

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

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

March 22, 2007, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
2. Minutes Approval Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 22, 2007.

CITATIONS

3. Citation By Ald. Pero, O'Donovan and the Entire Board, Commending Richard Johnson, a lifelong Somervillian, former Alderman and current State Trooper, who has served our nation with valor in Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

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

4. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Clerk of Committees request that a representative of the Hess Corp. on McGrath Hwy. appear before the Licenses and Permits Committee for a show cause hearing for violations of the ordinance prohibiting trash pick up between 7 PM and 7 AM.
5. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the STOP sign at Sunnyside Ave. and Walnut St.
6. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works and the City Arborist plant a tree at 25 Illinois Ave.
7. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Director of Traffic and Parking hold a public hearing on revising the restriction on street parking for 48 hours without moving the vehicle.
8. Order By Ald. Roche, That the City Solicitor advise this Board why the city cannot ticket DCR for not clearing the sidewalks on McGrath Hwy. approaching Highland Ave.

9. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works unlock the gate at the East Somerville Community School yard adjacent to the basketball courts on Cross St. once the snow disappears and the stairs are safe to use.
10. Order By Ald. Sullivan and Roche, That the Clerk of Committees request that a representative of the Car Wash on Washington St. appear before the Licenses and Permits Committee for a show cause hearing for violations of the ordinance to keep sidewalks clear of snow and ice.
11. Order By Ald. Sullivan and the Entire Board, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the leaking roof at the Central Library and the carpet on the 2nd floor of the West Branch Library.
12. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Chief of Police, the Sergeant in charge of community policing and the Ward 4 community police officer convene a neighborhood meeting in each of the Ward 4 precincts to discuss current issues, concerns and preparations for summer activities with neighbors.
13. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Chief of Police order directed patrols at Shore Dr., and Puritan, Putnam, and Ten Hills Rds., after a 2nd finding of needles and syringes there, and that the patrols include the Mystic Boat House, with concurrent jurisdiction of the State Police where applicable.
14. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Chief of Police order directed patrols in the vicinity of the Winter Hill School yard.
15. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Director of Traffic and Parking report on tickets issued and vehicles towed on Sargent Ave. in the recent snow emergency, and recommend ways for residents to report parking violations in snow emergencies.
16. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Director of Traffic and Parking make recommendations to this Board on establishing Community Parking Control Officers, to familiarize PCO's with the neighborhoods and facilitate contact with elected officials.
17. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Chief of Police cite Modern Floors, 22 Marshall St., for violations of the avoidable alarm ordinance on March 18, 2007.
18. Resolution By Ald. Pero, That the Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications dedicate the corner of Fremont and Main Sts. to World War II veteran, former Alderman and School Committee member, and current member of the Licensing Commission, Vito Vacarro.

19. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works ascertain if the contractor responsible for the installation of sidewalks on Alpine St. is required to repair any that are cracked or in disrepair.
20. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk at 108 Pearson Ave.
21. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Chief of Police order selective traffic enforcement at various times on Cedar St. between Highland Ave. and Summer St. and between Broadway and Morrison Ave.
22. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works re-evaluate all sidewalks on Alpine St. for workmanship and make repairs as necessary.
23. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of SPCD request of the MBTA that the bus stop at 185 Beacon St. be returned to its original location at 165 Beacon St.
24. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a STOP sign at the intersection of Dimick St. and Concord Ave.
25. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Traffic and Parking examine the intersection of Washington and Calvin Sts. to determine the need for a fire lane.
26. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect and trim the tree at 12 Dickinson St.
27. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the PRIVATE WAY sign at the intersection of Park Place and Laurel St.
28. Order By Ald. White, That the Commissioner of Public Works or Director of Finance provide this Board with the total amounts budgeted and expended this fiscal year for natural gas, gasoline, heating oil and electricity.
29. Order By Ald. White, That the Commissioner of Public Works provide this Board with a breakdown of expenditures for snow plowing, sanding and salting this fiscal year, and a breakdown of payments to outside contractors.
30. Order By Ald. White, That a representative of SPCD appear before the Committee on Housing and Community Development to discuss Somerville property in the North Point Area, whether any development is proposed, and whether any rezoning will be required.

31. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Chief of Police institute a comprehensive enforcement initiative for pedestrian safety to include all officers on all shifts with strict enforcement of crosswalk violations by motorists, and that this initiative become part of the daily charge to officers at roll call.
32. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the 48 hour rule on Endicott Ave. to ensure that vehicles are properly registered, not abandoned, and not parking long term.
33. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Chief of Police continue to monitor Teele Sq. for numerous motor vehicle violations to ensure the safety of residents and pedestrians.
34. Order By Ald. Trane and Desmond, That the Commissioner of Public Works check all school zone warning lights to ensure they are working when school begins and ends.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

35. Committee Report of the Committee on Land Use, March 13.
Report
36. Committee Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, March 13.
Report
37. Committee Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, March 20.
Report
38. Committee Report of the Committee on Youth Services, March 15.
Report
39. Committee Report of the Committee on Public Utilities and Public
Report Works, March 20.
40. Committee Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public
Report Safety, March 21.
41. Committee Report of the Committees on Public Health and Public
Report Safety and Traffic and Parking meeting jointly, March 14.
42. Committee Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, March
Report 21.

43. Committee Report of the Committee on Finance, March 21.
Report

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

44. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to transfer \$22,000 from the Police PS Salaries Acct. to the Police OM Training Acct.
45. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to use \$361.68 in FY07 available funds to adjust the annual salary of the Administrative Aide in the Mayor's Office from \$45,290.44 to \$47,000.
46. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to pay a prior-year invoice of \$125 for employee-training expenses in SPCD.
47. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a \$3,972,608 grant from HUD to SPCD as the final award for the 2007-2008 1 Year Action Plan.
48. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a \$22,900 grant from the MA Statewide Emergency Telecommunications Board, for the Police's Enhanced 911 services.
49. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to hire outside counsel to participate in the State's "MassDocs" system.
50. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of an amendment to Ordinance 2006-13 at Sec. 3 by inserting the words "Library Director" under the category "Executive Grade Level II."
51. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of David Jordan to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.
52. Mayor's Comm. Announcing the 2007 Annual Spring Cleanup on Saturday, April 28, from 10 AM to Noon, followed by a barbecue and "SomerGreen" environmental festival at Nunziato Field

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

53. Officer's Comm. Director of Planning Board Responding to #182597 re: Proposed PUD-B1 Zoning Ordinance Amendments.
54. Officer's Comm. Chief of Police responding to various Board Orders.
55. Officer's Comm. Director of SPCD responding to various Board Orders.

NEW BUSINESS

56. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Cystic Fibrosis Canning Drive, Citywide, Apr. 28-29, 10-3PM.
57. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Irmandade Divino Espirito Santo Procession to St. Benedict's Church, May 27, 9-12Noon.
58. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Day of Portugal Parade, Concord Sq. June 17, 12-3PM.
59. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Homeless Coalition Road Race, Registration, Brunch & Award Ceremony, Seven Hills Park, Davis Sq., Oct. 6, 7-1PM.
60. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Homeless Coalition 5K Road Race, Davis Sq., Oct. 6, 10-11AM.
61. Drainlayer Renewal of Drain Layer's License, John's Sewer and Pipe Cleaning dba Plummer's Plumbing and Heating.
62. Drainlayer Renewal of Drain Layer's License, Anthony P. Flowers.
63. Drainlayer Renewal of Drain Layer's License, Suffolk Engineering.
64. Drainlayer Renewal of Drain Layer's License, LaMountain Bros.
65. Drainlayer Renewal of Drain Layer's License, James W. Fleet Co.
66. Drainlayer Renewal of Drain Layer's License, JJ Phelan & Son Co.
67. Drainlayer Renewal of Drain Layer's License, Robell Inc.
68. Transient Vendor Renewal of Transient Vendor License, Paul Walker, flowers & gifts, 642a Somerville Ave., 646 Somerville Ave., 212 Broadway, 216 McGrath Hwy.
69. Outdoor Parking Renewal of Outdoor Parking License, Pat's Auto Body Inc., 160-200 McGrath Hwy., 340 autos.
70. Outdoor Parking Renewal of Outdoor Parking License, Pat's Auto Body Inc., 24-30 Joy St., 100 autos.
71. Outdoor Parking Renewal of Outdoor Parking License, Pat's Auto Body Inc., 161 Linwood St., 63 autos.
72. Outdoor Parking Renewal of Outdoor Parking License, Russell Disposal Inc., 25 autos.
73. Outdoor Seating Renewal of Outdoor Seating License, True Grounds, 717 Broadway, 4 tables & 8 chairs.

74. Outdoor Seating Renewal of Outdoor Seating License, K&AT Inc. dba Dollar Days, 422 Highland Ave., baskets against building.
75. Outdoor Seating Renewal of Outdoor Seating License, Fu Shen Therapeutic Spa, 258 Elm St., cylinder-shaped sign on sidewalk.
76. Extended Retail Hrs Renewal of Extended Retail Hours Permit, C & S Donuts Corp. dba Dunkin Donuts, 504 Broadway, 24 Hours.
77. Junk Renewal of Junk Dealer License, Joseph Talewsky Enterprise Inc., 508 Columbia St.
78. Junk Renewal of Junk Dealer License, CASPAR Inc. dba GEAR, 160 Highland Ave.
79. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealer License Class II, James A. Kiley Co., 15 Linwood St., 6 autos.
80. Garage 2006 Renewal of Garage License, Green Automotive Inc., 85 Foley St., 5 autos.

LATE ITEMS