

RECONSIDERATION

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CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a donation from the Cambridge Trust Company to the Multi-Service Center's Carey Program in the amount of \$1,500 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account to be used by the Carey Transitional Program for Homeless Men to provide a meal for program participants at the monthly House Meetings.
2. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency (MassHousing) in the amount of \$3,000 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to provide services in relation to hoarding related activities which include training service providers, funding assistance for clean-ups, and establishing and supporting hoarding related peer led support groups.
3. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of funds from the Executive Office of Health and Human Services' (EEOHS) salary reserve in the amount of \$5,553 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be subcontracted to the Cambridge YWCA to pay one time salary increases to staff at the homeless family shelter.
4. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's Highway Safety Division in the amount of \$7,500 to the Grant Fund Police Department Salary and Wages account which will enhance effective pedestrian, bicycle and/or moped-related enforcement efforts, and reduce fatalities and injuries.
5. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 14-76, regarding a report on police patrols in Area IV. [[Read Report](#)]
6. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 14-110, regarding a report on the status of the housing development on the site of the Toyko Restaurant.
7. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 14-108, regarding a report on providing reduced-rate Hubway memberships. [[Read Report](#)]
8. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 14-123, regarding a report on the future of Hubway. [[Read Report](#)]
9. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 14-68,

regarding public bulletin boards on major streets and intersections.

10. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the ISO Public Protection Classification Survey which is an analysis of the City's structural fire suppression delivery system.
11. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a FY2015 grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council for \$6,400 to the Grant Fund Historical Salaries and Wages account (\$5,900) and to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$500) which will continue to support two part-time archives assistants, who maintain the Commission public archive of Cambridge history, and will fund a performance group that will participate in the publication party for the Area 4 oral history book.
12. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$1,500,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Education Extraordinary Expenditures account for the Feasibility Study for the King Open and Cambridge Street Upper School & Community Complex, Geotechnical Services, Licensed Site Professional Services (LSP), Construction Management at Risk preconstruction services and City of Cambridge construction management costs.
13. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the authorization to borrow an amount not to exceed \$39,000,000 for the purpose of refinancing existing General Obligation Bonds to acquire lower interest rates than those currently being paid.

Agenda Item No. 13A Jan 5, 2015

ORDERED: That in order to reduce interest costs, the Treasurer with the approval of the City Manager is authorized to issue refunding bonds pursuant to G.L. c.44, §21A or any other enabling legislation to refund all or a portion of the remaining amounts of the City's Municipal Purpose Loan of 2005 Bonds dated Feb 1, 2005, Municipal Purpose Loan of 2006 Bonds dated Feb 1, 2006, Municipal Purpose Loan of 2007 Bonds, Series A dated Feb 15, 2007 and Municipal Purpose Loan of 2008 Bonds dated Feb 1, 2008; that the refunding bonds shall be issued in an amount not to exceed \$39,000,000 in order to pay the principal, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the bonds to be refunded, and costs of issuance of the refunding bonds; and that the Treasurer is authorized to execute such documents as may be necessary or desirable to carry out this transaction, including a refunding trust or escrow agreement with a bank or trust company; provided, however, that no refunding bonds shall be issued pursuant to this order after June 30, 2015.

ON THE TABLE

1. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Cambridge Arts Council to determine the types of spaces that are most needed within the local arts community with the view of using the Foundry to fill those needs and to allocate appropriate funds to make appropriate upgrades for the purpose of creating a community arts center. (Order Amended by Substitution.) [Order Number Ten of Jan 27, 2014 Placed on Table on motion of Mayor Maher on Jan 27, 2014.]

2. An application was received from Ting-hsu Chen requesting permission to widen the existing curb cut at the premises numbered 14 Soden Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association. [Applications and Petitions Number Six of Feb 24, 2014 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Simmons on Feb 24, 2014.]
3. That the City Council go on the record in opposition to any type of casino project in the Greater Boston area whether constructed and managed by Mohegan Sun or Wynn Resorts. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Simmons on Order Number Five of June 16, 2014. Placed on the Table on the motion of Councillor Cheung on June 30, 2014.]
4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Dennis A. Banzan and Councillor Dennis J. Carlone, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing held on June 18, 2014 to discuss revisions to the Cambridge Municipal Code Section 9.04.050 (A) Defacing public property of Chapter 9.04 entitled "Offenses Against Property". [Committee Report Number Five of June 30, 2014 Placed on Table on motion of Vice Mayor Banzan on June 30, 2014.]
5. That as we undertake the Cambridge Conversations and the Master Planning Process, the City Manager is requested to direct the Community Development Department to study emerging business types in Cambridge and how they are affected by the use regulations in the Zoning Ordinance, and to recommend changes to the Zoning Ordinance that will help classify such businesses in a clear, rational way that supports the long-term interests of the community and instruct the Community Development Department to evaluate appropriate ways to facilitate home-based businesses above and beyond what is currently allowed. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor McGovern on Order Number Five of Sept 22, 2014. Placed on the Table on the motion of Councillor McGovern on Sept 29, 2014.]
6. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Community Development Department and the Planning Board to begin testing strategies to enhance such engagement at the earliest opportunity by methods such as requiring developers to hold a public meeting in the neighborhood and provide a report along with the permit application describing public input and changes to the project as a result of such input and to suggest changes to the Planning Board rules, which could be adopted by the Planning Board and/or Zoning Ordinance, which could be enacted by the City Council to codify successful community engagement strategies. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor McGovern on Order Number Six of Sept 22, 2014. Placed on the Table on the motion of Councillor McGovern on Sept 29, 2014.]
7. Congratulations to Marvin Gilmore on the release of his biography Crusader for Freedom. Charter Right exercised by Mayor Maher on Resolution Number Twenty-seven of Oct 20, 2014. Placed on the Table on the motion of Mayor Maher on Oct 27, 2014.]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing held on Nov 22, 2013 to conduct a public hearing on an amendment to the Municipal Code by adding a new Chapter 8.68 entitled "Concussion Prevention and Management in Youth Activities at City Facilities." The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Dec 23, 2013.
9. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing held on Dec 19, 2013 to conduct a public hearing on an amendment to the Municipal Code in Chapter 8.67 entitled relating to Plastic Bag Reduction. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Feb 24, 2014.
10. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the proposed amendments to the Tobacco Ordinance, Chapter 8.28, Regulations on Youth Access and Sale of Tobacco Products and on Smoking in Workplaces and Public Places. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Jan 5, 2015.
11. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to an update on the Foundry Building process, including the City's plans to collaborate with the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority (the "CRA") to redevelop the Foundry building in a way that meets the vision and objectives expressed by the City Council and the community. [City Manager Agenda Number Seventeen of Dec 15, 2014 Referred to Unfinished Business.]
12. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Dennis A. Banzan and Councillor Dennis J. Carlone, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on Oct 30, 2014 to discuss a proposed amendment to the Municipal Code in Chapter 8.28 entitled "Restrictions on Youth Access and Sale of Tobacco Products and Smoking in Workplaces and Public Places. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Jan 5, 2015.
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APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from the Lesley University requesting permission for forty-eight temporary banners on electrical poles along Mass. Ave. between the Porter Square campus and Doble campus to showcase the January 2015 opening of Lesley's new Lunder Arts Center. The temporary banners will be hung January through June. Approval has been received from the Electrical Department.
2. An application was received from Muireann Glenmullen, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 48 Middlesex Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works.

No response has been received from the neighborhood association.

3. An application was received from Port Landing Landlord LLC, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 131 Harvard Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission, Public Works, and the neighborhood association.
4. An application was received from Hathaway Partners (Rob Wolff), requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 33 Richdale Ave; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Marion Foster, 75 Richdale Avenue, transmitting support for Cambridge Historical Commission's vote on the Hathaway Bakery building's designation as a historical landmark.
2. A communication was received from Elizabeth Moore Moriarty, 75 Richdale Avenue, transmitting support for Cambridge Historical Commission's vote on the Hathaway Bakery building's designation as a historical landmark.
3. A communication was received from Christopher and Sally Lutz, 75 Richdale Avenue, transmitting support for Cambridge Historical Commission's vote on the Hathaway Bakery building's designation as a historical landmark.
4. A communication was received from Martha Older, regarding banning plastic carryout bags and pass the Decker bill.
5. A communication was received from Gillian Gane, transmitting support for Councillor Carlone's proposed ban on plastic bags.
6. A communication was received from Noel LaPierre, Surfrider Foundation Massachusetts Chapter Chair, regarding an amendment to the Decker Ordinance.
7. A communication was received from Chris Woodward, 184 High Road, Newbury, Surfrider Foundation Massachusetts Chapter Supporter, transmitting support for the Decker Ordinance.
8. A communication was received from Judith Nathans, 511 Putnam Avenue, regarding the vote on plastic bag ban.
9. A communication was received from Victoria Schechinger, Surfrider Foundation Massachusetts Chapter Supporter, transmitting support for the Decker Ordinance.
10. A communication was received from Carol O'Hare, 172 Magazine Street, transmitting support for the Decker Ordinance.
11. A communication was received from Denise Ward regarding the vote on the plastic bag ban.
12. A communication was received from Saul Tannenbaum regarding police body-mounted cameras.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Jolin Zhou. Mayor Maher
2. Congratulations to Mike Feloney on his appointment as the Director of Housing in the Mayor's Office of Strategic

Planning and Community Development for the City of Somerville. Mayor Maher

3. Resolution on the death of Joseph M. Cremens. Mayor Maher
4. Resolution on the death of Janet T. (Almond) Dever. Mayor Maher
5. Retirement of Anne Sullivan from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Mayor Maher
6. Retirement of Patti Turner from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Mayor Maher
7. Congratulations to CRLS Boys Varsity Basketball Coach Lance Dottin on his 300th career victory and thanks for his 19 years of coaching and shaping the lives of young men from Cambridge. Councillor McGovern
8. Resolution on the death of George L. Hinds, Sr. Councillor Toomey
9. Resolution on the death of Virginia E. "Ginny" (King) Williams. Councillor Toomey
10. Resolution on the death of Belmira Goncalves (Botelho) Barbosa. Councillor Toomey
11. Resolution on the death of Matthew D. Griffin. Mayor Maher
12. Resolution on the death of Sister Mary Mark Pizzotti, DM. Mayor Maher
13. Resolution on the death of Thomas J. Cooney. Mayor Maher
14. Resolution on the death of Elizabeth Joan (Furey) Ward. Councillor Toomey
15. Congratulations to Helen Kobek on being awarded the Otsuki Prize in the 2014 Onkyo Braille Essay Contest. Councillor Toomey
16. Resolution on the death of Virginia "Ginny" (Bayliss) Jay. Mayor Maher
17. Retirement of Diane Squires from the City Manager's Office. Mayor Maher
18. Happy Birthday wishes to Joan Squeri. Vice Mayor Benzan
19. Happy Birthday wishes to Nivia J. Pina. Vice Mayor Benzan
20. Happy Birthday wishes to Nana Ocasio. Vice Mayor Benzan
21. Happy Birthday wishes to Michele Scott. Vice Mayor Benzan
22. Happy Birthday wishes to Tanya Earls Milner. Vice Mayor Benzan
23. Happy Birthday wishes to Emily Bibbins Silas. Vice Mayor Benzan
24. Happy Birthday wishes to Reynaldo A. Benzan. Vice Mayor Benzan
25. Happy Birthday wishes to Reyita Ramos. Vice Mayor Benzan
26. Congratulations to Dr. Joan Abrams of the Biotechnology Program at Rindge School of Technical Arts on being awarded a \$100,000 grant from the Massachusetts Life Sciences Center. Vice Mayor Benzan
27. Happy Birthday wishes to Margarita Perez. Vice Mayor Benzan

28. Congratulations to Juan A. Lopez on being appointed as the Boston City Council Research and Policy Director. Vice Mayor Benzan
29. Speedy recovery wishes to Lawrence Adkins. Vice Mayor Benzan
30. Happy Birthday wishes to Janet Doucette. Vice Mayor Benzan
31. Congratulations to Arthur "Art" Krieg on his appointment as CEO of Checkmate Pharmaceuticals. Councillor Cheung

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to take the necessary steps to ensure enforcement of parking regulations by the parking lot next to the Boston University Bridge and outdoor gym facility. Councillor Cheung
2. That the City Manager is requested to report back on any progress made in acquiring state funding for design and construction of the portion of the Watertown branch B&M Line railroad property to construct the Watertown-Cambridge Greenway and on the feasibility of a low-cost, temporary paving solution for the Greenway in order to realize the community benefits while the path awaits permanent construction. Councillor Mazen, Councillor Kelley and Councillor McGovern
3. That the City Manager is requested to report back on Policy Order #5 of May 19, 2014 regarding the feasibility of taking the Vail Court lot by eminent domain for the "public good." Vice Mayor Benzan

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Paula M. Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Housing Committee, for a public hearing to receive an update from the Cambridge Housing Authority (CHA) on programs, projects and policy changes CHA is implementing or planning to implement in the coming year.
2. A communication was received from Paula M. Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marc C. McGovern, Chair of the Human Services and Veterans Committee, for a public hearing to discuss poverty and issues related to the experience of organizations working with those living in poverty.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Jan 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, 459 Broadway)

Wed, Jan 7

4:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss discretionary budgeting and the feasibility of introducing Home Rule Petitions regarding an increase to the residential exemption, a tax credit for benevolent landlords and a property transfer tax for those coming to Cambridge to speculate on land. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Jan 8

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a zoning petition filed by Whitehead Institute to amend the Zoning Ordinance, Sections 14.32.1 and 14.32.2 to provide for an increment of 60,000 square feet of GFA to

be allowed by special permit in a portion of the MXD District, in Section 14.70 by retitling "Special Provisions Applicable Within the Ames Street District" and by adding a new Section 14.72 "Special Provisions Applicable Outside the Ames Street District. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 12

5:30pm Roundtable/Working Meeting to discuss city-wide planning, including discussions with the Planning Board. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, 459 Broadway)

Tues, Jan 13

5:00pm The Housing Committee will conduct a public hearing to receive an update on the incentive zoning study to the Housing Committee from the Community Development Department. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Jan 14

4:00pm The Human Services and Veterans Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the City's Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Jan 15

3:00pm The Health and Environment Committee and Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee will conduct a joint public hearing to hear a report from HEET on natural gas leaks in Cambridge and the implications on the environment. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Jan 20

5:00pm The Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss changing the method by which surplus votes are transferred in Municipal elections whether the Fractional Transfer Method could replace the Cincinnati Method and whether this requires a Charter change and to discuss the Clean Election Law. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Jan 22

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Normandy/Twining zoning petition to amend Article 20.000 of the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map of the City of Cambridge by adding a new Section 20.800 entitled Mass and Main Residential Mixed Income Subdistrict within the Central Square Overlay District. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, 459 Broadway)

Tues, Jan 27

5:30pm Civic Unity Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Feb 11

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a proposed amendment to the Municipal Code entitled Plastic Bag Reduction together with proposed amendments and regulations for Checkout Bags. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 16

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 11

4:00pm 2015 Scholarship Award Ceremony (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Jan 5, 2015

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to take the necessary steps to ensure enforcement of parking regulations by the parking lot next to the Boston University Bridge and outdoor gym facility.

O-2 Jan 5, 2015

COUNCILLOR MAZEN

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: In May of 2013, the City of Cambridge purchased a portion of the Watertown branch B&M Line railroad property to construct the Watertown-Cambridge Greenway; and

WHEREAS: The purchased corridor has since not been constructed into the Watertown-Cambridge Greenway; and

WHEREAS: The Watertown-Cambridge Greenway has already been constructed in Watertown and ends abruptly as it approaches Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: The Greenway will allow residents a non-motorized route to and from the Watertown Mall, Arsenal Mall, and Star Market - and will be an important regional non-motorized transportation link between the Minuteman Path and the Charles River paths; and

WHEREAS: Cyclists riding to and from Watertown and Waltham are in need of a low-stress, accessible, and encouraging commuting space; and

WHEREAS: CDD's Bicycle Network Plan draft calls for Cambridge to construct its portion of the Watertown-Cambridge Greenway; and

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back on any progress made in acquiring state funding for design and construction of this path; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back on the feasibility of a low-cost, temporary paving solution for the Greenway in order to realize aforementioned community benefits while the path awaits permanent construction; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back on next steps to convert the Watertown Branch rail line, from Concord Avenue to the Fitchburg Line corridor, into a shared-use path either by way of City purchase and construction, or by way of private landowner construction.

O-3 Jan 5, 2015

VICE MAYOR BENZAN

WHEREAS: There has been an increasing number of complaints regarding the graffiti and general state of neglect of the blighted property on Bishop Allen Drive known as Vail Court; and

WHEREAS: On May 19, 2014, Councillor Simmons filed Policy Order #5 requesting the City Manager to consult with the appropriate City personnel to determine the feasibility of taking the Vail Court lot by eminent domain and to report back to the City Council; and

WHEREAS: Our City is in dire need of a substantial amount of affordable housing units to meet increasing demand; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back on Policy Order #5 of May 19, 2014 regarding the feasibility of taking the Vail Court lot by eminent domain for the "public good."