CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

- Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constables for the term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2006:
 - Salvador Carrero (With Power) John Kaptcianso (Without Power) V. Mario Stephen (Without Power)
- 2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as members of the Cambridge Peace Commission for a three year term to expire on November 1, 2008: Gail L. Epstein

Gail L. Epstein Ardeene Goodridge Ilse Heyman

- 3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-06, regarding a report on the legality of the banners in front of the Dunkin' Donuts at 2480 Massachusetts Avenue and at other location in the City. **TABLED Kelley**
- 4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-09, regarding a report on noise levels caused by ground-level heating system vents.

REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

- 5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$875 from the General Fund Women's Commission Travel and Training account to the General Fund Women's Commission Other Ordinary Maintenance account to provide funds for to publish and distribute the Report on the Status of Women and Girls in Cambridge.
- 6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$20,000 from Employee Benefits (insurance) Salary and Wages account to the General Fund Public Library Travel and Training account (judgment and damages) to cover medical and/or prescription reimbursements for library employees injured in the performance of their work duties.
- 7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-16, regarding a report on installing a pedestrian walk signal and traffic light at the crosswalk on Massachusetts Avenue near Church Street
- Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-15, regarding a report on the status of construction of both the No. Cambridge VFW and Trolley Square Affordable Housing projects. CHARTER RIGHT - Kelley
- Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-10, regarding a report on the MBTA's proposed Urban Ring Phase II. REFERRED TO HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION, TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEES FOR A JOINT MEETING
- 10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-13, regarding on whether resident permit parking can be added to Western Avenue and Blackstone Street.
- 11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-02, regarding a report on the need for additional assistance for disabled persons living in below-market rate units in Cambridge. REFERRED TO HOUSING COMMITTEE
- 12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 05-190, regarding a report on security issues of the nuclear reactor at MIT.

- 13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, the transfer of \$17,000 from Employee Benefits (insurance) Salary and Wages account to the General Fund Emergency Communications Travel and Training account (judgment and damages) to cover present and future medical services for employees injured during the performance of their work duties.
- 14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, the appropriation of various private donations to the Cambridge Council on Aging for \$4,509.88 to the Grant Fund of Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account to be used to provide additional food and nutrition services for seniors at the Cambridge Senior Centers.
- 15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance grant funded by the Department of Transition Assistance in the amount of \$9,919.00 to the Grant Fund of Human Service Programs Ordinary Maintenance account \$9,719.00 and to the Grant Fund of Human Service Programs Travel and Training account \$200.00 to be used for costs related to the Carey Men's Transitional Program operated by the Multi Service Center.
- 16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$50,000 in medallion equity revenues to the License Commission General Fund Other Ordinary Maintenance account to provide additional funding for the Accessible Cambridge Taxicabs (ACT) Management Program that manages and oversees all accessible vehicles in the City and coordinates and monitors services to seniors and persons with disabilities.
- 17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer in the General Fund of \$10,000 from the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Salary and Wages account to the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Travel and Training (Judgment and Damages) account to cover medical services and/or prescription reimbursement costs for personnel injured in performance of their duties.
- 18. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$40,000 in projected FY06 water revenues to the Water Fund Travel and Training (judgment and damages) account to cover current and anticipated medical services and/or prescription reimbursement costs for personnel injured in performance of their duties.
- Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the three Triple A ratings from the nation's major credit rating agencies.

February 27, 2006

To the Honorable, the City Council:

- I am pleased to inform you that the City of Cambridge continues in the rare status of being one of approximately nineteen cities in the United States with three Triple A ratings from the nation's three major credit rating agencies. This affirmation of the City's AAA bond rating is especially important as the City has begun to finance several large tax-supported capital projects and will continue to do so in the next few years.
- These ratings are in conjunction with the city's sale of \$67.5 million in bonds which took place on February 1, 2006. The true interest cost of the issue was 3.95%. This issue financed such capital projects as the West Cambridge Youth and Community Center, New Main Library, Sewer and Street Reconstruction Projects, Area 4 Park Improvements, Yerxa Road Underpass Project, City Hall and Other Building Improvements and Police Station Acquisition and Improvements.

I am enclosing the rating opinion of Fitch Ratings, Moody's

Investors Service, Standard & Poor's.

Listed below are highlights from each credit agency report.

Fitch Ratings

The 'AAA' credit rating is based on Cambridge's diversified economy characterized by its substantial and growing tax base, a sizable and stable employment base, exceptional financial management, low debt burden, and favorable economic indicators. The prominence of two of the city's largest employers and taxpayers, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and Harvard University, continues to attract substantial private research interests. Notably, recent payment-in-lieu-of-tax (PILOT) agreements entered into with the two entities should help provide the city with a level of revenue protection and predictability over the long term.

Steady assessed valuation (AV) growth continues; following the fiscal 2005 revaluation that yielded a strong AV growth of 11.0%, AV grew an additional 2.3% in fiscal 2006 to a substantial \$21.8 billion. The city prudently forecasts more modest AV gains in the multiyear financial plan. The strong growth in real estate values, as well as prudent financial management, afford Cambridge the opportunity to stay well within the state-imposed Proposition 2 ½ property tax levy limitations, boosting the city's excess property tax levy capacity for the 2006 budget to an ample \$65.1 million – the highest level recorded for a municipality in the Commonwealth. The Rating Outlook is stable.

The Strengths of the City include:

- * Well-diversified economy anchored by the stable presence of higher education, health care, bio-technology, and life science industries;
- * Exceptional financial management supported by consistently strong fiscal performance and long-term planning;
- * Low debt burden measured against real property valuations and rapid principal amortization; and
- * Favorable overall economic indicators.

Moody's Investors Service

- Moody's Investors Service has assigned a Aaa rating to the City of Cambridge's \$67.5 million General Obligation Bonds. At this time, Moody's has also affirmed the Aaa rating on the city's \$281 million in outstanding long-term general obligation debt, including this issue.
- Moody's assignment of its highest quality long-term rating incorporates: an exceptionally strong financial position supported by the City's seasoned and highly effective management team, a large and diverse tax base with significant development plans underway and a modest and rapidly-amortized debt profile supported by healthy enterprise systems and significant Commonwealth school building aid.
- Moody's expects that the City will continue to maintain a very strong financial position given prudent management strategy and policies implemented by a strong management team, steady revenue streams generated by its substantial and economically vibrant tax base, and a notable degree of flexibility to address future budgetary challenges.

Standard & Poor's

Standard and Poor's Rating Services assigned its 'AAA' rating, and stable outlook, to Cambridge, Massachusetts series 2006 GO bonds.

The rating reflects the City's:

- * Continued strong financial position;
- * Dynamic local economy, which is centered on its two major universities and the biotechnology industry, and continued citywide economic redevelopment;

- * High wealth and income factors, including a high market value per capita;
- * Strong and experienced management team that uses detailed modeling to forecast revenue and capital trends; and
- * Low debt burden and favorable capital plan.
- The stable outlook reflects the expectation that the City will continue to prudently manage its financial position, which it has significantly demonstrated by increasing reserve levels over the past five years. The City's economic and property tax base development is expected to continue, allowing it to maintain structural balance between revenues and expenditures while maintaining its tax levy flexibility.

Based on the above, the City Council can be justly proud of its sound fiscal policies.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy

City Manager

20. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-11, regarding a report on youth diabetes in Cambridge.

REFERRED TO HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

21. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the Final Landmark Designation Study Report for the Wiswall/Orne House at 107 Auburn Street.

CHARTER RIGHT

 Charter Right exercised by Vice Mayor Toomey on City Manager Item Number Eight of February 6, 2006 on a communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a request from Spaulding & Slye to name fourteen streets at North Point. TABLED - Toomey

ON THE TABLE

- 2. 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.
- 3. Placed on Table on the motion of Councillor Sullivan on Order Number Fourteen of February 6, 2006 regarding Rule 26 of the Temporary City Council Rules adopted on January 2, 2006 be amended as such that the Public Safety Committee be a committee comprised of five City Councillors. ADOPTED - Order #53
- 4. Placed on Table on the motion of Councillor Sullivan on Order Number Fifteen of February 6, 2006 regarding Rule 26 of the Temporary City Council Rules adopted on January 2, 2006 be amended as such that the Human Services Committee be a committee comprised of five City Councillors. ADOPTED -Order #53
- 5. Placed on Table on the motion of Councillor Sullivan on Order Number Sixteen of February 6, 2006 regarding Rule 29 of the Temporary City Council Rules adopted on January 2, 2006 be amended to read as follows: The Chair or Co-Chair of each committee shall be the first member(s) named to each committee. In the case of the resignation or inability to serve as a Chair or Co-Chair, another member of the committee shall be named as Chair or Co-Chair by the Mayor. ADOPTED - Order #53

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. 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.]

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

- An application was received from the Cambridge Cares About AIDS, requesting permission for a table to display materials in front of City Hall.
- 2. An application was received from Stacey Daniels, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 115 Coolidge Hill Road; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical, Public Works with the note that developer responsible for installation of curb cut and existing curb cut must be closed to meet city specs. Street light pole maybe in conflict with location of driveway apron. Developer must contact George Fernandes Electrical Department. No response has been received from the neighborhood association.
- 3. An application was received from James V. Gnerre, Jr., requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 9 Jay 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.
- 4. An application was received from the Grendel's Den, requesting permission for twelve tables and thirty-two chairs for restaurant seating at the premises of 89 Winthrop Street.
- 5. An application was received from Hoppy, Inc. d/b/a Daedalus Restaurant, 45 1/2 Mount Auburn Street, requesting additional interior capacity to ninety-eight occupants from sixty-six occupants and an exterior roof deck for seasonal outdoor seating for fifty occupants in Cap Area 1.
- An application was received from the Asgard, 350 Massachusetts Avenue, requesting permission for twenty-one tables and sixtytwo chairs for restaurant seating on Sidney Street.
- An application was received from Grace Lee Design, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 25 Mount Auburn Street.
- 8. An application was received from Grace Lee Design, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 84 Hamilton Street.
- An application was received from Grace Lee Design, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 60 Hamilton Street.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. A communication was received from Carl F. Barron, transmitting appreciation to the City Council for being so thoughtful in wishing him a Happy 90th Birthday.
- A communication was received from Peter Valentine, regarding geese.
- 3. A communication was received from Peter Valentine, regarding
- 4. A communication was received from Barbara Boudreau and family, transmitting thanks for the resolution extending sympathy on the passing of her husband Robert "Jake" Boudreau.
- A communication was received from Skip Schloming, regarding social and recreational impact of downsizing Little Fresh Pond beach area.
- A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding the City Council.
- 7. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding the City imitating Art.

RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Resolution on the death of David E. Cronin. Councillor Sullivan
- 2. Resolution on the death of John E. Brady. Councillor Sullivan
- 3. Resolution on the death of Deolinda (Soares) Costa. Councillor Sullivan

- Resolution on the death of Leslie Feeley-Brooks. Mayor Reeves, Councillor Sullivan
- Resolution on the death of Barbara A. (Powell) Good. Councillor Sullivan
- 6. Resolution on the death of Paul F. Igo. Councillor Sullivan
- 7. Resolution on the death of Mary "May" (Shine) Callanan. Councillor Sullivan
- 8. Resolution on the death of Mary T. (Muscatel) Benoit. Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio
- 9. Resolution on the death of Joseph L. "Oakie" Carson. Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Davis
- 10. Resolution on the death of Paul Devlin. Councillor Sullivan
- 11. Resolution on the death of William F. O'Neil, Jr. Councillor Sullivan
- 12. Resolution on the death of George E. Tremblay. Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio
- 13. Resolution on the death of Alan Shalleck. Councillor Sullivan
- 14. Resolution on the death of Maria Rosa (Rodrigues) Pacheco. Vice Mayor Toomey
- Gratitude to the North Cambridge Crime Task Force for fifteen years of dedication and commitment to the North Cambridge community. Councillor Galluccio
- Happy 99th Birthday wishes to Sadie Lynch. Councillor Galluccio
- 17. Resolution on the death of Michael R. Gannon. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Sullivan
- Resolution on the death of Norman "Buster" Bradway.
 Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Toomey, Mayor Reeves
- 19. Resolution on the death of Sylvia C. (Ponte) Fiumara. Councillor Sullivan
- 20. Retirement of Annette Terzian from the Cable TV Department. Mayor Reeves
- 21. Resolution on the death of Genevieve Dziegiel Dixon. Councillor Simmons
- 22. Resolution on the death of Melania (Baratta) Marasi. Councillor Sullivan
- 23. Resolution on the death of James W. Flett. Councillor Sullivan
- 24. Resolution on the death of Hugh Cunningham Curran. Councillor Sullivan
- 25. Resolution on the death of Joseph R. Toomey Jr. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Sullivan
- 26. Resolution on the death of Helena A. (Callahan) Younker. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Sullivan
- 27. Resolution on the death of Aloysius "Al" Kajunski. Vice Mayor Toomey
- 28. Speedy recovery wishes to former Governor Edward King. Councillor Sullivan
- 29. Retirement of Marion Galvin from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Reeves
- 30. Congratulations to Claire Naughton on her election to the Massachusetts State Legislature. Councillor Simmons WITHDRAWN (Ginny Coppola defeated Claire Naughton 55-45% in the 1st Bristol District: Foxboro, Mansfield, Norton)
- 31. Congratulations to Denise Provost on her election to the Massachusetts State Legislature. Councillor Simmons
- 32. Resolution on the death of Bridget B. (Rinaldi) D'Aveta. Councillor Sullivan
- 33. Resolution on the death of George McDermott. Councillor Sullivan
- 34. Resolution on the death of Mario Matos. Vice Mayor Toomey
- 35. Retirement of Mark Yeskutis from the Department of Public

- Works. Mayor Reeves
- 36. Retirement of Frederick Cabral from the Department of Public Works. Mayor Reeves
- 37. Resolution on the death of Richard Thorpe. Councillor Simmons
- 38. Congratulations to the Benjamin Banneker Charter Public School on its 10th Anniversary. Councillor Sullivan
- 39. Congratulations to Jasmyne Cannick on being selected as the Keynote Speaker for the Bayard Rustin Breakfast which will be held on Saturday, April 22, 2006 at 10:00am at the JFK Library and Museum in Boston. Councillor Simmons
- 40. Congratulations to the honorees of the Friends of the Community Learning Center and extend best wishes for success for their new opportunity entitled "Opportunities Fund" Transforming Lives through Adult Education. Councillor Sullivan
- Congratulations to Michelle and Eric Boecher on the birth of their son, William Nicholas Boecher, on January 9, 2006.
 Councillor Sullivan
- 42. Congratulations to Jen and Jon Lenicheck on the birth of their son, Harry, on February 2, 2006. Councillor Sullivan
- Resolution on the death of Paul F. Mahoney, Sr. Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio, Vice Mayor Toomey, Mayor Reeves, Councillor Davis
- 44. Resolution on the death of Marie F. LaRosa. Councillor Sullivan
- Resolution on the death of Mitchell Babajtis. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Sullivan
- 46. Resolution on the death of Charles S. "Chuck" Tierney. Vice Mayor Toomey
- 47. Resolution on the death of Bridget (O'Donnell) Flaherty. Vice Mayor Toomey
- 48. Resolution on the death of Norma M. Ciccarelli. Councillor Sullivan
- Welcome to Petsi's Bakery to Putnam Avenue in Cambridge. Councillor Davis
- Resolution on the death of Genevieve Douyotas. Vice Mayor Toomey
- Resolution on the death of Tina Marie Spear. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Sullivan
- 52. Resolution on the death of Salvatore A. "Sar" Feroleto. Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio, Vice Mayor Toomey
- Resolution on the death of Thomas J. Scalese. Councillor Sullivan
- Resolution on the death of George R. "Bucky" Senn Jr. Councillor Sullivan
- Resolution on the death of Ann C. (Cadigan) Flynn. Councillor Sullivan
- 56. Resolution on the death of Sister Gertrude Clear, C.S.J. Councillor Sullivan
- Resolution on the death of John Herman Randall III. Councillor Sullivan
- Resolution on the death of Charlene P. Green. Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Decker
- Resolution on the death of Maria deJesus (Saraiva) Sequeira.
 Vice Mayor Toomey
- 60. Resolution on the death of James Francis Sugrue. Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan
- 61. Resolution on the death of Marguerite E. LeBlanc. Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Toomey
- 62. Happy 100th Birthday wishes to Elisa Moniz deOliveira da Silva Camara. Vice Mayor Toomey
- 63. Well wishes to Sue Williamson. Councillor Davis

- 64. Best wishes to Alison Devaney and Gregory Serra on their upcoming marriage. Councillor Sullivan
- 65. Congratulations to Patricia Ann Dwyer and Ryan Matthew Epps on their upcoming marriage. Councillor Sullivan
- 66. Congratulations to Sergeant Kathy Murphy for her excellent and effective police work. Councillor Davis
- 67. Appreciation to Dean R. Bruce Donoff, Harvard School of Dental Medicine, for his collaboration to provide an invaluable contribution to the dental health of Cambridge children. Councillor Davis
- 68. Congratulations to Peter Roth, President of New Atlantic Development on the occasion of being honored by the New Communities Services, Inc. at their Annual Founders' Fund Celebration on April 27, 2006. Councillor Davis
- Resolution on the death of Private First Class Javier Chavez Jr. Councillor Decker
- Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Matthew Barnes.
 Councillor Decker
- 71. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Sean Cardelli. Councillor Decker
- 72. Resolution on the death of Corporal Orville Gerena. Councillor Decker
- 73. Resolution on the death of Specialist Allen Koskesh Jr. Councillor Decker
- 74. Resolution on the death of Specialist Anthony Owens. Councillor Decker
- 75. Resolution on the death of Specialist Roberto Salazar. Councillor Decker
- Resolution on the death of Corporal Brandon Schuck.
 Councillor Decker
- 77. Resolution on the death of Corporal Ross Smith. Councillor Decker
- 78. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Jacob Spann. Councillor Decker
- Resolution on the death of Private First Class Caesar Viglienzone. Councillor Decker
- Resolution on the death of Corporal Rusty Washam. Councillor Decker
- 81. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Jeremiah Boehmer. Councillor Decker
- 82. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal David Parr. Councillor Decker
- 83. Resolution on the death of Specialist Jesse Zamora. Councillor Decker
- 84. Resolution on the death of First Lieutenant Garrison Avery. Councillor Decker
- 85. Resolution on the death of Specialist William Hayes III. Councillor Decker
- 86. Resolution on the death of Corporal Andrew Kemple. Councillor Decker
- 87. Resolution on the death of Specialist Sergio Saez. Councillor Decker
- 88. Resolution on the death of Specialist Marlon Bustamante. Councillor Decker
- 89. Resolution on the death of Petty Officer 3rd Class Nicholas Wilson. Councillor Decker
- 90. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Scott Messer. Councillor Decker
- 91. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Michael Probst. Councillor Decker
- 92. Resolution on the death of Specialist Felipe Villareal.

- Councillor Decker
- 93. Resolution on the death of Staff Sergeant Christopher Morningstar. Councillor Decker
- Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Steven Phillips.
 Councillor Decker
- Resolution on the death of Specialist Patrick Herried. Councillor Decker
- 96. Resolution on the death of 1st Lieutenant Simon Cox Jr. Councillor Decker
- 97. Resolution on the death of Sergeant 1st Class Lance Cornett. Councillor Decker
- 98. Resolution on the death of Specialist Walter Howard II. Councillor Decker
- Resolution on the death of Sergeant 1st Class Amos Edwards Jr.
 Councillor Decker
- 100. Resolution on the death of Captain Anthony Garcia. Councillor Decker
- 101. Urge all residents to be cognizant of the seventh annual North Cambridge All Arts Open Studios on April 29-30, 2006. Councillor Sullivan
- 102. Resolution on the death of Paul Gigante. Councillor Sullivan
- 103. Resolution on the death of Radm Alfred P. Manning. Councillor Sullivan
- 104. Resolution on the death of Dorothy M. (Boucher) Sacca. Councillor Sullivan
- 105. Resolution on the death of Adam Palaza. Councillor Sullivan
- 106. Resolution on the death of John W. Hill, Jr. Councillor Sullivan
- 107. Resolution on the death of Constance C. (Boyle) Carvello. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Sullivan
- 108. Congratulations to His Majesty King Bhumibol of Thailand on the celebration of the 60th year of the accession to the throne. Councillor Sullivan
- 109. Happy 80th Birthday wishes to His Majesty King Bhumibol of Thailand. Councillor Sullivan
- 110. Welcome to Reb Mimi Feigelson to Cambridge where she will be a scholar-in-residence at Temple Beth Shalom the weekend of March 10-12, 2006. Councillor Davis
- 111. Thanks to Sarah Zimmerman for her work on behalf of the citizens of Cambridge as a Preservation Planner at the Cambridge Historical Commission and best wishes in her new position. Councillor Davis
- 112. Resolution on the death of Rupert Margetson Jr. Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan
- 113. Resolution on the death of Sister Elizabeth Lawless. Councillor Sullivan
- 114. Resolution on the death of Harry Hintlian. Councillor Sullivan
- Happy Birthday wishes to Walter J. Sullivan. Councillor Sullivan
- 116. Thanks to Harvard President Lawrence Summers for his service to the Cambridge community and wish him well in his future endeavors. Councillor Sullivan
- 117. Congratulations to the Cambridge School Volunteers and their honorees, Henri Termeer and Mary Samp, as they celebrate their Fortieth Anniversary on April 25, 2006 at 6:00pm. Vice Mayor Toomey
- 118. Congratulations to Daniel and Julie Flaherty on the birth of their son Daniel T. Flaherty on February 20, 2006. Councillor Sullivan
- 119. Get well wishes to Edward Dever. Councillor Sullivan
- 120. Proclaim May 1, 2006 as Global Love Day in Cambridge. Mayor Reeves

- 121. Proclaim April 20, 2006 as The Inter-American Day of Culture in Cambridge. Mayor Reeves
- 122. Congratulations to Leon Wilson on being honored by the Henry Buckner School for his commitment to all children. Mayor Reeves
- 123. Congratulations to Dr. Henrietta S. Evans Attles on being honored with a lecture and luncheon on the occasion of the 32nd Anniversary of the Henry Buckner School. Mayor Reeves
- 124. Congratulations to Archbishop Sean O'Malley on his elevation to Cardinal at the Vatican on March 24, 2006. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Sullivan
- 125. Congratulations to the Massachusetts Alliance of Portuguese Speakers on their 13th Annual Community Awards Gala and to the honorees of these awards. Councillor Sullivan
- 126. Resolution on the death of Allan Forbes Jr. Councillor Sullivan
- 127. Resolution on the death of Sister Enrico Rea, C.S.J. Councillor Sullivan
- 128. Welcome to Judge Julian Houston, Associtate Justice of Middlesex Superior Court, who will present his recent novel New Boy on March 16, 2006 at 7:30pm at the Central Square Library. Councillor Sullivan
- 129. Happy 85th Birthday to Edward J. Sullivan. Councillor Sullivan
- 130. Resolution on the death of Mildred (Crane) O'Connor. Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio
- 131. Resolution on the death of Mary F. (Gordon) Stanton. Councillor Sullivan
- 132. Congratulations to Matignon High School on the occasion of their Jesuit endorsement. Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Toomey
- 133. Urge all Cambridge youth ages 14-19 and their parents to be cognizant of the kick-off meeting on Wednesday, March 1, 2006 at 7:00pm at the Area Youth Center for a new enrichment program that offers eight-week classes in subjects such as engineering, graphic design, dance and videography. Councillor Sullivan
- 134. Congratulations to the East End House School Age Program on receiving accreditation from the National AfterSchool Association. Councillor Sullivan
- 135. Retirement of Thomas Brown from the Cambridge Public Library. Mayor Reeves
- 136. Congratulations to Anne Leduc on her election as a member of the Cambridge Retirement Board. Councillor Sullivan
- 137. Thanks to Edward J. Sullivan for his dedication and service to the people of Cambridge, Middlesex County, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the United States. Councillor Sullivan
- 138. Support of Cambridge Local First and encourage all businesses to participate in a discussion on this organization which will take place on March 1, 2006 at 7:00pm at Cambridge Savings Bank, 14 JFK Street. Councillor Sullivan
- 139. Appreciation to Reverend Father Miguel Sigueira Almeida, SJ for his dedication and spiritual leadership to Cambridge residents. Mayor Reeves
- 140. Congratulations to Sister Cities International on their 50th Anniversary. Councillor Sullivan
- 141. Support for Cambridge Cares About AIDS and their informative community events for the week of March 12 through 18, 2006, National LGBT Health Awareness Week. Councillor Simmons

ORDERS

 That the City Manager is requested to contact MIT to request that MIT improve the appearance of the construction site at the Bradford Cafe, possibly partnering with the Arts Council or other suitable entity to make an attractive, creative or informational display at this location. Councillor Davis

- 2. That the City Manager is requested to move forward with plans to develop the Mount Auburn VFW, Youth Center and Community Art Center utilizing the so called "Scheme C" as proposed by Cambridge Seven Associates and to schedule a community meeting to discuss the proposal. Councillor Murphy
- 3. Dedication of the Hoyt Field Tennis Court in honor of Joseph Carson. Councillor Davis
- 4. That the City Council go on record dedicating a site in the vicinity of Columbia Park in memory of Robert Scott. Councillor
- 5. That the City Manager is requested to reappoint the subcommittee to address the needs of Cambridge Housing Authority state-funded housing units and to consider adding a position for a CEOC representative. Councillor Galluccio
- 6. That the City Manager is requested to provide the City Council with an update on the appointment of a city-wide youth sports commission. Councillor Galluccio
- 7. That the City Manager is requested to charge the Community Development Department with assisting with urban design leading to the revitalization of the "LOMA (lower Massachusetts Avenue between Central Square and Memorial Drive) District." Councillor Davis
- 8. That the City Council go on record supporting the efforts of the MIT Museum to create a Science Festival to celebrate the resources and accomplishments of Cambridge. Councillor Davis, Mayor Reeves and Vice Mayor Toomey
- 9. That the City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, March 13, 2006 be and hereby is cancelled so that the members of the City Council can attend the National League of Cities Conference in Washington, D.C. from March 10-15, 2005. Mayor Reeves
- 10. That the City Manager is instructed to request the Assistant City Manager for Community Development and the Affordable Housing Trust to explore the possibility of purchasing the (Hedin) property at 620 Cambridge Street with the view in mind of providing affordable housing for the residents of Cambridge and community space for the seniors of the East Cambridge area. Vice Mayor Toomey
- 11. That a joint meeting between the City Council and the School Committee be scheduled by the Chair of the Finance Committee in March. Councillor Davis, Councillor Murphy, Councillor Kelley and Councillor Simmons
- 12. That the City Manager is requested to contact the MBTA and request that there be no service reduction for the Route 78 bus. Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio and Councillor Davis
- 13. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to consider making Howard Street a one way. Councillor Sullivan and Councillor Davis
- 14. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner to increase the bike patrols in the city with particular attention to Hoyt Field. Councillor Sullivan
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

 A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marjorie C. Decker, Chair of the Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee, for a meeting held on February 10, 2006

- for the purpose of discussing the Global Community Initiatives (GCI).
- 2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Michael A. Sullivan and Vice Mayor Timothy J. Toomey, Co-Chairs of the Government Operations and Rules Committee, for a meeting held on February 22, 2006 for the purpose of a public hearing on the performance and evaluation of the City Manager relative to the issue of renewal of the employment contract of the City Manager.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Feb 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 7

5:30pm The Cable TV, Telecommunications and Public Utilities Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the city's targeted emission reduction by 2010 and the renewable energy goals. (Ackermann Room)

Wed, Mar 8

- 8:30am The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee will conduct a public meeting to review what was previously done by the committee and to set an agenda for the committee. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 11:00am The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a public meeting to received an update on the city's actions with regard to affirmative action. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Mar 15

- 5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the petition of the Neighbors and Abutters of Blessed Sacrament to amend the Zoning Ordinances in Section 5.28 Special Dimensional Standards Applicable to Dwellings, Article 5.28.27 Criteria for Approval of a Special Permit and Article 6.12 (d). This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)
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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)

Wed, May 3

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss FY07 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 9

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss FY07 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 11

6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss FY07 School Department Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 15

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 18

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss FY07 City Budget. (IF NECESSARY) (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 22

4:00pm 2006 Scholarship Award Ceremony (Sullivan Chamber) 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

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5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to contact MIT to request that MIT improve the appearance of the construction site at the Bradford Cafe, possibly partnering with the Arts Council or other suitable entity to make an attractive, creative or informational display at this location.

O-2 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR MURPHY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to move forward with plans to develop the Mount Auburn VFW, Youth Center and Community Art Center utilizing the so called "Scheme C" as proposed by Cambridge Seven Associates and to schedule a community meeting to discuss the proposal.

O-3 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record dedicating the tennis court at Hoyt Field in honor of Joseph Carson; and be it further

ORDERED: That a suitable commemorative dedication for Joseph Carson be held at the Hoyt Field Tennis Court; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council arrange with the family for a dedication ceremony and with the Department of Public Works for a sign.

O-4 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record dedicating a site in the vicinity of Columbia Park in memory of Robert Scott; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council arrange a suitable dedication ceremony, after consultation with the family, and arrange for a sign to be prepared by the Department of Public Works.

O-5 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to reappoint the subcommittee to address the needs of Cambridge Housing Authority state-funded housing units and to consider adding a position for a CEOC representative.

O-6 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide the City Council with an update on the appointment of a

city-wide youth sports commission.

O-7 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The Lafayette Square project will create new opportunities to enhance the area east of Central Square on Massachusetts Avenue; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to charge the Community Development Department with assisting with urban design leading to the revitalization of the "LOMA (lower Massachusetts Avenue between Central Square and Memorial Drive) District."

O-8 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

MAYOR REEVES

VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Other cities around the world have created science festivals to celebrate their cities' accomplishments; now therefore he it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record supporting the efforts of the MIT Museum to create a Science Festival to celebrate the resources and accomplishments of Cambridge.

O-9 February 27, 2006

MAYOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, March 13, 2006 be and hereby is cancelled so that the members of the City Council can attend the National League of Cities Conference in Washington, D.C. from March 10-15, 2005.

O-10 February 27, 2006

VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of this City Council that the (Hedin) property located at 620 Cambridge Street is for sale; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is instructed to request the Assistant City Manager for Community Development and the Affordable Housing Trust to explore the possibility of purchasing this property with the view in mind of providing affordable housing for the residents of Cambridge and community space for the seniors of the East Cambridge area.

O-11 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

COUNCILLOR MURPHY

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That a joint meeting between the City Council and the School Committee be scheduled by the Chair of the Finance Committee in March; and be it further

ORDERED: That this matter be referred to the Finance Committee.

O-12 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to contact the MBTA and request that there be no service reduction for the Route 78 bus.

O-13 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

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ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to consider making Howard Street a one way.

O-14 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner to increase the bike patrols

in the city with particular attention to Hoyt Field.

O-15 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works and the Assistant City Manager for Community Development to look at the design and rules of operation of Hoyt Field to insure that public safety and maintenance is maximized.

O-16 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to contact the owners of the property contiguous to Pacific Street Park, possibly in conjunction with the Trust for Public Lands, with the purpose of creating a park that extends from Sidney Street to Brookline Street.

O-17 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

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O-18 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

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O-19 February 27, 2006

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O-20 February 27, 2006 AMENDED

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the City Solicitor to draft a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to permit additional public comment on public projects that, after the first presentation and hearing before the Planning Board, have been significantly altered; and be it further ORDERED: That the City Solicitor be directed to draft amendments to the relevant ordinances and with regulations governing the Conservation Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals to provide the same additional opportunity for comment on significant alterations on projects before these bodies.

O-21 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works to rectify the recurring problem of a strong sewer smell on Brookline Street near Auburn Court.

O-22 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to inspect the intersection of Porter Street and Massachusetts Avenue for vehicular safety; vehicular visibility is blocked due to parked cars.

O-23 February 27, 2006

MAYOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department with the view in mind to increase parking around Neville Place.

O-24 February 27, 2006

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ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Human Services to explore the potential of having community advisory boards in place for each youth center across the City in order to better guide programming decisions at the City's youth centers.

O-25 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to update the City Council on the relationship between the City and FMC in their operation of the Simoni Ice Rink; and be it further

ORDERED: That said update shall include issues relative to conditions, hours of operation, access to skate time, concession revenues and all other issues relevant to Cambridge Youth Hockey and other community skating groups.

O-26 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with a summary of any and all reductions in Cambridge service proposed by the MBTA.

O-27 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of the Water Department to report back to the City Council on how the Water Department has responded to privacy concerns raised by residents with respect to surveillance of the new water meters.

O-28 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The decorative rail and post fence along Hastings Square at Chestnut Street and Brookline Street prevent clear siting at the intersection for drivers; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the appropriate departments in charge of traffic calming for Brookline Street to investigate and address the problem that the fence creates either by removing part of the fence or re-siting part of the fence.

O-29 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to notify the Bank of America that their ATM machine in Central Square, next to Dunkin Donuts, is poorly maintained, has substantial graffiti inside and does not meet community standards; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to refer this issue to the Police Commissioner and the Commissioner of Inspectional Services.

O-30 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works to review the possibility of the installation of newsbox structures that can hold multiple publications (so-called "condo newsboxes") especially in newly renovated space such as Porter Square.

O-31 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record in support of legislation which is before the House Ways and Means Committee for a hearing on March 1, 2006 which would return 100% of the Lottery to Cities and Towns; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk is requested to forward a copy of this resolution to the Massachusetts Legislative delegation.

O-32 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City departments to meet with the Vineyard Community at 170 Rindge Avenue to discuss issues such as parking and landscaping plans and city regulations as they relate to development and property maintenance.

O-33 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

WHEREAS: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Human Services and all other appropriate departments to convene a meeting of teens and young adults from various neighborhoods in Cambridge to address recent youth violence in Cambridge.

O-34 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Executive Director of the Cambridge Housing Authority relative to the reduction of Building Access Monitors hours of operation; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council within one month.

O-35 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record in support of Teamsters Local 122 who are protesting the contract presented by the Cambridge Housing Authority to the membership; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Cambridge Housing Authority and Teamsters Local 122 on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-36 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the population study data from the MAPC on population changes in Cambridge for the year 2030 be referred to the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee.

O-37 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council on whether there is funding for Girls Ice Hockey.

O-38 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge's Zoning Ordinance is complex; and

WHEREAS: Residents of Cambridge cannot be expected to master the minute technicalities of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS: Residents of Cambridge have a reasonable expectation that loopholes on the Zoning Ordinance should not allow unreasonably dense redevelopment of existing parcels; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the City Solicitor to draft an amendment to the Cambridge

Zoning Ordinance for City Council consideration to limit use conversion allowances to projects in which at least 65% of the original structure is to remain intact.

O-39 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: Cambridge is a City that is proud of its diverse population; and

WHEREAS: Issues of race and class continue to be problematic in Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Discussing issues of race and class can be a very painful and difficult thing to do productively; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council establish a working committee to discuss issues of race and class in Cambridge with the goal of allowing more productive public discussions on these issues; and be it further

ORDERED: That this matter be referred to the Civic Unity Committee.

O-40 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: Cambridge's decision-making bodies such as the Board of Zoning Appeal, the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission make many important decisions regarding the future of Cambridge

WHEREAS: These decisions are not readily available to the general public; and

WHEREAS: An informed citizenry is better able to participate in public dialogue regarding their City; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City departments to make all final decisions made by the City's decision-making bodies readily available on the City's website.

O-41 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: Cambridge is a busy City with a large number of motorists, pedestrians and cyclists using its streets; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge's streets can be intimidating, dangerous and even deadly for their users; and

WHEREAS: A vibrant and consistent traffic enforcement plan would make Cambridge's streets safer for all users; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City departments to provide the City Council with copies of the City's comprehensive traffic enforcement plan; and be it further

ORDERED: That if such a plan does not exist, that the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City departments to develop such a comprehensive traffic enforcement plan to provide copies of the plan to the City Council.

O-42 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: Cambridge is a dense City with a mixture of residential, commercial and retail uses in close proximity to each other; and

WHEREAS: Noise pollution can be both unpleasant and unhealthy for the residents of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Newly installed machinery often results in higher levels of background noise to the detriment of neighbors; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the City Solicitor to draft an amendment to the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance to incorporate a Noise Affidavit requiring the affirmative statement of the proponent that installed equipment will not violate either the relevant Municipal Noise Control Ordinance or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts noise control

standards.

O-43 February 27, 2006 AMENDED

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City departments as well as the Department of Conservation and Recreation to develop an update on the status of ongoing work at Magazine Beach; 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-44 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the recent violence in North Cambridge.

O-45 February 27, 2006

VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Complaints have been received that the new parking meters are not recording money put into the meters; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to investigate if the new parking meters are in working order and whether the new quarters are registering in the meters.

O-46 February 27, 2006

MAYOR REEVES

WHEREAS: A recent New York Times article by Jane Gross profiled a Beacon Hill, Boston pilot program entitled "Beacon Hill Village"; and

WHEREAS: This innovative non-profit organization was created by and for local residents determined to grow old in familiar surroundings; and

WHEREAS: There are 340 members ages 52 to 98 and annual fees of \$440.00 (single), \$780.00 (household); now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested confer with the Assistant City Manager for Human Services and the Council on Aging to review this program to see if it could be implemented in Cambridge to benefit Cambridge citizens.

O-47 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to analyze the feasibility of installing a wind turbine at Danehy Park; and be it further

ORDERED: That this order and the response be referred to the Cable TV. Telecommunications and Public Utilities Committee.

O-48 February 27, 2006

VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to consider illuminating the resident parking stickers due to the fact that with tinted windshields the stickers are not visible and tickets are being issued in error; 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-49 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: On February 23, 2006 a joint subcritical nuclear test was conducted in Nevada by the United States and the United Kingdom; and

WHEREAS: During these tense times this testing sets a double standard; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record in protest of this subcritical nuclear testing; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a copy of this resolution to President Bush and Prime Minister Blair on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-50 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: Cambridge is a place where many neighborhood organizations flourish; and

WHEREAS: The goals of the City Council include preserving neighborhoods and fostering community; and

WHEREAS: There are very few official neighborhood meeting places; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the entire City Council and the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee on the following:

*Availability of community space;

*The dates and times of availability:

*Procedures and permissions required; and

*The price charged for the space.

O-51 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

MAYOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to secure input from the Riverside Neighborhood Association and the Western Avenue Baptist Church regarding the proposed resident permit parking on Blackstone Street and Western Avenue prior to implementation.

O-52 February 27, 2006

COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department on closing Winthrop Street on the afternoon of March 17, 2006 due to increased pedestrian activity in the area.

O-53 February 27, 2006

VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the Temporary Rules of the City Council adopted on January 2, 2006 and amended on February 27, 2006 be and hereby is adopted as the Permanent Rules of the City Council for 2006-2007.

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