

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Monday - April 12, 2021, 6:00 PM Virtual

AGENDA

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. C. 30A, s. 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, as well as Mayor Curtatone's Declaration of Emergency, dated March 15, 2020, this meeting of a City Council Committee will be conducted via remote participation.

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1. Approval of the March 15, 2021 Minutes

MBTA Bus Routes and Related Issues

- 2. 211426: Discuss (Niedergang, Scott) That the Director of SPCD discuss with this Council the changes that are being considered, or could be considered, in MBTA bus routes to better serve bus riders following the opening of 5 new Green Line stations this year.
- **3. 209606: Discuss** (Clingan) That the Director of SPCD provide this Council with an update on efforts to implement North/South public transportation services.
- 4. 207502: Discuss (Hirsch, Niedergang, Clingan, McLaughlin, Davis) That the Director of SPCD discuss the plans and process to advocate for Somerville transit priorities as part of the MBTA Better Bus Project, including advocacy for a North/South bus route and reduced fares for income-eligible riders, and against fare hikes.

Powderhouse Blvd. Bike Lanes and Powderhouse Circle

- 5. 207997: Discuss 10 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
- 6. 208110: Discuss 6 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
- 7. 208227: Discuss 3 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
- **8. 208313: Discuss** 3 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
- **9. 208448: Discuss** 2 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
- **10. 209045: Discuss** Rachel Turek submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
- **11. 210900: Discuss** (Davis, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Ballantyne, Strezo, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Mbah, White Jr.) That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 6 Councilor on previously discussed plans to reconfigure the Powder House Traffic Circle.

Bike Lanes on East Broadway

12. 209808: Discuss (McLaughlin, Ballantyne, Clingan) – That the Director of SPCD develop a plan to create parking-separated bike lanes on East Broadway.

Parking Issues

- **13. 210985: Discuss** (Strezo) That the Director of Parking discuss with the appropriate committee, implementing income-based parking ticket fines for residents, as well as "day-fine" scales to set ticket penalties according to an individual's daily income.
- **14. 210624: Discuss** (Ballantyne, Ewen-Campen) That the Director of Finance, the Director of Parking and the Director of SPCD discuss scaling parking permit fees with automobile size and efficiency.
- **15. 208575: Discuss** (Scott, Ballantyne) That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Parking provide a quarterly update regarding implementation of deed-based parking permit restrictions.

16. 210932: Discuss (Ewen-Campen, Scott, Mbah, Strezo, Ballantyne) – That the Director of SPCD replace the NO BICYCLES ON SIDEWALK decals in the city's business districts and work with the Pedestrian and Transit Advocacy Committee to reduce conflicts between cyclists and pedestrians on sidewalks.