

**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 AGENDA

August 14, 2003, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Call of the Roll.
2. Reading and approval of the minutes of the meeting of June 26, 2003.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. Petition RCN-BecoCom LLC for a grant of location to construct 60 ft. of 4" conduit from pole 269/4 to 21-23 Park St.
4. Petition RCN-BecoCom LLC for a grant of location to construct 5 ft. of 4" conduit from pole 372/4 to 24 Lake St.
5. Petition NStar Gas Company for a grant of location to install two gas regulator vaults in the west sidewalk of Cedar St. near Elm St. and the interconnecting piping.
6. Petition NStar Electric for a grant of location to install a new roof to manhole #20645 on Somerville Ave. at Loring St.
7. Petition Comcast for a grant of location to construct 60 ft. of conduit at 21-23 Park St.
8. Petition Achillo Cerullo/ABC Redemption Center for a bottle redemption center license at 630 Somerville Ave.

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

9. Ordinance By Ald. Roche, Proposing final zoning for the Assembly Square district.
10. Resolution By Ald. Provost and the Entire Board, Urging a fair and equitable collective bargaining agreement for Verizon, the Communications Workers of America and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

11. Resolution By Ald. Taylor, In support of H.R. 440 (USA Family Act).
12. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services review the license, and the conditions placed on said license, of the Concord Gas Station at the corner of School and Summer Sts., for violations of their use of the premises as a used car lot.
13. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Director of Traffic and Parking review the vehicle access problem on Belmont Place, due to cars parking on that street, and recommend a solution.
14. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the crosswalk signals at the intersection of Washington and Beacon Sts.
15. Resolution By Ald. Heuston, That the Dedication Committee consider an application for the dedication of the corner of Springfield St. and Concord Ave. as James Rodriques Square, in memory of James Rodriques, a beloved member of the Ward Two community.
16. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Chief of Police appear before this Board to discuss the methods for enforcement of the city's noise ordinance and to respond to a previous Board Order which requested that members of the Police Dept. be informed of changes in the city's noise ordinance and take notice of violations.
17. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the City Solicitor advise this Board regarding the attached proposed change to the city noise ordinance.
18. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Traffic and Parking contact Shaw's Supermarket on Beacon St. to instruct the management to cut the overgrowth on the sidewalk in front of their store since it is unsightly and causing a safety issue related to traffic exiting from Sacramento St.
19. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works clean Conway Park and trim the grass around the perimeter of the park.
20. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at 29 Merriam St. (2nd request) and a second pothole at the end of Merriam St.
21. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works install a decorative waste receptacle at the corner of Washington and Beacon Sts. (2nd request).

22. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Traffic and Parking post NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER signage at the corner of Beacon and Park Sts., in both directions and at the 4 corners at the intersection of Washington, Beacon and Kirkland Sts. (2nd request).
23. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalk at the Lincoln Park School entrances on Washington St. as well as Lincoln Parkway, the crosswalk at Washington and Hawkins Sts., and all crosswalks in Union Square, in anticipation of the opening of school, for the safety of children who attend the Lincoln Park Community School.
24. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalk at Beacon St. and Concord Ave.
25. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Inspectional Services provide a current list of locations for free newspaper boxes within Ward Two with details concerning compliance in relation to the ordinance governing such boxes. (2nd request).
26. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the City Solicitor draft and present to this Board an ordinance which would require all businesses that utilize shopping carts to register a plan, for city approval, to keep all carts within the confines of their property. (2nd request).
27. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Traffic and Parking advise the Ward Two Alderman regarding the installation of traffic calming measures for Merriam St. and provide advice regarding the cut through to the Target store, since this presents a hazard to neighborhood residents, especially children.
28. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes at the intersection of Gordon and North Sts.
29. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services forward a status report on the gas fumes in the area of Waterhouse St. and the Clarendon Hill Towers to the Ward Seven Alderman.
30. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the unlicensed newspaper boxes at the intersection of Barton St. and Broadway. (2nd request).

31. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services contact the Ward Five Alderman to discuss his Department's July 9 letter regarding 210 Morrison Ave., also known as 64 Morrison Ave.
32. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a REDUCED SPEED or CHILDREN AT PLAY sign at the corner of Wilton and Hinckley Sts.
33. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Director of Traffic and Parking remove and replace the damaged and hanging one-way sign at Wilton and Hinckley Sts.
34. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 2 Pembroke St. at Sycamore St.
35. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works request NStar to trim the tree in front of 2 Pembroke St. at Sycamore St., as the tree limbs are entangled with electrical wires, causing a safety hazard.
36. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works clean Albion Park of all bottles and debris in and around the perimeter and fencing area of the park.
37. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works respond in writing, personally, to the Ward Five Alderman, regarding the progress of improvements and cleanup of lower Highland Rd., between Morrison Ave. and the bike path.
38. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the STOP sign at the corner of East Albion and Moreland Sts.
39. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the City Clerk forward correspondence to the Governor and the legislative delegation informing them of this Board's opposition to the proposed elimination of the state aided housing annual income deduction of \$400 per household for tenants who are at least 60 years of age or are handicapped.
40. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the sign at the corner of Temple St. and Mystic Ave. that informs motorists that Temple St. is not accessible to Assembly Sq.
41. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the ONE WAY sign post at 42 Marshall St.

42. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works clean Sherman Court, between Sargent Ave. and Marshall St. and trim the bushes and cut the grass.
43. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the sewer at 105 Grant St. due to recent flooding.
44. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole on Fairview Terrace.
45. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the regulations regarding commercial vehicles parking late at night on Moreland St.
46. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the DO NOT ENTER sign at the corner of Pembroke and Sycamore Sts.
47. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk at 29 Dartmouth St.
48. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the sign post across from 46 Fremont St.
49. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the Director of Public Health inspect 45 Walker St. for any and all building and/or health or zoning code violations, specifically the rear yard where wild animals are believed to be nesting under a rear porch.
50. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Director of Traffic and Parking extend the 15 minute parking limit in front of the 'Why Not' Variety Store at Willow and Morrison Aves. to 30 minutes or less.
51. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Superintendent of Highways repair the depression in the roadway at 1 College Ave., adjacent to the crosswalk, to alleviate a tripping hazard.
52. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the Director of Public Health inspect the rear of 240 Elm St., near Chester and Herbert Sts., and instruct the property owner to take immediate measures to prevent access to the rear of the property by unauthorized individuals and to illuminate it with safety lights after dusk.
53. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 92 College Ave., as the streetlight is blocked by the dense leaf growth around the light itself.

54. Order By Ald. White, That the Chief of Police and the Director of and Traffic and Parking enforce the restrictions regarding parking in bus stops.
55. Order By Ald. White, That the Chief of Police and the Director of and Traffic and Parking provide this Board with the number of tickets issued during 2002 and 2003 to date, for parking in bus stops.
56. Resolution By Ald. White and Roche, That the Traffic Commission post signs on Pennsylvania Ave. prohibiting trucking.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

57. Requesting approval of a land disposition agreement for the Bow St. Police Station.
58. Requesting acceptance of Chapter 116 of the Acts of 2002, and Chapter 71, Section 3, of the Acts of 1996 as amended, to allow veterans to purchase military service credit for retirement purposes.
59. Requesting a transfer of \$525 within the Planning Dept., from Personal Services Acct. 2901-51110 to Professional and Technical Services Acct. 2901-53000.
60. Requesting that a gift of \$5,000 from Trizec for the Inner Belt Signage and Landscaping Program be accepted by City.
61. Requesting that a gift of \$10,000 from the Friends of the Community Path for design services of the Community Path from Cedar St. to Central St be accepted by the City.
62. Requesting that a gift of \$3,000 from Comcast Cable Communications for the Somerville Festival be accepted by the City.
63. Requesting confirmation to appoint John McKenna of 42 Francesca Ave. to the Election Commission.
64. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Kenneth Joyce of 12 Parker St. to the Condominium Review Board.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

65. Report of the Committee of the Whole on Legislative Matters, July 17.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

66. Fire Deputy Chief regarding an inspection of Bottle Redemption Center, 630 Somerville Ave.
67. Planning Board regarding an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to facilitate the anticipated future development of the North Point area.
68. City Solicitor regarding the Conflict of Interest law.
69. City Solicitor regarding a curb cut closing at 15 Leonard St.
70. Asst. City Solicitor regarding temporary appointments.
71. City Solicitor responding to #173747 regarding loitering on sidewalks.
72. City Solicitor regarding the alteration of nonconforming structures.

NEW BUSINESS

73. Public Occ. **Public Property Occupancy Permit**
Richardson Ter. Block Party, Aug. 23 from 4PM-12AM.
74. Public Occ. Casey's 9th Annual Road Race & Walk Charity Benefit, Broadway, Sept. 7.
75. Public Occ. Toyota: Scion Behind-the-Wheel Tour, Diesel Café @ 257 Elm St., Aug. 21 & 22 from 12-8PM.
76. Public Occ. Baystate Youth Baseball Canning Drive, various locations, Aug. 1 from 5-7PM; Aug 2 from 2-6PM.
77. Public Occ. Special Needs "Walks for Dignity", Davis Sq. area, Sept. 13 from 8AM-1:30PM.
78. Public Occ. CAAS Summer Outreach Program, various locations, Aug. 5, 7, 13, 20 from 10AM-12PM, Aug. 27 from 10AM-2PM.
79. Public Occ. Arts Council Windows Art Project, Union Sq., Sept. 7 to Oct. 3; Opening Festival, Union Sq. parking lot, Sept. 13 from 1-4PM.

80. Public Occ. Josephine Ave. Block Party, Sept. 14 from 2-8PM.
81. Public Occ. Chandler St. Block Party, Sept. 13 (rain date Sept. 14).
82. Public Occ. Boston Ave. Block Party, Sept. 7 from 3-7PM.
83. Public Occ. Matthew O'Brien Street Hockey Tournament, Conway Park, Sept. 13-14 from 9AM-10PM.
84. Public Occ Malvern Ave. Block Party, Sept. 20 (Rain date Sept. 21).
85. Flamm. Lic. **Renewal of Flammables License**
Lappen's Auto Supply, 174 Somerville Ave., 2,877 gallons.
86. Lodging Hse **Renewal of Lodging House License**
ATO Associates, Inc., 134 Professors Row.
87. Lodging Hse Anthony House, 14 Professors Row.
88. Lodging Hse Bartol House, 37 Sawyer Ave.
89. Lodging Hse Bush Hall, 29 Latin Way.
90. Lodging Hse Capen House, 8 Professors Row.
91. Lodging Hse Chandler House, 125 Powderhouse Blvd.
92. Lodging Hse Trustees of Tufts Univ., 90-94 Curtis St.
93. Lodging Hse Trustees of Tufts Univ., 176 Curtis St.
94. Lodging Hse Davies House, 13 Sawyer Ave.
95. Lodging Hse Trustees of Tufts Univ., 12 Dearborn Ave.
96. Lodging Hse Hall House, 98 Packard Ave.
97. Lodging Hse Haskell Hall, 43 Latin Way.
98. Lodging Hse Hillside House, 32 Dearborn Rd.
99. Lodging Hse Hodgdon Hall, 100 Talbot Ave.
100. Lodging Hse Latin Way Dorm, 40A-40F Latin Way.
101. Lodging Hse Lewis Hall, 76-84 Packard Ave.

102. Lodging Hse Metcalf Hall, 56-64 Professors Row.
103. Lodging Hse Milne House, 8-10 Whitfield Rd.
104. Lodging Hse Trustees of Tufts Univ., 92 Professors Row.
105. Lodging Hse Trustees of Tufts Univ., 106 Professors Row.
106. Lodging Hse Richardson House, 28 Professors Row.
107. Lodging Hse Trustees of Tufts Univ., 45 Sawyer Ave.
108. Lodging Hse Schmalz House, 11 Whitfield Rd.
109. Lodging Hse South Hall, 73 Powderhouse Blvd.
110. Lodging Hse Start House, 17 Latin Way.
111. Lodging Hse Stratton Hall, 45 Talbot Ave.
112. Lodging Hse Trustees of Tufts Univ., 9-11 Sunset Rd.
113. Lodging Hse Trustees of Tufts Univ., 101 Talbot Ave.
114. Lodging Hse Tilton Hall, 39R Latin Way.
115. Lodging Hse Wilson House, 136 Curtis St.
116. Lodging Hse Wyeth House, 21 Whitfield Rd.
117. Taxi Med. **Renewal of Taxicab Medallion**
Providence Cab Inc., Medallion #5.
118. Drain Layer **New Drain Layer Bond**
Proscape Development Corp.
119. Comm. **Communication**
ECS Marin, re: Dart Trucking Co. 29 & 33 Allen St.,
Immediate Response Action Completion Report &
Response Action Outcome Report.
120. Claim Notice **Notice of Claim**
Daniel Furtado.
121. Claim Notice Daniel Valente.

122. Claim Notice Ronny Morales.

ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER 2:00 PM