



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Legislative Matters Committee

Regular Meeting Agenda

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Roll Call

1. Committee Minutes (ID # [26-0940](#)) **Agenda Ready:** Approval of the Minutes of the Legislative Matters Committee Meeting of May 19, 2026.
2. Mayor's Request (ID # [26-0797](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition to authorize the City of Somerville to regulate leases and tenancy at will agreements.
3. Mayor's Request (ID # [26-0882](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting ordainment of an amendment to Chapter 7 and Section 1-11(b) of the Code of Ordinances to require property owners provide a notice of building sale to tenants.

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4. Ordinance (ID # [26-1023](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** By Councilor Ewen-Campen, Councilor Wheeler, Councilor Mbah and Councilor Link
That Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1 of the Code of Ordinances be amended as detailed within.
 5. Mayor's Communication (ID # [26-0302](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** Conveying the 2025 Surveillance Technology Annual Report.
 6. Mayor's Communication (ID # [26-0936](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Conveying the updated 2025 Surveillance Technology Annual Report.
 7. Mayor's Request (ID # [26-0878](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of the Surveillance Technology Impact Report for the Smart Tree Inventory.
 8. Mayor's Request (ID # [26-0830](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of the Surveillance Technology Impact Report for CrimeTracer.
 9. Public Communication (ID # [26-1006](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** 89 registered voters submitting a petition requesting a public hearing regarding Police Body-Worn Cameras, pursuant to Section 2-11 of the City Charter.
 10. Officer's Communication (ID # [26-1034](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** Chief of Police conveying information regarding item #26-0378, a request of the Mayor for acceptance of a grant for a body-worn camera program.
 11. Mayor's Request (ID # [26-0999](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of the Surveillance Technology Impact Report for Body Worn Cameras.
 12. Mayor's Request (ID # [26-1000](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** Requesting approval of the Technology-Specific Surveillance Use Policy for Body Worn Cameras.
 13. Ordinance (ID # [26-0522](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** By Councilor Ewen-Campen, Councilor Link, Councilor Hardt, Councilor Scott and Councilor Clingan
Proposing an amendment to Section 2-6 of the Code of Ordinances, the Welcoming Communities Ordinance, to further enhance civil rights protections in Somerville.

14. Ordinance (ID # [25-1762](#)) **Referred for Recommendation:** By Councilor Davis and Mayor Wilson
That the Code of Ordinances be amended to prohibit the use of tax-payer funds for self-promotion.