



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## School Building Facilities and Maintenance Special Committee

### Meeting Minutes Dispositions

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**Monday, December 8, 2025**

**6:00 PM**

**Virtual**

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#### **Joint Meeting with the School Committee's School Building Facilities and Maintenance Committee**

This meeting was held virtually via Zoom and was called to order at 6:03 pm by Chair Clingan and adjourned at 7:49 pm with a roll call vote of 3 in favor (Councilors Sait, Davis and Clingan), none opposed, and none absent.

Others present: Leiran Biton - School Committee Chair, Laura Pitone - School Committee Member, Dr. Sarah Phillips - School Committee Member, Yasmine Raddassi - Legislative Liaison, Rich Raiche - Infrastructure and Asset Management Director, Danielle Barry - Facilities, Safety and Transportation Coordinator, Bill Fisher - Director of Emergency Management and Delaney Fisher-Cassiol - Clerk of Committees

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** Ward Four City Councilor Jesse Clingan, Ward Five City Councilor Naima Sait and Ward Six City Councilor Lance L. Davis

1. Approval of the Minutes of the School Building Facilities and Maintenance Special Committee Meeting of October 28, 2025. [25-1708](#)

Accepted

**Aye:** Ward Four City Councilor Clingan, Ward Five City Councilor Sait and Ward Six City Councilor Davis

2. That the Administration provide the Special Committee on School Building Facilities and Maintenance with regular updates about the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) process for the Winter Hill and Brown Schools. [24-0466](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Davis

Kept in committee

3. That the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management develop a Swing Space plan to accommodate Somerville Public Schools students to mitigate disruption to students, families, and staff while a school building is unavailable or during construction. [25-0234](#)

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**Sponsors:** Councilor Pineda Neufeld

Kept in committee

4. That the Mayor create and make public specific plans that outline the full scope of the work necessary at the Cummings School, including capacity, time, and cost, to host Somerville Public School students in the event of an emergency, and provide regular updates to this Council on such plans until completed. [25-0906](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Pineda Neufeld

Recommended to be marked work completed

5. That the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management and the Director of the Office of Sustainability and Environment provide a written report to this Council by July 1 regarding any updates on measures and practices taken to assess, monitor, maintain, and improve healthfulness of the schools' physical environment. [25-1096](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Sait

Recommended to be marked work completed

6. That the Director of Health and Human Services inform this Council which school buildings have menstrual products available and which school buildings have inoperable menstrual product dispensers and when they are scheduled to be replaced. [25-1455](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Strezo, Councilor Davis, Councilor Wilson and Councilor Sait

Recommended to be marked work completed

7. That the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management update this Council on how the foundation at the Brown School is monitored, whether mitigation is required to address any concerns, and if so, the details of those mitigation plans. [25-1637](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Davis

Recommended to be marked work completed

8. That the Administration and the School Department discuss with this Council the budgetary and planning impact of snow days, and how adaptation to climate change may affect future snow day planning. [25-1721](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Davis

Recommended to be marked work completed

9. That the Commissioner of Public Works provide an update on how snow [25-1722](#)

and ice is removed from different types of surfaces in schoolyards,  
including any limitations based on surface type.

**Sponsors:** Councilor Davis

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Referenced Documents:

- SBFM - 2025-12-08 Memo (with 25-0234)
- SBFM - 2025-12-08 Memo (with 25-1722)
- SBFM - 2025-12-08 Cummings School (with 25-0906)