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September 19, 2007

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

The Committee on Senior Services met on September 19, 2007, with Chairman William White, presiding and Committee Member Alderman Dennis Sullivan also present and voting. Also present were Alderman Thomas Taylor, Cindy Hickey from the Council on Aging and several interested residents of Properzi Manor.

The committee met at Properzi Manor to give residents an opportunity to discuss matters of concern in an open forum. Ms. Hickey spoke about the Are-You-OK program that was developed by the Council on Aging to check on the well being of seniors and she also spoke about a mechanism that was instituted to notify seniors about happenings in the city, e.g., the cancellation of the Senior Picnic due to inclement weather. In the event of an emergency in the city requiring notification to seniors, residents in the city's senior housing facilities would be notified first followed by other senior in the city. Ms. Hickey also said that Cheryl Horan, from Green Cab, would like to meet with senior residents to inform them of some of the services provided by Green Cab, e.g., flat rates for cab rides.

Alderman Taylor discussed the reconstruction of Somerville Ave. informing those present that new signal lights would be installed and trees planted. He stated that traffic would flow easier, once the project is completed. Responding to a concern regarding the difficulty experienced in crossing the street, Alderman Taylor and Ms. Hickey replied that they would contact Police Captain Upton and Traffic Engineer Terry Smith for their assistance in easing this problem. The committee will also make an attempt to request that the Citizens Bank be made handicap accessible. Alderman Taylor also told those present that the committee would revisit the matter of parking permits and guest parking passes for the residents of Properzi Manor.

Alderman Sullivan's motion **that the Commission for Persons with Disabilities assist the city's ADA Coordinator in contacting and working with the Union Square business owners to make their properties handicap accessible** was approved.

Alderman Taylor's motion **that the Chief of Police enforce of the ordinance prohibiting bicycles from being operated on sidewalks** was approved.

No papers were acted on.

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

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