



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

### Regular Meeting Agenda

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Wednesday, October 2, 2024

7:00 PM

Virtual

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In keeping with the decisions of the Civil Service Commission, this committee is required to consider candidates for civil service positions solely on the basis of their relative ability, knowledge, and skills. The commission's decisions and basic merit principles outlined in the Personnel Administrations rules prohibit the arbitrary and capricious rejection of a candidate, including for political reasons, and demand a standard of "neutrally applied public policy" as guidance for our review. Committee members are encouraged to adhere to this standard while considering all candidates, regardless of civil service status.

#### Roll Call

1. Committee Minutes (ID # [24-1026](#)) **Agenda Ready:** Approval of the Minutes of the Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee Meeting of July 2, 2024.
2. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1232](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Lynn Richards to the Planning Board.

3. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1226](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Courtney Brunson to the Somerville Redevelopment Authority.
4. Mayor's Request (ID # [24-1170](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Shumeane Benford to the position of Chief of Police.

Note: The Committee may meet in Executive Session to review protected personnel information or to discuss matters related to individual candidates pursuant to MGL c30A s21(a)(1).