

Agenda

Regular Somerset Town Council Meeting

February 1, 2021

The Somerset Town Council will meet via Zoom on Monday, February 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

7:00 p.m. Opportunity for residents to make public comments. ⁱ

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

7:10 p.m. Motion: To consider approval of agenda as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) 7:11 p.m. Motion: To consider approval of the following items without discussion:
- Minutes from Council meeting held on January 4, 2021;

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

- 2) 7:15 p.m. Public Hearing/Motion: To consider approval of a proposed amendment to the Building Construction Permit at 5508 Uppingham St., to install a retaining wall and fence, by Megan Spellacy.
- 3) 7:30 p.m. Discussion: Building Administrator Report
- 4) 7:32p.m. Hearing/Motion: To consider Approval of Sherry Bindeman (Essex Ave.) as the Mayoral nominees for Chair the Board of Supervisors of Election.
- 5) 7:34 p.m. Hearing/Motion: To consider Approval of the Mayoral nominees to the Equity and Inclusion Committee:
- a. Atsuko Horiguchi (Chair)Essex Ave.
 - b. Leanne Bonter, Cumberland Ave.
 - c. Sumi Choi, Warwick Pl.
 - d. Carrie Goux, Warwick Pl.
 - e. Janet Leissner, Essex Ave.
 - f. Amalia Levitin, Trent St.
 - g. Birdie Pieczenik, Essex Ave.
 - h. David Sacks, Trent St.
 - i. Joey Wender, Warwick Pl.
- 6) 7:36 p.m. Hearing/Motion: To consider Approval of the Mayoral nominees to the History & Archives Committee:
- a. Donna Harman (Chair), Dorset Ave.
 - b. Paige Whitley, Cumberland Ave.
 - c. Patricia Barry, Cumberland Ave.

- 7) 7:38 p.m. Hearing/Motion: To consider Approval of Phyllis Wiesenfelder as the Mayoral nominee for Chair of the Welcoming Committee
- 8) 7:40 p.m. Hearing/Motion: To consider Approval of the following Mayoral nominees to the Traffic Committee:
 - a. Elizabeth Hurwit (Chair), Dorset Ave.
 - b. Alex Acosta, Essex Ave.
 - c. Anne Yap, Cumberland Ave.
 - d. Cynthia Schollard, Dorset Ave.
 - e. Gabriel Roth, Falstone Ave.
 - f. Malini Jadeja, Dorset Ave.
- 9) 7:42 p.m. Hearing/Motion: To consider Approval of *Operating Manual for Town of Somerset Committees*.
- 10) 7:47 p.m. Hearing/Motion: To consider Adoption of Resolution 2-21, a Resolution stating the Town's opposition to Zoning Text Amendment 20-07, to allow multi-unit housing in residential zones, to be considered by the Montgomery County Planning Board and Montgomery County Council.
- 11) 7:57 p.m. Hearing/Motion: To consider Approval of the Town of Somerset joining as a signatory on the *Thrive Montgomery 2050 Response to ZTA-20-07 Letter*, directed towards the Montgomery County Planning Board and Montgomery County Council, and originally drafted by the Town of Chevy Chase.
- 12) 8:00 p.m. Public Hearing/Motion: To consider Adoption of Ordinance 11-20, an Ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances to prohibit the use of gas-powered blowers on or after January 1, 2022.
- 13) 8:15 p.m. Public Hearing/Motion: To consider Adoption of Resolution 2-21-1, a Resolution Adopting Protocol for Policy, Regulatory, and Administrative Resolutions.
- 14) 8:20 p.m. Discussion: An update from the Town's Stormwater Management Study Committee by Committee Chair Ellen Globokar.
- 15) 8:30 p.m. Discussion: Manager Report
- 16) 8:40 p.m. Motion: Adjourn

Key:

Public Hearing Item: Agenda item where public comment is permitted.

Discussion Item: Agenda item limited to discussion among the Council, Mayor and Town Staff.

Motion Item: Agenda item requesting action, limited to Council discussion.

Comments: Opinions and Questions from Town residents.

ⁱ Questions should be submitted via email ahead of the meeting to

manager@townofsomerset.com or town@townofsomerset.com.

* Residents who wish to present for a particular Agenda item are advised to arrive 20 minutes ahead of the item's scheduled discussion time, as discussions can run ahead of schedule.

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