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Subject: RE: Somerville
To: Ryan, Marian (NOR) <marian.ryan@mass.gov>

Thanks! More to come. 😊

Have a great weekend. Though I know you are never ever off duty.

From: Ryan, Marian (NOR) <marian.ryan@mass.gov>

Sent: Friday, March 21, 2025 11:29 AM

To: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org>

Subject: Re: Somerville

Great win! Congrats!

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 21, 2025, at 11:07 AM, Buzby, Maureen
<mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org> wrote:

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Hi Marian,

In case you haven't already heard, Somerville Board voted at the end of last night's public hearing, which I didn't expect. They usually hold off on voting until the next regular meeting.

Not as many people on the Zoom meeting as I expected.

!8 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.

Belmont wanted to wait to see what other nearby communities did. Well now....

500,000 Mass residents now covered by NFG.

Maureen

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