

City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 10, 2015, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

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OPENING OF THE MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Absent	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 200418 (ID:13070) Call of the Roll.

<p>The Board held a moment of silence for Eugene Binari. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Roy Milliken, Renato Cabral and Kostas Kargatzis. Alderman Niedergang held a moment of silence for Lenore Hill and Anne Hazell. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Edward Delzanero.</p> <p>RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</p>
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2. Minutes 200419 (ID:13071) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 22, 2015.

<p>RESULT: APPROVED</p>

CITATIONS

3. Citation 200420 (ID:13075) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Michael McGlynn, Mayor of Medford and Dean of MA Mayors, who is retiring after 28 years of dedicated public service.

Alderman Connolly and Alderman Rossetti spoke about Mayor McGlynn's contributions over his 28 years of service.

RESULT: APPROVED

4. Citation 200421 (ID:13076) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Barbara Rubel, recently awarded the John Fitzgerald Lifetime Achievement Award by the Chamber of Commerce, for her many contributions to the City, both personally and professionally as Tufts' Director of Community Relations.

Alderman Connolly discussed Barbara Rubel's dedication to the City over 42 years. Ms. Rubel spoke about the work completed at Tufts over the years.

RESULT: APPROVED

5. Citation 200422 (ID:13079) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Teen Empowerment, which has worked tirelessly for more than a decade to improve the lives of Somerville's young people.

Alderman Connolly recognized the Teen Empowerment leaders and their accomplishments working closely with the City. Founder Stan Pollack thanked the Board for its support in achieving these accomplishments.

RESULT: APPROVED

6. Citation 200423 (ID:13068) By Ald. The Entire Board Commending outgoing Alderman Rebekah L. Gewirtz for her outstanding service to the people of Ward Six and the entire City as Alderman, from 2006 to 2015.

President White recognized Alderman Gewirtz for her work in the City. She thanked the Board, Mayor, staff and Clerks for their support, and spoke about some of the key items that have been accomplished through the years.

RESULT: APPROVED

7. Citation 200424 (ID:13067) By Ald. The Entire Board Commending Alderman William A. White, Jr., for his distinguished service as President of this Board in 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED

8. Citation 200425 (ID:13069) By Ald. The Entire Board Commending Alderman Katjana Ballantyne for her distinguished service as Vice President of this Board in 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 9. Grant of Location 200426 (ID:13080) Submitted by Eversource (NStar Electric) to install 93 feet of conduit in Somerville Avenue from Manhole #8639 to private property at 508-510 Somerville Avenue.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with NStar Electric discussed details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

- 10. Grant of Location 200427 (ID:13081) Submitted by Verizon to install 6 feet of conduit in Properzi Way from Pole T12 to private property at 100 Properzi Way.

The President opened the public hearing. Kelly Krea with Verizon discussed details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. Alderman Heuston questioned if trenches will be needed, and Ms. Krea replied the work was already completed. Alderman Heuston expressed her concern about items being completed before they are presented to the Board. (See #200498.)

RESULT: APPROVED

- 11. Grant of Location 200428 (ID:13082) 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.

The President opened the public hearing. Patrick Korkrin with Speedway discussed details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. President White questioned previous leakages from tanks, and Patrick Korkin confirmed that there were leakages that were addressed. These borings would take 1 day to complete, with the testing taking around 3 months.

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

12. Public Communication 200177 (ID:12794) 195 registered voters submitting a petition for a public hearing on economic inequality, pursuant to Section 8 of the City Charter.

Rand Wilson thanked the Board for holding the public hearing. The petition was created to stress the inequality of real incomes between the rich and the median population. The US is last when compared to other countries in terms of income inequality. This is a serious problem, and Somerville must support new policies to address it. He requested that the Board support four initiatives at the State House, for paid family and medical leave, additional taxes on income over a million dollars, a living wage of \$15/hour for fast food employees, and elimination of the sub-minimum wage for tipped workers.

Many speakers addressed these topics, including the impacts on public education, Somerville’s working poor, families with newborn children, immigrants, potential homeowners, the environment, and persons with disabilities. President White then closed the Public Hearing.

At the conclusion of the Public Hearing, The Board Approved Resolution #200494 supporting the enactment of four initiatives at the State House:

- Paid family and medical leave,
- An additional tax of 4% on annual income above one million dollars,
- A living wage of \$15/hour for employees of big box retail and fast food companies, and
- Elimination of the sub-minimum wage for tipped workers.

The State Delegation was then was then sponsored to address the Board on these issues. Senator Jehlen described the next steps. Representative Provost said changing the status quo is a struggle, and residents are forced to leave because of the cost of living.

Representative Barber thanked the public for their support on this topic and said it helped show the need to move forward on these issues.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

13. Resolution 200429 (ID:13048) By Ald. Gewirtz Thanking the residents of Ward 6 for the privilege of serving as their Alderman for the past 10 years.

RESULT: APPROVED

14. Resolution 200430 (ID:13049) By Ald. Gewirtz Thanking city officials and staff for their support, commitment to service, and wisdom during her tenure on this Board.

RESULT: APPROVED

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| 15. Order
200431
(ID:13040) | By Ald. McLaughlin, White Jr., Ballantyne, Lafuente
That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services appear before the Committee on Public Health and Safety to describe inspections for new residential units and whether they protect buyers from shoddy construction and poor soundproofing. | | | | |
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| 16. Order
200432
(ID:13041) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works adjust the traffic lights on McGrath Highway and Washington Street by Cobble Hill, to ensure seniors can cross the street. | | | | |
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| 17. Order
200433
(ID:13042) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NOT A THROUGH STREET sign at the entrance to Cobble Hill to prevent cut through traffic. | | | | |
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| 18. Order
200434
(ID:13043) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD place Wesley Street on the paved streets list. | | | | |
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| 19. Order
200435
(ID:13044) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Commissioner of Public Works place plowed snow on the non-permit parking side of Dana Street to ensure residents have parking. | | | | |
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| 20. Order
200436
(ID:13045) | By Ald. McLaughlin, Lafuente, McWatters
That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the Gilman Square building and when traffic issues will be alleviated there. | | | | |
| <p>The Board expressed their concern with the delays in completing this work.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>RESULT:</td> <td>APPROVED</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FOLLOWUP:</td> <td>Traffic and Parking Committee</td> </tr> </table> | | RESULT: | APPROVED | FOLLOWUP: | Traffic and Parking Committee |
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| 21. Order
200437
(ID:13046) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing Florence Street sign by Symphony Park. | | | | |
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| 22. Order
200438
(ID:13047) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services address rodent problems on Wigglesworth Street, Cross Street Place, and Everett Avenue. | | | | |
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| 23. Order
200439
(ID:13066) | By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti
That the Mayor's Aide and/or the Director of Sustainability and the Environment update this Board on addressing the litter from Globe Direct circulars. | | | | |
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| 24. Order
200440
(ID:13057) | By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.
That the Director of Constituent Services appear before this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Works with a written report on streetlamp repairs citywide. | | | | |
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| 25. Order
200441
(ID:13062) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment report to this Board on the delay in the curbside composting pilot program. | | | | |
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| 26. Order
200442
(ID:13061) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the raised sidewalk at 86-88 Rogers Avenue. | | | | |
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| 27. Order
200443
(ID:13063) | By Ald. Niedergang
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light on Charles E. Ryan Road behind 13 Roberts Street. | | | | |
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| 28. Order
200444
(ID:13064) | By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.
That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce traffic regulations at the corner of Wigglesworth and Otis Streets. | | | | |
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29. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.
 200445 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light in front of 31
 (ID:13065) Bailey Road.

RESULT: APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

30. Communication By Ald. Rossetti
 200217 Reporting on the November 4, 2015 meeting of the High School Building
 (ID:12839) Committee.

Alderman Rossetti reported the Committee was very active with giving tours, and she gave an update on the plans for a new High School.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

31. Order By Ald. White Jr.
 200286 Proposing an amendment to Rule 27 of this Board, to insure public access to
 (ID:12909) documents submitted to this Board's committees.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

ABSENT: Sullivan

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

32. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

- A. Committee Report Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy,
 200446 meeting on December 1, 2015.
 (ID:13052)

Alderman Ballantyne reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about fields and open space, and the concern about LED lighting in those areas.

RESULT: APPROVED

- B. Order By Ald. Ballantyne
 198353 That the Commissioner of Public Works meet with this Board's Committee on
 (ID:10931) Energy and Environment to discuss the use of salt and salt substitutes during the winter.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

- C. Order By Ald. McWatters
 199696 That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 3 Alderman on plans for
 (ID:12405) renovating Central Hill Park.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

33. FINANCE COMMITTEE

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| <p>A. Committee Report
200447
(ID:13054)</p> | <p>Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on December 2, 2015.
Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting.
RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| <p>B. Public Communication
198905
(ID:11480)</p> | <p>CPC-T Holdings LLC requesting that this Board discontinue Cross Street East from Pennsylvania Avenue to Mystic Avenue.
RESULT: PLACED ON FILE</p> |
| <p>C. Mayor's Request
199606
(ID:12168)</p> | <p>Requesting the acceptance of an Easement and Easement Releases over a former portion of Cross Street East.
RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne
ABSENT: Sullivan</p> |
| <p>D. Mayor's Request
199922
(ID:12239)</p> | <p>Requesting approval to pay an FY12 invoice of \$45,000 in the DPW using FY16 appropriations.
RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| <p>E. Mayor's Request
200076
(ID:12359)</p> | <p>Requesting approval to pay FY15 invoices from FY16 appropriations totaling \$53,666.71 in the Department of Public Works.
RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| <p>F. Mayor's Request
200077
(ID:12650)</p> | <p>Requesting the payment of an FY15 collection invoice totalling \$10,602.40 with FY16 funds in the Traffic and Parking Department.
RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| <p>G. Mayor's Request
200164
(ID:12756)</p> | <p>Requesting approval to transfer \$11,000 in the Health and Human Services Department, from its Personal Services Account to its Professional and Technical Services Account, to pay for summer school contracted nursing services.
RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| <p>H. Mayor's Request
200165
(ID:12741)</p> | <p>Requesting approval to pay an FY15 Dell Marketing invoice of \$81,312.50 from the Information Technology Department's FY16 budget, for Exchange online licensing.
RESULT: APPROVED</p> |

I.	Mayor's Request 200166 (ID:12742)	Requesting approval pay an FY15 invoice totaling \$4,995 from the Information Technology Department's FY16 budget, for the Recreation Department's online registration system.	RESULT: APPROVED
J.	Mayor's Request 200167 (ID:12753)	Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$1,613.03 in the Information Technology Department using FY16 funds, for the leasing of eight printers.	RESULT: APPROVED
K.	Mayor's Request 200168 (ID:12748)	Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$225.79 in the Information Technology Department using FY16 funds, for a copy machine rental.	RESULT: APPROVED
L.	Mayor's Request 200169 (ID:12752)	Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$183.52 in the Information Technology Department using FY16 funds, for a copy machine rental.	RESULT: APPROVED
M.	Mayor's Request 200170 (ID:12740)	Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$ \$4,048.60 from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council for the Shape Up Somerville Program.	RESULT: APPROVED
N.	Mayor's Request 200188 (ID:12751)	Requesting approval pay a FY15 invoice of \$221.19 using FY16 Information Technology Department funds, for a leased copier.	RESULT: APPROVED
O.	Mayor's Request 200189 (ID:12749)	Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$215.70 using FY16 Information Technology Department funds, to pay for a copier lease.	RESULT: APPROVED
P.	Mayor's Request 200320 (ID:12910)	Requesting to rescind \$24,970 of \$168,191 in CPA funds appropriated for the Somerville Museum to purchase a wheelchair lift per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.	Ald. White recused. RESULT: APPROVED
Q.	Mayor's Request 200323 (ID:12827)	Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$885,000 in a bond to pay final design costs for the West Branch Library Renovation Project.	RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne ABSENT: Sullivan

R. Mayor's Request 200324 (ID:12826) Requesting an appropriation of \$142,036 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to purchase 4 police vehicles.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne
ABSENT: Sullivan

S. Mayor's Request 200326 (ID:12950) Requesting authorization to pay a prior year invoice of \$1,098.45 in the City Clerk's Office from Invoice Cloud, for online payment processing.

RESULT: APPROVED

T. Mayor's Request 200327 (ID:13016) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$29,179 from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to support the Housing Division's Continuum of Care planning efforts.

RESULT: APPROVED

U. Mayor's Request 200328 (ID:12809) Requesting approval of a \$26,500 grant from the MA Department of Environmental Protection for the Public Works Department's Recycling Dividends Program.

RESULT: APPROVED

V. Mayor's Request 200329 (ID:13017) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$25,964 from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to support the Housing Division's Continuum of Care planning efforts.

RESULT: APPROVED

W. Mayor's Request 200330 (ID:12822) Requesting the acceptance of a \$12,000 grant from the MA Public Safety and Security Highway Safety Division for the Police's Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over and Click It or Ticket Mobilization Program.

RESULT: APPROVED

X. Mayor's Request 200331 (ID:12825) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$10,000 from the MA Historical Commission for historical planning and survey work in Union Square.

RESULT: APPROVED

Y. Mayor's Request 200332 (ID:12819) Requesting acceptance of a \$9,990 grant from the MA Office of Public Safety and Security for Police Department underage alcohol enforcement.

RESULT: APPROVED

Z.	Mayor's Request 200333 (ID:12815)	Requesting acceptance of a \$7,357 grant from the Metro North Regional Employment Board for the Health and Human Service Youth Works Program.	RESULT: APPROVED
AA.	Mayor's Request 200334 (ID:12803)	Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$6,082 from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services for the Council on Aging for health and wellness programs.	RESULT: APPROVED
AB.	Mayor's Request 200335 (ID:12824)	Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$5,102 From The MA Office of Public Safety and Security for the Police Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Enforcement initiative.	RESULT: APPROVED
AC.	Mayor's Request 200336 (ID:12802)	Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$4,828 from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services for the Council on Aging for transportation services.	RESULT: APPROVED
AD.	Mayor's Request 200337 (ID:12823)	Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$2,000 from the MA Office of Public Safety and Security to the Police Department for child passenger safety equipment.	RESULT: APPROVED
AE.	Mayor's Request 200338 (ID:12647)	Requesting approval to extend a contract with Zip Car through December 31, 2017.	RESULT: APPROVED
AF.	Mayor's Request 200339 (ID:12821)	Requesting approval to extend a House Doctor contract with CDR Maguire to complete the closeout of two city construction projects.	RESULT: APPROVED
AG.	Mayor's Request 200412 (ID:13025)	Requesting an appropriation of \$27,362 in Parking Meter Receipts to the School Department to establish a FIRST Robotics Team.	RESULT: APPROVED
AH.	Mayor's Request 200416 (ID:13033)	Requesting approval to extend a contract with Joel Russell Associates to December 31, 2016 for on call consulting for the zoning overhaul.	RESULT: APPROVED

AI.	Mayor's Request 200417 (ID:13034)	Requesting approval to extend a contract with Clarion Associates to December 31, 2016 for on call consulting for the zoning Overhaul.
		RESULT: APPROVED

34. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A.	Committee Report 200448 (ID:13050)	Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on November 30, 2015.
		Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Open space requirements were presented at the meeting, along with plans for the Zoning Ordinance overhaul.
		RESULT: APPROVED

35. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A.	Committee Report 200449 (ID:13051)	Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting in Joint Session with the Planning Board, on December 9, 2015.
		Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He gave an update on the Medical Marijuana Zoning Ordinance and an Inclusionary Housing Zoning Ordinance.
		RESULT: APPROVED

36. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A.	Committee Report 200450 (ID:13055)	Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on December 3, 2015.
		Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting.
		RESULT: APPROVED

B.	Order 197626 (ID:10181)	By Ald. Gewirtz, Ballantyne That the City Solicitor appear before this Board's Committee on Confirmation of Appointments to discuss the hiring of a Director of Recreation and Youth.
		RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C.	Mayor's Request 198414 (ID:10991)	Requesting approval of an Administrative Code pursuant to the City Charter.
		RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

D.	Mayor's Request 199553 (ID:11685)	Requesting revisions to the City Charter and Ordinances to adjust the threshold for written contracts to align with MA General Law.
		RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

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| E. Mayor's Request
199726
(ID:12199) | Requesting amendments to Ordinance 2-369 to align the threshold for written contracts with MA General Law. | <table border="1"> <tr> <td>RESULT:</td> <td>APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]</td> </tr> <tr> <td>AYES:</td> <td>Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ABSENT:</td> <td>Sullivan</td> </tr> </table> | RESULT: | APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] | AYES: | Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne | ABSENT: | Sullivan |
| RESULT: | APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] | | | | | | | |
| AYES: | Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne | | | | | | | |
| ABSENT: | Sullivan | | | | | | | |
| F. Mayor's Request
199727
(ID:12200) | Requesting an amendment to the City Charter to align with a related proposed revision to the City Ordinances and with MA General Law regarding written contracts. | <table border="1"> <tr> <td>RESULT:</td> <td>APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]</td> </tr> <tr> <td>AYES:</td> <td>Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ABSENT:</td> <td>Sullivan</td> </tr> </table> | RESULT: | APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] | AYES: | Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne | ABSENT: | Sullivan |
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| AYES: | Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne | | | | | | | |
| ABSENT: | Sullivan | | | | | | | |
| G. Order
200305
(ID:12843) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Recreation and Youth and the Mayor's Aide appear at the next meeting of the Legislative Matters Committee to discuss the hiring for the position of Director of Recreation and Youth. | <table border="1"> <tr> <td>RESULT:</td> <td>WORK COMPLETED</td> </tr> </table> | RESULT: | WORK COMPLETED | | | | |
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| H. Order
200307
(ID:13026) | By Ald. Rossetti
That the City Solicitor prepare and forward to the Board of Aldermen and the Recreation Commission, an amendment to the Code of Ordinances to allow for Board of Aldermen approval of new hires for the position of Director of Recreation and Youth. | <table border="1"> <tr> <td>RESULT:</td> <td>WORK COMPLETED</td> </tr> </table> | RESULT: | WORK COMPLETED | | | | |
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37. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

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| A. Committee Report
200451
(ID:13053) | Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on December 2, 2015. | <p>Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>RESULT:</td> <td>APPROVED</td> </tr> </table> | RESULT: | APPROVED |
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| B. License/Permit
199223
(ID:11715) | Renewing Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 381 Washington St. | <table border="1"> <tr> <td>RESULT:</td> <td>APPROVED</td> </tr> </table> | RESULT: | APPROVED |
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| C. License/Permit
199224
(ID:11716) | Renewing Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 387 Washington St. | <table border="1"> <tr> <td>RESULT:</td> <td>APPROVED</td> </tr> </table> | RESULT: | APPROVED |
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D.	License/Permit 199225 (ID:11717)	Renewing Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 147 Beacon St.	RESULT: APPROVED
E.	License/Permit 200009 (ID:12612)	New Extended Operating Hours License, Speedway, 709 McGrath Hwy, Operating 24/7.	RESULT: WITHDRAWN
F.	License/Permit 200175 (ID:12792)	New Garage License, Sullivan Tire, 263 Beacon St, mechanical repairs, 6 autos inside, 4 outside, M-F 7AM-7PM, Sa 7AM-5:30PM, Su Closed.	RESULT: APPROVED
G.	License/Permit 200370 (ID:12993)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, CM Auto Sales, 30 Joy St.	RESULT: APPROVED
H.	License/Permit 200407 (ID:13003)	Amending Used Car Dealers License Class 2, PJ's Motorcars, 161 Broadway, increasing cars outside to 6, adding hours Sun 10AM-4PM.	RESULT: WITHDRAWN
I.	Public Communication 200414 (ID:13031)	MA Office of Consumer Affairs submitting Lemon Law Sticker Audit results for CM Auto Sales, 30 Joy St.	RESULT: WORK COMPLETED
J.	Order 200452 (ID:13119)	By Ald. Heuston That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 61 Prospect Street to determine the proper number of vehicles for the lot.	RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
K.	Order 200453 (ID:13120)	By Ald. Connolly That the Director of Traffic and Parking report any violations pertaining to the business at 61 Prospect Street to the Committee on Licenses and Permits.	RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
L.	Order 200454 (ID:13121)	By Ald. Heuston That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services ascertain the appropriate number of vehicles to be stored on the lot at 161 Broadway so as not to impair public safety.	RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

38. Mayor's Request 200455 (ID:13059) Requesting an appropriation of \$200,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Law Department Legal Services Account to fund the hire of previously approved outside legal counsel.

The City Solicitor explained the need for this appropriation.
RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

39. Mayor's Request 200456 (ID:13039) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$82,574 from the MA Office of Housing and Economic Development, for the Advanced Manufacturing Training Program.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

40. Officer's Request 200457 (ID:13074) City Solicitor submitting an amendment to Ordinance 2-247 regarding the appointment of the Recreation and Youth Director, as approved by the Legislative Matters Committee on 12/3/15.

See #197626 for discussion of this item.
RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne
ABSENT: Sullivan

41. Officer's Request 200458 (ID:13072) City Solicitor requesting approval to hire outside legal counsel for Haynes v Somerville.

The City Solicitor discussed the staffing issues that make outside counsel advantageous.
RESULT: APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS

42. License/Permit 200459 (ID:13083) Public Event Permit, MOM's 5K Run for Cancer, Davis Sq area, May 8, 7AM-2PM.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 42 through 61 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.
RESULT: APPROVED

43. License/Permit 200460 (ID:13084) Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Pearl St Auto Sales, 182 Pearl St.

RESULT: APPROVED

44.	License/Permit 200461 (ID:13085)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Executive Auto Leasing and Sales, 30 Medford St.	RESULT:	APPROVED
45.	License/Permit 200462 (ID:13086)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Green Automotive, 600 Windsor Pl.	RESULT:	APPROVED
46.	License/Permit 200463 (ID:13087)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Motorcycles and More, 109 Bailey Rd.	RESULT:	APPROVED
47.	License/Permit 200464 (ID:13088)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 3, Joseph Talewsky and Son, 517 Columbia St.	RESULT:	APPROVED
48.	License/Permit 200465 (ID:13089)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 3, Joseph Talewsky and Son, 512 Columbia St.	RESULT:	APPROVED
49.	License/Permit 200466 (ID:13090)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, The Burren, 247 Elm St.	RESULT:	APPROVED
50.	License/Permit 200467 (ID:13091)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, East End Grille, 118 Broadway.	RESULT:	APPROVED
51.	License/Permit 200468 (ID:13092)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, PJ Ryans, 239 Holland St.	RESULT:	APPROVED
52.	License/Permit 200469 (ID:13093)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Taipei Tokyo, 7 Holland St.	RESULT:	APPROVED
53.	License/Permit 200470 (ID:13094)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Tapatio Mexican Grill, 82 Broadway.	RESULT:	APPROVED
54.	License/Permit 200471 (ID:13095)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Taco Loco, 44 Broadway.	RESULT:	APPROVED

55.	License/Permit 200472 (ID:13096)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, The Joshua Tree, 256 Elm St. RESULT: APPROVED
56.	License/Permit 200473 (ID:13097)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, The Independent, 75 Union Sq. RESULT: APPROVED
57.	License/Permit 200474 (ID:13098)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Brass Union, 66 Union Sq. RESULT: APPROVED
58.	License/Permit 200475 (ID:13099)	Renewing Garage License, M Korson and Company, 91 Washington St. RESULT: APPROVED
59.	License/Permit 200476 (ID:13100)	Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Papa John's Pizza, 622 Somerville Ave. RESULT: APPROVED
60.	License/Permit 200477 (ID:13101)	Sign/Awning Permit, 393 Highland Ave, 1 sign, 1 projecting sign. RESULT: APPROVED
61.	License/Permit 200478 (ID:13102)	Sign/Awning Permit, Esquina's Lanches, 508 Medford St. RESULT: APPROVED

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

62.	Resolution 200479 (ID:13108)	By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board That the MassPort Community Advisory Committee seek to address Logan Airport noise, pollution, and traffic issues by sponsoring a regional citizens' forum, an online runway database, and federal research. Wig Zagmore updated the Board on noise complaints around Logan Airport. He discussed plans of the Community Advisory Committee to help resolve this problem. President White explained the process the planes will use to coordinate and utilize the runways. The number of complaints from numerous communities has increased. RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee
63.	Order 200480 (ID:13077)	By Ald. Ballantyne That the Commissioner of Public Works evaluate the tree at 23 Irvington Road, and if dead, remove it. RESULT: APPROVED

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| 64. Order
200481
(ID:13078) | By Ald. Ballantyne
That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Finance report all expenditures for Union Square since the passage of the Union Square Redevelopment Plan, identifying those excluded and included in the Memorandum of Understanding with the Master Developer. | | | | |
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| 65. Mayor's Request
200482
(ID:13115) | Requesting the appointment of Mary Battinelli as Constable.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 65 through 72, approve items 65 through 69, and send items 70 through 72 to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. | | | | |
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| 66. Mayor's Request
200483
(ID:13114) | Requesting the re-appointment of Catello Battinelli II as Constable. | | | | |
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| 67. Mayor's Request
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(ID:13113) | Requesting the re-appointment of Alan Bishop as Constable. | | | | |
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| 68. Mayor's Request
200485
(ID:13111) | Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Browne as Constable. | | | | |
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| 69. Mayor's Request
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(ID:13112) | Requesting the re-appointment of James DiFraia as Constable. | | | | |
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| 70. Mayor's Request
200487
(ID:13056) | Requesting the re-appointment of Mark Howland to the Library Board of Trustees. | | | | |
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| 71. Mayor's Request
200488
(ID:13104) | Requesting the re-appointment of Katherine Van Sleet to the Library Board of Trustees. | | | | |
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| 72. Mayor's Request
200489
(ID:13105) | Requesting the reappointment of Akil Williams to the Library Board of Trustees. | | | | |
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| 73. | Officer's Request
200490
(ID:13110) | Retirement Board requesting approval to increase the cost of living adjustment maximum base amount for eligible retirees to \$13,000. |
| | | RESULT: APPROVED |
| 74. | Officer's Communication
200491
(ID:12812) | Commissioner of Public Works responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/8/15. |
| | | Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 74 and 75, and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. |
| | | RESULT: PLACED ON FILE |
| | | FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee
Flood Forum Special Committee
Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee |
| 75. | Officer's Communication
200492
(ID:13038) | Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 10/22/15. |
| | | RESULT: PLACED ON FILE |
| | | FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee
Traffic and Parking Committee |

LATE ITEMS

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| 76. | Citation
200493
(ID:13107) | By Ald. The Entire Board
Commending Omar Boukili, for more than five years of dedicated service to this Board, this Mayor, and this City, as the Mayor's Aide and liaison to the Board. |
| | | Omar Boukili thanked the Aldermen for their support over the last 5 years. |
| | | RESULT: APPROVED |
| 77. | Resolution
200494
(ID:13125) | By Ald. Gewirtz, and the Entire Board
That this Board urges the enactment of four initiatives by the State Legislature, to reduce economic inequality in the Commonwealth. |
| | | Submitted as a late item at the conclusion of the public hearing on income inequality (#200177). |
| | | RESULT: APPROVED |
| 78. | Mayor's Request
199604
(ID:12166) | Requesting approval to discontinue the portion of Cross Street East between Pennsylvania and Mystic Avenues. |
| | | Discharged from the Committee on Finance. |
| | | RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] |
| | | AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,
McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne |
| | | ABSENT: Sullivan |

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| 79. Mayor's Request 199605 (ID:12167) | Requesting the partial release of the Open Space Covenant affecting property on Cross Street East. | <p>Discharged from the Committee on Finance.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]</p> <p>AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne</p> <p>ABSENT: Sullivan</p> |
| 80. Mayor's Request 200321 (ID:12911) | Requesting to appropriate \$24,970 in CPA funds for the Somerville Museum to use for the design, purchase, and installation of an elevator per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee. | <p>Discharged from the Committee on Finance. Alderman White recused.</p> <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 81. Order 200495 (ID:13122) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Chief of Police assign a crossing guard at Franklin and Perkins Streets. | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 82. Order 200496 (ID:13123) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk at Arlington and Franklin Streets. | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 83. Order 200498 (ID:13126) | By Ald. Heuston, Lafuente, White Jr.
That the City Clerk note on future Board agendas whenever proposed Grants of Location have been given interim approval as emergency orders. | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 84. Order 200497 (ID:13124) | By Ald. McLaughlin
That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the bus sign at Pearl and Cross Streets. | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |
| 85. Order 200499 (ID:13127) | By Ald. McWatters
That the Chief of Police order directed patrols on Greenville Street weekdays 7-9AM, to restrict access to abutters only. | <p>RESULT: APPROVED</p> |

86. Order 200500 (ID:13128) By Ald. McWatters That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light at the corner of Hillside Circle and Craigie Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

87. Mayor's Communication 200501 (ID:13116) Submitting an update on the residential food composting pilot project.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

88. Public Communication 200502 (ID:13130) Rep. Tim Toomey submitting comments re: #200177, economic inequality.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:30 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.