

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen**

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

November 24, 2009, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

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PRESENT for all or part of the meeting: President Walter F. Pero, Vice President John M. Connolly, Aldermen Bruce M. Desmond, Dennis M. Sullivan, William A. White Jr., Maryann M. Heuston, Thomas F. Taylor, Sean T. O'Donovan, Rebekah L. Gewirtz, Robert C. Trane

OPENING OF THE MEETING

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| 1. | Roll Call | Call of the Roll. | 188453
Placed on File |
| 2. | Minutes | Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 22, 2009. | 188454
Approved |

CITATIONS

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| 3. | Citation | By Ald. Connolly and the Entire Board, Commending Middlesex Sheriff James DiPaola, who has led the Middlesex Youth Public Academy for 10 years, teaching important social values to over 8,300 children. | 188455
Approved |
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PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

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

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| 4. | Order | By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works not install street poles or signage at 30-32 Boston Ave. | 188456
Approved |
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| 5. | Order | By Ald. O'Donovan, Gewirtz and White, That the Director of SPCD or her designee appear at the next Public Health and Safety Committee meeting on Nov. 30 at 7 PM, to discuss the MaxPak demolition schedule and plan. | 188457
Approved, Copy to
Public Health & Safety |
| 6. | Order | By Ald. O'Donovan, Heuston and Taylor, That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Veterans Services ensure that all veteran dedication signs and plaques are restored to Somerville Ave. if removed during the street reconstruction project. | 188458
Approved |
| 7. | Order | By Ald. Taylor, That the Director of SPCD notify the MBTA to clean its property at the transfer station at Avon and School Sts. | 188459
Approved |
| 8. | Order | By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works post NO PARKING 9AM-3PM signs at least 48 hours prior to Nov. 28 as directed within for the High School's 18th Annual Craft Fair. | 188460
Approved |
| 9. | Order | By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works assign personnel from 6-9AM to place traffic cones on Highland Ave. from the Atrium entrance to the Concourse exit, and assist volunteers setting up for the Annual Craft Fair in the Brune Field House on Nov. 28. | 188461
Approved |
| 10. | Order | By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works consider extending the street sweeping program for two weeks (weather-permitting) for all streets not swept as a result of the Thanksgiving holiday. | 188462
Approved |
| 11. | Order | By Ald. Connolly and Desmond, That the Chief of Police consider implementing a bike registration program so owners can store their bike's serial number. | 188463
Approved |
| 12. | Order | By Ald. Connolly and Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the appropriate utility to repair the defective streetlamp at College Ave. and Winter St. | 188464
Approved |
| 13. | Order | By Ald. Connolly and Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the missing sidewalk pavers on College Ave. between 1 College Ave. and the busway exit. | 188465
Approved |
| 14. | Order | By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works provide this Board with recommendations for dealing with problematic roots in the pipes of residences. (2nd request) | 188466
Approved |
| 15. | Order | By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol at Willow Ave. and Broadway to ticket cars that are partially obstructing driveways. | 188467
Approved |

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| 16. | Resolution | By Ald. Gewirtz, That this Board requests that the Administration work with the Ward 6 Alderman on locations for an Off Leash Recreation Area for dogs and if necessary, to create a Task Force to advise the city. | 188468
Approved |
| 17. | Order | By Ald. Gewirtz and O'Donovan, That the Director of SPCD report to this Board why there is a fenced area on the bike path between Wards 5 and 6 and when the problem will be resolved. | 188469
Approved, Copy to
Public Health & Safety
and Parks & Open
Space |
| 18. | Order | By Ald. Trane, That the Chief of Police increase pedestrian traffic safety enforcement in the Teele Sq. area. | 188470
Approved |
| 19. | Order | By Ald. Trane, That the Chief of Police place the speed board on Paulina St. and follow up with enforcement. | 188471
Approved |
| 20. | Order | By Ald. Trane and Sullivan, That the Commissioner of Public Works report back to this Board what can be done to increase lighting in the cross walk on Broadway at Clarendon Hill Towers. | 188472
Approved |

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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| 21. | Committee Report | Report of the Committee on Public Health & Safety, Nov. 16.
No papers. | 188473
Approved |
| 22. | Committee Report | Report of the Committee on Public Utilities & Works, Nov. 18.
No papers. | 188474
Approved |
| 23. | Committee Report | Report of the Committee on Licenses & Permits, Nov. 23. | 188475
Approved |
| 23A. | Garage | New Garage License, BBC Auto Repair, 483 Somerville Ave., 10 autos inside. | 188019
Approved for 30 days
only |
| 23B. | Garage | Renewing Garage License, Ferry Street Motor Inc. dba American Auto, 682 Mystic Ave., 3 autos inside, 7 outside. | 188020
Approved |
| 23C. | Garage | New Garage License, Somerville Body Works Inc., 42 Dana St., autobody work, spray painting, washing vehicles, storing registered and unregistered vehicles, 10 autos inside, 2 outside. | 188129
Approved for 90 days
only |

23D.	Sign	Sign Permit, ABC Fashion, 1156 Broadway, 1 sign.	188204 Approved
23E.	Sign	Sign/Awning Permit, Nail Image, 1160 Broadway, Sign.	188271 Approved
23F.	Garage	Renewing Garage License, Somerville Auto Center Inc., 193 Somerville Ave., 16 autos inside.	188272 Approved
23G.	Garage	Renewal of Garage License, Somerville Housing Group Trust III, 481 Columbia St., 252 vehicles inside.	188349 Approved
23H.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, John's Auto Sales Inc., 181 Somerville Ave., 38 autos.	188433 Approved
23I.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Green Automotive Inc., 600 Windsor Place., 20 autos inside.	188434 Approved
23J.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Union gulf Service, 231 Washington St., 6 autos.	188435 Approved
23K.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Mystic Auto Sales & Service, 712 Mystic Ave., 10 autos.	188436 Approved
23L.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Executive Auto Leasing & Sales, 30 Medford St., 3 autos inside.	188437 Approved
23M.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, William Doucette Auto Sales Inc., 325 Alewife Brook Pkwy., 2 autos inside, 30 outside.	188438 Approved
23N.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, UMP Corp./United Motors, 188 Broadway, 4 autos.	188439 Approved
23O.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Gemicar Inc. dba Tech Auto Body, 9 Union Sq., 2 autos.	188440 Approved
23P.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 3, Nissenbaum's Auto Parts Inc., 0 Windsor St.	188441 Approved
23Q.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 3, Nissenbaum's Auto Parts Inc., 480 Columbia St.	188442 Approved
23R.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 3, T. C. Auto Exchange, 176-178 Tremont St.	188443 Approved
23S.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 3, Ed's Used Auto Parts, 516-518 Columbia St.	188444 Approved

23T.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 3, Union Automotive, 37 Mystic Ave.	188445 Approved
23U.	Used Car	Renewal of Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Broadway Brake Corp., 45 Broadway, 3 autos.	188452 Approved

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

24.	Mayor's Request	Requesting approval of an ordinance to limit the storage of unregistered vehicles.	188476 Legislative Matters
25.	Mayor's Request	Requesting approval of a Resolution in support of the final I-Cubed Infrastructure Development Assistance Agreement.	188477 Approved
26.	Mayor's Request	Requesting approval of a lease for the Lower Broadway Police Substation for one year (9/09-8/10) at \$1,375/month.	188478 Finance
27.	Mayor's Request	Requesting an appropriation of, and authorization to borrow, \$288,200, in a bond to complete Community Path improvements and design from Cedar St. to Central St.	188479 Finance
28.	Mayor's Request	Requesting an appropriation of \$700,000 from the Overlay Surplus declared by the Board of Assessors on Oct. 22, to reduce the FY2010 tax levy.	188480 Finance
29.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the use of \$33,354 in available funds in the Health Salaries Acct. to fund a School Nurse Leader (\$24,582.15), a School Nurse Asst. (\$5,158.40), and a Grant Administrator (\$3,612.80) for the rest of the fiscal year.	188481 Approved
30.	Mayor's Request	Requesting a transfer of \$150,000 from the DPW Sanitation Prof. & Tech. Svcs. Acct. to the DPW Administration Capital Outlay Engineering/Architectural Svcs. Acct., to fund the Washington St. project design and construction.	188482 Finance
31.	Mayor's Request	Requesting a transfer of \$32,497 from the Salary Contingency Acct. to the Police Lump Sum Settlements Acct. to settle an outstanding arbitration with the SMEA.	188483 Approved
32.	Mayor's Request	Requesting a transfer of \$8,000 in the Information Technology Dept., from the Salaries Acct. to the Prof. & Tech. Svcs. Acct., for a consultant to develop an open source website for constituents and intranet for employees.	188484 Finance
33.	Mayor's Request	Requesting approval to expend a grant of \$2,000 from the Harvard School of Public Health for the Health Dept.'s Shape Up Somerville initiative.	188485 Finance
34.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the appointment of Alex Epstein to the Bicycle Committee.	188486 Conf. of Appointments

35.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re-appointment of Robert Lomanno as Constable.	188487 Approved
36.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re-appointment of Catello Battinelli as Constable.	188488 Approved
37.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re-appointment of Robert Sweeney as Constable.	188489 Approved
38.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re-appointment of Mark Davis as Constable.	188490 Approved
39.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re-appointment of Deborah-Jean McGonigal as Constable.	188491 Approved
40.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re-appointment of Charles Carneglia as Constable.	188492 Conf. of Appointments

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

41.	Officer Comm.	Chief Fire Engineer responding to #188284 re: Fire Lane sign on Preston Rd.	188493 Placed on File
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NEW BUSINESS

42.	Used Car	Renewing Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, 429 Corp., 109-111 Prospect St., 5 autos.	188494 Licenses & Permits
43.	Used Car	Renewing Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Somerville Ave. Used Auto Sales, 595 Somerville Ave., 18 autos outside.	188495 Licenses & Permits
44.	Used Car	Renewing Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Hillside Jaguar Inc. dba Hillside Service Center, 45 Mystic Ave., 10 autos.	188496 Licenses & Permits
45.	Used Car	Renewing Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Unlimited Auto Body Inc., 471 Somerville Ave., 10 autos.	188497 Licenses & Permits
46.	Used Car	Renewing Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Barnes & Walsh Co., 224 Somerville Ave., 5 autos.	188498 Licenses & Permits
47.	Used Car	Renewing Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Pat's Auto Body Inc., 308 McGrath Hwy., 12 autos.	188499 Licenses & Permits
48.	Used Car	Renewing Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Pat's Auto Body Inc., 182 Washington St., 27 autos.	188500 Licenses & Permits
49.	Used Car	Renewing Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Pat's Auto Body Inc., 161 Linwood St., 15 autos.	188501 Licenses & Permits

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| 50. | Used Car | Renewing Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Motobidia LLC, 561 Windsor St., 0 autos. | 188502
Licenses & Permits |
| 51. | Taxi Med. | Taxi Medallion Refinancing, Alewife Trans Inc., Med #'s 65, 69, 80. | 188503
Approved |
| 52. | Comm. | Michael and Barbara Capuano submitting comments re: #188112, the proposed rezoning of Broadway. | 188504
Placed on File, Copy to
Land Use |

LATE ITEMS

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| 53. | Mayor's
Request | Requesting the transfer of \$120,900 from various departmental Salaries Accts. to the Elections Special Election Acct., to fund the special state elections on Dec. 8 and Jan. 19, to fill the vacant US Senate seat. | 188405
Discharged from
Finance, Approved |
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Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk