

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts  
Matters of business of the Board of Aldermen  
in hands of the Clerk by 2PM the day of the meeting**

**REGULAR MEETING**

December 12, 2002, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
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**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

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

1. **Submitted by the Entire Board**  
Commending Sandra McGoldrick on serving as Chair of the Somerville Chamber of Commerce from 1998 through 2002.
  
2. Order **Submitted By Ald. O'Donovan**  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider placing the smaller 30-minute parking signs in front of 278-B Highland Ave. and in front of 233-239 Highland Ave.
  
3. Order That the Superintendent of Highways sand and/or salt Linden Terrace during inclement weather, during the winter months.
  
4. Order That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines repair the street light on the first light pole on Linden Ave., on the right-hand side.
  
5. Resolution **Submitted By Ald. Connolly**  
That this Board of Aldermen hereby calls for a moratorium on federal executions in the Commonwealth of MA and on all executions in the United States. (Submitted on behalf of Angela Rose Blackman, 275 Summer St.)
  
6. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the depressed roadway at the intersection of Winslow Ave. and Grove St. ASAP.
  
7. Order That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services review the building permit at 5 Clifton St. for compliance with all required codes, and take any and all necessary action for any and all violations.

8. Order That the Superintendent of Highways add Villa Ave. and Elm Ct. to the plowed streets route for snow-plowing, as both were omitted during the last storm.
9. Order **Submitted By Ald. McCallum and White**  
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes at 225 Pearl St. and at the corner of Thurston St. and Richdale Ave.
10. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the automobile bumper from the sidewalk at the corner of Wheatland St. and Mystic Ave.
11. Order **Submitted By Ald. McCallum and Roche**  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the street sign at the corner of McGregor Ave. and Walnut St.
12. Order **Submitted By Ald. Heuston**  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking review the parking regulations at the section of McGrath Hwy. from the corner of Washington St. to the corner of Somerville Ave., and recommend new parking restrictions to allow for snow removal and safe passage.
13. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond**  
That the City Auditor or the appropriate department head provide this Board with a current detailed year to date report on overtime spending by department.
14. Order That the Superintendent of Highways inform this Board how the large metal plates that are used for covering over the construction work areas in the streets are secured in place so they do not move in the event of necessary snow plowing during storms.
15. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Halloran**  
That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines notify the appropriate agency regarding the wires hanging off the utility pole in front of 236 Holland St.
16. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the NO PARKING sign in the area of 11 North St.
17. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works notify NStar to replace the missing cover plate for the wiring on the street light pole in front of the Powderhouse School main entry walkway.
18. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and McCallum**  
That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the damaged tree branch across from 59 Pearl St.

19. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking remove the vulgar graffiti on the street sign at Sycamore and Pembroke Sts.
20. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing ONE WAY sign near the Winter Hill School on the corner of Sycamore and Medford Sts.
21. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Connolly**  
That the Commissioner of Public Works patch the pothole on Highland Ave. at the brick crosswalk, after the Grove St. intersection.
22. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and O'Donovan**  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing street sign and ONE WAY sign on the southeast corner of Highland Ave. and Cedar St.
23. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the damaged tree branch in the area of 78 Albion St.
24. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER restriction on the northeast corner of Lowell St. at the intersection of Highland Ave.
25. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Taylor**  
That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the proper utility company to repair the holes, where work had been previously patched, in the area of Summit and Walnut Sts.
26. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect and monitor the need for future repairs in the area along 222 thru 226 Highland Ave., between Lowell & Tower Sts., as this area was previously patched by a utility contractor and is already showing signs of deterioration.
27. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the leaning stop sign pole at the entry of the Union Square Plaza.
28. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair or remove the banner and bracket on the utility pole within the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Plaza in Union Square.
29. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Roche**  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing sign or remove the sign post breakaway at 67 Florence St.
30. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole in the area of 118 Broadway, near the intersection of Glen St.

31. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works investigate the depressed area around the utility gate within the intersection of McGrath Hwy., Pearl St. and Dana St.
32. Order **Submitted By Ald. Provost**  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking, in conjunction with the School Department, place ONE WAY signs in the parking lot of the Healey School, and such other signage in the vicinity as will promote safe driving patterns.
33. Order **Submitted by the Entire Board**  
That this Board hereby re-appoints John J. Long, 16 Chapel St., to the position of City Clerk for a three-year term.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

34. Petition NStar Electric for a grant of location to install four, 1203 foot, 5 inch PVC conduits from a manhole on Joy St. to a manhole at the intersection of Joy and Washington St.
35. Citation Commending Gentle Giant Moving Company for winning the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce's 2002 Small Business of the Year Award.
36. Citation Commending Norman Furtado on leading American Legion Post 19, serving his second term as Commander.
37. Citation Congratulating Thomas J. O'Connor III for displaying exceptional leadership of the Perkins St. Playground Community Build Project.

### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

38. Requesting approval of transfer of \$25,000 from Personnel Dept. Legal Services to Law Dept. Legal Services.
39. Requesting that 50 Bow St. be declared surplus property.
40. Requesting approval of the use of the former Durrell School playground to create a pocket park and community garden.
41. Requesting confirmation of appointment of Andrew Upton of 70 Broadway to the position of Member, Preservation Commission.
42. Requesting confirmation of appointment for Mr. Alan Bishop of 74 Highland Ave., Malden, as Constable.

- 43. Requesting confirmation of re-appointment of Darcy Haynes of 3 Sargent Ave. as Constable.
- 44. Requesting confirmation of re-appointment of Sandy Francis of 88 Raymond Ave. as Constable.
- 45. Requesting confirmation of re-appointment of William Medeiros of 36 Albion St. as Constable.

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

- 46. Board of Aldermen Caucus, Dec. 3.
- 47. Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking, Dec. 4.
- 48. Report of the Joint Committee on Finance & Legislative Matters, Dec. 4.
- 49. Report of the Committee on Youth Services, Dec. 9.
- 50. Report of the Committee on Finance, Dec. 10.
- 51. Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, Dec. 10.
- 52. Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, Dec. 11.
- 53. Report of the Joint Committee on Public Health and Safety & Youth Services, Dec. 12.

### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS**

- 54. City Solicitor requesting to meet with the Board on December 12 in Executive Session to discuss litigation issues.
- 55. Planning Board recommending approval of the proposed zoning amendments to the Zoning Map for Tufts St.
- 56. Planning Board recommending denial of the proposed zoning amendments to the Zoning Map for 175-179 Elm St.
- 57. Traffic and Parking Director responding to #172626 re: Cars parked across driveways.
- 58. Traffic and Parking Director responding to #172690 re: Speeding and cut-through traffic on Hudson, Albion and Alpine Sts.

59. Traffic and Parking Director responding to #172737 re: Truck traffic on Tremont St.
60. Traffic and Parking Director responding to #172752 re: Designating parking spaces in heavy parking areas.
61. Traffic and Parking Director responding to #172759 re: 4-way STOP signage at Prospect Hill Ave. and Monroe St.
62. Traffic and Parking Director responding to #172760 re: Parking restrictions at several intersections.

### NEW BUSINESS

63. Garage Lic. **Renewal of Garage License**  
Gaspar Ostuni, 195 Highland Ave., 12 autos.
64. Used Car Lic **Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 1**  
Herb Chambers I 93 Inc., 259 McGrath Hwy.
65. Used Car Lic **Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2**  
D.M. Auto Body Inc., 40 Joy St.
66. Used Car Lic D.M. Auto Body Inc., 48 Joy St.
67. Used Car Lic Leins Auto Repair, 65½ Bow St.
68. Used Car Lic Foreign Body Works Inc., 593 Somerville Ave.
69. Used Car Lic Barnes & Walsh (George Kazazian), 224 Somerville Ave.
70. Used Car Lic Herb Chambers I 93 Inc., 259 McGrath Hwy.
71. Used Car Lic William Doucette Auto Sales Inc., 325 Alewife Brook Pkwy.
72. Used Car Lic Frank A. Tringale, 12-16 Joy St.
73. Used Car Lic Dodakin's Auto Sales, 191 Beacon St.
74. Used Car Lic Somerville Auto Transport Service, 75 Park St.
75. Used Car Lic Somerville Auto Transport Service, 495 Columbia St.
76. Used Car Lic Union Gulf, 231 Washington St.
77. Used Car Lic Charlie's Auto Sales, 39 Webster Ave.

78. Used Car Lic A+ Auto Body Inc., 297 Medford St.
79. Used Car Lic Bazazi Corp dba Manny's Auto, 463 McGrath Hwy.
80. Used Car Lic United Motors, 188 Broadway.
81. Used Car Lic Hawkins St. Auto Service, 9 Hawkins St.
82. Used Car Lic A&S Auto Sales, 4 Joy St.
83. Used Car Lic Prestige Auto Imports dba Webster Auto Sales, 61 Prospect St.
84. Used Car Lic Mystic Motors Inc., 682 Mystic Ave.
85. Used Car Lic Executive Auto Sales & Leasing, 30 Medford St.
86. Used Car Lic T. Quality Auto Inc., 266 Beacon St.
87. Used Car Lic Souza Bros. Foreign Car Service Inc., 35-37 Prospect St.
88. Used Car Lic James A. Kiley Co., 15 Linwood St.
89. Used Car Lic Mystic Auto Sales & Service, 712 Mystic Ave.
90. Used Car Lic Vaudo Inc. dba Frank & Ed's Auto, 483 Somerville Ave.
91. Used Car Lic Walnut Hill Auto Body Inc., 235 Lowell St.
92. Used Car Lic Foreign Auto Wholesalers, 80 Pearl St.
93. Used Car Lic **Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 3**  
Somerville Auto Transport Service, 495 Columbia St.
94. Used Car Lic Ed's Used Auto Parts, 516-518 Columbia St.
95. Used Car Lic D.M. Auto Body Inc., 40 Joy St.
96. Used Car Lic Joseph Talewsky & Sons Inc., 517 Columbia St.
97. Used Car Lic Joseph Talewsky & Sons Inc., 512 Columbia St.
98. Used Car Lic Nissenbaums Auto Parts Inc., 480 Columbia St.
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100. Used Car Lic Union Automotive, 37 Mystic Ave.
101. Taxi Transfer **Taxi Medallion Transfer**  
ZH Inc. to Benayad Inc. Med. #16.
102. Taxi Med. **Renewal of Taxi Medallion**  
J.P. Laurie Taxi Inc., Med. #60.
103. Claim Notice **Notice of Claim**  
Premier Insurance Company.
104. Comm. **Communication**  
Jodriga Forbes re: #172844.
105. Comm. Somerville/Medford United for Justice with Peace thanking the Board for adopting a resolution requesting a peaceful solution to the Iraqi conflict.

**ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER 2:00 PM**