

## **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constable for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2003: Warren Nicklas, 14 Echo St., Melrose, MA 02176 Joel Landesman, 3A Park Ave., Framingham, MA 01701
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-03, regarding a report on the plan to assure all streets in the City are swept clean of leaves after November 15th and make provisions for cancellation of street cleaning resulting from inclement weather.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-11, regarding a report on coordinated efforts to prevent and deal with Cambridge homelessness problems.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, requesting that the City Council accept and approve the alterations to the public ways named Sidney, Landsdowne, Franklin, Brookline and Pacific Street in the City of Cambridge, pursuant to the provisions of Section 21 of Chapter 82 of the General Laws.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$222,156.37 from the Grant Fund Police Salary & Wages to the Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$150,000.37) and Extraordinary Expenditures Account (\$72,156) to provide funds for computer hardware & software, mobile computing, motorcycle and mountain bicycles, and operational expenses such as printing and mailing.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation for \$76,260 to the Library Other Ordinance Maintenance Account to provide funds to expand public access to computers and the internet by purchasing additional computers, accessories, books, software, and related supplies.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Mass Executive Office of Public Safety for \$108,000 to the Grant Fund Police Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$3,400) and Extraordinary Expenditures Account (\$104,600) to provide funds to purchase public safety equipment through the State's Local Law Enforcement Public Safety Equipment Grant Program.

## **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.
8. Consent Communication #2 of January 27, 2003 from Nelson Gore, regarding a curb cut at 60 Raymond Street and the removal of a tree.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

9. 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.

## **APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

1. Revocation of a sign permit bond for Hudson Trucking Repair Service, for the premises numbered 47-51 Richdale Avenue, issued on February 22, 1979. Inspectional Services inspected property on January 24, 2003 and sign is down.
2. Approval of constable bond surety was received from Walker Farrar.
3. An application was received from Park Cafe, requesting permission for four tables and twelve chairs for restaurant seating at the premises numbered 350 Massachusetts Avenue.

## **CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS**

1. A communication was received from Representative Michael E. Capuano, regarding the proposed cuts to the Public Housing Operating Fund.
2. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding taxpayer funds.
3. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding the Cable TV, Telecommunications and Public Utilities committee report.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Anne F. Frisoli. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
2. Resolution on the death of Roy J. Scicchitani. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
3. Resolution on the death of Beth Purcell. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
4. Resolution on the death of Paul Sassone. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
5. Extending congratulations to John Serwecinski. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
6. Resolution on the death of Kenneth J. Saccoccio. Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Toomey and entire membership
7. Resolution on the premiere showing of the new documentary of ex Red Sox superstar Luis Tiant on January 31, 2003 at the Harvard Film Archive, Carpenter Center for the Visual Arts. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
8. Welcoming Unvishi Vaid, this year's speaker at the Annual Bayard Rustin Breakfast. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
9. Supporting the retiring of Tony Conigliaro's number. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
10. Resolution on the retirement of Janet Murray as Director of Food for Free. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
11. Congratulating Catherine Gover on being elected president of the Everett Common Council. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
12. Congratulating James P. Henry on being elected the Affirmative Action Recruitment Officer for the Ward Six Democratic Committee. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership

## ORDERS

1. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the Cambridge Housing Authority and report back to the City Council on what is the current percentage of utilization of Section Eight Certificates. Councillor Galluccio
2. Requesting the City Manager to report back to the City Council with a summary of the Governor's proposal to eliminate the MDC and how it will impact the MDC – owned lands in Cambridge. Councillor Decker
3. Requesting the Cambridge delegation to the State Legislature to oppose the proposal to eliminate the MDC. Councillor Decker
4. Upon expiration of the Carlson petition to amend the zoning in the Riverside area on February 24, 2003, said petition be re-filed on February 25, 2003 and referred on February 25, 2003 to the Planning Board and Ordinance Committee for hearing and report. Councillors Maher and Murphy

5. Request the City Manager to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to analyze potential improvements to the safety of the intersections at Garfield Street and Massachusetts Avenue. Councillor Murphy
6. Urge NSTAR Gas to meet community standards on all projects in Cambridge. Councillor Murphy

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Brian Murphy, Chair of the Finance Committee, for a meeting held on January 22, 2003 to receive an update on the hotel/motel, water/sewer revenues and other major revenues for the city. The committee also received an update on the state budget.

## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Mayor Michael A. Sullivan, regarding a resolution on access to space in school buildings for preschool and out-of-school time programs.

## HEARING SCHEDULE

### 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

4:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a working meeting for City Council and public health officials to continue discussion on the proposed Smoking Ordinance. No public comment. (Sullivan Chamber)

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 and to discuss the city’s credit rating, General Obligation Bond Sale and the FY02 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. (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)  
4:00pm The Housing Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss information about income eligibility, demographics and market demand in relation to the inclusionary zoning. (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)  
7:15pm 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)

**Wed, Mar 12**

4:00pm The Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee will conduct a follow up meeting on the “Buy Cambridge Initiative” and any other matter that comes before the committee. (Ackermann Room)

**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. February 3, 2003  
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

WHEREAS: The rental market in Cambridge has dramatically changed over the past years; and  
WHEREAS: In the past it has been difficult to place Section Eight certificates in Cambridge; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Cambridge Housing Authority and report back to the City Council on what the current percentage of utilization of Section Eight Certificates is in Cambridge.

O-2. February 3, 2003  
COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with a summary of the Governor’s proposal to eliminate the MDC and how it will impact the MDC – owned lands in Cambridge.

O-3. February 3, 2003  
COUNCILLOR DECKER

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record opposing Governor Romney's proposal to eliminate the MDC; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record requesting that the Cambridge delegation to the State Legislature oppose this proposal; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Cambridge Legislative Delegation.

O-4. February 3, 2003  
COUNCILLOR MAHER  
COUNCILLOR MURPHY

ORDERED: That upon expiration of the Carlson petition to amend the zoning in the Riverside area on February 24, 2003, said petition be re-filed on February 25, 2003 and referred on February 25, 2003 to the Planning Board and Ordinance Committee for hearing report.

O-5. February 3, 2003  
COUNCILLOR MURPHY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to analyze potential improvements to the safety of the intersections at Garfield Street and Massachusetts Avenue and whether a pedestrian light would improve traffic safety.

O-6. February 3, 2003  
COUNCILLOR MURPHY

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record urging NSTAR Gas to meet community standards on all projects in Cambridge.