

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

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

September 25, 2008, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
2. Minutes Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 28, 2008.

CITATIONS

3. Citation Congratulating the Somerville Hospital Ladies' Aid Association on its 117th year of generous service and support to the Somerville Hospital.
4. Citation By Ald. Sullivan and the Entire Board, Commending Eleanor Blute, who is retiring after 28 years of dedicated service to the city's children in the School Department.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. Grant of Location Lighttower Fiber LLC for a grant of location to install 2 feet of conduit on Inner Belt Rd. and 128 feet of conduit on Third Ave.

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS
AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

6. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utilities to complete the removal of the double pole at 57 Heath St.
7. Order By Ald. Connolly and Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works install a black weather resistant bench at Irving and Holland Sts. in front of the hair salon.
8. Order By Ald. Connolly and Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works install a trash barrel at 384 Highland Ave.
9. Order By Ald. Connolly and Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the overgrowth at the end of Flint St.

10. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Taylor and Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 74-78 Summer St. (2nd request)
11. Order By Ald. White, That the Director of SPCD appear before the Committee on Housing and Community Development to discuss the Exec. Office of Transportation recommendation that an urban ring stop not be located at Assembly Sq.
12. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, the Commissioner of Public Works require that telecom companies installing wireless antennas on buildings provide this Board with a list of locations six months in advance of their request so that aldermen can inform their constituents appropriately.
13. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the lights that are out in front of the West Branch Library.
14. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works determine the feasibility of replacing the WELCOME TO SOMERVILLE sign at Beech and Elm Sts., and regularly maintain the island that housed the sign.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

15. Committee Report of the Committee of the Whole on Housing & Report Community Development, Sept. 17.
16. Committee Report of the Committee on Public Health & Public Safety, Report Sept. 18.

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

17. Mayor's Request Requesting approval for a transfer of \$21,225 from the Salary Contingency Acct. to the Police Salaries Acct. to establish 2 Deputy Chiefs of Police at a salary of \$143,000 per year, and to fund the positions from 9/28/08-6/30/09.
18. Mayor's Request Requesting approval for the IT Dept. to pay a prior year invoice of \$540 from Net Versant for telephone service.
19. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a grant of \$34,200 from the MA Cultural Council to the Arts Council for cultural programming.

20. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a grant of \$9,000 from the Carl and Ruth Shapiro Family Foundation to the Arts Council to continue the Books of Hope program in FY09.
21. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a grant of \$8,000 from the MA Cultural Council to the Arts Council to fund the Books of Hope program in FY09.
22. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a grant of \$6,300 from the MA Cultural Council to the Arts Council for general operational support.
23. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of William Mederios as a member of the Recreation Commission.
24. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of John Teves as a member of the Recreation Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

25. Officer's Comm. Chief Assessor responding to #186233 re: The Residential Exemption qualification date.
26. Officer's Comm. SPCD Director responding to various Board Orders.

NEW BUSINESS

27. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Fairmount Ave. Block Party, Sept. 21, 12-6PM (raindate Sept. 28).
28. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Highland Rd. Block Party between Morrison and Kidder Aves., Sept. 21, 2-8PM (raindate Sept. 28).
29. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Simon's Birthday Party, Sept. 21, 2-5PM (raindate Sept. 28).
30. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Josephine Ave. Block Party between Morrison and Kidder Aves., Sept. 27, 4-7PM (raindate Sept. 28).
31. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Grove St. Block Party between Morrison and Winslow Aves., Sept. 27, 5-10PM (raindate Sept. 28).
32. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Somerville Youth Hockey canning drive, Citywide, Oct. 4, 7AM-4PM.

33. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Candlelight Vigil for Domestic Violence Awareness, Davis Sq. Statue Park, Oct. 7, 5-8:30PM (raindate Oct. 14).
34. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Somerville YMCA canning drive, Citywide, Oct. 11 & 18, 7AM-1PM.
35. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, CPCU Passport to Possibilities Appreciation Event and 80th Birthday Celebration, 480 Somerville Ave., Oct. 17, 3:30-7:30PM.
36. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Shape Up Somerville Road Race, Trum Field, Oct. 25, 10AM.
37. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Jason Dedrick Road Race, Hodgkins Park, Oct. 25, 10-2PM.
38. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Aris Auto Inc., 3 Craigie St., 30,394 gallons.
39. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Tufts University, 61 Talbot Ave., 24,005 gallons.
40. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Tufts University, 37 Latin Way, 20,000 gallons.
41. Junk Dealer New Junk Dealer License, Hope and Glory Vintage, 253 Washington St.
42. Sign New Sign/Awning Permit, Hope and Glory Vintage, 253 Washington St., sign and flagpole.
43. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Enterprise Rent-A-Car Company, 37 Mystic Ave., 1 auto inside, 18 outside.
44. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Aris Auto Inc., 3 Craigie St., 3 autos inside, 8 outside.
45. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Inman Auto Center, 45 Webster Ave., 13 autos inside, 4 outside.
46. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, BiBi's Cab Inc., Med. #20.
47. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, J.P. Laurie Taxi Inc., Med. #60.
48. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Odney Cab Inc., Med. #72.
49. Taxi Med Transfer of Taxi Medallion, DRQ Taxi Inc. to Loch Ness Taxi Inc., Med. #27.

50. Taxi Med Taxi Medallion Refinancing, Elzira & Luc Cab Inc., Med. #6.
51. Taxi Med Taxi Medallion Refinancing, Bibi's Cab Inc., Med. #20.
52. Taxi Med Taxi Medallion Refinancing, Elysse Corp., Med. #48.
53. Taxi Med Taxi Medallion Refinancing, TalkD Transportation Inc., Med. #55.
54. Taxi Med Taxi Medallion Refinancing, J.P. Laurie Taxi Inc., Med. #60.
55. Taxi Med Taxi Medallion Refinancing, Odney Cab Inc., Med. #72.
56. Taxi Med Taxi Medallion Refinancing, Honey Cab Inc., Med. #82.

LATE ITEMS