their own solar panels.

Alderman Mbah feels that this would be a good way to lead by example. Alderman Rossetti stated that last year the City took this on and had multiple meetings with the community and someone they had partnered with from the state, and there was an incentive program encouraging residents to put solar panels on their roofs. There have been discussions with this Board regarding our zoning code which will be looked at again with the proposed zoning overhaul.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

11. Order  
204971  
(ID:17735)
- By Ald. Clingan  
That the Commissioner of Public Works treat the Winter Hill business district between School and Marshall Streets the same as other city squares when it comes to snow removal.

Alderman Clingan has heard a lot of constituents complain that their neighborhood is being neglected and he would like this square to be placed on the priority list for snow removal.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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| <p>12. Order<br/>204972<br/>(ID:17736)</p>   | <p>By Ald. Clingan<br/>That the Director of Traffic and Parking remove the leftover sign stump on Sycamore Street, at the corner of Evergreen Avenue.</p>  |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Traffic and Parking Committee</p>  |  |
| <p>13. Order<br/>204973<br/>(ID:17737)</p>   | <p>By Ald. Clingan<br/>That the Chief of Police enforce the speed limit on Jacques Street, especially towards the corner of Edgar Avenue, during the morning commute.</p>  |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |  |
| <p>14. Order<br/>204974<br/>(ID:17738)</p>   | <p>By Ald. Clingan<br/>That the Commissioner of Public Works request the USPS to remove or replace the damaged relay mailbox at the corner of Moreland and East Albion Streets.</p>  |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |  |
| <p>15. Order<br/>204975<br/>(ID:17753)</p>   | <p>By Ald. Ewen-Campen<br/>That the City Solicitor provide an opinion on whether this Board can require landlords to distribute voter registration forms to all new tenants.</p>   |
| <p>Alderman Ewen-Campen would like know if it would be legal for landlords to distribute voter registration forms to all new tenants. Alderman Niedergang stated that this is actually a law in Seattle.</p>   |  |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Legislative Matters Committee</p>  |  |
| <p>16. Order<br/>204976<br/>(ID:17755)</p>   | <p>By Ald. Ewen-Campen<br/>That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with a detailed description of the MA Workforce Housing Initiative and explain how the city can encourage developers to take advantage of it.</p>  |
| <p>Alderman Ewen-Campen stated that he would like to see more housing for residents who don't qualify for inclusionary units but are having trouble finding market rate units. He would also like to know more about the City's plan and funding that may be available and how Ward Aldermen can encourage developers to take advantage of this.</p> |  |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br/><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Housing and Community Development Committee</p>  |  |
| <p>17. Order<br/>204977<br/>(ID:17756)</p>   | <p>By Ald. Ewen-Campen<br/>That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inform this Board of the number of requests each year for electrical inspections for solar panels, and how long they take to be fulfilled.</p> |
| <p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>   |  |

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| 18. Order<br>204978<br>(ID:17760)  | By Ald. Niedergang, Ewen-Campen<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a “No Parking Here to Curb” sign on Highland Avenue at the west side of Porter Street, so cars exiting Porter Street can see eastbound traffic on Highland Avenue. |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |  |
| 19. Order<br>204979<br>(ID:17761)  | By Ald. Niedergang, Ewen-Campen<br>That the Director of SPCD install a crosswalk on Highland Avenue at Porter Street, where a public alley connects to Hudson Street.  |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |  |
| 20. Communication<br>204980<br>(ID:17758)  | By Ald. Niedergang<br>Reporting on the Capital Projects Master Plan Working Group meetings from October 2016 to early January 2017.  |
| <p>Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. To date, there have been about half a dozen meetings which involve Department Heads. The scope is to look at all the office space for the city workforce as well as other buildings such as Recreation, Department of Public Works, and the Tufts Administration Building, where we currently rent space at great expense, to try to improve and rationalize the use of that space. So far, no formal report has come out of these meetings, but the Committee is planning on reporting to the Mayor in the early spring. It will then be up to the Mayor what to do with the recommendations.</p> <p><b>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</b></p> |  |
| 21. Communication<br>204981<br>(ID:17759)  | By Ald. Niedergang, Ewen-Campen<br>Reporting on the Affordable Housing Trust Fund for October through December 2017.   |
| <p>Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There is a written report on the Affordable Housing Trust Fund attached to the agenda which all interested parties should read.</p> <p><b>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</b></p>  |  |
| 22. Order<br>204982<br>(ID:17762)  | By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board<br>That the Director of SPCD outline any financial incentives offered in the city's Amazon bid as well as plans for a Community Benefits Agreement in the possible development.                               |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee  |  |
| 23. Order<br>204983<br>(ID:17763)  | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking put NO TURN signs at Perkins Street and Mt. Vernon Street to prevent cars from driving down the wrong way on Mt. Vernon Street.   |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>  |  |

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| 24.  | Order<br>204984<br>(ID:17764)      | By Ald. McLaughlin, Clingan, Ballantyne, Scott, Mbah<br>That the Director of SPCD provide data for all current affordable housing stock in the city, including section 8 vouchers, state and federal affordable housing, and inclusionary housing.  |
| <p style="margin: 0;">Alderman McLaughlin would like data on how many affordable housing units there actually are in the City.</p> <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b></p> <p style="margin: 0;"><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Housing and Community Development Committee</p> |                                    |   |
| 25.  | Order<br>204985<br>(ID:17765)      | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the Director of Health and Human Services reintroduce plans to ban nips in liquor stores.  |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b></p>   |                                    |   |
| 26.  | Order<br>204986<br>(ID:17766)      | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the Director of Health and Human Services consider expanding the brown bag lunch program for seniors by offering delivery services.  |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b></p>   |                                    |   |
| 27.  | Order<br>204987<br>(ID:17767)      | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the Director of SPCD require leases for commercial buildings that get assistance from the storefront improvement program.  |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b></p>   |                                    |   |
| 28.  | Resolution<br>204988<br>(ID:17776) | By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board<br>Acknowledging this Board's support for the continuance of Temporary Protected Status for Salvadoran residents.  |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b></p>   |                                    |   |
| 29.  | Resolution<br>204989<br>(ID:17768) | By Ald. Ballantyne<br>That the Administration provide an update on the "DIF for Affordable Housing" plan identified as one of the Mayor's goals for the upcoming year.  |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b></p> <p style="margin: 0;"><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Finance Committee</p>  |                                    |   |
| 30.  | Order<br>204990<br>(ID:17769)      | By Ald. Ballantyne, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, McLaughlin<br>That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the Affordable Housing Universal Wait List plan and consolidating the process of applying for affordable housing into a single, universal, persistent application, lottery, and wait list. |
| <p style="margin: 0;"><b>RESULT:        APPROVED</b></p> <p style="margin: 0;"><b>FOLLOWUP:</b>   Housing and Community Development Committee</p>  |                                    |   |

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| 31. Order<br>204991<br>(ID:17770)   | By Ald. Ballantyne<br>That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect and fine where necessary the owner(s) of 33-35 Barton Street for vegetation and overgrowth onto the sidewalk.  |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |   |
| 32. Order<br>204992<br>(ID:17771)   | By Ald. Ballantyne<br>That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to amend to the maximum, from \$50 to \$300, the fine for violations of Ordinance 9-56 "Vegetation and overgrown projection on to sidewalk".                       |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Legislative Matters Committee               |   |
| 33. Order<br>204993<br>(ID:17772)   | By Ald. Ballantyne<br>That the Chief of Police monitor traffic traveling the wrong way on Clarendon Avenue and Farragut, Victoria, and Waterhouse Streets.  |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |   |
| 34. Order<br>204994<br>(ID:17773)   | By Ald. Hirsch, Ewen-Campen, Scott<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works provide an update on repairs to the pedestrian activated walk signal in front of East Boston Savings Bank on Somerville Avenue.                         |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |   |
| 35. Order<br>204995<br>(ID:17774)   | By Ald. Hirsch, Scott<br>That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Arts Council Director determine the feasibility of creating a mural (or another graffiti deterrent) on the back side of the Argenziano School.               |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Housing and Community Development Committee |   |
| 36. Order<br>204996<br>(ID:17775)   | By Ald. Hirsch, Ballantyne, Clingan<br>That this Board's Committee on Youth Services organize one or more workshops to ask tweens and young teens about how the city can make sure our community is a great place for them to live. |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Youth Services Committee                    |   |
| 37. Order<br>204997<br>(ID:17777)   | By Ald. Scott<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking add a properly signed and signaled crosswalk at 45 Beacon Street to enhance safety for residents accessing the Whole Foods Market.  |
| <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |   |

38. Order By Ald. Scott  
204998 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the traffic signal at  
(ID:17778) Buckingham and Beacon Streets, and report to this Board on installing a better  
signal there.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

39. Resolution By Ald. Scott, Ewen-Campen  
204999 Congratulating the elected Board members of the Union Square Neighborhood  
(ID:17779) Council on their formation and acknowledging their role in securing the long-  
term success of the Union Square redevelopment plan.

Alderman McLaughlin expressed his support for this item and his opposition to referring it to Committee.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

40. Communication By Ald. Rossetti  
205000 Reporting on the High School Building Committee meeting of January 22,  
(ID:17746) 2018.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The demolition will begin this June; in May of 2019 the process will begin for the CTE wing. The field work will be at the end of the project, hopefully underway in the spring of 2021. At a recent presentation at the Kiwanis Club, the main concern raised was parking. April 13 will be the completion of the modulars. A lot of alum have been asking if they can tour the building before the demolition so a potential tour is in the works for Saturday, March 24, coinciding with the CTE Open House. There are also people from the community wanting a brick from the demolition as a memorial. The representative from Suffolk didn't feel that this would be a problem but will get back to the committee. The project is continuing under budget and on time. The RFPs for bids went out Wednesday. There will be a pre-qualification process for the various construction teams that want to be part of this project.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**



**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

41. Order 204377 (ID:17109) By Ald. Niedergang, Davis, Connolly, and the Entire Board  
That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the City Solicitor appear at this Board's November 9, 2017 meeting to discuss why developers have gotten building permits without meeting pre-conditions specified in zoning decisions, how the City can more effectively monitor projects for compliance with zoning conditions and other requirements, and what fines and penalties can be levied to deter future violations.

Alderman Niedergang stated that there is no reliable way for a homeowner to get in touch with someone who can send an inspector out at night, on a weekend, or on a holiday, when something is going on in a neighborhood or in a building. Inspectional Services often does not monitor construction work carefully enough and is not quick enough to levy fines on developers who are repeat law breakers. There have also been accusations of a lack of consistency on the part of inspectors in interpreting the Building Code and mistakes are common. Alderman Davis added that too often the burden is placed on constituents. Inspectional Services Director Goran Smiljic responded that he recognizes a gap in communication, especially on weekends. The Mayor's office has set up a meeting between 311, the Police Chief, and him to figure out how this should be handled. When the results of this meeting are available, they will inform the Board of Aldermen. He believes that a process to receive calls on weekends, nights, and holidays has already been put in place. Tim Snyder from the Mayor's Office discussed staffing levels and adding more positions. Alderman White asked Mr. Smiljic to come up with a list of tickets issued so constituents and the Board can see if enforcement has been increasing or decreasing.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

42. Order 204736 (ID:17479) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, Davis  
That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inform this Board of the department's practices when residents complain of structural damage to their homes caused by nearby construction activities.

Alderman White raised a concern about foundational damage through construction and levels of vibration. He questioned if the levels of vibration can be measured. Inspectional Services Director Goran Smiljic responded that developers have policies in place to measure the amount of vibrations.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

43. Order 204849 (ID:17612) By Ald. Rossetti, White Jr., Mbah, Hirsch That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board, no later than January 18, 2018, all snow removal violations issued to property owners in December and January, and explain how properties are identified for infractions.

Inspectional Services Director Goran Smiljic said that when a snow storm is coming, many different departments get involved, including DPW, Fire, and Police. A range of issues are discussed: really cold temperatures, homes with no heat or no water, etc. He said streets are prioritized for plowing in a 5-step order: 1) Safe routes to school, 2) Main streets, squares and cross town roads, 3) 311 complaints, 4) Inspections that go as deep into the neighborhoods as possible, and 5) Follow-ups in this same order. Issuing tickets for snow removal does not remove the snow; the owner still has the option not to comply. The city then moves to legal enforcement, which can take time to get the desired effect, so it can appear that enforcement isn't happening right away.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

44. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 205001 (ID:17744) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on January 24, 2018. NOTE: The Board may convene in Executive Session to discuss the candidate assessment questions and individual candidates pursuant to MGL c30A s21(a)(1).

Alderman Scott reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Alderman Scott recommended appointments of the following officers: Michael Kennelly, Michael McCarey, Sean Sylvester and James Slattery. Alderman Rossetti questioned what the candidates' qualifications and ethnicity were. Candace Cooper, Director of Personnel responded with a list of the candidates that were up for these appointments with their demographics. Alderman Rossetti requested to amend the report to include this document, and requested a breakdown of Police managerial positions by gender and ethnicity. Ms. Cooper distributed that information. Alderman White stated that after reviewing the list, it appears that each candidate up for promotion tonight was done so according to their rank and it appears that no one on the list was bypassed. Alderman Rossetti made a motion to include the demographic list to the Committee Report. Alderman Scott introduced the officers and they were sworn in to their new positions.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Mayor's Request 204799 (ID:17530) Requesting the appointment of Michael Kennelly to the position of Police Lieutenant.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

C. Mayor's Request 204803 (ID:17529) Requesting the appointment of James Slattery to the position of Police Sergeant.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

D. Mayor's Request 204801 (ID:17527) Requesting the appointment of Michael McCarey to the position of Police Sergeant.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

E. Mayor's Request 204802 (ID:17528) Requesting the appointment of Sean Sylvester to the position of Police Sergeant.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

45. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 205002 (ID:17745) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on January 25, 2018. NOTE: The Board may convene in Executive Session to discuss the candidate assessment questions and individual candidates pursuant to MGL c30A s21(a)(1).

Alderman Scott reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed #204800, requesting the appointment of Sgt. Michael Kiely to the position of Police Lieutenant. The Committee voted to discharge this item back to the Board without a recommendation. The Board then referred the item back to the Committee.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

B. Mayor's Request 204800 (ID:17531) Requesting the appointment of Michael Kiely to the position of Police Lieutenant.

This item was discharged by the Committee to the Board without a recommendation. The Board voted to refer the item back to the Committee. **NOTE:** On Friday, January 26, 2018, Alderman Ballantyne moved reconsideration of this item. It is now placed before the Board of Aldermen's next meeting, as Unfinished Business.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

46. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 205003 (ID:17739) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on January 16, 2018.

Alderman White reported on the items discussed at the meeting, including a request for a \$2 million bond to repair the Buena Vista Garage in Davis Square. Alderman Rossetti requested that the City Solicitor provide his opinion whether we can participate in an upcoming lease renegotiation at the Garage.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

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| <p>B. Order<br/>199247<br/>(ID:11792)</p>      | <p>By Ald. White Jr.<br/>That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with written responses to certain requests for residential and commercial data since 2010.</p>  |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>           |   |
| <p>C. Order<br/>199305<br/>(ID:11944)</p>      | <p>By Ald. White Jr., Ballantyne<br/>That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with a comprehensive financial plan to develop Union Square, including expenditures to date and future costs, by early September.</p>                                       |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>           |   |
| <p>D. Order<br/>200064<br/>(ID:12722)</p>      | <p>By Ald. White Jr.<br/>That the Director of SPCD consult with the new management team at North Point and report back to this Board on their plans.</p>  |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>           |   |
| <p>E. Order<br/>200065<br/>(ID:12723)</p>      | <p>By Ald. White Jr.<br/>That the City Engineer provide this Board with the storm water policy and a discussion of the 4 to 1 plan.</p>   |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>           |   |
| <p>F. Order<br/>200066<br/>(ID:12724)</p>      | <p>By Ald. White Jr.<br/>That the City Treasurer provide this Board with Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund balance sheets and a report of water and sewer rates in the 15 largest MA communities.</p>   |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>           |   |
| <p>G. Order<br/>200592<br/>(ID:13187)</p>      | <p>By Ald. Rossetti<br/>That the Director of Personnel report to this Board June's employee vacancies and all hires since then.</p>   |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>           |   |
| <p>H. Resolution<br/>200752<br/>(ID:13389)</p> | <p>By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti, Lafuente<br/>That the Administration provide assistance, including financial where appropriate, to resident homeowners whose property is damaged from the roots of trees planted by the City.</p>                             |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>           |   |
| <p>I. Order<br/>200982<br/>(ID:13624)</p>      | <p>By Ald. White Jr., Davis<br/>That the Superintendent of the Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds appear before the Finance Committee to discuss the policy of charging homeowners who request that their meter be checked when water bills are questioned.</p> |
| <p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>           |   |

J.	Public Communication 201268 (ID:13924)	Abutters to the West Branch Library submitting comments regarding its renovation.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
K.	Officer's Communication 201539 (ID:14155)	Purchasing Director responding to #201490 re: current Verizon contracts.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
L.	Resolution 201664 (ID:14335)	By Ald. Ballantyne That the Administration provide a 3 year projection of bond requests, by project name, as of June 2016.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
M.	Mayor's Request 201745 (ID:14403)	Requesting the appropriation of \$200,000 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund for the Citywide Mobility Plan.	<b>RESULT: WITHDRAWN</b>
N.	Order 201856 (ID:14518)	By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, and the Entire Board That the City Solicitor advise this Board on regulating Air BnB rentals through a possible local tax.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
O.	Order 201868 (ID:14534)	By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board That the Director of Water and Sewer appear before this Board at its September 13 regular meeting to discuss the new base water charge, the reasons for its adoption, and why the Board was not informed of it during the budget meetings.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
P.	Order 201896 (ID:14573)	By Ald. Rossetti That the Director of Personnel provide an updated report of any and all positions filled and/or vacated since the FY17 budget discussions.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
Q.	Order 202008 (ID:14674)	By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of Finance and the Superintendent of Water and Sewer provide this Board with the total costs associated with emergency water and sewer repairs for FY14, FY15 and FY16 by this Board's September 13 regular meeting.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>

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| R. | Order<br>202026<br>(ID:14691)                      | By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board<br>That the Water Superintendent report to this Board on the imposition or suspension of water and sewer base charges for customers.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| S. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>202080<br>(ID:14767) | Acting Water Superintendent submitting a Water & Sewer Enterprise Funds Financial Analysis and a Water & Sewer Rate Study.   | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| T. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>202135<br>(ID:14807) | Acting Water Superintendent responding to #202008 re: emergency water and sewer repairs in FY14-FY16.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| U. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>202156<br>(ID:14827) | Acting Director of Personnel responding to #201896 re: status of City vacancies.   | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| V. | Order<br>202157<br>(ID:14837)                      | By Ald. Rossetti<br>That the Water Superintendent provide this Board with a report of the number of commercial customers that are being charged the residential rate, prior to this Board's next meeting on October 13, 2016.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| W. | Order<br>202158<br>(ID:14838)                      | By Ald. McLaughlin<br>That the Water Superintendent inform this Board about the State Law regarding 4 to 1 infiltration in-flow for water and sewer charges for large developments, and that the water and sewer fees for Assembly Row, Maxwell Green, and other large scale developments be provided as well. | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| X. | Order<br>202164<br>(ID:14839)                      | By Ald. Ballantyne, Heuston<br>That the Director of Finance review with this Board a residential and commercial real estate tax bill, clearly identifying all additional fees that taxpayers are paying (e.g. CPA charge).   | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| Y. | Officer's<br>Communication<br>202224<br>(ID:14808) | Assistant City Solicitor responding to #201856 re: possible regulation of AirBnB rentals through a local tax.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |

Z.	Order 202165 (ID:14840)	By Ald. Ballantyne, Heuston That the Director of Finance discuss review with this Board a water/sewer bill for all rate payers (tiered), clearly identifying all additional fees that rate payers are paying (e.g. base monthly charge).	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
AA.	Mayor's Request 202282 (ID:14943)	Requesting approval of an appropriation of \$47,500 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to retain an economic planning/real estate consultant to assist in developing a District Improvement Financing application.	<b>RESULT: WITHDRAWN</b>
AB.	Officer's Communication 202290 (ID:14945)	City Assessor conveying the Green Line Extension Assessment Study completed by RKG Associates.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
AC.	Officer's Communication 202491 (ID:15170)	Director of Capital Projects responding to #200065 and #202158 re: the city's Inflow and Infiltration policy.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
AD.	Resolution 202500 (ID:15187)	By Ald. Niedergang That the Administration report to this Board on outreach efforts to seniors who are home owners, to help them take advantage of property tax exemptions and deferral opportunities.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
AE.	Mayor's Communication 202553 (ID:15212)	Conveying the FY2017-FY2026 Capital Projects List and accompanying documents.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
AF.	Resolution 202618 (ID:15350)	By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board That the Administration update this Board on the proposed Community Advisory Committee for Capital Improvement Projects and explain how it will interact with this Board.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>
AG.	Order 202785 (ID:15491)	By Ald. Niedergang That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider purchasing 70 temporary speed bumps to be deployed beginning in April, or as soon as possible, on residential streets that have requested traffic calming measures.	<b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b>

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| AH. | Order<br>202786<br>(ID:15492)                   | By Ald. Niedergang, Heuston<br>That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider purchasing 21 flashing speed monitoring sign boards to deploy on streets where residents are concerned about speeding.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| AI. | Order<br>202875<br>(ID:15584)                   | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Water and Sewer Superintendent report to this Board whether homeowners could install a separate water meter for outdoor water lines, which would not incur sewer fees.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| AJ. | Mayor's Request<br>202884<br>(ID:15469)         | Requesting approval to appropriate \$360,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the Assembly Square Master Plan.  | <b>RESULT: WITHDRAWN</b>      |
| AK. | Officer's Communication<br>202900<br>(ID:15587) | Finance Director submitting a mid-year report of the City's budget performance for FY17.   | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| AL. | Order<br>202902<br>(ID:15590)                   | By Ald. Heuston<br>That the Chief Assessor inform this Board about whether a review is conducted each fiscal year to verify that residential exemptions are accurate, whether an audit is conducted before an exemption is granted, and whether there is data about the percentage of properties where residency cannot be verified. | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| AM. | Order<br>202927<br>(ID:15638)                   | By Ald. Niedergang<br>That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the Administration's intention to budget in FY18 for workforce development and job training programs.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| AN. | Officer's Communication<br>202962<br>(ID:15612) | Traffic and Parking Director responding to items approved 2/14/17.   | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |
| AO. | Officer's Communication<br>203105<br>(ID:15763) | Chief Assessor responding to #202902 re: residential exemption verifications.  | <b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b> |



<p>AP. Order 203250 (ID:15951)</p>	<p>By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board That the Chief Assessor and SPCD Counsel appear before this Board to explain the transaction between Federal Realty Investment Trust and Partners Health Care for Partners' building at Assembly Square, and advise whether there are any legal avenues for the City to collect property tax payments from Federal Realty for that parcel.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>	
<p>AQ. Order 203288 (ID:15998)</p>	<p>By Ald. White Jr. That the Director of Finance provide this Board with the total amount of meals tax received in each of the last five fiscal years and, to the extent possible, those receipts broken out by business district.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>	
<p>AR. Mayor's Communication 203293 (ID:15981)</p>	<p>Presenting Somerville's water and sewer infrastructure needs and the strategies to meet those needs.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>	
<p>AS. Resolution 203394 (ID:16142)</p>	<p>By Ald. Sullivan That the Administration explore reducing residential street cleaning from four days a month to two.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>	
<p>AT. Resolution 203513 (ID:16225)</p>	<p>By Ald. Davis, Niedergang, and the Entire Board Opposing the Keystone XL Pipeline, and restricting engagement with the financial institutions supporting the pipeline.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>	
<p>AU. Mayor's Request 203571 (ID:16276)</p>	<p>Requesting the acceptance of a gift of \$10,000 from Wynn for the Memorial on the Mystic Fireworks celebration on May 29, 2017.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: WITHDRAWN</b></p>	
<p>AV. Mayor's Request 203572 (ID:16277)</p>	<p>Requesting the acceptance of a gift of \$5,000 from Federal Realty Investment Trust for the Memorial on the Mystic Fireworks celebration on May 29, 2017.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: WITHDRAWN</b></p>	
<p>AW. Order 203733 (ID:16515)</p>	<p>By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board That this Board deems it necessary to include in the FY18 budget an appropriation of \$18,000 from the General Fund to the Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund to provide the use of Dilboy Field to Somerville non-profit youth football and soccer organizations without charge, and so requests that the Mayor make that appropriation.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>	

AX. Order 203923 (ID:16637) By Ald. McLaughlin That the Chief Assessor inform this Board about state laws regarding housing trustees and residential tax exemptions.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

AY. Mayor's Communication 204185 (ID:16895) Conveying the GLX Memorandum of Agreement and the Drainage Facilities Interconnection Agreement.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

AZ. Mayor's Request 204280 (ID:16965) Requesting approval to create the 0 Elmwood Stabilization Fund Account and accept a payment to the Fund of \$25,000 from 27 Eaton Street LLC for streetscape improvements.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

BA. Mayor's Request 204328 (ID:17052) Requesting to brief this Board on the Union Square District Improvement Financing strategy.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

BB. Mayor's Request 204558 (ID:17202) Requesting approval to create the 290 Highland Ave Stabilization Fund, and accept a payment to the Fund of \$10,000 from 290 Highland Ave LLC for Ward 5 Improvements.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

BC. Order 204625 (ID:17324) By Ald. Rossetti That the Director of Finance provide this Board with quarterly reports for all stabilization funds.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

BD. Resolution 204626 (ID:17325) By Ald. Rossetti That representatives from US2 appear before the Finance Committee to explain what they're committing to build in Union Square, when it will be built, and what it will be worth.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

<p>BE. Mayor's Request 204640 (ID:17335)</p>	<p>Requesting the appropriation of \$200,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to implement the Winter Hill Neighborhood Plan.</p>
<p><b>RESULT:</b>            <b>APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]</b>  <b>AYES:</b>                Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p>	
<p>BF. Mayor's Request 204756 (ID:17445)</p>	<p>Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,500,000 in a bond for Sewer Rehabilitation and Replacement, as part of the Capital Improvement Program.</p>
<p><b>RESULT:</b>            <b>APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]</b>  <b>AYES:</b>                Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne</p>	
<p>BG. Mayor's Request 204757 (ID:17446)</p>	<p>Requesting approval of a transfer of \$9,500 in Planning and Zoning, from the Professional Services Account to the Personal Services Salaries Account, for a temporary hire due to a medical leave.</p>
<p><b>RESULT:</b>            <b>APPROVED</b></p>	
<p>BH. Mayor's Request 204758 (ID:17439)</p>	<p>Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$7,747.68 using available funds in the Sewer Department.</p>
<p><b>RESULT:</b>            <b>APPROVED</b></p>	
<p>BI. Mayor's Request 204759 (ID:17443)</p>	<p>Requesting acceptance of a \$30,000 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Environmental Protection to the Office of Sustainability &amp; Environment for school recycling equipment and implementation assistance.</p>
<p><b>RESULT:</b>            <b>APPROVED</b></p>	
<p>BJ. Mayor's Request 204760 (ID:17465)</p>	<p>Requesting acceptance of an \$8,700 grant with no new match required, from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to the Council on Aging, for transportation.</p>
<p><b>RESULT:</b>            <b>APPROVED</b></p>	
<p>BK. Mayor's Request 204761 (ID:17467)</p>	<p>Requesting acceptance of a \$7,816 grant with no new match required, from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to the Council on Aging, for health and wellness programs.</p>
<p><b>RESULT:</b>            <b>APPROVED</b></p>	
<p>BL. Mayor's Request 204762 (ID:17466)</p>	<p>Requesting the acceptance of a 27-foot Boston Whaler and corresponding trailer, given to the Police Department by the Boston Police Department, with no match required.</p>
<p><b>RESULT:</b>            <b>APPROVED</b></p>	

<p>BM. Resolution 204857 (ID:17620)</p>	<p>By Ald. Ewen-Campen That the Administration inform the Ward 3 Aldermen who will bear the financial costs of mitigating the recent flooding and related damage at 125 Lowell Street.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: WORK COMPLETED</b></p>	
<p>BN. Mayor's Request 204894 (ID:17579)</p>	<p>Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$1441.25 using available funds in the Capital Projects and Planning Professional and Technical Services Account for construction administration services at the former School Administration Building.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>	
<p>BO. Mayor's Request 204895 (ID:17627)</p>	<p>Requesting acceptance of a \$75,000 donation from Tufts University pursuant to its Partnership Agreement with the City.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>	
<p>BP. Mayor's Request 204896 (ID:17581)</p>	<p>Requesting acceptance of a \$45,625 grant with no new match required, from the MA Office of Housing and Economic Development to SPCD's Economic Development Division for an Advanced Manufacturing Training program.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>	
<p>BQ. Mayor's Request 204955 (ID:17692)</p>	<p>Requesting acceptance of a \$400,000 grant that requires a match, from the MA Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs PARC Grant Program to SPCD for renovations to Prospect Hill Park.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b></p>	
<p>BR. Order 205004 (ID:17792)</p>	<p>By Ald. Rossetti That the City Solicitor provide an opinion this Board's participation in the Buena Vista garage lease re-negotiation in 2020.</p>
<p><b>RESULT: APPROVED</b> <b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee</p>	

47. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 205005 (ID:17741) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on January 18, 2018.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed a revision of the Demolition Review Ordinance, to create a demolition delay of 24 months (instead of 9) for certain projects subject to the Historical Preservation Commission. The Committee also an amendment to the Tree Preservation Ordinance, about trees on city property. As of now, the Ordinance does not have any protections for trees on city property; the amendment is designed to fix that situation. The third item was a Home Rule Petition to authorize the City to impose a real estate transfer fee. The Committee also discussed the draft Community Benefits Ordinance regarding the Union Square Neighborhood Council and whether the City should recognize the Union Square Neighborhood Council.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

48. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 205006 (ID:17740) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on January 17, 2018.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Used Car Dealer License Class II renewals were considered, and approved for 60 days only. The Committee will confer with SPCD and the City Solicitor with respect to businesses in the Union Square District where there is potential for acquisition or disposition of the parcels. The Committee also moved that the City Clerk confer with the City Solicitor about considering infractions (tickets issued) when any business is applying for renewal of its license.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. License/Permit 200616 (ID:13242) Amending Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy, increasing to 5 cars outside.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

- C. License/Permit 204203 (ID:16910) Public Event Permit, Dreamland Silent Disco, Statue Park, Oct 5,19, Nov 2,16,30, Dec 14, 7-11:45PM.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

- D. License/Permit 204509 (ID:17241) Public Event Permit, Boston Meditation table, Statue Park, Nov 10, 17, 24 and Dec 3, 12:30-7PM.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

- E. License/Permit 204928 (ID:17669) Public Event Permit, BA Events Race of Ireland, Davis Sq and area streets, Mar 11, 7AM-2PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

F.	License/Permit 204929 (ID:17670)	Public Event Permit, St. Benedict Good Friday Procession, Area streets from Cutter to Hathorn Sts, Mar 30, 3-7PM.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
G.	License/Permit 204930 (ID:17671)	New Drainlayer's License, Brennan Construction.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
H.	License/Permit 204933 (ID:17674)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, 28 Motorsports, 486R Columbia St.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS</b> <b>CONDITIONS:</b> License valid for 60 days only. Any conditions relative to Union Sq redevelopment activities are removed.
I.	License/Permit 204934 (ID:17675)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Union Gulf Service, 231 Washington St.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS</b> <b>CONDITIONS:</b> License valid for 60 days only. Any conditions relative to Union Sq redevelopment activities are removed.
J.	License/Permit 204935 (ID:17676)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Mystic Auto Sales, 712 Mystic Ave.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
K.	License/Permit 204936 (ID:17688)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Real Auto Shop, 463 McGrath Hwy.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
L.	License/Permit 204937 (ID:17689)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Webster Auto Sales, 61 Prospect St.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS</b> <b>CONDITIONS:</b> License valid for 60 days only. Any conditions relative to Union Sq redevelopment activities are removed.
M.	License/Permit 204938 (ID:17678)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, NU Cafe and Juice Bar, 195 Washington St.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>

N.	License/Permit 204939 (ID:17679)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Ola Gifts Cafe, 112 Broadway.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
O.	License/Permit 204940 (ID:17680)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Maya Sol Mexican Grill, 179 Broadway.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
P.	License/Permit 204942 (ID:17681)	Sign/Awning Permit, Smoke Valley, 19 Union Sq, 1 sign.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED AS AMENDED</b> <b>AMENDED:</b> Sign may not be more than 2 feet high and 6 feet wide.
Q.	License/Permit 204957 (ID:17695)	Amending Outdoor Seating License, Spoke Wine Bar, 89 Holland St, adding 1 outdoor vestibule for winter use.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS</b> <b>CONDITION:</b> Licensee must report on the experience with the vestibule for the Board's review.
R.	License/Permit 204958 (ID:17700)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, CM Auto Sales, 39 Webster Ave.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS</b> <b>CONDITIONS:</b> License valid for 60 days only. Any conditions relative to Union Sq redevelopment activities are removed.
S.	Order 205007 (ID:17794)	By Ald. Rossetti, Mbah, Scott That the City Clerk confer with the City Solicitor on a policy to review prior infractions for any business applying to renew a license.	<b>RESULT:</b> <b>APPROVED</b> <b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Licenses and Permits Committee

49. PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report 205008 (ID:17742) Report of the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works, meeting on January 23, 2018.

Alderman White reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about Eversource's communications with and responsiveness to residents concerning gas meter replacement and street construction utility work. Constituents have complained about not being notified of such construction and some have been threatened with their service being cut off. Mr. Bill Zamparelli, Eversource Representative, was extensively challenged, and he didn't respond to a communication because he didn't like the language used, though the Committee felt that this was not a valid reason. Alderman White made a motion to amend the Committee Report for the City Engineer to not issue any street opening permits for gas work by Eversource, excluding emergency work, until an adequate description of the work to be performed is prepared by Eversource and the City Engineer and distributed to neighbors, prior to the issuance of any such permits. Another item discussed was how to keep community members informed on a regular basis about the high school project, particularly parking. Transportation Director Brad Rawson stated that the Administration is working on a plan and that a working group will be formed. The Committee discussed residents' concerns about tree removal on Beacon Street, and Alderman Davis moved that the City Solicitor investigate and report back. That motion carried. Alderman Rossetti mentioned that there is a meeting on March 19 at the high school regarding parking. She also reported that she has been pursuing getting Eversource and the city to establish a city-wide compact as it relates to all city-wide developments.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- B. Order 202330 (ID:15036) By Ald. Niedergang That the City Engineer install the curb cut at the Warwick Street elbow, by the Community Path Extension ramp, that was promised many years ago as part of the Maxwell's Green development.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- C. Order 202331 (ID:15037) By Ald. Niedergang That the City Engineer install curb cuts and sidewalk ramps at the two curbs by Maxwell's Green at the intersection of Clyde and Warwick Streets.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- D. Order 203507 (ID:16214) By Ald. McLaughlin, Ballantyne That the Commissioner of Public Works provide shaded areas for public pools including Foss Park and Dilboy.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**



- E. Order 204551 (ID:17286) By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne  
That the Director of Capital Projects or the Director of Communications share with this Board the plan for keeping community members informed on a regular basis about the High School building project.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- F. Order 204732 (ID:17475) By Ald. Niedergang  
That the Commissioner of Public Works patch the uneven roadway on Cedar Street around the Community Path as it presents a safety hazard for bicyclists.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

- G. Order 205009 (ID:17797) By Ald. White Jr.  
That the City Engineer not issue any street opening permits for gas work by Eversource, excluding emergency work, until an adequate description of the work to be performed is prepared by Eversource in coordination with the Director of Engineering, prior to the issuance of any such permits.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

- H. Order 205010 (ID:17798) By Ald. Davis  
That the City Solicitor advise this Board about whether the way in which the Beacon Street trees were taken down was compliant with state law and the city's Tree Ordinance.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

**COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

50. Mayor's Request 205011 (ID:17699) Requesting acceptance of a 36 month lease of the West Somerville Police Substation and office space at 1112-1114 Broadway.

Alderman White requested to waive the readings of items 50 through 75 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

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

51. Mayor's Request 205012 (ID:17608) Requesting approval to appropriate \$71,383.60 from the USQ Revitalization Stabilization Fund for legal services.

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

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| 52. Mayor's Request 205013 (ID:17707) | Requesting the appropriation of \$29,890.97 from Free Cash to the EPA Brownfield Revolving Loan Account for payment #1 of the Conway Rink Repayment.  | <b>RESULT:</b> REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION<br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 53. Mayor's Request 205014 (ID:17732) | Requesting approval of a mid-year staffing request to fund construction oversight, management and associated issues.  | <b>RESULT:</b> REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION<br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 54. Mayor's Request 205015 (ID:17718) | Requesting the appropriation of \$20,750 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Engineering Division Salaries Account to fund a Construction Liaison and Compliance Manager.                     | <b>RESULT:</b> REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION<br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 55. Mayor's Request 205016 (ID:17719) | Requesting the appropriation of \$24,500 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Engineering Division Salaries Account to fund a Construction Project Manager.                                    | <b>RESULT:</b> REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION<br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 56. Mayor's Request 205017 (ID:17720) | Requesting the appropriation of \$20,750 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Communications Department Salaries Account to fund a Construction Information Officer.                           | <b>RESULT:</b> REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION<br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 57. Mayor's Request 205018 (ID:17721) | Requesting the appropriation of \$10,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Communications Department Professional and Technical Services Account to fund construction translation services. | <b>RESULT:</b> REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION<br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 58. Mayor's Request 205019 (ID:17722) | Requesting the appropriation of \$23,250 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to SPCD's Transportation & Infrastructure Division Salaries Account to fund a GLX Project Liaison.                      | <b>RESULT:</b> REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION<br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |

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| 59. Mayor's Request 205020 (ID:17723) | Requesting the appropriation of \$25,750 from Unreserved Fund Balance to the Capital Projects Department Salaries Account to fund a Project Manager.   | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 60. Mayor's Request 205021 (ID:17724) | Requesting the appropriation of \$23,250 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to SPCD's Transportation & Infrastructure Division Salaries Account to fund a Streetscape and Public Space Planner.      | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 61. Mayor's Request 205022 (ID:17725) | Requesting the appropriation of \$25,750 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Engineering Department Salaries Account to fund a Project Manager.  | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 62. Mayor's Request 205023 (ID:17726) | Requesting the appropriation of \$24,500 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Engineering Department Salaries Account to fund a Junior Project Manager.   | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 63. Mayor's Request 205024 (ID:17727) | Requesting the appropriation of \$25,750 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to SPCD's Transportation & Infrastructure Division Salaries Account to fund a Senior Urban Forestry & Landscape Planner. | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 64. Mayor's Request 205025 (ID:17728) | Requesting the appropriation of \$25,250 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to SPCD's Transportation & Infrastructure Division Salaries Account to fund a Transportation Planner.                    | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 65. Mayor's Request 205026 (ID:17729) | Requesting the appropriation of \$25,750 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Inspectional Services Department Salaries Account to fund a Senior Zoning Review Planner.                         | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |

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| 66. Mayor's Request 205027 (ID:17730) | Requesting the appropriation of \$27,000 from Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to the Water Enterprise Fund Salaries Account to fund a Director of Finance & Administration.                              | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 67. Mayor's Request 205028 (ID:17731) | Requesting the appropriation of \$32,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Department Salaries Account to fund a Capital Projects Assistant Director.                           | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 68. Mayor's Request 205029 (ID:17752) | Requesting the approval of funding to establish an Office of Housing Stability in SPCD.  | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 69. Mayor's Request 205030 (ID:17747) | Requesting the appropriation of \$29,500 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the SPCD Office of Housing Stability Salaries Account to fund a Director of Housing Stability.                            | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 70. Mayor's Request 205031 (ID:17748) | Requesting the appropriation of \$24,500 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the SPCD Office of Housing Stability Salaries Account to fund a Deputy Director of Housing Stability/Program Development. | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 71. Mayor's Request 205032 (ID:17749) | Requesting the appropriation of \$19,500 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the SPCD Office of Housing Stability Salaries Account to fund a Housing Counselor/Case Manager.                           | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |
| 72. Mayor's Request 205033 (ID:17750) | Requesting the appropriation of \$19,500 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the SPCD Office of Housing Stability Salaries Account to fund a Housing Counselor/Case Manager.                           | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee |

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| 73. Mayor's Request 205034 (ID:17751) | Requesting the appropriation of \$17,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the SPCD Office of Housing Stability Salaries Account to fund a Housing Intake Specialist.        | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee  |
| 74. Mayor's Request 205035 (ID:17706) | Requesting acceptance of a \$40,431.04 grant with no new match required, from National Grid to the SPCD Housing Division for energy efficiency programs.                                 | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |
| 75. Mayor's Request 205036 (ID:17708) | Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$38,000 from the MA Office of Public Safety for Police Department staffing.   | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Finance Committee  |
| 76. Mayor's Request 205037 (ID:17713) | Requesting acceptance of a \$6,707 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Fire Services to the Fire Department for the Student Awareness of Fire Education program. | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |
| 77. Mayor's Request 205038 (ID:17714) | Requesting acceptance of a \$3,009 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Fire services to the Fire Department for the Senior SAFE program.                         | <b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>   |
| 78. Mayor's Request 205039 (ID:17704) | Requesting the appointment of Charles Conway to the position of Fire Fighter.  | <p>Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 78 through 81 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.</p> <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee |
| 79. Mayor's Request 205040 (ID:17705) | Requesting the appointment of Lysander Amado to the position of Fire Fighter.  | <b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b><br><b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee   |

80. Mayor's Request 205041 (ID:17697) Requesting the re-appointment of Zachary Zasloff to the Condominium Review Board.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

81. Mayor's Request 205042 (ID:17698) Requesting the re-appointment of Daniel Maltzman to the Condominium Review Board.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

82. Officer's Communication 205043 (ID:17717) Assistant City Solicitor responding to #204586 with a draft ordinance amending the Ordinances at Chapter 11 Article VII re: stormwater management and infiltration and inflow mitigation.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 82 and refer it to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

83. Officer's Communication 205044 (ID:17694) SomerStat Analyst responding to a Legislative Matters Committee query related to #203839 re: an update on Rodent Action Team meetings.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 83 and place on file with a copy to Legislative Matters. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

84. Officer's Communication 205045 (ID:17716) SPCD Director of Finance and Administration conveying the start of a new HUD 5-year planning process.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 84 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

85. License/Permit 205046 (ID:17784) Public Event Permit, Unity Somerville Palm Sunday Donkey Walk, College Ave from Powderhouse Park to Davis Sq, Mar 25, 8:45-9:30AM.

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 85 through 88 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

86.	License/Permit 205047 (ID:17785)	Public Event Permit, Unity Somerville Easter Sunrise Service, Powderhouse Park, Apr 1, 6:15-7:15AM.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
87.	License/Permit 205048 (ID:17786)	Public Event Permit, Union Sq Farmers Market, Union Sq Plaza, Saturdays May 12-Nov 17, 7AM-2PM.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
88.	License/Permit 205049 (ID:17787)	Public Event Permit, MOM's 5K Run and Walk, Davis Sq and city streets, May 13, 7AM-2PM.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
89.	License/Permit 205050 (ID:17682)	Sign/Awning Permit, When Pigs Fly, 241 Elm St, 1 sign.  Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 89 and 90 and refer them to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
90.	License/Permit 205051 (ID:17788)	Sign/Awning Permit, Himalayan Kitchen, 40 Bow St, 2 awnings.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED</b>
91.	License/Permit 205052 (ID:17789)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Executive Auto Leasing and Sales, 30 Medford St.  Alderman Rossetti moved for a sixty day license renewal approval.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS</b> <b>CONDITION:</b> Approved for 60 days only.
92.	License/Permit 205053 (ID:17790)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Somerville Motors, 182 Washington St.  Alderman Rossetti moved for a sixty day license renewal approval.	<b>RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS</b> <b>CONDITIONS:</b> License valid for 60 days only. Any conditions relative to Union Sq redevelopment activities are removed.
93.	Public Communication 205054 (ID:17791)	22 registered voters proposing an amendment to Zoning Ordinance 6.4 to establish new open space requirements for certain buildings in the Assembly Sq Mixed Use District.  Also referred to the Planning Board.	<b>RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b> <b>FOLLOWUP:</b> Land Use Committee

**SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

94. Order 205055 (ID:17795) By Ald. Ballantyne  
That, to assist in considering the proposed zoning overhaul, the Directors of Finance, SomerStat, SPCD and Planning provide this Board with current reports on 1) SomerVision progress, 2) Capital Improvement Plan, 3) Projected revenues from the proposed zoning, and 4) Debt.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

95. Order 205056 (ID:17799) By Ald. Rossetti  
That the City Solicitor provide an opinion with respect to the Open Meeting Law on a committee chairperson's authority to allow public discussion when the committee meeting is attended by greater than a quorum of the full Board.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Rules Special Committee

96. Officer's Communication 205057 (ID:17796) ISD Director responding to #204849 re: snow removal violations.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

97. Officer's Communication 205058 (ID:17793) Director of Transportation and Infrastructure requesting to update the Board on the Green Line Extension Working Group.

Transportation Director Brad Rawson updated the Board on the GLX. The State's new contractor has begun working. They are estimating 1,065 days to build 4.5 miles of light rail and seven rail stations. It should be completed by the third quarter of 2021. In February, there will be property surveys and utility explorations. In March, tree clearing will take place. In April, larger scale excavation activities will occur in the corridor. The MBTA will be notifying area residents of activity through mailings, social media, the city website, etc. Alderman White requested a calendar of activities for Aldermen.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**LATE ITEMS**

98. License/Permit 204685 (ID:17400) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Broadway Motor Cars, 161 Broadway.

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits. This license will be approved for sixty days only.

**RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**

**CONDITION:** Approved for 60 days only.



99. Resolution 205059 (ID:17800) By Ald. Davis, Rossetti, Mbah, Niedergang, White Jr. That the Administration present the information described herein about the Brown School's physical plant and planned and completed renovations, to this Board, to the School Committee, and to the Brown School community.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

100. Order 205060 (ID:17801) By Ald. Ewen-Campen That the Director of SPCD contact the Green Line Extension team to restore pedestrian access on the east side of School Street, next to the High School.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

101. Order 205061 (ID:17802) By Ald. Ewen-Campen That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a sign at the mouth of Warren Avenue, instructing truck drivers to avoid that street, as they cannot proceed.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

102. Public Communication 205062 (ID:17804) Philip Parsons submitting comments re: #17779, a Resolution recognizing the Union Sq Neighborhood Council.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

103. Public Communication 205063 (ID:17805) Union Sq Main Streets submitting comments re: #17779, a Resolution recognizing the Union Sq Neighborhood Council.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**  
**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:55 PM.