



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## Legislative Matters Committee

### Meeting Minutes Dispositions

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**Monday, September 8, 2025**

**6:00 PM**

**Virtual**

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The meeting took place remotely via Zoom and was called to order at 6:02 PM by Chair Scott and adjourned at 7:18 PM on a roll call vote of 3 in favor (Councilors Mbah, Ewen-Campen and Scott), none against and 2 absent (Councilors Davis and Strezo).

Others present:

Neha Singh – Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Commissioner Nick Salerno – Elections, Megan Arruda – Elections, City Solicitor Cindy Amara, Assistant City Solicitor David Shapiro, Manager Michael Potere – License Commission, City Clerk Kim Wells, Peter Forcellese – Legislative Clerk.

#### Roll Call

**Present:** Ward Two City Councilor Jefferson Thomas (J.T.) Scott, Ward Three City Councilor Ben Ewen-Campen, City Councilor At Large Wilfred N. Mbah and Ward Six City Councilor Lance L. Davis

**Absent:** City Councilor At Large Kristen Strezo

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Legislative Matters Committee Meeting of July 1, 2025. [25-1225](#)

Accepted

**Aye:** Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen, City Councilor At Large Mbah and Ward Six City Councilor Davis

**Absent:** City Councilor At Large Strezo

2. That the City of Somerville hereby accepts the provisions of Chapter 53 Section 18B of the Massachusetts General Laws. [25-1373](#)

Recommended to be discharged with no recommendation

**Aye:** Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen, City Councilor At Large Mbah and Ward Six City Councilor Davis

**Absent:** City Councilor At Large Strezo

3. Former Mayor Eugene C. Brune, former Mayor Dorothy Kelly Gay, and former Alderman John "Jack" Connolly submitting comments re: Chapter 53, [25-1335](#)

Section 18B of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Recommended to be marked work completed

4. Licensing Commission requesting the acceptance of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 138, Section 12D, to allow current wine and malt beverages license holders to apply to convert to a non-transferable all forms alcohol license.

[25-1317](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Ward Two City Councilor Scott, Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen and City Councilor At Large Mbah

**Absent:** City Councilor At Large Strezo and Ward Six City Councilor Davis

Referenced Documents:

- Legislative Matters 2025-09-08 MGL Alcohol License Conversion Memo (with 25-1317)