

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Monday - May 2, 2016, 7:00 PM Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

(Posted online: 4/28/16 at 5:19 AM) (Posted online: 4/28/16 at 11:03AM – Revised)

- 1. Approval of the February 29, 2016 Minutes
- 2. 201170: Recommend Requesting the review and approval to proceed with the state's review of the draft Community Electric Aggregation Plan.
- **3. 200860: Discuss** Conveying a Presentation from SPCD, Recreation, and SomerStat on Fields.
- 4. **198203: Discuss** (Rossetti, Heuston) That the Administration report its Action Plan in response to the recommendation of the Fields Task Force.
- 5. 199513: Discuss (Niedergang, and the Entire Board) That the Commissioner of Public Works develop a maintenance plan for all grass athletic fields and submit a request for funding to this Board.
- 6. **199992: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy with a list of fields that would benefit from the field maintenance plan this fall and those that would not.
- 7. 200644: Discuss (Niedergang) That the Director of Recreation report to this Board why many athletic fields are locked and provide the rationale for each field that is not available for public use.

- 8. 200781: Discuss (Niedergang, Heuston, Davis) That the Administration report to this Board on its consideration of #197288, which recommended the creation of a Parks and Recreation Department to provide better care for Somerville's athletic fields.
- **9. 199791: Discuss** 671 Somerville petitioners communicating their support for keeping natural grass at Lincoln Park, not artificial turf.
- 10. 199792: Discuss Lynn Weissman submitting comments re: grass fields at Lincoln Park.
- 11. 200012: Discuss David Turin submitting comments re: grass fields at Lincoln Park.
- 12. 200103: Discuss Sara Rostampour submitting comments re: grass fields at Lincoln Park.
- **13. 200843: Discuss** Shawn Szturma submitting comments re: #200539 and turf/grass at Lincoln Park.
- **14. 201309: Discuss** (Ballantyne, Niedergang) That the Director of SPCD and the Healey-Mystic Plan consultant provide the Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy with an update on the project.
- **15. 199983: Discuss** (Ballantyne, McWatters, Rossetti, Niedergang, Lafuente, Connolly) That the City Arborist inspect the health of the trees at the locations named within.
- **16. 200044: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the City Arborist address the numerous dead and dying trees on Jasper Street and back to this Board on progress in remedying the situation.
- 17. 200143: Discuss (McWatters) That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD commission the arborist and tree warden to inspect the trees on Greenville Avenue, from Munroe Street to Boston Street, to determine their vitality and report back to the Ward 3 Alderman.
- **18. 200185: Discuss** (Ballantyne) That the Arborist inspect the health of the trees at the locations described within.
- **19. 200638: Discuss** (Ballantyne) That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with the 2016 tree planting/replacement plan for all Wards.

- **20. 200705: Discuss** (McWatters) That the Director of SPCD add 112 Belmont Street to the tree planting list.
- **21. 200879: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Director of SPCD provide the Ward 5 Alderman with the tree planting list for Ward 5, in order of priority.
- **22. 200880: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Director of SPCD discuss with this Board, the Administration's plans for funding tree planting in areas that do not qualify for CDBG funding.
- **23. 200979: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect the trees on Jasper Street and replace any that are dead.
- **24. 201019: Discuss** (Davis) That the Director of SPCD explain the process for selecting trees and plants for city parks, specifically when choosing non-native species over native species.
- **25. 200441: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment report to this Board on the delay in the curbside composting pilot program.
- **26. 200428: Discuss** Submitted by Envirotrac for Speedway LLC, to advance 3 soil borings in the sidewalk at 24 and 26-28 Kensington Avenue, and install monitoring wells in 2 of those borings.