

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the submission of the reappointment of the following member of the Cambridge Housing Authority for City Council confirmation:
Jacqueline Adams, 86 Jackson Circle, Cambridge, 02140
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the reappointment of the following members of the Historical Commission for a three-year term of expire September 20, 2005:
Frank Shirley, 208 Pearl Street, Cambridge (Member)
Jo M. Solet, 15 Berkley Street, Cambridge (Member)
Jacob Albert, 58 Winter Street, Cambridge (Alternate)
Bruce Irving, 32C Cushing Street, Cambridge (Alternate)
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the reappointment of the following member to the Cambridge Arts Council Advisory Board for a three-year term to expire January 31, 2006:
Ann Rogers, 18 Seven Pines Avenue, Cambridge
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-02, regarding a report on the back-up plan for when inclement weather cancels delivery of meals to senior citizen meal sites.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-04, regarding a report on shortening the current internet address for the City.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-05, regarding a report on changing the time frame for posting parking spaces for moving vans.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-07, regarding a report on the policy that taxi drivers cannot seek or carry a taxi driver's license in another community.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-08, regarding a report on assessing a forty-dollar fee against taxi operators for radio service.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-09, regarding a report on water not properly draining at the intersection of Pleasant Street and Putnam Avenue.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an appropriation of \$50,000 in the Grant Fund of the Fire Department Extraordinary Expenditures Account from private donations to augment the City's Fire

- and Rescue apparatus by supporting a portion of the cost of an Advanced Life Support Vehicle.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the City's Credit Rating.
 12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to information related to the City's General Obligation Bond Sale on January 21, 2003.
 13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the City's FY2002 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.
 14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an appropriation of a grant from the Cambridge Housing Alliance for \$42,993 to the DHSP Other Ordinary Maintenance Account to provide funds to distribute to CASPAR to be used to partially restore service cuts as a result of State funding shortfalls.
 15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board Petition to Rezone Areas of Riverside.
 16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 02-117, regarding a report on the feasibility of hiring a City Archivist and Awaiting Report Item Number 02-119, regarding a report on designating staff and resources for coordinating all sister city projects.
 17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a Constable for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2003:
Salvador M. Carrero, 20 Clary Street, Camb., MA 02139

ON THE TABLE

1. Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square, 1-11 Shady Hill Square and 36 Holden Street.
2. Landmark Designation Study Report for designating as a protected landmark the Tulip Tree at 1436 and 1446 Cambridge Street.
3. Order #19 of September 9, 2002 requesting the City Manager to direct the Community Development Department to make maximum use of CPA funds to develop affordable housing that is permanently affordable, such as limited equity cooperatives and condos.
4. Order #17 of October 7, 2002 requesting the City Manager to appoint someone to speak with Neighbors for a Better Community to explore possible collaboration.

5. Applications and Petitions #1 of November 18, 2002 an application from John Kennedy requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 33 Walker Street.
6. Applications and Petitions #1 of December 9, 2002 an application from Jill Toney requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 45 Creighton Street.
7. Order #1 of January 6, 2003 requesting the City Manager to direct the City Solicitor to draft a home rule petition to enable the City Manager to approve curb cuts.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. Petition from Harvard University requesting a sub-surface easement located between 1720 and 1737 Cambridge Street for the purpose of constructing an underground pedestrian and service tunnel beneath Cambridge Street.
9. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to Section 6.96, Night-time Curfew on Use of City Streets by Through Trucks. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after January 27, 2003. This petition expires February 11, 2003.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Cambridge Savings Bank, requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 168 Huron Avenue. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development Departments and abutters.
2. An application was received from G.B. Brothers, Inc. d/b/a Lucky House, requesting permission for an awning at the premises numbered 11 Belmont Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development Departments and abutters.
3. An application was received from MIT Stata Center, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 32 Vassar Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. No association for Neighborhood Two.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Stephen H. Kaiser, regarding filing a request for Determination of Applicability of Waterway Resource Protection for Millers River, Charles River.
2. A communication was received from Nelson Gore, regarding a curb cut at 60 Raymond Street and the removal of a tree.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Paul Gerard Counihan. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
2. Resolution on the death of Mary (Ravanis) Pappagianopoulos. Councillor Toomey and entire membership

3. Extending congratulations to Joel Burke as he tallies 100 wins as the Matignon boys basketball coach. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
4. Congratulating Councillor Decker on her election to the Massachusetts Municipal Association. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
5. Resolution on the death of Muriel Plosinski. Councillor Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
6. Extending congratulations to Escola Portuguesa de Cambridge e Somerville on the occasion of their 20th Anniversary. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
7. Resolution on the death of Margaret C. Cody. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
8. Congratulating the Asian American Civic Association as they celebrate their thirty-fifth anniversary and wish their first Lunar New Year Gala tremendous success. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
9. Get well wishes to Bonnie Murrell. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
10. Welcoming the East Coast Barber Shop to the City of Cambridge and wish Master Barber Cee-Jay great success. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
11. Welcoming Holly Levins as she enters her position as the City's Neighborhood Coordinator and wish her great success in her new position. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
12. Congratulating Eve Sullivan in being named the National Daily Point of Light and thank her for her continued work with the PARENTS FORUM. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
13. Resolution on the death of Joseph F. Colosimo. Mayor Sullivan, Councillors Maher, Galluccio, Toomey and entire membership
14. Resolution on the death of Thomas P. Hayes. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
15. Resolution on the death of Javier Otero-Alvarez. Mayor Sullivan, Councillors Maher, Toomey, Galluccio and entire membership
16. Resolution on the death of Arthur R. Connor. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
17. Resolution on the death of Helen E. MacAuley. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
18. Resolution on the death of Irene M. Foran. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
19. Congratulating Cambridge College as it opens its new School of Education and wish Cambridge College continued academic success. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership

20. Extending sincere thanks to the members of the Fire Department and Water Department for their continued hard work and dedication. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
21. Thanking Tabors, Caramanis & Associates for their significant donation to the Cambridge Scholarship Fund. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
22. Resolution on the death of Michael McColgan. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
23. Extending congratulations to the recipients of MAPS Annual Community Awards. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
24. Resolution on the death of Margaret Connor. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership

ORDERS

1. That Agenda #19 of Dec 9, 2002 which was referred to the Neighborhood Long Term and Health and Environment Committees be discharged from the Health and Environment Committee and referred to the Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee when it takes up the MDC Master Plan. Vice Mayor Davis and Councillor Murphy
2. Dedicating the corner of Granville Road and Vassal Lane as "Hurley Square." Councillor Galluccio
3. Dedicating the corner of Bigelow and Massachusetts Avenue as "Judd Square." Councillor Galluccio
4. The Council hereby petitions the Massachusetts Great and General Court to enact the attached home rule petition entitled "AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT OF CAMBRIDGE POLICE OFFICERS HIRED FROM THE 1972 POLICE EXAMINATION." Mayor Sullivan
5. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the Police Commissioner with a view in mind of reporting back to the City Council on the recent number of carjackings and hold ups in Cambridge and what steps are being taken to monitor this situation. Councillor Toomey
6. Requesting the City Manager to report back with a plan to post a weekly schedule of meetings outside of city buildings. Vice Mayor Davis
7. Requesting the City Manager to report back to the City Council on the feasibility of a fleet reduction that focuses on ride sharing alternatives, like Zipcar, for City use. Vice Mayor Davis
8. Requesting the City Manager to report back to the City Council on the level of technical support that the City can and will provide to the Agassiz area during the development and construction by Lesley University. Vice Mayor Davis
9. Requesting the City Manager to investigate the use of premium efficiency electronic motors (see

attached Energy Policy Act information). Vice Mayor Davis

10. Requesting the City Manager to report back to the City Council on the role that community policing has played in the two crime alerts recently issued in the City. Vice Mayor Davis
11. Requesting the City Manager to report to the City Council on how he has and/or is planning to respond to the increased cable rates. Councillor Decker
12. Requesting the City Manager write to NSTAR to obtain more information about the rate increases announced in the Boston Globe on Jan 23, 2003 and report on the impact to Cambridge. Councillor Decker
13. Dedicate a suitable location for Frank and Ellen Blake. Councillor Toomey

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marjorie Decker, Chair of the Cable TV, Telecommunications and Public Utilities Committee, for a meeting held on January 14, 2003 to discuss the issue of franchise fees paid to Cambridge by AT & T Broadband for the use of its public ways in light of the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) ruling March 15, 2002 that cable modem service is not a cable service and the possibility of seeking an alternative revenue source.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Jan 27

5:00pm *Special Presentation* for Cambridge Public School Art Department exhibit showing diversity of Cambridge. Reception in Mayor's Office. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Jan 29

5:30pm Roundtable Meeting with the Cambridge Health Alliance Informal meeting with no public comment, at which time no votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Cambridge Hospital, 1493 Cambridge Street, Main Building, Board Room, 7th Floor)

Fri, Jan 31

10:00am The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss visual and acoustical recommendations on roof top mechanicals. (Sullivan Chamber)

11:00am The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussions on service outages and expenditure on maintenance with NSTAR. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Feb 4

- 4:00pm The Cable TV, Telecommunications and Public Utilities Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the following:
- possibility of Cambridge charging a fee for using the city's right-of-ways for running fiber optic cables
 - plan to develop a public information cable television spots
 - coordination of resources between municipal cable, CCTV and School Department cable.
- This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Feb 5

- 5:30pm The Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee will conduct a meeting to discuss the Charles River Basin Plan and the opportunities for Cambridge with regard to MDC buildings. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Feb 6

- 8:00am The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a joint meeting with the Recycling Committee to discuss the development of a pledge on reducing waste either by a percentage increase or by weight. (Ackermann Room)
- 9:30am The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a meeting to continue discussion on the issue of public toilets. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 10

- 5:00pm *Special Presentation* - License Advisory Board Battle of the Bands. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Feb 12

- 2:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting for the purpose of receiving a briefing on the state budget and local option legislative package. (Ackermann Room)
- 4:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a proposed amendment to the Municipal Code to amend the Cost of Living Adjustment Provision of the Living Wage Ordinance. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to Sections 2.84.030 and 2.84.050 of Chapter 2.84 known as "The Kids' Council of the Municipal Code. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Feb 13

- 4:00pm The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss with Suffolk Construction and District Council #35 compliance with community standards when subcontracting on the issue of wages and benefits. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Feb 19

- 2:00pm The Cable TV, Telecommunications and Public Utilities Committee will conduct a public meeting to receive an update on what the city needs to do to bring in another cable company to Cambridge and what steps can be taken to challenge the rising costs. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 24

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Feb 25

- 5:30pm The Claims Committee will conduct a public meeting to consider claims filed against the city. (Ackermann Room)

Wed, Feb 26

- 4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the re-filed amendment relative to linkage payments required by the Incentive Zoning Ordinance. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 6:30pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the issue of community policing and the grant received from the Executive Office of Public Safety to assist in the implementation of a community policing strategy. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Feb 27

- 4:00pm The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the report received on diversity training provided to city employees. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 3

- 5:00pm *Special Presentation* to "Cambridge Reads Cover to Cover" Advisory Board. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 5:30pm Roundtable Meeting - Discussion of current affordable housing issues in Cambridge, including but not limited to Section 8 certificates. Informal meeting with no public comment, at which time no votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 4

- 5:30pm The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the water and sewer connections for the Silver Maple Forest site development at Alewife. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 17

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 24

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 31

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1. January 27, 2003

COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR MURPHY

ORDERED: That Agenda # 19 of December 9, 2002 which was referred to the Neighborhood Long Term and Health and Environment Committees relating to a report on the implementation of the land use, zoning recommendations and timetables of the Cambridgeport Neighborhood Study as it relates to the Riverfront area, be discharged from the Health and Environment Committee and be referred to the Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee when it takes up the MDC Master Plan.

O-2. January 27, 2003

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record dedicating the corner of Granville Road and Vassal Lane as "Hurley Square"; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council Office be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-3. January 27, 2003

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record dedicating the corner of Bigelow and Massachusetts Avenue as Judd Square"; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council Office be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-4. January 27, 2003

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council hereby petitions the Massachusetts Great and General Court to enact the attached home rule petition entitled "AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT OF CAMBRIDGE POLICE OFFICERS HIRED FROM THE 1972 POLICE EXAMINATION." This petition allows:

1. The Cambridge Retirement Board to reduce the percentage retirement deductions from 7% to 5% of all police officers appointed to the Cambridge Police Department from the 1972 police examination and
2. To further reimburse said officers the difference for the period of their current starting date with the City to the present. Said officers shall be deemed to have entered the service of the City of Cambridge on December 17, 1974 for the purpose of retirement only.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT OF CAMBRIDGE POLICE OFFICERS HIRED FROM THE 1972 POLICE EXAMINATION

Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law or rule to the contrary, solely for the purpose of determining the rate of withholdings required by paragraph (b) of subdivision (1) of section twenty-two of chapter thirty-two of the General Laws, that all current police officers in the City of Cambridge that were hired from the 1972 police examination, shall be deemed to have entered the service of said City on December seventeen, nineteen hundred and seventy-four.

The retirement system of the City of Cambridge is hereby authorized and directed to pay to these officers in one sum the amount equal to the difference between (i) the amounts actually withheld from the compensation of said officers and deposited in the annuity savings fund system; and (ii) the amounts which would have been withheld had said officers become members in service of said system on said date, together with regular interest on said difference, as determined by the division of public employee retirement commission.

O-5. January 27, 2003

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner with a view in mind of reporting back to the City Council on the recent number of carjackings and hold ups in Cambridge and what steps are being taken to monitor this situation.

O-6. January 27, 2003

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with a plan to post a weekly schedule of meetings outside of city buildings, such as the Senior Center.

O-7. January 27, 2003

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The state budget crisis has led to a discussion of cutbacks to the state government fleet and a focus on ride sharing alternatives, such as Zipcar; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the feasibility of a fleet reduction that focuses on ride sharing alternatives, like Zipcar, for City use; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with comprehensive guidelines for when SUVs are purchased, reflecting fiscal concerns and other applicable City policies, such as the Climate Protection Plan.

O-8. January 27, 2003
VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council on the level of technical support that the City can and will provide to the Agassiz area during the development and construction by Lesley University in the greater Agassiz neighborhood.

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter.

O-9. January 27, 2003
VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council recently passed a Climate Protection Plan for Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: The Plan includes goals for “green procurement”; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager investigate the use of premium efficiency electric motors (see attached Energy Policy Act information) when replacing electric motors for any applicable City uses; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter.

O-10. January 27, 2003
VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the role that community policing has played in the two crime alerts recently issued in the City.

O-11. January 27, 2003
COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council on how he has and/or is planning to respond to the increased cable rates and further, on what the City is doing to foster competition through another cable company.

O-12. January 27, 2003
COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to write to NSTAR to obtain more information about the rate increases announced in the Boston Globe on January 23, 2003; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the information he receives from NSTAR and on how the rate increases will impact Cambridge.

O-13. January 27, 2003
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Council be and hereby is requested to dedicate a suitable location for Frank and Ellen Blake; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and sign.