

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the reappointment of Public Weighers for the year 2006 to operate scales for MICH-LIN transfer station located at 45 Mooney Street, Cambridge: Mariel Mabardy, Lisa Marie Saverse, John Lynch, Chuck Wainwright, Christine M. Guillette, Joseph Mabardy, Jr., Charles J. Mabardy, Edmund Curran, James J. Mabardy, Daniel Pasquarosa, Amanda Noonan, Bryan Burdge, Joann Del Vecchio, & Robert Ferrazzani
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 05-204, regarding a report on provisions of parking for motorcycles, motorscooters and mopeds.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 05-192, regarding a report on how Cambridge can own and operate its own power transmission facility or municipal power company.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$100,000 from Employee Benefits (insurance) Salary and Wages account to the General Fund Police Travel and Training account (judgment and damages) to cover medical services and/or prescription reimbursement costs for police personnel injured in performance of their duties.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$8,135 from the General Fund Reserve Other Ordinary Maintenance account to the General Fund Election Other Ordinary Maintenance account to provide funds to cover additional ballot printing costs and postage costs for the annual census mailings due to the recent rate increase.

ON THE TABLE

1. Placed on Table on the motion of Councillor Simmons on April 11, 2005 on an order adopted relative to a communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, transmitting a recommendation from the License Commission to deny a jitney license application from Nautical Tours, Inc.
2. Placed on Table on the motion of Councillor Sullivan on Application and Petition Number Three of January 9, 2006 from President and Fellows of Harvard, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 3 Grant Street (north side) west of Banks Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical, Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association.
3. Placed on Table on the motion of Councillor Sullivan on Application and Petition Number Four of January 9, 2006 from Presidents and Fellows of Harvard, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 9 Grant Street (north side) east of Athens Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical, Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Co-Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on November 18, 2004 for the purpose of considering proposed amendments to Chapter 2.74 of the Cambridge Municipal Code, the Police Review and Advisory Board Ordinance. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after February 14, 2005. [Four sections of the proposed amendment were passed to be ordained as amended. Ordinance #1284. The remaining proposed amendments to chapter 2.74 remain on unfinished business.]
5. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves and Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on November 22, 2005 for the purpose of considering a re-filed petition by the Planning Board to amend the zoning in the Concord/Alewife area. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after January 2, 2006. Petition expires February 20, 2006.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Kolbeh of Kabob, requesting permission to replace sign faces on three pre-existing signs at the premises numbered 1500 Cambridge Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development Department.
2. An application was received from Philip Johnson Associates, requesting permission for an awning at the premises numbered 12 Arrow Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department, Historical Commission and abutters.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Jeanne N. Petropoulos, regarding trash barrel damage.
2. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding technology.
3. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding the police.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Marguerite H. O'Connell. Councillor Sullivan
2. Resolution on the death of Douglas Van Brunt Sr. Councillor Sullivan
3. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Jonathan Price. Councillor Decker
4. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Brandon Dewey. Councillor Decker
5. Resolution on the death of Private Lewis Calapini. Councillor Decker
6. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Adam Shepherd. Councillor Decker
7. Resolution on the death of Corporal Carlos Arrelanopandura. Councillor Decker
8. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Dennis Flanagan. Councillor Decker

9. Resolution on the death of Specialist Matthew Frantz. Councillor Decker
10. Resolution on the death of Specialist Clifton Yazzie. Councillor Decker
11. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Joshua Scott. Councillor Decker
12. Resolution on the death of Staff Sergeant Brian McElroy. Councillor Decker
13. Resolution on the death of Staff Sergeant Rickey Scott. Councillor Decker
14. Resolution on the death of Technical Sergeant Jason Norton. Councillor Decker
15. Resolution on the death of Chief Warrant Officer Rex Kenyon. Councillor Decker
16. Resolution on the death of Chief Warrant Officer Ruel Mamaril. Councillor Decker
17. Congratulations to State Representative Carl Sciortino on being selected as the recipient of the 2006 Freedom to Marry Award. Councillor Simmons
18. Congratulations to City Councillor Henrietta Davis on being elected Chair of the Universities Communities Caucus at the National League of Cities for 2006. Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Decker, Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Kelley, Councillor Murphy, Mayor Reeves, Councillor Simmons and Vice Mayor Toomey.
19. Support of NEA's "Read Across America" on March 2, 2006. Mayor Reeves, Councillor Sullivan
20. Speedy recovery wishes to Kylee Green. Councillor Sullivan
21. Resolution on the death of Lillian (DeGuglielmo) Ferraro. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan
22. Resolution on the death of Rodrick McIntyre. Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan
23. Resolution on the death of Bonifacio F. "Benny" Pacheco. Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Toomey
24. Resolution on the death of Eunice L. (Dottin) Adamson. Councillor Sullivan
25. Congratulations to Sam Seidel on his assignment as a reporter for the Alewife Newspaper. Vice Mayor Toomey
26. Congratulations to Alonso Guzman on becoming a United States citizen. Councillor Sullivan
27. Speedy recovery wishes to Mary Horgan, Assistant to the City Council. Councillor Decker
28. Congratulations to Shamai Becker and Marav Niv on their marriage. Councillor Decker
29. Congratulations to the Salvation Army's "Bridging the Gap" graduates. Councillor Sullivan
30. Speedy recovery wishes to John Moot, President of the Association of Cambridge Neighborhoods. Councillor Kelley
31. Congratulations to the Community Art Center on being one of two nationally recognized programs by the White House. Mayor Reeves
32. Resolution on the death of Mary P. (Law) Barry. Councillor Galluccio
33. Resolution on the death of Jimmy Tivinis. Vice Mayor Toomey
34. Resolution on the death of Maria V. (Coelho) DeSousa. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Sullivan
35. Resolution on the death of Larry D. Powers. Councillor Sullivan
36. Resolution on the death of Mikel W. Pierce. Councillor Sullivan
37. Congratulations to CRLS student John Oxenford on being chosen one of ten finalists in the 23rd Annual Teen Shakespeare Competition. Councillor Sullivan
38. Resolution on the death of Mary R. (Papaleo) Sullivan. Councillor Sullivan
39. Resolution on the death of Anthony B. Kuczynski. Councillor Sullivan
40. Congratulations to Shaw Clifton on being chosen as the General of the Salvation Army on January 28, 2006. Councillor Sullivan
41. Retirement of Nancy Kiwior from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Councillor Sullivan
42. Congratulations to John O'Brien, CEO & President of UMass Memorial Healthcare, Inc. and former CEO of the Cambridge Health Alliance on being honored by the Massachusetts Public Health Association 4th Annual Celebration and Awards Dinner on April 27, 2006. Councillor Sullivan
43. Resolution on the death of Alice Puzyn. Vice Mayor Toomey

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to ascertain the condition of all bridges and overpasses in Cambridge, including those that cross the Charles River and to report back to the City Council on said conditions, with a timeline for repairs where necessary. Councillor Davis
2. That the City Manager initiate conversations with the State to determine the timeline of the repair of the tunnel on Storrow Drive at the Esplanade and the impact of that repair on Cambridge. Councillor Davis
3. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and the Assistant City Manager for Community Development to determine the feasibility of creating a database that details how many residential parking stickers are associated with residential units broken down by number of bedrooms, affordability class, location and proximity to a Mass Transit nexus. Councillor Kelley
4. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant Department heads with the goal of making all information relevant to the future of the West Cambridge VFW available on-line as the City obtains it so that members of the general public will have the same information that City staff and contractors do when assessing future options for this property. Councillor Kelley
5. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Commissioner of the Cambridge Police Department to determine the status of Community Policing efforts

throughout Cambridge, to include foot patrols, bike patrols, neighborhood outreach and other methods of creating and maintaining a vibrant and effective Community Policing program. Councillor Kelley

6. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the relevant City staff to determine the impact on neighborhood noise levels by increasingly popular ground-level heating system vents. Councillor Kelley
7. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the staff of Harvard University on the wisdom of Harvard's keeping construction information regarding its Banks Street project unavailable to concerned neighbors with the hope that Harvard University will make such data as MSDS sheets and seismographic results available to the neighborhood. Councillor Kelley
8. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the relevant City staff about the wisdom of supporting the MBTA's proposed Urban Ring Phase II bus road through Cambridge, the status of ongoing street improvements that might support this bus road and the long-term impacts this proposed multi-vehicle roadway might have on the Cambridge neighborhoods of East Cambridge, Riverside and Cambridgeport. Councillor Kelley
9. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Chief Public Health Officer about compiling information regarding youth diabetes in Cambridge. Mayor Reeves
10. That the City Manager is requested to confer with relevant Department heads about their vehicular needs with the goal of having all future vehicular purchases or leases be either hybrid or low-emission vehicles unless such vehicles are shown to be incapable of meeting performance requirements. Councillor Kelley
11. That the City Manager is requested to confer with relevant Department heads and non-profit organizations to determine the status of the construction of both the North Cambridge VFW and the Trolley Square affordable housing complexes and the plans for the creation, use and maintenance of the proposed community spaces at these complexes. Councillor Kelley
12. That the City Manager is requested to confer with Harvard University and relevant City staff on the impact that Harvard's Hingham Street project, which has removed parking from Hingham Street while not replacing it on Blackstone Street, is having on neighborhood on-street parking opportunities. Councillor Kelley
13. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the relevant Department heads about the placement of MBTA bus shelters throughout the City and with the goal of revising the bus shelter project to keep current and future shelters from obstructing both pedestrian traffic and sidewalk visibility as much as they currently do. Councillor Kelley
14. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Director of the Municipal Cable Office with the view of broadcasting the attached advertisements, Massachusetts Department of Public Health Transit Posters, on the danger of misusing prescription drugs. Councillor Sullivan
15. That the City Council support SEIU Local 615 in their

efforts to organize 5000 security officers which will be announced at a press conference held on February 15, 2006 at 11:00am at the Charles Street AME Church in Dorchester. Councillor Sullivan

16. That the City Manager report to this City Council and its Housing Committee on how Cambridge fared in the MIT Center for Real Estate and the Massachusetts Housing Partnership study and what, if any, strategies are to be learned from the study. Councillor Sullivan

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk transmitting a report from Councillor Anthony D. Galluccio, Chair of the Housing Committee, for a meeting held on December 14, 2005 for the purpose of continuing discussion on (1) how the Community Development Department can assist tenants in affordable units in private developments who do not know how to contest rent increases; (2) the issue of increases in condominium fees in inclusionary zoning affordable units; and (3) the point system for allocation of affordable units.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Jan 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 13

5:30pm Roundtable City Council Meeting. Discussion of the plans of the Youth Center at the Huron Avenue VFW and whether dance activities can be accommodated there. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 20

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 1

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 15

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

January 30, 2006 Cambridge City Council meeting

Mon, June 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 AMENDED January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to ascertain the condition of all bridges and overpasses in Cambridge, including those that cross the Charles River and to report back to the City Council on said conditions, with a timeline for repairs where necessary; **and be it further**

ORDERED: That said report when completed be referred to the Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee.

O-2 AMENDED January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The tunnel on Storrow Drive at the Esplanade is scheduled for repair; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to initiate conversations with the State to determine the timeline of that repair and the impact of that repair on Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this issue; **and be it further**

ORDERED: That when said report is completed it be referred to the Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee.

O-3 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and the Assistant City Manager for Community Development with the goal of determining the feasibility of creating a database that details how many residential parking stickers are associated with residential units broken down by number of bedrooms, affordability class, location and proximity to a Mass Transit nexus; and be it further

ORDERED: That this database be made available to the public via the City's website to allow citizens and developers to better analyze the on-street parking impacts of proposed developments; 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-4 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant Department heads with the goal of making all information relevant to the future of the West Cambridge VFW available on-line as the City obtains it so that members of the general public will have the same information that City staff and contractors do when assessing future options for this property.

O-5 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Commissioner of the Cambridge Police Department to report back to the City Council on the status of Community Policing efforts throughout Cambridge, to include foot patrols, bike patrols, neighborhood outreach and other methods of creating and maintaining a vibrant and effective Community Policing program.

O-6 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the relevant City staff to determine the impact on neighborhood noise levels by increasingly popular ground-level heating system vents; 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-7 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the staff of Harvard University on the wisdom of Harvard's keeping construction information regarding its Banks Street project unavailable to concerned neighbors with the hope that Harvard University will make such data as MSDS sheets and seismographic results available to the neighborhood.

O-8 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the relevant City staff about the wisdom of supporting the MBTA's proposed Urban Ring Phase II bus road through Cambridge, the status of ongoing street improvements that might support this bus road and the long-term impacts this proposed multi-vehicle roadway might have on the Cambridge neighborhoods of East Cambridge, Riverside and Cambridgeport; 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-9 January 30, 2006

MAYOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Chief Public Health Officer about compiling information regarding youth diabetes in Cambridge; and be it further

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

O-10 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant Department heads about their vehicular needs with the goal of having all future vehicular purchases or leases be either hybrid or low-emission vehicles unless such vehicles are shown to be incapable of meeting performance requirements; 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-11 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant Department heads and non-profit organizations to determine the status of the construction of both the North Cambridge VFW and the Trolley Square affordable housing complexes and the plans for the creation, use and maintenance of the proposed community spaces at these complexes; and be it further

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

TABLED ON MOTION OF MAYOR REEVES

O-12 AMENDED January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with Harvard University and relevant City staff on the impact that Harvard's Hingham Street project, which has removed parking from Hingham Street while not replacing it on Blackstone Street, is having on neighborhood on-street parking opportunities; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on whether permit parking could be added to Western Avenue and Blackstone Street.

O-13 AMENDED January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the relevant Department heads about the placement of MBTA bus shelters throughout the City and with the goal of revising the bus shelter project to keep current and future shelters from obstructing both pedestrian traffic and sidewalk visibility as much as they currently do; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the MBTA regarding the type of advertisements placed in the bus shelter with a view in mind that said advertisements are not contrary to city policies; i.e. proper nutrition; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter; said report to include the policy on the placement of bus shelters and the public input process; and be it further

ORDERED: That this matter be referred to the Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee.

O-14 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of the Municipal Cable Office with the view of broadcasting the attached advertisements, Massachusetts Department of Public Health Transit Posters, on the danger of misusing prescription drugs.

O-15 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record supporting SEIU Local 615 in their efforts to organize 5000 security officers which will be announced at a press conference held on February 15, 2006 at 11:00am at the Charles Street AME Church in Dorchester; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to SEIU Local 615 on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-16 January 30, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: Today's Boston Globe, "Median new home construction lot closing in on an acre," reports on an MIT Center for Real Estate and Massachusetts Housing Partnership study correlating the increase in housing costs in the Greater Boston area with the increasing in zoning requirements for housing starts; and

WHEREAS: This City Council has made housing a priority, particularly housing for low, moderate and middle income individuals and families; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to this City Council and its Housing Committee on how Cambridge fared in said study and what, if any, strategies are to be learned from the study.