

**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

August 8, 2002, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Petition Storage of Flammables License for Patra LLC, 73 Summer St., for 20,500 gallons of flammables.
2. Petition NStar Electric Company for a grant of location to install 112 feet of conduit at two locations in Pearl St.; first, 16 feet running southerly from existing MH #4532 to the street line of Skilton Ave., and second, 96 feet running northeasterly from existing MH #4538 to existing pole #143/2 on Gilman Terrace.
3. Petition NStar Electric Company for a grant of location for 1 existing manhole, #4820, to be rebuilt in Pearl St. opposite Pearl St. Place, expanding it from 4' x 3' x 6' to 6' x 10' x 8'.
4. Petition NStar Electric Company for a grant of location to install 20 feet of 4 inch PVC conduit at 150 Glen St..
5. Petition NStar Gas Company for a grant of location to install 70 feet of 4 inch plastic low intermediate pressure gas main at the east corner of the Ivaloo and Park Sts. intersection.
6. Petition AT&T Broadband for a grant of location to install 35 feet of 3 inch cable conduit and 7 feet of 4 inch cable conduit at 39 Linden St. and 30 Linden St., respectively.
7. Petition New Hampshire Boring Inc. for a grant of location to install 4 groundwater monitoring wells in Broadway and Victoria St. abutting the Teele Sq. Auto site at 1284 Broadway.

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

8. Citation **Submitted by Ald. Connolly**
Commending Alice McDonnell for 50 years of dedicated service to the City.

9. Order **Submitted By Ald. Taylor**
That the Director of the Board of Health inspect the property at 3 Wesley Park for the improper disposal of trash and that the area be baited for rodents.
10. Order **Submitted By Ald. McCallum and White**
That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services order the manager of the Star Market on Broadway to cut the overgrowth of bushes on their property on Sewall St. and remove the litter from the surrounding area.
11. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk at 137 Sycamore St.
12. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the ONE WAY sign at the corner of Heath and Moreland Sts.
13. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the appliances and other items not picked up by the regular trash detail at 11 Fairview Terrace.
14. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect the street in front of 281 Broadway for erosion and warping and make any necessary repairs.
15. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole in front of 15 Dartmouth St.
16. Order **Submitted By Ald. Roche**
That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that all crosswalks located near any elementary school are re-stripped before the first day of school.
17. Order That the Chief of Police ensure that there is adequate coverage of all Ward One school crossing guards, especially at Glen St. and Broadway, Franklin St. and Broadway, and Bonair and Cross St.
18. Order That the Chief of Police and the Ward One Community Police Officer monitor the area of Lincoln St. and Broadway for groups of teenagers that consistently hang out there.
19. Order That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines investigate whether a street light should be installed at Lincoln St. and Broadway to better illuminate the area.
20. Order That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines investigate the flickering street light at Wigglesworth and Bonair Sts. to determine if it needs to be replaced.

21. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing ONE WAY sign on Minnesota Ave. at Broadway.
22. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the lifted sidewalk panel on Sunnyside Ave. near Wigglesworth St.
23. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking monitor the following Ward One streets and enforce the restriction prohibiting overnight parking of commercial vehicles: Pennsylvania Ave. from Maine Ave. to Broadway, and Gilman St. from Aldrich to Walnut Sts.
24. Ordinance That the Zoning Ordinance map for Lower Broadway be amended as described within.
25. Order **Submitted By Ald. Heuston**
That the Commissioner of Public Works install decorator iron waste receptacles at the intersection of Beacon and Washington Sts. and work with the Ward Two Alderman to determine additional locations.
26. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the catch basins on the following streets: Hanson St., Dane Ave., Village St., Prospect St., and Oak St., and, due to flooding, clean these basins on a regular schedule, and forward a copy of said schedule to this Board.
27. Order That the Director of the Board of Health and the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the Brooks Pharmacy located at the corner of Somerville Ave. and Park St. and order the management to clean the trash and landscape areas and remove the overgrowth from their property for health and safety reasons.
28. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking conduct a study of Somerville Ave. in front of DeMoula's Market Basket, to ascertain safe crossing areas for pedestrians and residents.
29. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking conduct a study of Springfield St. and Concord Ave. to ascertain safe crossing areas for pedestrians and residents.
30. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking conduct a study of Washington St. in front of the Boys and Girls Club to ascertain safe crossing areas for pedestrians and residents.
31. Order That the Director of the Board of Health and the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the property at 21-23 Park St. for possible health and safety violations.

32. Resolution **Submitted By Ald. Connolly**
That this Board of Aldermen hereby commends the Recreation Commission and Recreation Department staff for a well organized and efficient running of the Annual Track Meet at Trum Field on August 6, and for a successful Summer Playground session throughout the community to this point of the summer.
33. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the No Parking Within 20 Feet Of the Corner restriction at Chandler and Park Sts.
34. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the front entry door at the West Branch Library ASAP, and advise in writing as to progress and/or work completed.
35. Order That the Chief of Police and/or the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the Stop For Pedestrians In Crosswalk law in Davis Sq., Day and Elm Sts., Chester and Elm Sts., Grove and Elm Sts., Grove St. and Highland Ave., and the crosswalk at 403 Highland Ave., and respond in writing prior to the next regular meeting of this Board.
36. Resolution **Submitted By Ald. O'Donovan**
That this Board of Aldermen hereby extends its thanks to all election and poll workers for their outstanding job performance during the recent special election in Ward Two.
37. Order That the Water Superintendent replace the water meter at 6-8 Nashua St. with a new meter.
38. Order That the City Solicitor, the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and a representative of the Fire Prevention Bureau attend a meeting on Wednesday, August 21, at 6:30 PM at the VNA, 259 Lowell St., 3rd floor, with the neighborhood in and around 35R Lexington St.
39. Order That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the properties located at 26, 15 and 13 Adams St. for code violations and notify the owner of those properties to take all necessary steps to bring the buildings into compliance.
40. Order That the Director of the Board of Health inspect the properties located at 26, 15 and 13 Adams St.
41. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repave Pembroke Court as it is sinking and cracking dramatically, and notify the Ward Alderman of the proposed work date. (Please see DPW response to Order #171415.)

42. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove all weeds and debris in front of 590-614 Broadway; and forward a letter to these homes stating that the dumping of debris and garbage will not be tolerated.
43. Order **Submitted By Ald. Provost and Heuston**
That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the prohibition on parking, and consider a towing program, if necessary, to allow street cleaning on Quincy St. before street cleaning ends for the season.
44. Order That the Health Department enforce along Somerville Ave. and adjoining streets, Ordinance 11-31(b) prohibiting the placing on trash and garbage on streets before 7:00 PM on the day before collection.
45. Resolution **Submitted By Ald. Provost, Heuston and Taylor**
That this Board of Aldermen hereby requests that the MWRA make every effort to avoid destruction of public shade trees in the area of the Spot Pond Supply Mains Rehabilitation Project, and offer the city project mitigation funding that will reflect all costs of restoring the city's streets and landscaping.
46. Order That the city's Tree Warden keep this Board of Aldermen informed of the substance of its negotiations with the MWRA for the mitigation of project impacts from the Spot Pond Supply Mains project, and keep this Board and the public informed of, and involved in, plans for restoration of streets and landscaping.
47. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Halloran**
That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines and NStar repair the street lights 726 and 865 Broadway.
48. Order That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines repair the spotlight at Hodgkins Park.
49. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Connolly**
That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the faded NO PARKING signs along the even side of Morrison Ave. in the area of Clifton St.
50. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Heuston**
That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the loading zone sign pole and stub located in front of 255 Washington St.
51. Order That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines and NStar repair the street light outside 38 Dane St.

52. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the weeds on Washington St. between Ricky's Flower Mart, the public lot and the Public Safety Building.
53. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and O'Donovan**
That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines and NStar repair the street lights opposite 377 Highland Ave.
54. Order That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines and NStar repair the street lights at Lowell and Hudson Sts. (Pole # 202/13).
55. Order That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines and NStar repair the newly installed street lights along Boston Ave. in the area of Rogers Ave.
56. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the weeds along the fencing of Albion Park.
57. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree on Willow Ave. near the corner of Kidder Ave. on the west corner.
58. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the weeds along the grass strip in front of 594, 604 and 608 Broadway.
59. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Taylor**
That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the street signs on Porter St. at the entry to Hayden Terrace and Gussie Terrace.
60. Order That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the sign and pole on the northeast corner of Benton Rd. at Highland Ave.
61. Order That the Chief of Police increase patrols at the intersection of Summer and Lowell Sts. for cars and trucks running the stop signs.
62. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works cut back the trees along Summer St. between Lowell St. and Benton Rd. where they are blocking the street signs.
63. Order That the Chief of Police increase patrols on Summer St. for trucks violating the No Trucks ordinance.
64. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works improve the signs at the corner of Bow and Summer Sts. that prohibit trucks from traveling on Summer St.

65. Order That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services speak to the landlord(s) of 205 Lowell St. and have the bushes and shrubs cut back from blocking the sidewalk.
66. Order That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the retaining walls that are leaning out dangerously over the sidewalk at 213, 209 and 205 Summer St. and take appropriate action with the landlords of those buildings.
67. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the advertisement that is attached to a tree outside the Qmart at the corner of Central St. and Highland Ave.
68. Order That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the hazardous condition of the canopy ceiling at 268 Highland Ave.
69. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the banner pole and re-attach the banners in Union Sq. near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial at 53 Bow St.
70. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the banner pole that is detached on the City Hall Concourse on the lawn across from the City Hall entrance.
71. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the weeds along the entry and telephone cabinet outside the Cummings School on the Prescott St. side of the building.
72. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the weeds and weed trees along the rear of the SCAT building in Union Sq.
73. Order That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines and NStar repair the street lights at 183 and 259 Highland Ave.
74. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the weeds along the fence and the dedication plaque garden of Nunziato field on Summer St.
75. Order **Submitted By Ald. Desmond and Roche**
That the Commissioner of Public Works cut and clean the courtyard of the East Somerville Community School.
76. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken play structure (spring loaded rocking horse is missing) within the East Somerville Community School Tot Lot.

77. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the weeds along the perimeter of the Cross St. Elderly Building in the area of the Memorial Plaque.
78. Resolution **Submitted by Ald. Halloran**
That this Board of Aldermen hereby requests that the City's Boards involved with the Magoun Sq. project allow a representative chosen by the Business Community of Magoun Square organization to participate in any discussions or planning of the Magoun Sq. project.
79. Order That the Commissioner of Public Works clean out the city area between the West Somerville Neighborhood School and 10 Raymond Ave.
80. Order **Submitted by Ald. White and Curtatone**
That the City Auditor advise this Board as to the fiscal impacts on the City's budget for Fiscal 2003 resulting from the reduction of state assistance and the manner in which the Administration intends to address this reduction, as well as an estimate of certified free cash from Fiscal 2002.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

81. Requesting approval of a supplemental appropriation of \$115,000 to the Law Dept. Legal Service line item.
82. Requesting approval of the declaration of 33 Allen St. as available for disposition as described within.
83. Requesting the appointment of Patricia Callinan, 25 Raymond Ave, Somerville, to the position of Purchasing Director.
84. Requesting the appointment of Richard T. Scolley, 142 Jaques St., Somerville, to the position of DPW Highway Superintendent.
85. Requesting the appointment of Janet McGowan, 30 Elm St., Somerville, to the Conservation Commission.
86. Requesting the appointment of Alicia Byrd, 12 Richdale Ave., Somerville, to the Women's Commission.

87. Requesting the appointment of Regina Hansen, 59 Avon St., Somerville, to the Library Board of Trustees.
88. Requesting the re-appointment of Paul Carey, 81 Farragut Rd., South Boston, as Constable.
89. Requesting the re-appointment of John D. Glover, 390 Riverway, Boston, as Constable.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

90. Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, July 23.
91. Report of the Committee on Finance, Aug. 8.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

92. Board of Election Commissioners certifying Maryann M. Heuston as elected in the Special Election for Ward 2 Alderman.
93. Bicycle Committee requesting to appear before this Board to provide an update on the Bicycle Path.
94. OHCD Consultant requesting to appear before this Board to discuss the City's Open Space and Recreation Plan.
95. Planning Board recommending approval of the proposed amendment to SZO 8.6.3 concerning mechanical penthouses and ventilators as part of the calculation of maximum building height.
96. Planning Board recommending approval of the proposed amendment to SZO 7.11.9, 7.12 and 9.5.9 concerning additional storage space in a Neighborhood Business district.
97. City Solicitor responding to #171020 re: CORI checks on constables.
98. Assistant City Solicitor and Planning Director responding to #172077 re: definition of 3 family dwelling.

NEW BUSINESS

99. Public Occ. **Public Property Occupancy Permit**
The Brown School PTA, for a card table in Davis Sq., Sept. 28 and Oct. 5 from 10AM-6PM.

100. Public Occ. Irving St. Block Party, Sept. 22 from 11AM-6PM (raindate Sept. 29).
101. Public Occ. Mayor's Movie in the Park outdoor airing of "The Wizard of Oz", Seven Hills Park, Davis Sq., Aug. 23 at 8PM.
102. Public Occ. Community Action Agency of Somerville distributing flyers and educating residents about CAAS programs, tenants rights, tobacco, and health benefits, Aug. 9 to Sept. 18, various times and locations as described within.
103. Public Occ. Malvern Ave. Block Party, Sept. 28 from 1PM-7PM (raindate Sept. 29).
104. Public Occ. Softball Game & Cookout, Lincoln Park Baseball Field, Sept. 29 from 11AM-4PM.
105. Public Occ. Highrock Church Sidewalk Rummage Sale, corner of College Ave. and Chapel St., Aug. 17 from 11AM-3PM.
106. Public Occ. Air Force Liberty Band performance, Trum Field, Aug. 21 from 3-11PM (performance at 7 PM).
107. Public Occ. The Tiger Method 2nd Annual Davis Square Music Festival, Statue Park, Sept. 20 from 6-9PM.
108. Public Occ. Chandler St. Block Party, Chandler St. from Chapel to Park Sts., Sept. 14 from 3-6PM (raindate Sept. 15).
109. Awning **New Awning over a Public Way**
Wangs Fast Food, 509 Broadway, for an awning.
110. Livery Lic. **New Livery License**
Michael Mjika, 14 Murdock St. #2-10.
111. Outdoor Seat. **New Outdoor Seating & Goods Permit**
Bostonian Florist, 76 Central St., for a frame sign on the corner of Highland Ave. and Central St. to display goods in front of store.
112. Outdoor Seat. **Renewal of Outdoor Seating & Goods Permit**
M.B. Market Inc. d/b/a Paul Revere Beverage for 2 signs.
113. Garage Lic. **Renewal of Garage License**
Gemcar Inc. d/b/a Tech Auto Body Repair Inc., 9 Union Sq., 10 Automobiles.

114. Flamm. Lic. **Renewal of Flammable License**
Aris Auto Inc., 3 Craigie St., 30,394 gallons.
115. Flamm. Lic. Somerville Home Inc., 117 Summer St. 2,500 gallons.
116. Flamm. Lic. 21 Franklin ST. LLC d/b/a B.F. Realty, 54 Highland Ave., 2,000 gallons.
117. Flamm. Lic. 148 Sycamore St. LLC d/b/a B.F. Realty, 54 Highland Ave., 2,000 gallons.
118. Lodging Hse **Renewal of Lodging House License**
Anthony House, 14 Professors Row
119. Lodging Hse Bartol House, 37 Sawyer Ave.
120. Lodging Hse Bush Hall, 29 Latin Way.
121. Lodging Hse Capen House, 8 Professors Row.
122. Lodging Hse Chandler House, 125 Powderhouse Blvd.
123. Lodging Hse 90-94 Curtis St., 90-94 Curtis St.
124. Lodging Hse 176 Curtis St., 176 Curtis St.
125. Lodging Hse Davies House, 13 Sawyer Ave.
126. Lodging Hse 12 Dearborn Rd., 12 Dearborn Rd.
127. Lodging Hse Hall House, 98 Packard Ave.
128. Lodging Hse Haskell Hall, 43 Latin Way.
129. Lodging Hse Hillside House, 32 Dearborn Rd.
130. Lodging Hse Hodgdon Hall, 100 Talbot Ave.
131. Lodging Hse Latin Way Dorm, 40-A-F Latin Way.
132. Lodging Hse Lewis Hall, 76-84 Packard Ave.
133. Lodging Hse Metcalf Hall, 56-64 Professors Row.
134. Lodging Hse Milne House, 8-10 Whitfield Rd.

135. Lodging Hse 92 Professors Row, 92 Professors Row.
136. Lodging Hse 106 Professors Row, 106 Professors Row.
137. Lodging Hse Richardson House, 28 Professors Row.
138. Lodging Hse 45 Sawyer Ave., 45 Sawyer Ave.
139. Lodging Hse Schmalz House, 11 Whitfield Rd.
140. Lodging Hse South Hall, 73 Powderhouse Blvd.
141. Lodging Hse Start House, 17 Latin Way.
142. Lodging Hse Stratton Hall, 45 Talbot Ave.
143. Lodging Hse 9-11 Sunset Road, 9-11 Sunset Road.
144. Lodging Hse 101 Talbot Ave., 101 Talbot Ave.
145. Lodging Hse Tilton Hall, 39R Latin Way.
146. Lodging Hse Wilson House, 136 Curtis St.
147. Lodging Hse Wyeth House, 21 Whitfield Rd.
148. Lodging Hse Delta Tau Delta Foundations of Tufts Univ., 98 Professors Row.
149. Lodging Hse Alpha Tau Omega Associates, 135 Professors Row.
150. Taxi Med. **Taxi Medallion Transfer**
Transfer Medallion 19 from ZH Inc. to Grady Inc.
151. Taxi Med. Medallion #78 from Ike Inc. to Susil Cab. Inc.
Transfer
152. Taxi Op. Lic. **Renewal of Taxi Operators License**
Victory Cab Corp., 255 Medford St., Med. #56.
153. Taxi Op. Lic. Honey Cab Inc., 10 Pheasant Hill Ln., Methuen, Med. #82.
154. Taxi Op. Lic. Mariam Cab Inc., 85 Foley St., Med #55.
155. Bond **Drain-Layer's Bond**
John J. Holly Inc., 60 R Murdock St., Somerville.

156. Bond Caccavaro Construction Inc., 15 Ryder St., Arlington.
157. Comm. **Communication**
Queues Enforth Development responding to #171773 re: Police and Fire CAD systems.
158. Comm. Home Depot responding to #172015 re: Summer job hiring practices.
159. Claim Notice **Notice of Claim**
Tracey J. Leenders.
160. Claim Notice Caroline Fichter.
161. Claim Notice Albert Colby.

ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER 2:00 PM