

**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

January 9, 2003, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Petition NStar Electric for a grant of location to relocate 4 poles on Glen St., subject to conditions specified by the City's Engineering Division.
2. Petition NStar Electric for a grant of location to relocate pole #392/1 and install an anchor guy on Palmer Ave.
3. Petition Verizon for a grant of location to install 21 feet of 4 inch PVC conduit from manhole #P206/6 to 36 Skehan St.
4. Petition AT&T Broadband for a grant of location to install 21 feet of 4 inch PVC conduit from manhole #P206/6 to 36 Skehan St.
5. Petition Central Medford Trust for a new flammables license for 2,500 gallons at 265 Medford St.

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

6. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services, the Fire Chief and the Director of Public Health jointly investigate the abandoned house on Pearl St. at Florence St., to determine if a public safety hazard exists, as neighbors have reported seeing homeless persons living in and around this building.
7. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Chief of Police and the Director of Traffic and Parking routinely monitor Dana St. for overnight parking of commercial vehicles and take appropriate action.
8. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Director of Public Health investigate 90-92 Broadway for a consistent overflowing dumpster at which neighbors have claimed seeing rodents, and advise the Ward One Alderman as to any previous citations issued at this address.

9. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services respond to action taken at 70 Otis St. for the cited illegal back deck and report back to the Ward One Alderman.
10. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing Flint St. sign at Cross and Flint Sts.
11. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works place a sand barrel at the corner of Sunnyside Ave. and Wigglesworth St.
12. Order By Ald. Roche and the Entire Board, That the Director of Housing and Community Development inform the attorney and developer for the proposed CVS in Magoun Sq. that this Board supports an all union work force and recommends that all contractors working on this project be union members.
13. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works provide clarity around the decision to commence the ticketing process for snow and ice removal.
14. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines replace the street lamp at the top of Washington St. adjacent to the doorway of the Lincoln Park School.
15. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sand barrel at the corner of Beacon and Park Sts. and supply a sand barrel at the bottom of the hill on both sides of Washington St.
16. Order By Ald. Heuston and Roche, That the City Solicitor take the necessary steps to revise Section 1-11 of the Code of Ordinances relative to penalties and violations regarding the removal of snow and ice, to differentiate fines for commercial property such that commercial property shall be fined at \$75.00 vs. \$25.00 for residential property.
17. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at the corner of Central and Cambria Sts.
18. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing walk signal at the intersection of Powder House Blvd. and Curtis St.
19. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the Director of Public Health inspect the property at 14-16 Curtis Ave. for any and all building and health code violations and inform the Ward Seven Alderman of the date and time of the inspection.

20. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the graffiti from the phone switch box located on the Housing Authority's North St. property.
21. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the numerous potholes on Sterling St.
22. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Police Chief order a directed patrol at the Powder House Community School and the West Somerville Neighborhood School to enforce the traffic regulation of stopping for school buses when the bus lights are activated.
23. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at the corner of Douglas and Edgar Aves.
24. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Chief of Police take appropriate action relative to trucks parking on city streets late at night, especially in the area of Grant, Derby, Wheatland, Sydney and Taylor Sts.
25. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines secure the line hanging from the telephone pole at 90 Jaques St.
26. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police contact the proprietor of Lou's Auto Repair on Marshall St. and instruct him to not park the tow truck on the sidewalk nor leave the engine running at all hours of the day.
27. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the sign at the corner of Main and Fremont Sts.
28. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking install STOP signs at the corner of Bond and Heath Sts. as there have been several accidents at this location recently.
29. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NO PARKING FROM HERE TO CORNER sign on Bond St at the corner of Jaques St.
30. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the fallen tree branch from the property located at 87 Gov. Winthrop Rd.

31. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the premises at 52 Sargent Ave. for any and all building or zoning code violations.
32. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at 116 Ten Hills Rd.
33. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Director of Housing and Community Development notify the Davis Square Task Force of a neighborhood meeting for all interested parties, scheduled for 7:00 PM, January 15, 2003, at the Community Baptist Church, 31 College Ave., to hear a potential developer's proposal to raze the present garage building on the corner of Willow and Morrison Aves. and build eleven condominiums with underground parking.
34. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works issue citations for residential/commercial property owners failing to remove snow and ice from the sidewalks on College, Morrison, Willow and Winslow Aves. as required by Ordinance.
35. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Kidder Ave. between College and Willow Aves.
36. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines request that representatives of Verizon attend the next Licenses and Permits Committee meeting to discuss double pole issues and explain the lack of progress in minimizing this problem.
37. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works clear the snowy and icy walkways on the traffic island between Highland Ave. and Elm St., opposite the Day St. Intersection, as well as the pathway around the edge of the Davis Square Plaza from College Ave. around to Holland St.
38. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at 103 Orchard St.
39. Resolution By Ald. Desmond and the Entire Board, That this Board of Aldermen hereby commends the Chief of Police and the men and women of the Police Dept. for their outstanding showing in a recent study performed by Northeastern University's Criminal Justice Dept. on profiling by MA Police Depts. The Somerville Police Dept. ranked in the top 10 of those studied.
40. Order By Ald. Desmond, That the Director of Communications provide a detailed report on 911 calls by month for the year 2002, to include: the type of call, the location of call and the time taken to respond to the call. (2nd request.)

41. Order By Ald. Desmond, That the City Auditor provide a year to date report on overtime spending by department. (2nd request.)
42. Order By Ald. Desmond, O'Donovan and Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the numerous potholes on Summer St., particularly the dangerously deep holes at the intersections of Cedar, Banks, Burnside, Linden and Porter.
43. Order By Ald. Curtatone, That the Commissioner of Public Works, the Director of Traffic and Parking and a representative of the Police Department's Traffic Division appear before the next regularly scheduled meeting of this Board to address issues surrounding parking enforcement during snow emergencies.
44. Ordinance By Ald. Curtatone, Submitting the Responsible Employer Plan as an amendment to the City's Code of Ordinances.
45. Resolution By Ald. Curtatone and Heuston, That this Board of Aldermen hereby requests that the Administration update this Board on the status of the forming of the Route 28 Corridor/Innerbelt Advisory Council, and that the Director of Housing and Community Development appear before this Board's Committee on Housing and Community Development to discuss same.
46. Order By Ald. Curtatone and Taylor, That the Director of Traffic and Parking update this Board within seven days as to the status of the traffic mitigation measures for the Prospect Hill neighborhood as requested by this Board.
47. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services issue citations to property owners failing to remove snow and ice from their sidewalks, as required by the Code of Ordinances.
48. Resolution By Ald. White, That this Board of Aldermen hereby requests that the Administration provide this Board with an update with respect to its intentions on dealing with the Public Safety Building.
49. Order By Ald. White, That the Commissioner of Public Works, or his representative, appear before this Board to discuss the "New Arrangements for Disposal" that were recently sent by the Department to residents.
50. Order By Ald. White, That the City Solicitor summarize the law with regard to the ability of City Departments to impose fees without approval of this Board, and, in particular, the ability of the Department of Public Works to impose fees for collecting certain items of trash.

51. Order By Ald. White and McCallum, That the Commissioner of Public Works request that the Metropolitan District Commission remove the dead tree limbs from Foss Park, especially around the area of the tot lot.
52. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Commissioner of Public Works flush the water main and test the water at 35 Spring St. for harmful pollutants.
53. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Chief Engineer study the adequate maneuverability of fire equipment on Hamlet and Boston Sts. and make recommendations as necessary.
54. Resolution By Ald. Taylor, That the City's Emergency Response Team, and the concerned citizens who stopped to offer aid, be commended for their assistance during the recent emergency on Vinal Ave.
55. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Director of Traffic and Parking study the parking problems at the Highland Cuisine Restaurant and make recommendations to alleviate the problem.
56. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Director of Traffic and Parking confer with the Chief of Police regarding the speed of traffic along Summer St. and make recommendations for reducing the speed.
57. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Chief of Police place a speed board and speed trap on Summer St. between School and Craigie Sts., between the hours of 7:30-9:30 AM and 4:30-7:30 PM, and report back to this Board with results.
58. Resolution By Ald. Taylor, That the Dedication Committee re-examine renaming the corner of Montrose and Sycamore Sts. in honor of Kay Benton.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

59. Requesting approval of the transfer of \$1,000 from the Veterans Benefits Account to the Personal Services Overtime Account.
60. Requesting confirmation to appoint Elizabeth Medeiros of 13-25 Warren Ave. to the Condominium Review Board.

61. Requesting confirmation to appoint G. Matthew Sperber of 44 Chester St. to the Board of Library Trustees.
62. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Frederick MacDonald of 10 Manning St., Roslindale, as constable.
63. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Ronald DiGiorgio of 11 Marrett Rd., Burlington, as constable.
64. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Gerard O'Donnell Jodrey of 1 Devonshire Place, Boston, as constable
65. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Richard Willette of 115 Beacon St. as constable
66. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Patrick Cassidy of 15 Avon St. as constable.
67. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Timothy McGonigal of 39 Puritan Rd. as constable.
68. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Stacia Connors of 463 Fellsway, Medford, as constable.
69. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint John Connors of 463 Fellsway, Medford, as constable.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

70. Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, Jan. 9.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

71. City Solicitor responding to #172761 re: assigning an Asst. City Solicitor to the Middlesex DA's Office.
72. Retirement Board conveying the re-appointment of John Rourke on that Board.

NEW BUSINESS

73. Public Occ. **Public Occupancy Permit**
Rally Against War with Iraq, Davis Square, Jan. 23 from 5:30-7:00PM.

74. Used Car Lic **New Used Car Dealer's License Class 2**
SVB Inc., 181 McGrath Hwy.
75. Used Car Lic **Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class I**
Dom's Motor Service Inc. d/b/a Riverside, 2 Union Square.
76. Used Car Lic **Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2**
Dom's Motor Service Inc. d/b/a Riverside, 2 Union Square
77. Used Car Lic Hillside Jaguar Inc. d/b/a Hillside Service Center, 45 Mystic Ave.
78. Used Car Lic Inman Capital Cars Inc. d/b/a Inman Motor Sales, 121-123
Prospect St.
79. Used Car Lic SVB Inc. d/b/a John's Auto Sales, 181 Somerville Ave.
80. Used Car Lic Ideal Engine Rebuilders Inc., 49 Day St.
81. Used Car Lic Pearl St. Auto Sales Inc., 180 Pearl St.
82. Used Car Lic Great Northern Liquidation and Sales, 100 Fellsway West.
83. Used Car Lic Jeffrey D. Summers Auto Sales, 5 Berkeley St.
84. Used Car Lic Pat's Auto Body Inc., 308 McGrath Hwy.
85. Used Car Lic Pat's Auto Body Inc., 182 Washington St.
86. Used Car Lic Pat's Auto Body Inc., 161 Linwood St.
87. Livery Lic. **New Livery License**
Mario Barros & John Barbosa, 5 Waldo Ave.
88. Outdoor Seat. **New Outdoor Seating**
Bickfords Family Restaurant, 349 Broadway.
89. Flamm. Lic. **Renewal of Flammable License**
Pearl St. Auto Sales, 182 Pearl St., 17,000 Gallons.
90. Garage Lic. **Renewal of Garage License**
Drain Doctor Inc., 612 Broadway, 25 Autos.
91. Amusements **Renewal of Automatic Amusement Devices**
American Legion Post #19, 124 Highland Ave., 1 Device.
92. Amusements Good Time Billiards Inc., 30 Sturtevant St., 215 Devices.

93. Taxi Op. **New Taxi Operator**
Patrick Jonathas, 17 Leland St., Malden.
94. Taxi Op. Romel P. Riche, 46 South St.
95. Taxi Op. Jean Labossiere, 1129 Fellsway, Malden.
96. Taxi Op. Vanoir Vitoretti, 20 Mt. Pleasant St.
97. Taxi Op. Edna Mullen, 59 Oxford St.
98. Taxi Op. Joniel Timoleon, 96 Flint St.
99. Taxi Op. John Dellano, 1695 N. Shore Rd., Revere.
100. Taxi Op. Wilnes Laurenceau, 33 Dartmouth St.
101. Taxi Op. Lawrence Ricker, 94 Beech Ave., Melrose.
102. Taxi Op. Chenet Magloire, 27 Brook St.
103. Taxi Op. Frantz Nherisson, 15C Memorial Rd.
104. Taxi Op. Richard Wall, 22 Fourth St., Medford.
105. Taxi Op. Wilfred Etienne, 14 Roosevelt Towers 710W, Cambridge.
106. Taxi Op. Rene Smith Pierre, 52 Norfolk St., Cambridge.
107. Claim Notice **Notice of Claim**
Michael Zona.
108. Claim Notice Daniel Nelson.
109. Claim Notice Catherine Thompson.

ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER 2:00 PM