

Agenda

Meeting: Monday, Sept 29, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
([Live Agenda Link](#))

Hi Neighbors,

Our regular meeting will be hybrid and held at **6:00 PM at the Somerville Community Baptist Church** at 31 College Ave. as well as online via Zoom:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85220522175?pwd=b92uXx6aRRNXdehZWGFZRQXogheZus.1>

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- 6:00 PM - **Welcome** & Intros (name, pronouns, street and/or connection with Davis Sq.)
- 6:15 PM - Approval of the [minutes from our previous meeting](#)
- 6:15 PM - **Projects & Priorities** update
 - 501(c)(4) Update - PJ
 - [Formal Vote](#)
 - Elections
 - Recognize the hard work of Nomination/Election workers!
 - Introduce DSNC Board Members
 - **Voting (digital) Summary of Election**
 - Opportunities for Improvement
 - Bylaw changes
 - next election
 - electronics committee
 - Tufts student eligibility?
 - Nominations
 - Recruitment / outreach
 - Better Candidate Info
 - Time commitment
 - Election
 - How to fill out ballots
 - How RCV works
 - Where to count votes
 - Suggestions for new ballots
 - Time commitment
 - Polling times
 - Election Committee Size
 - Committee For Election Improvements?

- [Developments](#)
 - [Copper Mill's Elm Street Development](#)
 - [53 Chester St. \(house next to Redbones\)](#)
 - [199 Elm St. \(left of Revival\)](#)
 - [3 Craigie St.](#)
 - [363 Highland Avenue & 110 Willow Avenue](#) - Adam Dash submitted a Zoning Map Amendment application to the city
 - Scheduling at least 1 DSNC member to attend the Planning/Zoning meetings
 - Jack has offered to call the City once a month at minimum
 - [Little White Church](#)
 - [Elmway Action Group](#)
 - Starbucks Closed - 72 hours notice; just unionized
 - Community Conversation about development - Oct 13th, Tufts Cummings Center
 - How do we find out about new developments
 - Can we get a member to sign up to attend Planning/Zoning Meetings?
 - Event at Tufts later this month
 - Proposal: Co-sponsor Spaghetti Dinner w/ other groups
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- 7:40 PM - Updates on meetings since our August meeting (anyone who attended can provide an update to the rest of the group)
 - Sept 4 Food Nation Celebration/ Davis Square Vintage Block Party
 - Sept 13 - Davis Square Village Community Event
 - Sept 15 - [DSNC Board Meeting](#)
 - Sept 16 - City Primary Elections
 - Sept 22 - Davis Square Merchant's Meeting
 - Sept 22 - Community Path Safety Meeting
 - Sept 27 - Community Safety meeting w/Candidates at 7 Hills Park-
 - 7:50 PM - [Upcoming Community Meetings](#) and events
 - Oct 6 - [Mayor's Davis Square Safety Meeting](#) 6PM
 - Oct 8 - Ward 6 Community Meeting 6:30 - 8:30
 - Oct 9 - Senior's Vaccine Clinic Flu/Covid (Council On Aging)
 - October 9-12: [HONK! Festival](#): Lantern parade Friday night; Over 30 bands performing all day Saturday, Parade Sunday
 - [Copper Mill's Elm Street development](#)
 - [Elmway Action Group](#)
 - **Surveys & Requests for Public Input:**
 - [Somerville Public Library Invites Community Input for Strategic Plan](#)
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 - 7:55 PM - Motion to adjourn
 - 8:00 PM - Vacate the Room

Post-meeting socializing at [Elm Street Taproom](#).

Community Meeting Reports: Have you attended any recent community meetings that might interest DSNC members? We invite you to share a brief report at our next meeting. To ensure these updates are informative and efficient:

- Please prepare a written summary (2-3 paragraphs) in advance
- Email your summary to the Secretary (zpogrebin111@gmail.com) for inclusion in the Minutes
- Be ready to present a 2-3 minute overview at the meeting

501c4 Motion

Motion to approve the following for our 501c4 application:

"The name of this organization is "Davis Square Neighborhood Council" (abbreviated herein to "DSNC")

The purpose of the DSNC is: "To support Davis Square as an increasingly inclusive, vibrant, and accessible neighborhood and commercial center representing the creativity, diversity, interests, perspectives, and values of the people who live and work here.

The DSNC shall achieve that as: A Community Benefits Neighborhood Council;
A bridge to voice issues and concerns from community members to other bodies;
and A forum to connect and empower members of the community to advocate for and work toward our common goals."

The DSNC will pursue incorporation and tax exemption as a 501(c)(4) charity

The DSNC nominates the treasurer, Peter Kim-Santos as the incorporator, and instructs him to pursue the necessary steps to achieve incorporation and open a bank account

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Gratitude for the Election Committee Members and others who helped with our recent election:

Brendan Ritter
Philip Higgonet
Eugenie Hainsworth
Mary Ellen Myhr
PJ Kim-Santos
Michele Hansen
Ann Camara
Alyssa
Greg Dennis
Erika
Rona
Marilyn
Sara Oaklander
Andrew
Carol