

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

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

October 8, 2009, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
2. Minutes Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 10, 2009.

**CITATIONS**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Grant of Location NStar Electric for a Grant of Location to install 5 feet of conduit at 42 Craigie St.
4. Grant of Location NStar Electric for a Grant of Location to install 40 feet of conduit in Trull St., from Pole 339/8 to 492 Medford St.
5. Grant of Location RCN for a Grant of Location to install 8 feet of conduit on Beacon St., from Pole 142/28 to 221-223 Beacon St.
6. Grant of Location Comcast for a Grant of Location to install 8 feet of conduit on Beacon St., from Pole 142/28 to 221-223 Beacon St.
7. Grant of Location Verizon for a Grant of Location to install 8 feet of conduit on Beacon St., from Pole 142/28 to 221-223 Beacon St.

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

8. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Director of SPCD enforce Ordinance 9-48, which deals with the posting of signs on public property, including utility poles.
9. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Commissioner of Public Works repave Belmont Place. (3rd request)

10. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Chief Fire Engineer and the Director of SPCD inform the Market Basket on Somerville Ave. to keep fire lanes clear of vehicles and shopping carts.
11. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works plant two trees at 111 and 113 Prospect St.
12. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Chief Fire Engineer and the Commissioner of Public Works replace all faded or missing fire lane markings and signage on Park Place.
13. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works place barrels and benches on Joy St. at Washington St., and at the intersection of Joy, Chestnut and Poplar Sts.
14. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the grass along Joy St.
15. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works place a bicycle rack at Petsie's Pies, 285 Beacon St.
16. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works review the construction of the ADA crossing ramps at Sacramento and Beacon Sts.
17. Order By Ald. Sullivan, That the Office of Somerville Commissions report back to this Board on the feasibility of implementing public domestic violence policies.
18. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Director of SPCD forward the demolition plan for the Maxpak site to this Board's Committee on Public Health & Safety.
19. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That this Board's Committee on Public Utilities & Works meet with NStar to discuss removing the double pole on Clyde St.
20. Order By Ald. O'Donovan and Gewirtz, That the Environmental Programs Manager meet with this Board to discuss the contamination issue on the Community Path.
21. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz, That this Board commends the organizers of the HONK! Festival for their hard work and dedication and for making the fourth annual festival possible this coming weekend, October 9-11.
22. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz, That this Board requests that the Administration provide this Board with the exact written procedure and fee structure the city uses when responding to public records requests by members of the public.

23. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz, That this Board requests that the Administration initiate a feasibility study to create a City Car Sharing program to reduce the city's vehicle fleet, save money and decrease Somerville's carbon footprint.
24. Order By Ald. White, That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to require a building permit for asbestos removal and that such work be performed only by licensed asbestos removal contractors.
25. Order By Ald. White, That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to require that all home improvement contracts involving work by contractors be performed by home improvement contractors licensed by the state and require their license number on the building permit.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

#### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

26. Committee Report of the Committee on Public Health & Safety, Sep. 30.
27. Committee Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, Oct. 1.
28. Committee Report of the Committee on Housing & Community Development, Oct. 1.
29. Committee Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, Oct. 6.
30. Committee Report of the Committee on Licenses & Permits, Oct. 7.
31. Committee Report of the Committees on Information Technology and Finance meeting jointly, Oct. 7.
32. Committee Report of the Committee on Finance, Oct. 7.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

33. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of items for the infrastructure investment incentive (I-Cubed) program for the Assembly on the Mystic Development project, including 1) the Economic Development Proposal, 2) the creation and funding of a Municipal Liquidity Reserve for each Assessment Parcel, and 3) the acquisition or acceptance of any property interests in the public infrastructure improvements to be conveyed to the City upon completion.
34. Mayor's Request Requesting appropriation of \$12,804 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund, for a concrete driveway at the Lowell St. Fire Station.
35. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a \$26,750 grant from the Mass. Cultural Council, for the Arts Council's grant program.
36. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a \$9,148.50 grant from the Mass. Dept. of Industrial Accidents Office of Safety, for city employees to become OSHA certified trainers.
37. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a \$7,500 grant from the Mass. Cultural Council, for the Arts Council's Books of Hope program.
38. Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a \$4,900 grant from the Mass. Cultural Council, for the Arts Council's operational costs.
39. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Nancy Busnach to the Redevelopment Authority.
40. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Jeffrey Levine to the Redevelopment Authority.
41. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of William Medeiros to the Condominium Review Board.
42. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Elizabeth Medeiros to the Condominium Review Board.
43. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Marlene Smithers to the Condominium Review Board.
44. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Payne to the Historic Preservation Commission.
45. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Abby Freedman to the Historic Preservation Commission.
46. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Brad Stearns to the Historic Preservation Commission.

47. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Denis Chagnon to the Historic Preservation Commission.
48. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Mary Cassesso to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
49. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Mary Louise Daly to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
50. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Donna Haynes to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
51. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Daniel LeBlanc to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
52. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Andrea Shapiro to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

### **COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

53. Officer's Comm. Asst. City Solicitor conveying a proposed Ordinance 12-8, to replace current Ordinances 12-8 and 12-9, re: snow, slush and ice on sidewalks.
54. Officer's Comm. SPCD Director responding to #188091 re: 36 Adrian St. and #188101 re: 12 Warwick St.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

55. Public Event Public Event Permit, HONK Festival, Davis Sq., Oct. 10, Noon-9PM and Oct. 11, 10AM-1PM.
56. Public Event Public Event Permit, Women's Commission & RESPOND Domestic Violence Candlelight Vigil, Davis Sq., Oct. 11, 6:30-7:30PM.
57. Public Event Public Event Permit, Summer Street Brass Quintet free concert, Davis Sq., Oct. 17, 1-2:30PM.
58. Public Event Public Event Permit, Teele Sq. Fall Fest, Broadway from Westminster to Curtis Sts., Oct. 18, 12-4PM.
59. Public Event Public Event Permit, "The Social Network" Film Shoot, 70 Beacon St., Oct. 21-23, 4PM-7AM each night.
60. Public Event Public Event Permit, Somerville Pride Basketball Canning Drive, Citywide, Oct. 24, 8AM-2PM.
61. Public Event Public Event Permit, Jason Dedrick Road Race, 65 Holland St. and area roads, Oct. 31, 10:30AM-1:30PM.

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| 62. | Public<br>Event | Public Event Permit, Race 4 Rwanda Road Race, Tufts track and area roads, Nov. 1, 10AM-2PM.  |
| 63. | Public<br>Event | Public Event Permit, Casey's Road Race and Walk, 171 Broadway and area roads, Nov. 14, 11AM. |
| 64. | Sign            | Sign/Awning Permit, Nail Image, 1160 Broadway, Sign.                                         |
| 65. | Garage          | Renewing Garage License, Somerville Auto Center Inc., 193 Somerville Ave., 16 autos inside.  |

**LATE ITEMS**