



## CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

### ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Thursday - May 21, 2015, 7:30 PM  
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

### AGENDA

1. **197851: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Administration develop a comprehensive de-paving plan for city properties, especially school playgrounds, to alleviate flooding by reducing the 73% of Somerville that is covered by concrete, asphalt or other impervious surfaces.
2. **197977: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of the Office of Sustainability implement a plan to prohibit all departments, commissions and other bodies from distributing single-serve bottles of water at meetings, events, and other functions.
3. **198353: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Commissioner of Public Works meet with this Board's Committee on Energy and Environment to discuss the use of salt and salt substitutes during the winter.
4. **198736: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment update this Board on the progress of the Curbside Composting Task Force toward developing a citywide composting program.
5. **199097: Discuss** Submitted by Vertex Companies Inc to install 2 groundwater monitoring wells in the grassy area just north of the Community Bike Path, 180 feet and 250 feet west of Cedar St.
6. **199125: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change appear before this Board to discuss their activities, and submit a brief report with the highlights of their work.

7. **199133: Discuss** (McWatters, Sullivan, Lafuente, Heuston, Niedergang) – That the Director of SPCD determine if any of the city's trees have been infected by the Emerald Ash Borer, and report back to this Board with any strategy to save them, possibly by spraying Tree Azin.