

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

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

January 12, 2012, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

1. Roll Call            Call of the Roll.
  
2. Minutes            Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting,  
December 8, 2011.

**CITATIONS**

3. Citation            By Ald. White Jr., Sullivan  
  
                          Commending Kat Powers, who is leaving the  
                          Somerville Journal after 17 years of dedicated service  
                          as Reporter, Editor, and Managing Editor.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location    Grant of Location submitted by NStar Electric for 733  
ft. of conduit in Pennsylvania Ave., from a manhole at  
Maine Ave. to a manhole at Minnesota Ave.

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

5. Order                By Ald. Roche  
  
                          That the Director of Traffic and Parking consult with  
                          the Traffic Engineer to determine the feasibility of  
                          Cross Street East being a one way from Broadway to  
                          Mystic Avenue.
  
6. Order                By Ald. Roche  
  
                          That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Traffic  
                          Engineer determine the feasibility of creating a zone to  
                          allow large trucks to back into the Mellotone building at  
                          120 Broadway by utilizing the Glen Street driveway.
  
7. Order                By Ald. Roche  
  
                          That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the  
                          East Branch Library sign that has cracked in half.
  
8. Order                By Ald. Gewirtz  
  
                          That the Director of SPCD (ISD) investigate excessive  
                          noise from construction activities at 29 Day Street early  
                          in the morning and throughout the day.

9. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz  
That this Board requests that the Administration update this Board on the effectiveness of the new residential energy and efficiency program and its utilization once such data is available.
10. Order By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inform this Board of the steps planned to ensure construction at Assembly Square is in keeping with the building codes, in light of the recent fire in Quincy at a development constructed by Avalon Bay.
11. Order By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan  
That the Chief of Police enforce the NO LEFT TURN restriction at the intersection of Bailey Road and Shore Drive.
12. Order By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan  
That the Commissioner of Public Works install additional sand barrels at the corner of Temple Street and Puritan Road.
13. Order By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan  
That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the street signs at Bailey Road and Shore Drive.
14. Order By Ald. White Jr., Gewirtz, Sullivan, Taylor  
That the Chief Financial Officer post on the City's website, an "Open Checkbook" so the public can search details of city spending and vendor payments.
15. Order By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan  
That the Chief of Police appear before the Committee on Public Health and Safety on January 23, at 6:30 PM, at the Mystic Development, to address crime activities, especially house breaks, in the Ten Hills section.
16. Order By Ald. White Jr.  
That the Chief of Police provide the Committee on Public Health and Safety with an analysis of crimes and arrests in 2011 compared with 2006 through 2010.
17. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz  
That the Commissioner of Public Works direct the appropriate utility company to repair the streetlamps at College Avenue and Dearborn Road.

18. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz  
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the loose sidewalk bricks between Bowers Avenue and Russell Street.
19. Communication By Ald. Taylor  
Acting as President, Removing Ald. Sullivan from the Committee on Senior Services, and replacing him with Alderman Trane as Committee Chair.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**20. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE**

- A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on January 11, 2012.
- B. Public Communication George O'Shea submitting comments re: George Dilboy Post 529, 371 Summer St., operating a commercial parking lot without a permit.
- C. License/Permit New Fortune Teller License, Stacey Mitchell dba Astrology by Nina, 511 Medford St.
- D. License/Permit New Outdoor Parking License, George Dilboy Post 529 VFW, 371 Summer St., 30 autos.
- E. Order By Ald. Heuston  
That the City Clerk notify the holder of the license for G E Auto Repair to appear before the Committee on Licenses and Permits to discuss the terms of the license.
- F. Order By Ald. Heuston  
That the City Clerk ensure that all applications for signs/awnings contain drawings/photos and measurements.

**COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

21. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a \$60,000 grant from the MA Dept. of Public Health for the Health Dept.'s strategies to increase healthy eating and active living.
22. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a \$4,950 grant from the MA Public Safety and Security Highway Safety Division for the Police Dept.'s Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Mobilization.

- 23. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Donna Leon Pierre as Constable, for a term to expire December 31, 2012.
- 24. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Matthew Derany as Constable, for a term to expire December 31, 2012.
- 25. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Robert Lomanno as Constable, for a term to expire December 31, 2012.
- 26. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Darcy Haynes as Constable, for a term to expire December 31, 2012.
- 27. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Catello Battinelli as Constable, for a term to expire December 31, 2012.

**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 28. License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Auto Brokers Co., 182 Washington St., 10 autos in.
- 29. License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Inman Motor Sales, 39 Webster Ave., 30 autos out.
- 30. License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy, 10 autos out.
- 31. License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect St., 46 autos.
- 32. License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Green Automotive, 600 Windsor Pl., 20 autos in.
- 33. License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Automotive Transport Service, 495 Columbia St., 10 autos in.
- 34. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, General Glass and Mirror, 231 Lowell St., 5 autos in, 5 out.
- 35. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Diva, 246-248 Elm St., 4 tables, 8 chairs, 1 banner sign.
- 36. License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Christopher Kokoras Insurance Agency, 272 Broadway, sign and lighting.
- 37. Public Communication Attorney Paul Hynes submitting comments re: the arbitration decision with the Firefighters Union.
- 38. Public Communication Paul Kafka-Gibbons submitting comments re: Veterans Memorial Rink operating hours.

**SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

39. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect 167 College Avenue for violations of landscape requirements and take immediate corrective action.
40. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz  
That the Director SPCD (ISD) inspect the rear parking lot of 30 College Avenue (on Winter Street) for possible contractor staging issues.
41. Order By Ald. O'Donovan  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) and the City Solicitor direct the owner of 34 Glenwood Road to rectify any conditions that might pose a safety hazard to the surrounding neighborhood.
42. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, U-Save Auto Rental, 70 Prospect St., 6 autos in.

**LATE ITEMS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk