

**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

June 13, 2002, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Petition Garage License for Mike's Auto Services, 6 Beach Ave.
2. Petition Verizon New England for a grant of location to install 2 feet of conduit in Medford St. from Pole E482/8 in the southwest corner of the Walnut St. intersection running northerly 2 feet to existing MH #44/8.
3. Petition Boston Edison Company d/b/a NStar Electric for a grant of location for 41 feet of conduit and 1 new manhole and 1 rebuilt manhole in Somerville Ave. from an existing MH at Park St. running northerly across Somerville Ave to a new MH #27977, then into the private property at 515; also to rebuild existing MH #20644 in Somerville Ave. about 90 feet easterly of the Properzi Way intersection.

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

4. Citation **Submitted by the Entire Board**
Commending Pearl Johnson Morrison for 42 years of dedicated service as an educator, most recently as the Principal of the West Somerville Neighborhood School.
5. Citation **Submitted by Ald. Taylor**
Commending Teresa Dempsey for her years of dedicated service as Principal of St. Catherine's School.
6. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works review the condition of the curbing and street pavement at the corner of Porter St. and Arnold Ave. and make any improvements needed.

7. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Chief of Police communicate with the Lawrence Police Department and investigate the possibility of incorporating their approach to enforcing noise restrictions.
8. Order That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services enforce the ordinances pertaining to illegal parking in front of residences in RA zoned areas at 17 Hamlet St.
9. Order That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the property under renovation at 15 Hamlet St. for proper permitting and zoning in reference to the number of units.
10. Order **Submitted By Ald. Taylor and Desmond**
That the Superintendent of Highways trim the trees in front of 218A, 220, 220A and 222 Summer St.
11. Order **Submitted By Ald. Taylor, Provost, Desmond, White and Curtatone**
That the Director of Housing and Community Development communicate with the Massachusetts Housing Administration to determine why it is financially supporting the 9-11 Aldersey St. development.
12. Order **Submitted By Ald. Curtatone and Taylor**
That the Chief of Police and the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department submit to this Board, in writing, their official opinions on the consolidation of the E-911 and Fire Alarm Operator services.
13. Order **Submitted By Ald. McCallum and White**
That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the trash and debris from the area of Temple St. and Mystic Ave.
14. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the auto, tires and trash across from 15 Bailey Rd.
15. Order **Submitted By Ald. O'Donovan**
That the Director of Traffic and Parking place "NO PARKING - FIRE LANE" signs at all corners of Centre St. and Albion St.
16. Order **Submitted By Ald. Connolly**
That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the graffiti opposite 19 Winter St. in Davis Sq. ASAP.

17. Order That the Chief of Police take notice of the double-parking violations on Elm St. and Highland Ave. in Davis Sq. during the daytime and take all necessary measures, including towing, to enforce these regulations, and advise in writing as to action taken prior to the next regular meeting of this Board.
18. Order That the Chief of Police enforce the stop signal light at Broadway and Warner St. during the 7-9AM and 4-7PM commuting hours, as well as all day on Saturdays.
19. Order That the permit for the 9th Annual Bay State Ave. Block Party be approved for the use of Bay State Ave. from Mallet St. to Kidder Ave. on Saturday July 27, from 3PM - 12 midnight (rain date Sunday July 28, same hours). This permit shall be conditional upon the proper notice to the Public Works, Fire, Police and Traffic Departments.
20. Resolution That this Board of Aldermen hereby requests that the School Committee consider, if available, the use of the Tufts University Oval for all future High School graduation ceremonies, as last Monday night's ceremony was a major success.
21. Order **Submitted By Ald. Roche**
That the Commissioner of Public Works install a decorative wrought iron trash receptacle in front of the Pearl St. Market at Pearl and Walnut Sts.
22. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a "GO SLOW - DEAF CHILD" sign on Franklin St. between Pearl and Washington Sts.
23. Order That the Chief of Police monitor Franklin St. for speeding traffic.
24. Order That the Chief of Police and the Community Police Officers monitor Perkins Playground for groups of teenagers causing problems, especially after dusk and after midnight.
25. Order That the Chief of Police and the Director of Traffic and Parking utilize any means possible to alleviate and control the backup of traffic due to the closing of the Rutherford Ave. overpass.
26. Resolution **Submitted By Ald. Roche, Halloran and O'Donovan**
That this Board of Aldermen hereby requests and strongly urges the Cambridge Health Alliance to consider utilizing union labor for the Teen Center.

27. Resolution **Submitted By Ald. Desmond**
That this Board of Aldermen hereby requests that Queues Enforth Development, (QED), of Cambridge, be requested to submit, in writing, their reasons for stating that the CAD system currently employed by the Police Department cannot run the CAD system being researched and planned for by the Fire Department.
28. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk panels along the driveway of 190 Highland Ave. in front of the Little Sisters of the Poor.
29. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the damaged sidewalk panels within the handicap curb-cut at the corner of Greenville St. and Boston Ave.
30. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the damaged sidewalk panels along the entrance to Greenville Court.
31. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the damaged sidewalk panels on Summer St. on the west corner of Benton Rd. adjacent to the funeral parlor.
32. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the damaged sidewalk panels in front of 206 Summer St.
33. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the “NO TURN ON RED” sign at the corner of Highland Ave. and Central St. on the southeast corner.
34. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking reinstall the appropriate signage missing in the area of the Highland Restaurant.
35. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the weeds, trash and debris and trim the bushes around both exterior entrances of the Public Safety Building on Washington St.
36. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Halloran**
That the Director of Traffic and Parking re-install the stop sign and pole on Weston Ave. at the corner of Clarendon Ave., as the sign and pole are lying on the ground.
37. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing parking sign and pole in front of 1120 Broadway.

38. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and McCallum**
That the Commissioner of Public Works work in conjunction with the State Highway Department to inspect the concrete transition strip which is breaking apart on the entry side of the temporary Sycamore St. Bridge.
39. Order That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines work in conjunction with NStar to repair the detached conduit pole hanging off pole #555 at the corner of Temple St. and Memorial Rd.
40. Order That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the Director of the Board of Health contact the property owner of 350 Broadway, formerly the 350 Foodmart/7-11, to ensure that maintenance of the exterior property and grounds is kept up by removing any trash and debris that accumulates.
41. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Connolly**
That the Commissioner of Public Works repaint the Bus Shelter located on Broadway along the Powderhouse Park entrance.
42. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and O'Donovan**
That the Commissioner of Public Works patch the potholes on the Somerville side of Main St. at the Medford line.
43. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole in the intersection of Summer and Cedar Sts.
44. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes in the street at the intersection of Kidder and Prichard Aves.
45. Order **Submitted by Ald. White**
That the Commissioner of Public Works examine and replace the sidewalk at 49-51 Perry St.
46. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes on Houghton and Bolton Sts.
47. Order **Submitted By Ald. White and McCallum**
That the Inspectional Services Department investigate the noise emanating from a newly constructed exhaust system at the property located at the corner of Mystic Ave. and Temple St. and its impact on the residents of Taylor St.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

48. Requesting approval of the appropriation of \$700,000 for electrical upgrades and other improvements to City and school buildings and the issuance of not exceeding \$700,000 in bonds of the City to meet said appropriation.
49. Requesting the approval of the sale of the Broadway Theatre to Mudflat Pottery School, based on the enclosed land disposition agreement, pilot agreement, and correspondence from Mudflat Pottery School.
50. Requesting approval of the transfer of \$137,695 from the Police Personal Services Account to the Police Ordinary Maintenance Medical and Dental Service Account.
51. Requesting approval of the transfer of \$34,000 from the Police Department Salaries Account to the Communications E-911 Salaries Account.
52. Requesting approval of the transfer of \$75,000 from the Traffic and Parking Personal Services Account to the Traffic and Parking Professional and Technical Services Account.
53. Requesting the re-authorization of the Commission of Women Revolving Account for FY 2003.
54. Requesting the re-authorization of the Commission for Persons with Disabilities Revolving Account for FY 2003.
55. Requesting the re-authorization of the Human Rights Commission Revolving Account for FY 2003.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

56. Report of the Committee on Veterans and Public Services, June 4.
57. Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, June 4.
58. Report of the Committee on Public Utilities and Works, June 4.
59. Report of the Committee on Finance of the Whole, June 11.
60. Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, June 12.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

61. City Solicitor responding to #171295 re: Site plan review as a requirement for condominium conversion.
62. City Solicitor responding to #171432 re: Status of a lawful nonconforming use where business is conducted without a license.
63. City Solicitor responding to #171309 re: Alcoholic beverage advertising on billboards.
64. City Solicitor discussing timelines for zoning amendments.
65. City Solicitor responding to questions posed in the budget hearings.
66. Somerville Redevelopment Authority communicating the execution of a Land Disposition Agreement for Yard 21 to the Sturtevant Partnership LP.
67. OHCD Director conveying a copy of the Yard 21 Land Disposition agreement.
68. Planning Board recommending a proposed zoning amendment to clarify a section of Article 8—Dimensional Requirements of the Zoning Ordinance.
69. Public Library responding to #171656 re: Levels of program enrollment.
70. Recreation Commission responding to #171656 re: Levels of program enrollment.
71. Environmental Coordinator conveying his resignation from the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.
72. DPW Operations Director responding to various Board orders.
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NEW BUSINESS

74. Garage Lic. **Renewal of Garage License**
A.A. Auto Repair, 619 Somerville Ave., 33 autos.
75. Garage Lic. Goodyear Auto Service Ctr., 1 Bow St., 6 autos.
76. Garage Lic. Somerville Auto Center, Inc., 193 Somerville Ave., 35 autos.

77. Garage Lic. Streetwise, Inc., 57-59 Pitman St., 20 autos.
78. Garage Lic. Flores Auto Repairs, 6 D Beach Ave., 4 autos.
79. Flamm. Lic. **Renewal of Flammable License**
Elm Corp., 371 Beacon St., 23,250 Gallons.
80. Flamm. Lic. Internap Network Services Corp., 70 Inner Belt Rd., 7,500 Gallons.
81. Flamm. Lic. U-Haul Company of Boston, 151 Linwood St., 14,000 Gallons.
82. Gar/Flam.Lic **Renewal of Garage and Flammable License**
U-Haul Co. Of Boston, Inc., 151 Linwood St., 60 autos, 2,280 Gallons.
83. Gar/Flam.Lic Dewire Family Trust/Thomas A. Dewire Jr., 383-387 Washington St., 80 autos, 3,500 Gallons.
84. Public Occ. **Public Property Occupancy Permit**
Davis Square Jazz Festival, Davis Sq., Sept. 13, 5-7:30PM, Sept. 14, 9AM-9PM (raindate Sept. 15).
85. Public Occ. Neighborhood Block Party, end of Ellington Rd., July 13, 1PM.
86. Public Occ. Parents Count Cookout, East Somerville Community School Playground, July 24, 5-7PM.
87. Public Occ. Little League of Somerville, occupancy of street for safety of children and adults, corner of Mystic Ave and Fellsway West to 82 Fellsway West, June 22, 11AM-4PM (raindate June 23).
88. Medallion Transfer **Medallion Transfer**
From Richardson Taxi, Inc. to Meba Cab, Inc., 89 Heath St.
89. Hackney Lic. **Renewal of Hackney Carriage License**
Harry's Cab, 126 Hudson St., Med. #48
90. Hackney Lic. Madkep Trans. Inc, 13 Princeton St., Med. #64
91. Awning **New Sign & Awning Permit**
Cambridge Health Alliance, 300 Broadway.
92. Petition **Renewal of Pool, Billiard, and Bowling License**
Mulligans, 704 Broadway, 2 pool tables.

93. Junk Dealer **Renewal of Junk Dealer License**
Herbert Londontowne Galleries, 388/380 Somerville Ave.
94. Outdoor Seat. **New Outdoor Seating & Goods Permit**
Antonia's, 37 Davis Sq., 5 tables with 2 seats each.
95. Outdoor Seat. **Renewal of Outdoor Seating & Goods Permit**
Home Fires, Inc. d/b/a Eat, 90 Union Sq.
96. Outdoor Seat. Bertucci's Corporation, 197 Elm St.
97. Petition **New Hawkers & Peddlers License**
Tary McEwen, 64 Derby St. #2, selling portraits.
98. Petition **Fortune Telling License**
Val's Psychic Readings, 455 McGrath Hwy.
99. Bond **Drain Layer Bond**
Commonwealth Excavation.
100. Bond Anthony Flowers of Woburn.
101. Comm. **Communication**
NStar conveying their action plan status update as of May 15.

ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER 2:00 PM