

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

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

November 13, 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 October 7, 2008.

CITATIONS

3. Citation By Ald. Sullivan and the Entire Board, Commending Mary Walker, who is retiring after 16 years of dedicated service to the City.
4. Citation By Ald. O'Donovan and the Entire Board, Commending the Elections Dept. for another superb performance on Presidential Election Day, November 4, 2008.
5. Citation By Ald. Sullivan and Entire Board, Commending Police Officers James Slattery and Michael Silva for earning the American Legion Post 19's Alexander McQuestion Memorial Award as Police Officers of the Year.
6. Citation By Ald. Sullivan and the Entire Board, Commending Firefighters Blanca Alcaraz and Paul MacKinnon, for earning the American Legion Post 19's Thomas Chetham Award as Firefighters of the Year.
7. Citation By Ald. Taylor and the Entire Board, Commending Firefighter William Powers, who is retiring after 40 years of dedicated service to the City.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

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

8. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the proper utility to correct the leaning telephone pole at 62 Governor Winthrop Rd.
9. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Director of Traffic and Parking evaluate the intersection of Prescott, Summer and Quincy Sts. for vehicular and pedestrian safety and report his findings to the Ward 3 Alderman within 30 days.
10. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange to move the utility pole from the intersection of Summer and Quincy Sts. to improve vehicular safety.
11. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the dead tree at 41 Belmont St.
12. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works meet with the Ward 5 Alderman and neighbors of Trull St. to discuss sewer backups.
13. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Chief of Police attend the next Public Health and Public Safety Committee meeting to discuss noise issues at Central St. and Broadway.
14. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Chief of Police attend the next Public Health and Public Safety Committee meeting regarding 81 Bartlett St.
15. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works install additional railings on the walking ramps at the Sloane field house.
16. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works notify NStar to replace the street light they removed at the corner of Alpine and Lowell Sts.
17. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the tree on Cutter Place.
18. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Election Commissioner assign the Ward 5 Precinct 1 polling precinct to all Ward 5 Precinct 2 residents living in the Hinckley St. area.
19. Order By Ald. Sullivan, White, Connolly, Desmond and Taylor, That the Director of Traffic and Parking attend the next Senior Services Committee meeting on Nov. 17, at 6 PM, at Brady Towers, to address residents' traffic safety concerns.

20. Order By Ald. Desmond and Heuston, That the Director of SPCD consider entering into a lease with St. Anthony's parish for their Somerville Ave. parking lot for the remainder of Somerville Ave.'s reconstruction, Mo-Sa, 8AM-8PM.
21. Order By Ald. Desmond and O'Donovan, That the Chief Fire Engineer and the Police Chief report back to Ald. Desmond and O'Donovan and the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, the number, type and disposition of all calls for 45 Clyde St. and the MaxPak site for the past year.
22. Order By Ald. Desmond, Connolly, O'Donovan and Taylor, That the Commissioner of Public Works meet with Ald. Desmond, Connolly, O'Donovan and Taylor at the SHS Field House to discuss the poor lighting there. (2nd request.)
23. Order By Ald. Desmond, Heuston and Trane, That the Police Chief appear at the next meeting of the Licenses and Permits Committee to discuss extended operating hours.
24. Order By Ald. Desmond, Roche and Connolly, That the Director of Information Technology appear before the Information Technology Committee to explain the recent complaints with the voice recognition system that responds to people calling City Hall.
25. Order By Ald. Desmond, Roche and Connolly, That the Director of Communications appear before the Information Technology Committee to explain the recent problems with the automated CTY system that recently dialed its entire database at 3:45 AM.
26. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works stop the street sweeping at 4AM in the municipal parking lot next to 20 Grove St.
27. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the slide in Kenny Park.
28. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz, That this Board requests that the Administration take steps to make capital improvements at Kenny Park, replacing the broken water fountain and other needed improvements.
29. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Director of Communication update the city's website to include a tab on the front page for "Government" so it's easier for residents to navigate and learn more about this Board and the School Committee.

30. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange for the installation of the 3 American flags and poles donated by the Kiwanis Club of Somerville.
31. Order By Ald. Connolly and Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the streetlamps at the corner of Winter St. at the bus way and College Ave., and in Davis Sq. Plaza.
32. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz and O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the streetlamps on Broadway between Lowden and Rogers Aves.
33. Order By Ald. White, That a representative of the Public Works Dept. and the recycling coordinator appear before the Public Health and Public Safety Committee to discuss how CRT screens and other computer devices are handled.
34. Order By Ald. White and Sullivan, That the Director of SPCD direct that the Safe-START Plan, in coordination with the Traffic and Parking Dept., include an inventory of traffic measures that should be undertaken around senior housing.
35. Resolution By Ald Roche, Congratulating President Dennis Sullivan for being recognized by the Greater Boston Labor Council for his strong leadership in 2008.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

36. Extended Hours New Extended Hours License, Tufts Mayer Campus Center, 44 Professors Row, Sep.-May, Th-Sa 8AM-2AM. (Approved 10/23/08; reconsideration moved by Ald. Desmond.)
37. Extended Hours New Extended Hours License, Tufts Tisch Library Café, 35 Professors Row, Sep.-May, Su-Th Noon-1AM. (Approved 10/23/08; reconsideration moved by Ald. Desmond.)

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

38. Committee Report Report of the Committee of the Whole on Public Health & Public Safety, Oct. 30.
39. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, Nov. 12.
40. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Licenses & Permits, Nov. 12.
41. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Youth Services, Nov. 13.

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

42. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to extend a contract with Symmes Maini McKee Associates for architectural services at the Lincoln Park Community School, to 12/31/09.
43. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to transfer \$16,000 from SomerStat Salaries to SomerStat Professional Services to fund contracted services from 1/3/09 to 6/30/09.
44. Mayor's Request Requesting approval for Personnel to pay \$10,790.46 in FY08 invoices with FY09 funds for various health services.
45. Mayor's Request Requesting approval for a 1978 Fire Dept. vehicle to be declared surplus city property and made available for sale.
46. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a grant of \$4,911 from the MA Dept. of Industrial Accidents Office of Safety to initiate a safety training program with the DPW and the SMEA Safety Committee.
47. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a grant of \$4,676.66 from Federal Realty Investment Trust to pay Police overtime for the celebration of the Assembly on the Mystic event.
48. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a grant of \$925 from the Target Corp. for a flat screen television for the Police Dept. to project webcasts of roll calls allowing simultaneous dissemination of information to substation personnel.
49. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a grant of \$865 from the family of George Doherty Jr. to purchase a 25 foot Balsam Fir for the Powder House Rotary for the holiday season.
50. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Dante DiFronzo as a Police Officer.
51. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Fernando Viveiros as a Firefighter.
52. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Paul Moreira as a Firefighter.
53. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of John Robinson to the Human Rights Commission.
54. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Rocco Marciello as Constable.

- 55. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Gilbert Ribeiro as Constable.
- 56. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Alan Bishop as Constable.
- 57. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Pasquale DeFeo Jr. as Constable.

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

- 58. Officer's Comm. Traffic Engineer responding to motions put forward at the Oct. 30 Public Health & Public Safety Committee meeting.
- 59. Officer's Comm. SPCD Director responding to various Board Orders.

NEW BUSINESS

- 60. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Boys & Girls Club Canning Drive, Washington St. & McGrath Hwy., Nov. 14 & 21, 4-6PM (raindate Nov. 20).
- 61. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Rotary Club Salvation Army Canning Drive, Dec. 5, 8AM-4PM.
- 62. Sign New Sign/Awning Permit, DiGirolamo Realty Trust, 20-22 Bow St., Awning.
- 63. Sign New Sign/Awning Permit, Candlewick Press Inc., 99 Dover St., Awning.
- 64. Outdoor Seating New Outdoor Seating/Goods License, Parisian Beauty Supplies LLC, 18 Bow St., Sandwich Board.
- 65. Garage Renewal of Garage License, United Auto Repair, 64 Joy St., 6 autos inside & 2 outside.
- 66. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Somerville Auto Transport Service Inc., 495 Columbia St., 22 autos inside.
- 67. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class I, Herb Chambers I-95 Inc. dba Chambers Motorcars of Boston, 259 McGrath Hwy., 350 autos.
- 68. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class I, Herb Chambers I-95 Inc. dba Smart Car Center, 259 McGrath Hwy., 5 autos.

69. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, GE & M Auto Service dba Parkway Sunoco, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy., 10 autos outside.
70. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Executive Auto Leasing & Sales, 30 Medford St., 3 autos.
71. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Motobidia LLC, 561 Windsor St. Suite A205, no autos.
72. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Elias & Abe Auto Repair Inc. dba Broadway Sunoco, 258 Broadway, 14 autos outside.
73. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Dodakin's Auto Sales, 191 Beacon St., 4 autos inside & 18 outside.
74. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, All Rite Auto Inc., 38-42 Medford St., 10 autos.
75. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Barnes & Walsh Co., 224 Somerville Ave., 5 autos.
76. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, 429 Corp., 109-111 Prospect St., 5 autos.
77. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Somerville Ave. Used Auto Sales, 595 Somerville Ave., 18 autos outside.
78. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Gemicar Inc. dba Tech Auto Body, 9 Union Sq., 2 autos.

LATE ITEMS