

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an update on COVID-19 vaccination rollout.
2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the [Final Landmark Designation Report](#) for the St. Augustine's African Orthodox Church at 137 Allston Street.

Proposed Order Feb 22, 2021

ORDERED: That St. Augustine's African Orthodox Church at 137 Allston Street be designated as a protected landmark pursuant to Chapter 2.78, Article III of the Code of the City of Cambridge, as recommended by vote of the Cambridge Historical Commission on Feb 4, 2021. The premises so designated consist of parcel 59 on Assessor's Map 97 as recorded in Book 5620, Page 136, at the Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, and the historic church building thereon.

This designation is justified by the important associations of the church with the historical, social and architectural history of Cambridge, specifically in that the building was the first church constructed in the Pine Grove neighborhood in Cambridgeport as part of the mission of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Central Square and then became St. Augustine's African Orthodox Church, the home of an important ministry founded by George A. McGuire in 1921, and that the church was designed in the Cottage Style by noted architect Robert Slack.

The effect of this designation shall be that review by the Cambridge Historical Commission and the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness, Hardship or Non-Applicability shall be required before any construction activity can take place within the designated premises or any action can be taken affecting the appearance of the premises, that would in either case be visible from a public way.

In making determinations the Commission shall be guided by the terms of the Final Landmark Designation Report dated Feb 9, 2021, and by Section VI, Standards and Criteria, and the applicable sections of Chapter 2.78, Article III, of the Cambridge Municipal Code.

3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the reappointment of the following members of the Affordable Housing Trust for a term of three years, effective Feb 9, 2021: Peter Daly, Florrie Darwin, Gwendolyn Noyes, Susan Schlesinger, James Stockard, William Tibbs, Elaine Thorne.
4. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a proposed amendment to Section 8.66 of the Municipal Ordinance relating to Tree Protection and related Order.

Proposed Order Feb 22, 2021

ORDERED: That the City Council adopts the amendment to Cambridge Municipal Code Chapter 8.66 entitled Tree Protection to extend the provisions relating to tree removal in violation of Section 8.66.055 by sixty (60) days to Apr 29, 2021.

5. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 20-64, requesting Home Rule language to allow for acoustic live entertainment performances in small businesses under certain conditions without a license.
6. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 19-144, regarding the feasibility of creating a Fire Cadet Program.

Proposed Order Feb 22, 2021

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record favoring the filing of the attached Home Rule Petition entitled: PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW REGARDING A FIRE CADET PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE: FIRE CADET PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The appointing authority in the City of Cambridge authorized to appoint firefighters for the City of Cambridge may appoint as a fire cadet, for a period of full-time "on the job" training, any citizen resident of Cambridge who is not less than eighteen nor more than twenty-three years of age who meets the physical qualifications required of applicants for appointment as a firefighter in Cambridge, and who is determined by the appointing authority to be of good moral character. Such appointment shall not be subject to the civil service laws or rules; nor shall a fire cadet be entitled to any benefits of such civil service laws or rules. Such appointment may be terminated with or without cause by the appointing authority at any time, and shall be terminated whenever a cadet fails to maintain a passing grade in any course of study the appointing authority determines they should undertake, or when he or she reaches the age of twenty-five. A fire cadet shall receive such compensation and such leave with pay as the appointing authority shall determine. No person shall be too old for appointment as a cadet if they were of qualifying age at the time of qualification to the cadet program. An appointment to the cadet program shall not be terminated for age unless the cadet has completed two years of service.

SECTION 2. A fire cadet shall participate in classroom training and cooperative education and training designed to educate and prepare the cadet to become a permanent

firefighter. Cadets will not replace, substitute or interfere with collectively bargained duties currently being performed by Cambridge firefighters, but may assist Cambridge firefighters in the performance of any of their administrative or other duties. They shall be considered an employee of the City of Cambridge for the purposes of workers' compensation and shall not be subject to the provisions of chapter forty-one, section 111F of the General Laws. No fire cadet shall be entitled to the benefits of the City's then existing collective bargaining agreement that covers permanent firefighters in the City.

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter thirty-one of the General Laws, any person who has completed not less than two years of service as a fire cadet under this act may, subject to a program established by the City's appointing authority and approved by the personnel administrator of the human resources division within the Commonwealth's executive office for administration and finance ("Personnel Administrator"), be appointed by the City's appointing authority to fill a vacancy in a position in the lowest grade in the fire force of the City of Cambridge without certification from an eligible list prepared under the provisions of chapter thirty-one of the General Laws; provided, however, that such person either is on a fire entrance eligible list prepared under said chapter thirty-one or passes a qualifying examination to be given by the Personnel Administrator.

SECTION 4. If any federal or state law, administrative or court order requires the listing of candidates in separate groups, each group to be listed according to the law of the Commonwealth, then this act shall be subject to such listing.

SECTION 5. Not more than 33 1/3 percent of the total number of appointments to the regular fire force of the City of Cambridge in any calendar year shall be made pursuant to this Act. The appointing authority of the City of Cambridge shall report in writing forthwith to the Personnel Administrator in said division of personnel administration any appointment made under the provisions of this act.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage and after affirmative majority vote of the Cambridge City Council.

Filed on: _____

7. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a further response to Calendar Item Number 2, regarding a report on reviewing the granting of an extension for the 605 Concord Avenue project, which was previously answered as Awaiting Report Item Number 20-63 on Feb 1, 2021.

ON THE TABLE

1. Resolution on the Death of William Leeds. [TABLED BY COUNCILLOR SIMMONS IN COUNCIL JAN 11, 2021;

CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR SIMMONS IN COUNCIL JAN 4, 2021]

2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 20-63, which requested a review of the granting of an extension for the 605 Concord Avenue project. [CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCIL NOLAN IN COUNCIL FEB 3, 2021; TABLED IN COUNCIL FEB 8, 2021]
3. Vaccinating CPS Staff Plan PO. [TABLED IN COUNCIL FEB 3, 2021]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 18-108, regarding a report on offering early voting in City Council and School Committee Elections. [PENDING RESPONSE FROM LEGISLATURE]
5. The City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the City of Cambridge Law Department to review the above changes to the language of the Domestic Partnerships Ordinance and report back to the Council. [PASSED TO A SECOND READING IN COUNCIL JULY 27, 2020. TO BE ORDAINED ON OR AFTER SEPT 14, 2020]

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Lee Farris, regarding supporting Green Roofs.
2. A communication was received from Hanna Carr, regarding support for Charter Right 3 – Hostile Architecture.
3. A communication was received from Neil Miller, regarding ending exclusionary zoning and parking minimums.
4. A communication was received from Allan Sadun, regarding statement from organizers of the Missing Middle Housing zoning petition.
5. A communication was received from Sara Sigel, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
6. A communication was received from Nancy Phillips, 36A Rice Street, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
7. A communication was received from Charles Dietrick, 33 Magazine Street, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
8. A communication was received from Sonali Duggal, 79 Norfolk Street, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
9. A communication was received from Jeff Byrnes, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
10. A communication was received from Maia Gokhale, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
11. A communication was received from Karen O'Connell, regarding Missing Middle Housing petition.
12. A communication was received from Matt Goldstein, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.

13. A communication was received from John Grady, 34 Creighton Street, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
14. A communication was received from Molly O'Brien, 103 Pleasant Street, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
15. A communication was received from Ivy Maiorino, 10 Harding Street, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
16. A communication was received from Aaron Homer, 90 Grozier Road, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
17. A communication was received from Kevin Grinberg, 21B Lee Street, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
18. A communication was received from Adrian Shaw, 373 Cardinal Medeiros Avenue, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
19. A communication was received from Michael Hoff, 80 Fawcett Street, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
20. A communication was received from Zachary Barryte, 17 Bishop Allen Drive, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
21. A communication was received from Rebecca Lester, 7 William Street, regarding housing in Cambridge and the Missing Middle Housing petition.
22. A communication was received from Esther Hanig, 136 Pine Street, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
23. A communication was received from Kiefer Hicks, 27 Beech Street, regarding the Missing Middle Housing petition.
24. A communication was received from Valerie Bonds, regarding I could not sleep because of the toxic mold in my apartment.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulating CPS Librarians. Vice Mayor Mallon
2. Congratulations on the Opening of Black Sheep Market. Vice Mayor Mallon, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Simmons
3. Resolution on the death of Carolyn Bowen Tabor. Councillor Simmons
4. Resolution on the death of John S. "Spike" Lawless. Councillor Toomey
5. Congratulations to Harvard Law Review's first Muslim president, Hassaan Shahawy. Mayor Siddiqui
6. Wishing Shirley Sanford a Happy Retirement. Councillor Simmons
7. Resolution on the death of Thomas F. "Buddy" Gibbons, Sr. Councillor Toomey
8. Wishing Banku Ho a Happy Retirement. Councillor Simmons

9. Wishing George Downing a Happy Retirement. Councillor Simmons
10. Wishing Natalie Kostich a Swift Recovery. Councillor Simmons
11. Resolution on the death of Marie "Mary" Muolo. Councillor Toomey
12. Congratulating Prospect Hill Academy & Community Charter School of Cambridge. Councillor Nolan, Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Simmons
13. Resolution In Support of Rep. Katherine Clark's Letter to Governor. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Siddiqui

ORDERS

1. Policy Order re: Services for the Unhoused. Councillor Simmons, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor Mallon
2. That the City Manager and appropriate staff are requested to work with the local organizers of the Floral Heart Project-Cambridge, to place a Floral Heart Shaped wreath at an appropriation location on the lawn on City Hall on Mar 1, 2021, in honor and memory of those lost to the COVID-19 pandemic. Mayor Siddiqui
3. Policy Order for Dedication in Memory of Sabbatino Gagliardi. Councillor Simmons

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The Health & Environment Committee met on Oct 13, 2020 to conduct a public hearing to discuss amending the Tree Protection Ordinance based on the findings of the Urban Forest Master Plan Task Force.
2. The Neighborhood & Long-Term Planning; Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee held a public hearing on Wed, Nov 18, 2020 to discuss the Municipal Broadband Feasibility Study RFP.

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Mayor, Sumbul Siddiqui, communicating information from the School Committee.
2. A communication was received from Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui, transmitting questions for the COVID-19 Update.

HEARING SCHEDULE (via Zoom and TV)

Mon, Feb 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Feb 24

5:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the following ordinance amendments: (Sullivan Chamber)

1. That the City Council adopt a municipal ordinance to reduce or limit campaign donations from donors seeking to enter into a contract, seeking approval for a special permit or upzoning, seeking to acquire real estate from the city, or seeking financial assistance from the city. Calendar Item # 1 (POR 2020 #240) of Nov 2, 2020. Note: originally on 10/26/20 agenda, charter right exercised by Councillor Simmons).

2. REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE. The Cambridge City Council direct the City Manager to work with the City Solicitor's Office to draft a Home Rule Petition that would cap campaign contributions to any City Council candidate to \$200 per person, per year, per candidate and limit candidate loans to \$3,000 per election cycle. POR 2020 #253 of Nov 2, 2020.

Mon, Mar 1

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Mar 4

5:00pm The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss with neighborhood groups their successes and challenges and how the city can better support them, as well as ideas related to the Envision plan. (Zoom only)

Mon, Mar 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Mar 10

5:00pm The Ordinance Committee will meet to continue discussion on REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE. That the Cambridge City Council pass the Real Estate Transfer Fee Home Rule Petition. POR 2020 #174 of July 27, 2020. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 15

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 29

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 17

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 14

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 21

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 28

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Feb 22, 2021

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

VICE MAYOR MALLON

WHEREAS: In September 2015, a collection of City Departments and Community Based Organizations (under the auspices of the [Cambridge Continuum of Care](#)) launched [an initiative](#) to [take stock of what services](#) the [City of Cambridge engaged](#) in with regard to addressing the City's chronically unhoused population, what services exist in terms of helping transition these individuals into stable, permanent housing, and what hurdles stand in the way of reducing the City's unhoused population to zero; and

WHEREAS: In November 2015, the [Human Services & Veterans Committee held a hearing](#) to review the recommendations that stemmed from that three day charrette, and in August 2016, the Cambridge Continuum of Care released a comprehensive report to provide further recommendations to the City, which can be [read in full at this link](#); and

WHEREAS: That report noted that the root causes of the chronically unhoused were varied and complex, that there was no one singular solution to resolving the matter, that this was not the first serious effort the City had undertaken to address the chronically unhoused, and it surely would not be the last such effort; and

WHEREAS: As it has now been over a half a decade since that three-day charrette was convened, and as the challenges in adequately addressing the issues around the chronically unhoused in our community remain ever present, it would be wise to have a broad accounting of just what services the City has created and invested in to assist this community's chronically unhoused population; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council to provide an overview of the City's various programs and services that are designed to assist the City's chronically unhoused population and those in danger of becoming unhoused, and to report back on the metrics by which the City determines the effectiveness of these programs.

O-2 Feb 22, 2021

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

ORDERED: That the City Manager and appropriate staff are requested to work with the local organizers of [The Floral Heart Project](#) – Cambridge to place a Floral Heart Shaped wreath at an appropriation location on the lawn on City Hall on Mar 1, 2021, in honor and memory of those lost to the COVID-19 pandemic.

O-3 Feb 22, 2021

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Ellen Gagliardi for a street corner dedication in honor of her late father, Sabbatino "Sam" Gagliardi, in the vicinity of Walden Street and Concord Avenue; 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.