



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Finance Committee

Regular Meeting Agenda

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Roll Call

1. Committee Minutes (ID # [25-0373](#)) **Agenda Ready:** Approval of the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of February 25, 2025.

Appropriations

2. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0274](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the appropriation of \$137,288 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Information Technology (IT) Department Professional & Technical Account for an independent assessment of security and network infrastructure and an organizational review of all IT groups within the city.

Bonding

3. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0279](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting authorization to borrow \$7,600,000 in a bond, and to appropriate the same amount for the FY 2025 Water Main Rehabilitation program as part of the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority's Local Water System Assistance Program.

Grant and Gift Acceptances

4. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0299](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$100,000 grant with no new match required, from the City of Boston Office of Emergency Management to the Elections Department for security of elections vault.
5. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0281](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$335,635 grant with no new match required, from the Department of Mental Health to the Police Department for the Crisis Intervention Training and Technical Assistance Center.
6. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0282](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$15,000 grant with no new match required, as a sub-award through the Fenway Community Health Center to the Police Department for the Post-Overdose Support Team (POST).
7. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0283](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to accept and expend a \$23,105 grant that requires a match, from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council to the Police Department for the Metro Mayors Community Safety Initiative.
8. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0284](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to accept and expend an \$87,450 grant with no new match required, from the Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to the Police Department for staffing.

Prior Year Invoices

9. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0333](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$93.61 using available funds in the Police Department Out-of-State Travel account for food expenses during an investigation.

10. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0268](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$32.06 to Market Basket/Demoulas using available funds in the Parks & Recreation Food Supplies & Refreshments and Office Supplies accounts.

Personnel Requests

11. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0258](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the use of available funds in the Water Enterprise Fund Wages account in the amount of \$14,798.95 to fund a Utility Billing Manager position.
12. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0260](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the use of available funds in the Water Enterprise Fund Wages account in the amount of \$13,928.44 to fund a new Service Operations Manager position.
13. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0262](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting the use of available funds in the Water Enterprise Fund Wages account in the amount of \$1,569.10 to fund a Billing Analyst position.

Contracts and Easements

14. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0349](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of easements from JMC/STM/TGCI Union Square, LLC for 346 Somerville Avenue.
15. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0334](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of a contract extension for two years until 2/28/2026 for TSA Consulting Group, Inc., for the administration of 457(b) plans.

Ordinances

16. Ordinance (ID # [25-0375](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** By Councilor Ewen-Campen Amending the Code of Ordinances by adding Section 2-325 to Chapter 2, Article VI, Division 3 related to compensation for elected officials.
17. Mayor's Request (ID # [25-0370](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting ordainment of an amendment to Sections 2-322 and 2-323 of the Code of Ordinances, to update categories and associated salaries for non-union positions.

Communications and Discussions

18. Mayor's Communication (ID # [25-0369](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** Conveying an update on the next steps for recommendations on compensation for Elected Officials.
19. Mayor's Communication (ID # [25-0368](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** Conveying a forthcoming appropriation request from the Salary Contingency account to various city departments to fund an update to the non-union salary ordinance.
20. Officer's Communication (ID # [25-0371](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** Finance Director conveying FY 2025 Mid-Year Financial Report in accordance with Section 2-48 of the Code of Ordinances.

Orders and Resolutions

21. Order (ID # [25-0251](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Burnley Jr. That the Director of Racial and Social Justice provide an update on the citywide disparity study, including when the report will be made available to the public.