

## CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$500,000, from the Mitigation Revenue Stabilization Fund, to the Grant Fund Public Celebrations Other Ordinary Maintenance account. The funds are part of the commitments that New England Development made related to zoning ordinance amendments and special permit conditions. (CM23#15)
2. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Policy Order 2022 #283, regarding the feasibility of banning turns on red signal indications. (CM23#16)
3. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as a members of the newly formed Cambridge Cemetery Master Plan Advisory Committee: **Henrietta Davis; Sophia Emperador; Robert J. Hutchins; Pastor Dr. Paul Kim; Anthony J. Spears; Reverend Thomas St Louis; Michael A. Sullivan, Esq.; Members of the Islamic Society of Boston** (to be determined). (CM23#17)
4. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Policy Order #312, regarding the feasibility of conducting street cleaning without towing. [\[text of response\]](#) (CM23#18)
5. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$390,000 from the Mitigation Revenue Stabilization Fund to the Public Investment Fund Public Works Extraordinary Expenditures account. These mitigation funds have been received from the sources below and will be used for the design of a transportation connection between Terminal Road and Wheeler Street. (CM23#19)
6. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board report recommending that the City Council adopt the Climate Resilience Zoning Petition. (CM23#20)

## CHARTER RIGHT

1. An application was received from Deborah Fawcett, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 17 Fresh Pond Parkway; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. Response has been received from the neighborhood association. [Charter Right – Zondervan, Jan 9, 2023] (AP23#4)
2. That the City Council adopt the Specialized Stretch Code, as outlined in 225 CMR 22.00 and 225 CMR 23.00, with an effective date of July 1, 2023. [Charter Right – Toner, Jan 9, 2023] (PO23#4)

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. That the Ordinance Committee refer Categories M (Shared Vehicle) and N (Publicly-accessible, Privately-owned Electric Vehicle Charging System) of the Cambridge Transportation Decarbonization and Congestion Mitigation Bill, along with definitions, to the full City Council with a

favorable recommendation. Ordinance #2022-13 as Amended. [Expired Sept 27, 2022] (PO22#150)

4. An Ordinance has been received from Diane P. LeBlanc City Clerk, relative to Emissions Accounting Zoning Petition (Ordinance #2022-20). [Passed to 2nd Reading Dec 9, 2022; To Be Ordained on or after Jan 9, 2023; Expires Mar 6, 2023] (ORD22#20)
5. An Ordinance has been received from Diane P. LeBlanc City Clerk, relative to Ordinance #2022-23 Removing the Limit on BZA Compensation. [Passed to 2nd Reading Dec 9, 2022; To Be Ordained on or after Jan 9, 2023; Expires Mar 14, 2023] (ORD22#23)

## COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Marianne Crane, regarding protected bike lanes “listening” sessions.
2. A communication was received from Joan Pickett, regarding implementation of the City’s Urban Forestry Master Plan.
3. A communication was received from Justin Saif, regarding the Brown Zoning Petition.
4. A communication was received from Melissa Ludtke, regarding support for the adoption of Policy Order #4, the new Specialized Stretch Code for new construction and substantial renovations.
5. A communication was received from Suzanne Preston Blier, regarding the Brown Petition and Harvard Square Zoning Petition amendment.
6. A communication was received from Helen Snively, regarding support of the Brown Petition.
7. A communication was received from Larry and Lynn Cetrulo, regarding the Brown petition.
8. A communication was received from Steve Harris, regarding support for the Brown Zoning Petition.
9. A communication was received from Helene Bank, regarding support for the Brown Zoning Petition.
10. A communication was received from Suzanne Watzman, regarding support for the Brown proposal.
11. A communication was received from Stephen Fitzsimmons and Orawan Saejao Fitzsimmons, regarding support for the Brown Petition and Zoning Amendment number 3.
12. A communication was received from Robin Greeley, regarding support for the Brown Petition for incremental zoning changes.
13. A communication was received from John Trever, regarding support for the Brown Zoning Petition.
14. A communication was received from Guillemette Simmers, regarding the Brown Petition.
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19. A communication was received from McKelden Smith, regarding support for the Brown Zoning Petition and the proposal to limit bank frontages in Harvard Square.
20. A communication was received from Susan Strang, regarding the Brown Zoning petition.
21. A communication was received from Walter McDonald, regarding the Brown Zoning petition.
22. A communication was received from Patty Zerhusen, regarding support for the Brown Zoning petition.
23. A communication was received from Susan Strang, regarding the Brown Zoning petition.
24. A communication was received from Beth Kon, regarding Brown Zoning petition.
25. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding the traffic study and plan for congestion at Massachusetts Avenue and Alewife Brook Parkway.
26. A communication was received from Nike Tirman, regarding Garden Street continued traffic hazard.
27. A communication was received from Nancy Hausman, regarding the Brown Zoning petition.
28. A communication was received from Mary Jane Kornacki, regarding the Brown Zoning petition.
29. A communication was received from Ann Stewart, regarding support for the Brown zoning petition to amend articles 4, 5 and 8.
30. A communication was received from Aileen C. Freeman, regarding justice for Sayed Arif Faisal.
31. A communication was received from Steve Wineman, regarding police shooting of Arif Sayed Faisal.
32. A communication was received from Diane O'Toole, regarding testimony for ORD22-16.
33. A communication was received from Andy Nash, regarding recent police shooting.
34. A communication was received from Stephanie Guirand, regarding the fatal officer-involved shooting in Cambridgeport (Council Agenda Item #1).
35. A communication was received from Sydney H. Russell Leed, regarding the fatal officer-involved shooting in Cambridgeport.
36. A communication was received from Bill Wendel, regarding the city abandoning its misguided effort to close or ban pregnancy centers.
37. A communication was received from Manraj Gill, regarding the fatal police-involved shooting of Sayed Arif Faisal.
38. A communication was received from Jesse Lowe, regarding defunding police and funding HEART.
39. A communication was received from Steven Nutter, regarding support for PO23#4.
40. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding comments for 1/9/23 City Council meeting.
41. A communication was received from Cathy Hoffman, regarding what to do now in the aftermath of the shooting.
42. A communication was received from Annemarie Grant , regarding the fatal shooting of Sayed Arif Faisal.
43. A communication was received from Marilee Meyer, regarding letter for #3 and #7, and questions about STRETCH CODE.
44. A communication was received from Seth Federspiel, regarding comments for 1/9/23 City Council meeting.
45. A communication was received from Pampi and Ankana, regarding removing police from mental health crisis response.
46. A communication was received from Betsey Chace, regarding Cambridge's killing of Arif.
47. A communication was received from Margery Davies, regarding Net Zero Specialized Stretch Code, PO23#4.
48. A communication was received from Kavish Gandhi, regarding 2222 Mass Ave, low threshold shelter.
49. A communication was received from Suzanne Preston Blier, regarding HSNA letter on 17 Fresh Pond Parkway curb cut.
50. A communication was received from Sharon Britton, regarding Condominium Alliance's objection to BEUDO process and amendments.
51. A communication was received from Elena Fagotto, regarding PO23#4.
52. A communication was received from Susan Ringler, regarding Sayed Faisal.
53. A communication was received from Elizabeth H. Bohlen, regarding note for the upcoming special meeting about the shooting of Sayed Faisal.
54. A communication was received from Lois Markham, regarding PO23#4.
55. A communication was received from Gabriela Romanow, regarding Net Zero Specialized Stretch Code.
56. A communication was received from Deb Ashman, regarding Net Zero Stretch Code PO23#4.
57. A communication was received from Giuseppina Morganti, regarding PO23#4 - Net Zero Specialized Stretch Code.
58. A communication was received from Linda Brion-Meisels, regarding PO23#4.
59. A communication was received from Louise Parker, regarding 1/18/23 Special Council Meeting on Policy Protocols.
60. A communication was received from Caitlin Tricomi, regarding demand for a more just Cambridge and divestment to alternatives to policing.
61. A communication was received from Anton Hester Rae, regarding de-funding CPD and reinvesting in communities.

62. A communication was received from Debra Griffin, regarding support for defunding the police and reinvesting funds towards alternative community safety responses like HEART.
63. A communication was received from Margaret Hughes, regarding funding Cambridge HEART.
64. communication was received from Robert J. LaTrémouille, regarding the Mass. Dept. of conservation and recreation is unfit for its duties on the Charles River.
65. A communication was received from Eli Silvert, regarding public comment on Cambridge PO22#312.
66. A communication was received from Susan Ringler, regarding Cambridge Police.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to Jose Rodriguez on his retirement from the Department of Public Works. Councillor Toner
2. Congratulations to Jean Bracken on her retirement from the Department of Public Works. Councillor Toner
3. Congratulations to William Connell on his retirement from the Water Department. Councillor Toner
4. Resolution on the death of George E. Pitts, Sr. Councillor Toner
5. Resolution on the death of Patrick Corcoran. Councillor Toner
6. Resolution on the death of Leonard J. Savignano. Councillor Toner
7. Resolution on the death of Jeffrey Mark Friedman. Councillor Toner
8. Resolution on the death of Susan A. Lawlor. Councillor Toner
9. Resolution on the death of Brian F. Kelly. Councillor Toner
10. Congratulations on the Retirement of Janet Izquierdo. Councillor Toner
11. Congratulations on the Retirement of Jeffrey Turner. Councillor Toner
12. Congratulations on the Retirement of Lieutenant Stephen Boyle. Councillor Toner
13. Resolution on the death of Rocco DiBiase. Councillor Toner
14. Resolution on the death of Dr. Melvin Simms. Councillor Simmons
15. Congratulations on the Retirement of Firefighter Peter Mickiewicz from the Cambridge Fire Department. Councillor Toner
16. Congratulations to Jason Targoff for his achievements as the United States Youth Soccer National Volunteer of the Year. Councillor Nolan, Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Carlone
17. Congratulations to Ruth Erickson on her exhibit at The Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston titled "To Begin Again: Artists and Childhood". Mayor Siddiqui

## ORDERS

1. That the City Manager ask the City Solicitor to provide a legal opinion concerning (1) whether there is a two-year ban on considering repetitive zoning petitions that have been unfavorably acted upon by the Council, (2) if so, whether that ban on repetitive petitions would prohibit the Council from moving forward with a Council initiated lab use zoning petition if there is unfavorable action on the pending Callender, et al. Petition, and (3) if so, what types of changes to zoning petition would be necessary for it to no longer be considered a repetitive petition. Councillor McGovern (PO23#8)
2. That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from the McKinnon family for a bench dedication in honor of Richard McKinnon. Councillor McGovern, Councillor Simmons (PO23#9)
3. That the City Manager is requested to direct the appropriate City personnel to explore the special permitting fees and bicycle parking requirements that are required of local recreational cannabis dispensaries, to provide a report on how these requirements may impact these businesses, and to determine whether these requirements may need to be modified or eliminated. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Toner (PO23#10)
4. That the City Manager is requested to direct the appropriate City staff to determine the feasibility of purchasing the property located at 37 Brookline Street, former home of Peter Valentine, with the intent of utilizing this as a community arts space. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Zondervan, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Azeem (PO23#11)

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The **Ordinance Committee** conducted a hearing on Sept 10, 2019 at 12:00pm regarding AP19#75: Refiled Zoning Petition - Grand Junction Pathway Overlay District. [\[report\]](#)
2. The **Ordinance Committee** conducted a hearing on Sept 26, 2019 at 2:00pm regarding PO19#206: Zoning Petition on Special Permit Criteria. [\[report\]](#)
3. The **Ordinance Committee** conducted a hearing on Nov 12, 2019 at 12:00pm, regarding a proposed amendment to Article 22 of the Zoning Ordinance – Green Building Requirements. [\[report\]](#)
4. The **Finance Committee** met to conduct a public meeting on Dec 15, 2022 to discuss the City Council's budget priorities and to discuss how to incorporate those priorities into the FY24 budget ahead of the FY24 budget cycle. [\[report\]](#)
5. The **Ordinance Committee** held a public hearing on Jan 3, 2023 regarding Citizens Zoning Petition from Patrick Barrett et al. North Mass Ave BA-5 Zoning District Petition – AP22#52. [\[report\]](#)
6. The **Ordinance Committee** held a public hearing on Jan 4, 2023 regarding the Citizens Zoning Petition from Duane Callender, et al. Cambridge Lab Regulation Zoning

Amendment – AP22#53. The Committee voted favorably to forward Citizens Zoning Petition from Duane Callender, et al. Cambridge Lab Regulation Zoning Amendment – AP22#53 to the full City Council with a recommendation to forward to the Economic Development and University Relations Committee and to the Neighborhood and Long-Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee. The Committee voted favorably to request a legal opinion concerning (1) whether there is a two-year ban on considering repetitive zoning petitions that have been unfavorably acted upon by the Council, (2) if so, whether that ban on repetitive petitions would prohibit the Council from moving forward with a Council initiated lab use zoning petition if there is unfavorable action on the pending Callender, et al. Petition, and (3) if so, what types of changes to zoning petition would be necessary for it to no longer be considered a repetitive petition. [Note: This request appears on this agenda as a policy order.] [\[report\]](#)

7. The **Housing Committee** held a public meeting on Jan 10, 2023 to get an update from the Community Development Department on planning underway to develop changes in the City's affordable homeownership programs. [\[report\]](#)

#### **COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS**

1. A communication was received from Diane P. LeBlanc, City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity. (COF23#15)
2. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee. (COF23#16)

#### **HEARING SCHEDULE**

[Sullivan Chamber & Zoom unless otherwise noted]

##### **Mon, Jan 23**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Tues, Jan 24**

3:00pm The Economic Development and University Relations Committee will conduct a public meeting on Jan 24, 2023, at 12:30p.m. to continue its Nov 22, 2022 discussion of the environmental and economic impact of BEUDO on residential, business, and academic properties/communities. This will be a roundtable discussion with the Community Development Department, representatives from Eversource, the business community, universities, and large commercial/residential property owners.

##### **Wed, Jan 25**

3:30pm The Cambridge City Council will reconvene on Wed Jan 25, 2023, at 3:30 p.m. to continue the Special Meeting that was recessed on Jan 18, 2023, to discuss protocols, processes, and training of the Cambridge Police Department related to the fatal, officer involved shooting of Sayed Faisal. As this is a continuation of the 1/18/23 meeting, there will be no public comment heard.

##### **Thurs, Jan 26**

12:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on Thurs, Jan 26, 2023 at 12:00pm on a Zoning

Petition by the Planning Board to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge by creating two new Sections 22.80 "Flood Resilience Standards" and 22.90 "Green Factor Standard," and by amending Articles 2.000, 5.000, 19.000, and 22.000 to adjust development standards and urban design objectives with the goal of promoting resilience to the projected impacts of climate change.

##### **Mon, Jan 30**

5:30pm The City Council and School Committee Joint Budget Roundtable/Working Meeting

##### **Tues, Jan 31**

12:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY24 Capital Budget, and future investment priorities in Cambridge's physical infrastructure ahead of the FY24 budget cycle.

5:30pm The Charter Review Committee (Remote Only)

##### **Mon, Feb 6**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Tues, Feb 7**

3:00pm The Economic Development and University Relations & Neighborhood & Long-Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts & Celebration Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue its Dec 7th, 2022 discussion of the attached zoning amendments and the Callender citizen petition proposing a technical definition of lab use and a restriction on new instances of the lab use in fragile districts including Central Square, Harvard Square, and Cambridge Street and possible alternative recommendations to address neighborhood concerns. This will be a roundtable discussion with the Community Development Department and representatives of impacted businesses, universities, property owners and residents.

##### **Mon, Feb 13**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Tues, Feb 14**

5:30pm The Charter Review Committee (Remote Only)

##### **Mon, Feb 27**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Tues, Feb 28**

5:30pm The Charter Review Committee (Remote Only)

##### **Mon, Mar 6**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Mon, Mar 13**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Mon, Mar 20**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Mon, Mar 27**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Mon, Apr 3**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Mon, Apr 10**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Mon, Apr 24**

5:30pm City Council Meeting



**Mon, May 1**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

**Mon, May 8**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

**Mon, May 15**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

**Mon, May 22**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

**Mon, June 5**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

**Mon, June 12**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

**Mon, June 26**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

## **TEXT OF ORDERS**

O-1 Jan 23, 2023

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: The Ordinance Committee met on Jan 4, 2023 and voted favorably to send questions to the Law Department regarding the Duane Callender, et al. Petition.

ORDERED: That the City Manager ask the City Solicitor to provide a legal opinion concerning (1) whether there is a two-year ban on considering repetitive zoning petitions that have been unfavorably acted upon by the Council, (2) if so, whether that ban on repetitive petitions would prohibit the Council from moving forward with a Council initiated lab use zoning petition if there is unfavorable action on the pending Callender, et al. Petition, and (3) if so, what types of changes to zoning petition would be necessary for it to no longer be considered a repetitive petition.

O-2 Jan 23, 2023

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Richard E. McKinnon, who passed away on October 28, 2020, was a lifelong resident of Cambridge who left his mark on the city at every stage of his life; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from the McKinnon family for a bench dedication in honor of Richard McKinnon; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward this order to the Dedication Committee for their review and approval.

O-3 Jan 23, 2023

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR TONER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate City personnel to explore the special permitting fees and bicycle parking requirements that are required of local recreational cannabis dispensaries, to provide a report on how these requirements may impact these businesses, to determine whether these requirements may need to be modified or eliminated, and to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner.

O-4 Jan 23, 2023

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

WHEREAS: The City Council, and the entire City of Cambridge, were deeply saddened when Cambridge resident Peter Valentine [passed away on August 9, 2022](#) at the age of 80; and

WHEREAS: Peter Valentine was a true Cambridge original, an artist, and a unique individual in the very best sense of the word, and over his decades residing at 37 Brookline Street, he turned the exterior of the home and its surrounding fence into an eye-catching artistic statement in and of itself, one that was beloved and sought out by members of the Cambridge community and by visitors to our city; and

WHEREAS: The City Council recognizes the importance of finding ways of preserving and promoting the local arts community, the contributions of artists like Peter Valentine, and the legacy of Mr. Valentine himself; and

WHEREAS: Peter Valentine's house is a unique and valuable property that could, if properly utilized, be transformed into a fitting memorial for this most beloved figure as well as become a vital hub for the local arts community; and

WHEREAS: The property could potentially be utilized as a hub for the local arts community, including having uses such as artist housing, artist studios, exhibition spaces, art classes, and other community events; and

WHEREAS: The yard of the property could potentially become the Butterfly Preserve that Peter Valentine had wanted it to be, providing green open space, a sense of magic and possibility, and a community gathering space close to Central Square (an area of the City that currently lacks green spaces); and

WHEREAS: The acquisition of this property would have numerous benefits for the City, including potential for greater community engagement and cultural enrichment; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate City staff to determine the feasibility of purchasing the property located at 37 Brookline Street, former home of Peter Valentine, with the intent of utilizing this as a community arts space, to engage with the family of Peter Valentine and with members of the Cambridgeport community on this endeavor, and to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner.