

From: Amy Donovan-Palmer <adpalmer@mansfieldma.com>
Sent: Mar 24, 2025 17:36:28.000000000 UTC
Subject: RE: Somerville
To: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@CityofMelrose.org>

Great. Send it along when you can. I'm curious to see how it went.

Thanks!

Amy Donovan-Palmer, MPH RS (she/her/hers)

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From: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@CityofMelrose.org>
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 1:36 PM
To: Amy Donovan-Palmer <adpalmer@mansfieldma.com>
Subject: Re: Somerville

It might not be posted yet. Bonny Carroll, Somerville's Tobacco Program Manager, is going to share the meeting video when she gets it.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 24, 2025, at 1:27 PM, Amy Donovan-Palmer
<adpalmer@mansfieldma.com> wrote:

Hello again,

I just tried to find the Somerville BOH meeting online but couldn't. Who should I contact at the Health Department to find out where the meeting can be viewed?

Thanks so much.

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From: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@CityofMelrose.org>
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2025 10:53 AM
To: Amy Donovan-Palmer <adpalmer@mansfieldma.com>
Subject: RE: Somerville

That's a great idea. Many, many youth testified. Those who spoke against show up at every meeting and every hearing and always say the same thing. Listening would be a great way to prepare. Having residents was key as you will hear at the end when the Chair makes his remarks. This board has had at least four meetings before the hearing so they were ready. But it is unusual with a big policy like this for the board to vote the night of the hearing. Concord did and that was an in-person hearing. Somerville did last night but that was virtual only. All very interesting. And exciting. Have a great weekend!

From: Amy Donovan-Palmer <adpalmer@mansfieldma.com>
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2025 10:46 AM
To: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@CityofMelrose.org>
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Wow. This is huge. I might try to watch the meeting to see what they were all saying.

Thanks for sharing.

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From: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@CityofMelrose.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2025 9:12 PM
To: Amy Donovan-Palmer <adpalmer@mansfieldma.com>
Subject: Somerville

Hi Amy,
Somerville Board voted at the end of tonight's public hearing, which I didn't expect. Not as many people on the Zoom meeting as I expected. 18 testified in favor and only 4 against ("regulars"). Several Somerville residents and lots of Somerville students. No one from Somerville testified against. NFG 1/1/2026 effective date.

They also passed nic pouch restriction to ADORTS. 5/1/2025 effective date.

Somerville is huge. This could be pivotal. Some communities wanted to wait to see what Somerville did.

500,000 Mass residents now covered by NFG.

Maureen

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