



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

City Council Licenses and Permits Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 21, 2026

6:00 PM

This meeting was held via Zoom and was called to order by Chair Hardt at 6:03 p.m. and adjourned at 6:25 p.m. on a Roll Call Vote of 2 in favor (Councilors Wheeler and Hardt), 0 opposed, 1 absent (Councilor Davis).

Also present: Jacqueline Duffy - Right of Way Agent for Eversource and Delaney Fisher-Cassiol - Clerk of Committees

Roll Call

Present: City Councilor At Large Ben Wheeler and Ward Seven City Councilor Emily Hardt
Absent: Ward Six City Councilor Lance L. Davis

1. Committee Minutes
(ID # [26-1451](#))

Approval of the Minutes of the Licenses and Permits Committee Meeting of September 23, 2026.

RESULT: **ACCEPTED**
AYE: City Councilor At Large Wheeler and Ward Seven City Councilor Hardt
ABSENT: Ward Six City Councilor Davis

2. Grant of Location
(ID # [26-1456](#))

Eversource applying for a Grant of Location to install 346 feet of conduit in Newton Street, from the existing Manhole 4115, passing through the existing Manhole 4123 to a point of pickup at existing Manhole 31223 next to 24 Webster Avenue.

Chair Hardt noted that an abutter who spoke during a Council public hearing asked whether the work could be coordinated with the new construction at 32 Webster Street. Jacqueline Duffy, Right of Way Agent for Eversource, explained that, according to their Conduit Division and Engineering, no work order had been issued for 32 Webster Street yet. Chair Hardt added that Clerk Henderson was also checking with Engineering. Agent Duffy noted that work was currently underway on Newton Street, so this project needs to be completed soon. In response to a question from Councilor Wheeler about whether service at 32 Webster Street would be delayed until spring, Agent Duffy reiterated that the timeline was unknown because no work order had been issued.

Chair Hardt noted that the permitting process for 32 Webster Street had begun on the City side and Councilor Wheeler observed that, given the

uncertainty surrounding the timeline, it did not make sense to tie the two projects together. Chair Hardt concurred.

RESULT: **RECOMMENDED TO BE APPROVED**

AYE: City Councilor At Large Wheeler and Ward Seven City Councilor Hardt

ABSENT: Ward Six City Councilor Davis

3. Grant of Location Eversource applying for a Grant of Location to install 7 feet of conduit in
(ID # [26-1159](#)) Wheatland Street, from utility pole 141/2 to a point of pickup at 6
 Wheatland Street.

Chair Hardt noted that she had spoken with Ward 4 Councilor Jesse Clingan about the property and that he was supportive of proceeding with approval of the item.

RESULT: **RECOMMENDED TO BE APPROVED**

AYE: City Councilor At Large Wheeler and Ward Seven City Councilor Hardt

ABSENT: Ward Six City Councilor Davis