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March 10, 2008

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE**  
**ON SENIOR SERVICES**

The Committee on Senior Services met on March 10, 2008, with Chairman William White, presiding and Committee Members Aldermen John Connolly and Dennis Sullivan also present and voting. Also present were Alderman Thomas Taylor, Traffic and Parking Director James Kotzuba and Cindy Hickey from the Council on Aging.

Residents expressed concern regarding parking spaces being used by people who then board buses to Union Square and told the members that the Traffic and Parking Department will not issue parking permits to Somerville Housing Authority (SHA) residents. Mr. Kotzuba explained that residents of Properzi Manor, like all residents of Somerville Housing Authority buildings, were entitled to receive resident stickers for their vehicles. Resident also made inquiries as to the construction in Union Square and problems with the crosswalks.

Mr. Kotzuba explained the difference between resident and guest permits and explained how residents of SHA facilities may obtain visitor parking permits. Alderman Connolly asked that a clerk from Traffic and Parking visit the SHA facilities to assist residents with applying for parking permits. Ms. Hickey told the residents that the Council on Aging is available to assist, as well. Ms. Hickey also reviewed upcoming events for seniors and spoke about free tax preparation for seniors.

Responding to a question from Alderman Sullivan, Mr. Kotzuba told the members that in order for a roadway to be designated for permit parking, 51% of the households on the street must sign a petition to do so.

Alderman Sullivan's motion **that the Director of Traffic and Parking examine the signage at the entrance to the parking lot at Properzi Manor and work with the Police Department to improve enforcement**, was approved.

No papers were acted on.

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Alderman William A. White, Jr., Chairman  
Committee on Senior Services

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

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