

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-141, regarding the status of planned improvements to Russell Field.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$50,000 in the Public Investment Fund Community Development Extraordinary Expenditures Account to be used to conduct additional testing at Russell Field.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of James Monagle of 17 Greenough Avenue as the temporary City Auditor.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-100, regarding a report on clarifying the 15% affordable housing component to the inclusionary zoning ordinance.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-70, regarding a report on conducting a traffic study on Windsor Street between Cambridge Street and the Somerville line.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the transfer of \$875 in the General Fund Women's Commission Travel & Training to the Other Ordinary Maintenance to provide funds to develop a database of Cambridge women's history.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the transfer of \$100,000 from the Employee Benefits Salary & Wages (Salary Adjustment) Account to the Police Department Travel & Training (Judgement & Damages) Account to pay medical services rendered to officers required in the performance of duty and for indemnified retired officers.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-126, regarding a report on services for seniors who are in need of minor home repair jobs.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-140, regarding a report on the legal basis for denying public comment at City Council roundtables.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the technical zoning language that implements the recommendations of the Planning Board with regard to the Citywide Rezoning Petition.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$13,451 in the General Fund in reimbursements from ERI to the Human Services Salary & Wages Account to cover a portion of additional expenditures in the Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program.

ON THE TABLE

1. Consent Agenda #17, relative to a Preservation Easement for 2 Holyoke Place (Fly Club).
2. Order submitted by Councillor Davis to draft new rezoning proposal for Riverside Neighborhood adjacent to Western Avenue.
3. Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square, 1-11 Shady Hill Square and 36 Holden Street.
4. An order introduced by Councillor Reeves regarding an allocation for a planning study for Riverside.
5. Landmark Designation Study Report for the William James house.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinances to amend the zoning relating to lodging houses in Residence C and C-1 districts. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after December 18, 2000. The deadline for this petition is January 30, 2001.
7. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinances to amend the zoning relating to the Citywide Rezoning petition. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after February 5, 2001. The deadline for this petition is February 12, 2001.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. Two applications were received from Michael Owu, for MIT Graduate Dormitory requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 70 Pacific Street and Sidney Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Historical, Public Works, Traffic, Parking and Transportation and abutters approval. Three neighborhood association letters sent. Response has been received from the Ward Five Committee disapproving the curb cut application.

CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Paula Evans, Principal of Cambridge Rindge and Latin School, transmitting thanks for the resolution adopted by the City Council.
2. A communication was received from Richard M. Lamkin, transmitting concern on the proposed Citywide Rezoning petition as a resident and an employee of Alkermes Inc.
3. A communication was received from Richard F. Pops, Chief Executive Officer and James M. Frates, Chief Financial Officer of Alkermes, transmitting concern on the proposed Citywide Rezoning petition.
4. A communication was received from David Roby, Member, Cambridge Research Park, LLC, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 364 Third Street and 364R Third Street.
5. A communication was received from David Clem, Manager/Agent, O & T Realty, LLC, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 320 Bent Street.
6. A communication was received from David Clem, Manager/Agent, MBA-Cambridge, LLC transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 301 Binney Street.
7. A communication was received from David Roby, Trustee, 325 Vassar Street Realty Trust, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 323R Vassar Street and 323 Vassar Street.
8. A communication was received from David Roby, Trustee, 270 Albany Street Realty Trust, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 270 Albany Street.
9. A communication was received from David Roby, Trustee, 21 Erie Realty Trust, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 21-33 Erie Street, 14 Merriam Street and 47 Erie Street.
10. A communication was received from David Roby, Trustee, Fort Washington Realty Trust, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 200 Sidney Street and 130 Waverly Street.
11. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, Editor, Enough Room, regarding the site of the Mayor's State of the City address.
12. A communication was received from Robert J. LaTremouille, regarding the Magazine Beach plan.

13. A communication was received from Charles R. Laverty, Jr. and Paul Lohnes, Area B property owners, urging the deletion of Area B from the Citywide Rezoning.
14. A communication was received from Leo O. Pelletier, Fall River City Councilor, transmitting a resolution adopted unanimously regarding the regulation of cable television rates.
15. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, Editor, Enough Room, regarding MIT and Harvard PILOT. (payment in lieu of taxes)
16. A communication was received from William F. Schreiber et al., regarding Swiss House Violation of Special Permit.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Edlin L. Ambrose. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
2. Resolution on the death of William J. Horgan. Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
3. Resolution on the death of M. Louise Janowicz. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
4. Resolution on the death of Florence R. Nichols. Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
5. Resolution on the death of Jeannette Walsh. Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Maher and entire membership
6. Resolution on the death of Samuel "Sandy" Wiley. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
7. Happy 80 th Birthday Wishes to Edward J. Sullivan, Clerk of Courts. Councillor Sullivan
8. Speedy recovery wishes to Jackie Sullivan. Councillor Sullivan
9. Congratulations to Keith Pearson on being voted Boston's Concierge of the Year. Councillors Reeves and Sullivan
10. Resolution on the death of Frank L. Marshall. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
11. Speedy recovery wishes to Joseph Cusack. Councillor Sullivan
12. Second Anniversary of the Bengali Language Collection which will be held at the Central Square Branch of the Cambridge Public Library. Mayor Galluccio
13. Welcome to the John F. Kennedy School of Government 2001 Spring Fellows and Visiting Fellows. Mayor Galluccio
14. Resolution on the death of Theodore S. Polumbaum. Councillor Davis and entire membership

ORDERS

1. Increase enforcement in the vicinity of Sparks Street. Councillor Toomey
2. Status of trash pick-up from condominium associations. Councillor Toomey
3. Petition the Legislature to enact the Home Rule petition entitled "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE POPULAR ELECTION OF THE MAYOR AND VICE-MAYOR IN CAMBRIDGE."
Councillors Toomey and Braude
4. Work with the MDC, public and private interests to improve the Hells Half acre and thank the Charles River conservancy for its efforts.
Councillor Davis
5. Thanks to citizens, Public Works employees and Parking Control officers for their efforts regarding snow and ice removal. Councillor Davis
6. Develop a plan to implement extended evening hours of operation of City Hall. Councillor Sullivan

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., transmitting a communication from Bob Durand, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Environmental Affairs regarding the Community Preservation Act Conference to be held on Saturday, February 10, 2001, at Mechanics Hall in Worcester.
2. A communication was received from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr. and Councillor Jim Braude, transmitting a copy of a letter forwarded to the Chronicle for the January 24, 2001 edition regarding the method of electing a Mayor.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Jan 29

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

Wed, Jan 31

12 noon The Human Services Committee will hold a public meeting to receive an update on the pilot after school program at the Harrington School, the youth center program and to consider other business that may come before the committee. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, Feb 5

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

Wed, Feb 7

8:45am The Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee will hold a public meeting to

evaluate the City Council's goal setting process. (Ackermann Room)

4:00pm The Housing Committee will hold a public hearing to receive information from affordable housing providers on programs and issues for affordable housing in Cambridge. (Sullivan Chamber)

6:15pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss and commence the hiring process for the position of City Auditor for the City of Cambridge. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, Feb 12

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

Tuesday, Feb 13

6:15pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss in lieu of tax payments by universities and institutions as well as removal of taxable property from the tax rolls. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Feb 14

The Ordinance Committee will conduct public hearings as follows:

4:30pm To consider proposed amendments to the following sections of the Municipal Code to comport with amendments to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, the Uniform Procurement Act. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:00pm To consider proposed amendments to the Responsible Employer Ordinance to include public works contracts such as roadways and sewers. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thursday, Feb 15

5:30pm The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will receive a presentation from Ben Hamilton Baillie, a Loeb Fellow at Harvard on traffic calming measures used in Europe. (Sullivan Chamber)

6:30pm The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the issue of traffic enforcement in the City. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Feb 21

5:30pm The Housing Committee will hold a public hearing on the Community Preservation Act. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 26

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

Mon, Mar 5

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

Mon, Mar 12

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

Friday, Mar 16

10:00am The Public Safety Committee will conduct a round table meeting to discuss public safety issues in coordination with the FY02 budget (Grainger Room – Police Station, 5 Western Avenue)

Mon, Mar 19

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

Wed, Mar 21

6:30pm The Finance Committee will conduct a round table meeting with the School Committee to discuss the FY02 School Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 26

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

Mon, Apr 2

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

Mon, Apr 9

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

Mon, Apr 23

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

Mon, Apr 30

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

Tues, May 1

10:30am - 5:30pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY02 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 7

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

Tues, May 8

10:30am - 5:30pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY02 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY02 School Department Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 10

10:30am – 5:30pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY02 City Budget. (IF NECESSARY) (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1. January 29, 2001

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Director and the Police Commissioner to increase enforcement in the vicinity of Sparks Street.

O-2. January 29, 2001

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council on the status of trash pick-up from condominium associations.

O-3. January 29, 2001

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

COUNCILLOR BRAUDE

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record petitioning the Legislature to enact the attached Home Rule petition entitled "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE POPULAR ELECTION OF THE MAYOR AND VICE-MAYOR IN CAMBRIDGE."

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE POPULAR ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE CHAIR OF THE CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

- I. Amend M.G.L. Chapter 43 Section 96 by renumbering the first paragraph as Section 96(a) and adding the following new paragraph (b) at the end of the first paragraph.
- (b) Selection of the Mayor and Vice-chair - All candidates at the time of filing their nominating petition with the Election Commission for the office of councillor shall indicate whether they desire to appear on the ballot as candidates for mayor in the regular municipal election. Candidates for the office of councillor who indicate their desire to also be candidates for mayor shall be listed on a separate portion of the ballot as candidates for the office of mayor, provided, that no councillor who has served two consecutive terms as mayor shall be eligible as a candidate for a third consecutive term. The candidate elected to the office of councillor and receiving the highest number of votes for the office of mayor shall be mayor. The candidate elected to the office of councillor and receiving the next highest number of votes for the office of mayor shall be vice-chair of the city council.

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II. Amend Chapter 43 Section 97 by striking the third sentence in the second paragraph and replacing said sentence with the following language: "Thereupon the mayor and the vice chair of the city council shall respectively make oath, before the city clerk or a justice of the peace, to perform faithfully the duties of their respective offices, except that if the mayor-elect or the vice chair of the city council-elect is not present, he or she shall so make oath at the first regular meeting of the city council thereafter which he or she attends."

O-4. January 29, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The Charles River Conservancy's goals to improve open space in Cambridge along the Charles River comport with the City's Green Ribbon Committee objectives; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to insure that the Community Development Department coordinate with the Charles River Conservancy's efforts to work with the MDC, public and private interests to improve the Hells Half acre; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record extending congratulations to the Charles River Conservancy on the successful launching of the public process to improve Hells Half acre.

O-5. January 29, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record thanking all Cambridge residents who took the time and energy to clear the sidewalks in front of their residences of snow and ice; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record extending its congratulations to the Public Works employees and to the Parking Control officers for their vigorous enforcement of sidewalk snow and ice clearance; now therefore be it

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

1. The effectiveness of the snow hotline (349-4903) in the Public Works Department; and
2. Clarification of the procedure dealing with complaints by the public, including who or what department should be contacted when the public has a complaint.

O-6. January 29, 2001

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council has designated the goal of making city services more user/customer friendly as one of its top priorities; and

WHEREAS: Many Massachusetts municipalities have adopted extended evening office hours as one way to improve customer service; and

WHEREAS: These municipalities, which include Malden, Medford, Lynn and Woburn, among others, typically keep offices open one evening until 7:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m., and close early on Friday afternoon; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council on development of a plan to implement such an adjustment of hours in Cambridge.