CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

- 1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 04-13, regarding a report on the elimination of golf leagues at the Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neil Golf Course.
- 2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 04-06, regarding a report on developing guidelines, targets, monitoring and reporting for green purchases including paper, office products, lighting and toner fixtures.
- 3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 04-05, regarding a report on the status of the new Massachusetts Turnpike interchange from Harvard's Allston property.
- 4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 04-03, regarding a report on update to meeting held on traffic/pedestrian issues at Burns Apartments, 2050 Massachusetts Avenue and Miller River Apartments.
- Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-138, regarding a report on traffic calming efforts for Upland Road.
- 6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 03-141 and 03-142, regarding a report on safety concerns around the Fayerweather Street School.
- 7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the reappointment of Darleen Bonislawski, 23 Regent Street, Cambridge, as an Election Commissioner for a term of four years, effective April 1, 2004, as recommended by the Cambridge Democratic City Committee,
- 8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the approval of the License Commission of an application for a Jitney License Route Amendment by M & L Transit.
- 9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$31,500 in projected FY04 surplus Public Works revenues to the General Fund Other Ordinary Maintenance account to provide funds to develop a master plan for the Cambridge Cemetery.
- 10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 04-14, regarding a report on the history of the Cambridge Cemetery, its current status and a plan for how the City can provide municipal cemetery services for the 21st Century and beyond.
- 11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 04-10, regarding a report on recent break-ins around the Yerxa Road area.
- 12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a request that the City Council

authorize the granting of an easement of City-owned property to Harvard University located under Hingham Street adjacent to and between two abutting parcels of land owned by Harvard and adjacent to Memorial Drive.

ON THE TABLE

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-137 of December 22, 2003, regarding a report on the number of investment managers for the pension fund with the list to reflect the number of women-owned and minority-owned investment managers.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

- 1. An application was received from Joseph Santackas, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 86 & 88 Plymouth Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. No Neighborhood Association for that area.
- 2. An application was received from Vision Hair Braiding, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign at the premises numbered 614 Massachusetts Avenue.
- 3. An application was received from 7-Eleven, Inc., requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 589 Massachusetts Avenue. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development Department and abutters.
- 4. An application was received from Cambridge Arts Council, requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue at Norfolk and Pearl Streets.
- 5. An application was received from Ericia Augustine, requesting permission for a display of merchandise at Rindge Avenue across from the Fresh Pond Apartments.
- 6. An application was received from Total Image, requesting permission for two sandwich board signs at the premises numbered 1760C Massachusetts Avenue.
- 7. An application was received from Harvard Square Shiatsu, requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 12 Arrow Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development Department and abutters.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. A communication was received from the Walcott Family, transmitting appreciation for your expression of concern for the loss of their sister Grace I. Walcott Haynes.
- 2. A communication was received from Freddie Miceli, transmitting thanks for helping him celebrate his 90th Birthday.
- 3. A communication was received from Councillor Kenneth Reeves, transmitting thanks for the expression of sympathy on behalf of his father George L. Reeves.

- A communication was received from the family of Mary C. "DeDe" Albano, transmitting deep appreciation for your kind expression of sympathy.
- 5. A communication was received from Reverend Michaele Moore and family, transmitting thanks for the expression of sympathy on behalf of their father.
- 6. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding police power.
- 7. A communication was received from Sara Mae Berman, transmitting thanks for the courtesy extending her extra time to speak during public comment regarding the library addition on February 23, 2004 City Council Meeting.
- 8. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding the Library Design Advisory Committee.
- A communication was received from Felton Earls, transmitting appreciation for the resolution adopted by the City Council on his work on community influences on the well being of youth.

RESOLUTIONS

- Resolution on the death of Anthony Annino, Jr. Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Toomey
- Resolution on the death of Anthony Pellegrini. Mayor Sullivan
- 3. Resolution on the death of Virginia M. Gurry. Mayor Sullivan
- 4. March 28, 2004 proclaimed as Greek Independence Day in Cambridge. Mayor Sullivan
- 5. Get well wishes extended to Jean E. McGrath. Mayor Sullivan
- Resolution on the death of Thomas J. Culhane. Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio
- 7. Resolution on the death of Nora A. Gage. Mayor Sullivan
- 8. Resolution on the death of Dr. Morris Gorfine. Mayor Sullivan
- 9. Congratulations to the newly elected officers of the Charles River Yacht Club on their 70th Anniversary. Mayor Sullivan
- 10. Congratulations to Tige and Elizabeth Savage on the birth of their second son. Mayor Sullivan
- Congratulations to Tom O'Donnell, Vice President of Administrative and Clinical Services at the Mount Auburn Hospital. Mayor Sullivan
- 12. Resolution on the death of Rita P. Costigan. Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Maher
- 13. Resolution on the death of Manual M. Pereira. Councillor Galluccio
- 14. Congratulations to Homeowners Rehab Inc. and Goody, Clancy and Associates on the occasion of Mount Auburn Park being honored by the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C. in a new exhibit entitled "Affordable Housing: Designing an American Asset." Councillor Murphy

- 15. Congratulations to the Cambridge Housing Authority on its newly-published report on its activities from the mid-1990's to the present. Councillor Reeves
- 16. Support for the charitable event to benefit the Mario Carreiro Fund to be held on Sunday, April 25, 2004, from 3:00pm to 8:00pm at St. Anthony's Church Hall in Cambridge. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Sullivan
- 17. Congratulations to Sterling Properties on the opening of its new offices at 1669 Massachusetts Avenue. Councillor Maher, Mayor Sullivan
- 18. David Yogel commended for his heroism in rescuing two twelve-year old boys from a fire in his home and best wishes for his speedy recovery from the serious burns he received in the rescue. Councillor Davis, Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Toomey
- 19. Get well wishes to Joseph Gallagher. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Sullivan
- Resolution on the retirement of Dan Wuenschel of the Cambridge Housing Authority. Councillor Murphy, Councillor Reeves
- 21. A welcome extended to the Congressional Black Caucus to Harvard Law School. Councillor Reeves
- 22. Resolution on the death of Jerohme S. Crichlow. Councillor Reeves, Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Davis, Mayor Sullivan
- 23. Regrets on the departure of Reverend and Mrs. Highley Barzola as they embrace new opportunities in Arizona. Councillor Reeves
- 24. Resolution on the death of Georgette Slayman-Tetteh.
 Councillor Reeves
- 25. Congratulations to Carolyn Thompson for being the recipient of the Forrest L. Knapp Ecumenical Award. Councillor Davis
- 26. Resolution on the death of Helen L. Drohan. Mayor Sullivan
- 27. Resolution on the death of James F. Nestor. Mayor Sullivan
- 28. Resolution on the death of John V. Parnell. Mayor Sullivan
- 29. Resolution on the death of Rita W. Ritterbush. Mayor Sullivan
- 30. Resolution on the death of William R. Cusick. Mayor Sullivan
- 31. Support for the 24th Annual Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival to be held on June 13, 2004 from 12:00 to 5:00pm. Mayor Sullivan
- 32. Congratulations to the Cambridge-Yereven Sister City Association on being awarded a Sustainable Development Grant. Councillor Davis
- 33. Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Joen Greenwood. Councillor Davis
- 34. Congratulations to Joie de Vivre on its 20th Anniversary. Councillor Davis

- 35. Congratulations to Karishma Khalifa on placing second at the Massachusetts State Pin Competition. Mayor Sullivan
- 36. Congratulations to the Cambridge Police Officers on receiving Certificates of Appreciation from the Recording Industry Association of American for their efforts in closing business in Central Square for selling and making illegal copies of movies and music disks. Mayor Sullivan
- 37. Congratulations to Dr. Jonathan David Farley for being named Harvard Foundation's 2004 Scientist of the Year at a award ceremony on Friday, March 19, 2004 in the Pforzheimer House Hastings Room on the Campus of Harvard University and the City Council proclaims that day as Dr. Jonathan David Farley Day. Mayor Sullivan
- 38. Congratulations to Senate President Robert E.

 Travaglini on winning the eighth Annual Peter Medoff
 Award and thank him for his continued commitment to
 finding cures for HIV and AIDS. Mayor Sullivan
- 39. Thanks to Jeanette Duncan for her many years of dedicated service to the City of Cambridge and wish her well in her future endeavors. Mayor Sullivan
- Congratulations to the CRLS Boys Basketball team on advancing to the Massachusetts Division 1 State Tournament. Mayor Sullivan
- Congratulations to the CRLS Boys Hockey team on advancing to the Massachusetts Division 1 State Tournament. Mayor Sullivan
- 42. Congratulations to the CRLS Girls Basketball team on advancing to the Massachusetts Division 1 State Tournament. Mayor Sullivan
- 43. Resolution on the death of Jack Leaman. Mayor Sullivan
- 44. Resolution on the death of Robert E. Fitzmaurice. Mayor Sullivan
- 45. Resolution on the retirement of Robert White. Mayor Sullivan
- 46. Resolution on the death of Julio Vidal. Councillor Toomey
- 47. Resolution on the death of George "Donald" Silva. Councillor Toomey
- 48. Congratulations to the 2004 Debutante Cotillion and Beautillion Militaire Rites of Passage young ladies and men on their completion of this program. Councillor Reeves, Mayor Sullivan
- 49. Wishes for a great success to a new business, Driscoll's Restaurant.. Councillor Toomey
- 50. Congratulations to Richardson Maurissaint on being named as the 2004 Rindge School of Technical Arts "Outstanding Vocational Technical Student." Mayor Sullivan
- 51. Support for the Annual Spring Bazaar sponsored by the Miller's River Apartments Tenant Council on

- Saturday, April 17, 2004 from 10:00am til 7:00pm. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Sullivan
- 52. Support for the opening of Sondela's South African Art exhibition, A Decade of Democracy: Witnissing South Africa, at the Museum of the National Center of Afro-American Artists in Boston on April 1, 2004 from 5:00pm til 8:00pm. Mayor Sullivan
- Get well wishes extended to Jimmy Leaman. Mayor Sullivan
- 54. Get well wishes extended to Doris Frazier. Mayor Sullivan
- 55. Best wishes extended to the Kennedy/Longfellow Thirty-Second Annual Aerobic Dance and Jog-A-Thon show to be held on March 19, 2004. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Sullivan
- 56. Congratulations to the Cambridge Youth Hockey Peewee A's Team on winning the State Championship this past weekend. Councillor Galluccio
- 57. Security and Safety Educational Seminar to Discuss Reducing the Risk to Women from Street Crime in the Harvard Square Area to be held on Saturday, March 27, 2004 from 9:00am to 11:30am at the Charles Hotel. Mayor Sullivan
- 58. Support for a special event held by the U.S.

 Department of Housing and Urban Development,
 featuring a presentation by the Honorable Carolyn Y.
 Peoples, on Tuesday April 6, 2004 from 10:00am to
 1:00pm in the function room of Suffolk University Law
 School and that April 2004 is proclaimed as Fair
 Housing Month in Cambridge. Mayor Sullivan
- 59. Recognition and gratitude to Kathleen Jones, founder of the TTT Mentor Program and acting Executive Director for the TTT Foundation, for her commitment and dedication to the future leaders of the math and science world. Vice Mayor Decker
- 60. Best wishes extended to Blessed Sacrament Color Guards competition at the WGI Finals in San Diego. Councillor Davis
- 61. Resolution on the death of Carol A. Costa. Councillor Toomey
- 62. Congratulations to the Minuteman Boys Basketball team for winning the 2004 MIAA Boys Basketball Division 4 Championship. Mayor Sullivan
- 63. Support for the 7th Annual Douglas Pollander Sr. Basketball Tournament on Saturday, March 20, 2004 at 12:00 noon at St. Peter School. Mayor Sullivan
- 64. Welcome to Congresswoman Maxine Waters, 35th District of California, on her visit to Cambridge. Councillor Simmons
- 65. Resolution on the death of Joan F. Monteiro. Councillor Galluccio
- 66. Resolution on the death of Helena O. Flynn. Councillor Galluccio
- 67. Resolution on the death of Dean L. Randall. Councillor Galluccio

- 68. Resolution the death of Dorothea Murray. Councillor Galluccio
- 69. Resolution on the death of Antonio Luis DeMelo Lima. Councillor Toomey
- 70. Resolution on the death of Roxine M. O'Brien. Councillor Toomey
- 71. Resolution on the death of Jose Carlos Rodrigues. Councillor Toomey
- 72. Resolution on the death of James Andias. Councillor Toomey
- 73. Resolution on the death of Joseph J. Ferro. Mayor Sullivan
- 74. Appreciation and best wishes expressed to New Community Services and its founder Pamela Shea on its gala event "Celebrating Our Roots Cultivating Our Future" on April 1, 2004 from 6:00 to 9:00pm at the Back Bay Hilton. Councillor Davis
- 75. Condolences to the people of Madrid for the loss of over two hundred lives in the recent terrorist bombings. Vice Mayor Decker
- 76. Wishes for a successful fundraiser event at its "Fast Break Fun" during the 7th Annual Douglas Polland Sr. Basketball Tournament on Saturday, March 20, 2004 at 12:00 at St. Peter School. Mayor Sullivan
- 77. Happy 50th Birthday wishes to Mary Ann Sterite Crosson. Councillor Toomey
- 78. Congratulations to Father Josep Ferreira for recently celebrating the anniversary of his ordination. Councillor Toomey.
- 79. Happy "50th" Birthday wishes to Donna Pritchard. Councillor Toomey
- 80. Resolution on the death of Charles Mass. Mayor Sullivan
- 81. Congratulations to Karen Trainor for receiving the Rising Star Award from the New England Association of Catholic Development Officers and to Karen and Bill Trainor on their new grandchild. Mayor Sullivan

ORDERS

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- 18. Supporting for House Bill 2215 which is currently under review by the Joint Education Committee.

 Mayor Sullivan
- 19. Support for the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) in their efforts to retain health care benefits for its seventy thousand grocery workers in Southern California. Vice Mayor Decker
- 20. Support for the use of union labor on construction projects in the City of Cambridge and urge the owner-developer of the Brickworks project at 310-324 Rindge Avenue to begin conversations with the Boston Building Trades with the view in mind of reaching an agreement and so that the project is built with union labor. Councillor Galluccio
- 21. Support for the New England Regional Council of Carpenters and their efforts to secure pro-union contracts with Whole Foods Market that provide workers with health care benefits, retirement benefits and apprenticeship opportunities. Vice Mayor Decker
- 22. City Manager to request the MBTA to undergo a new RFP Bid process for Air Right Development in Porter Square and that the City help fund this initiative with the MBTA and the City of Somerville. Councillor Galluccio, Vice Mayor Decker
- 23. The City Manager is requested to re-examine the plans relative to the back of the Main Library where it abuts the CRLS Amphi Theatre and Tennis Courts to create an open passage way and to report on plans to relocate the Tot lot during construction of the Main Library. Councillor Toomey
- 24. A dedication in honor of Dismas Centrella. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Sullivan

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Mar 15

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 16

12:00pm The Economic Development Training, and Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussion on planning an event in Cambridge for the 2004 Democratic National Convention (DNC). (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Mar 18

10:00am The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public meeting to receive an update on the plans for a new police station and to receive information about 311

systems and their applicability to Cambridge. (Ackermann Room)

Mon. Mar 22

5:00pm Special Presentation - Jonathan Myers Monetary Gift to the City (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 23

10:00am The Economic Development Training, and Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussion on planning an event in Cambridge for the 2004 Democratic National Convention (DNC). (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Mar 24

6:30pm The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the Urban Ring and the Executive Office of Transportation and Construction (EOTC) Allston Landing Multimodal Transportation Study. (Morse School Cafeteria, 40 Granite Street)

Mon, Mar 29

5:30pm Roundtable discussion with the Election Commission. Informal meeting with no public comment and no votes. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 30

- 8:30am The Cable TV, Telecommunications and Public Utilities Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss how to enhance the community benefits of cable television, CCTV's loss of funding and "eneighborhoods." (Sullivan Chamber)
- 10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to review the Fiscal Year 04 Budget and to receive a Fiscal Year 05 Budget update. (Ackermann Room)

Wed, Mar 31

- 8:30am The Human Services Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss child care programs across the city and the Senior Town Meeting. (Ackermann Room)
- 10:00am The Economic Development Training, and Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussion on planning an event in Cambridge for the 2004 Democratic National Convention (DNC). (Sullivan Chamber)
- 5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a petition to amend the zoning in Cambridgeport at Memorial Drive. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 6:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on zoning amendments to accompany the Tree Protection Ordinance. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 6:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Tree Protection Ordinance. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 12

5:00pm Special Presentation - Mayor's Youth Art Exhibit (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Apr 29

6:00pm The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss setting an agenda for pedestrian issues; and repairs to MBTA stations. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 4

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY05 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 11

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY05 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 12

6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY05 School Department Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 13

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY05 City Budget. (IF NECESSARY) (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 17

4:00pm Presentation and reception for scholarship recipients (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 24

5:00pm Special Presentation - Go Green Business Awards (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 7

5:30pm Roundtable Meeting on the Overview of Domestic Violence Prevention Initiative in Cambridge. Informal meeting with no public comment and no votes. Meeting will not be televised. (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)

Mon, Aug 2

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

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 March 15, 2004

MAYOR SULLIVAN

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record calling upon the Congress of the United States and President George W. Bush, to at a minimum, fully fund IDEA at the 45% level, and that the funding be moved from discretionary to mandatory spending; 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 Massachusetts delegation of the Congress of the United States and President George W. Bush on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-2 March 15, 2004

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner and the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to report to the City Council regarding the status of maintaining and improving methods for preventing sidewalk bicycling, including when faded stenciled signs will be repainted and whether pole-mounted signs have been removed and not replaced.

O-3 March 15, 2004

COUNCILLOR REEVES

WHEREAS: It was reported in the New York Times that 50% of black males in New York City are unemployed; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to produce a report to the City on male and female unemployment in Cambridge and whether the reported fact in the New York Times of a 50% unemployment rate for black males in New York City has any correlation to Cambridge.

O-4 March 15, 2004

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That this City Council go on record designating a location in or near Central Square for a bench to be named in honor of the late Archie Gurley Moore; and be it further

ORDERED: The assistant to the City Council arrange for a sign and dedication ceremony after consulting with the family.

O-5 March 15, 2004

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct Cable Television and City Cable to assist local efforts to host a forum on Democracy, Haiti and the future.

O-6 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to convene an internal group and consultants, if necessary, to execute plans to determine if Cambridge city squares will have additional plantings and beautification in anticipation of increased tourism in the summer of 2004.

O-7 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the License Commission to implement efforts to increase hours of operation of businesses during periods of increased visitation in July of 2004.

O-8 March 15, 2004 MAYOR SULLIVAN

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record calling upon the Legislature and his Excellency, Governor Romney, to fully fund Regional School Transportation as promised, and to include such in the Fiscal Year '05 Budget; to place a moratorium on new Charter Schools in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for Fiscal Year '05, and to, at a minimum, fully fund the Special Education Circuit Breaker Law; and be it further

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

O-9 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR SIMMONS COUNCILLOR MURPHY MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to convene a meeting with the Dance Complex and CMAC to discuss the attached default notice with the objective to resolving this matter and withdrawing the default notice.

O-10 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That City Manager be and hereby is requested provide an update on construction now that 238 Broadway is vacated.

O-11 March 15, 2004 MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on reports that Museum Towers will be sold and converted to condominiums; said report should include the current make-up of Museum Towers, including but not limited to total number of units, number of affordable units, household composition in the towers, as well as any information pertaining to its sale and how the city can work with residents of the towers to ensure affordable opportunities are maintained and expanded if condominium conversion takes place; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council by March 22, 2004.

O-12 March 15, 2004 MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the issue of "hot" or "live" manhole covers, including electrical (NSTAR) and gas, with a plan to work with utility providers to ensure public safety; and be it further

ORDERED: That this matter is hereby forwarded to the City Council Committee on Public Safety for a hearing.

O-13 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to report on the proposal to implement "311," a single phone information number.

O-14 March 15, 2004 MAYOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: The Donahue Institute at the University of Massachusetts recently released a study on housing in Massachusetts entitled "Winners and Losers in the Massachusetts Housing Market: Recent Changes in Housing Demand, Supply, and Affordability"; and

WHEREAS: This study documents a trend of "hidden homelessness" or subfamilies—individuals and families living with extended family members to meet housing and other needs due to lack of affordable housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS: The number of subfamilies dramatically increased between 1980 and 2000 from 26,000 to 52,000 in Massachusetts, with the number of children living in subfamilies in that period increasing a staggering 488 percent; and

WHEREAS: The number of subfamilies in Cambridge, according to the 2000 Census, is 490; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this report by the Donahue Institute, the role that Cambridge can play to serve the needs of the subfamily population in our city, and how the City of Cambridge and Cambridge Housing Authority might reach the subfamily population in the city to promote affordable housing alternatives.

O-15 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate department to take the necessary action to protect the gym floor at the Longfellow School by covering it during the time period that the Longfellow is being used as a temporary site of the Library.

O-16 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the appropriate departments to provide the necessary staff to cooperate with the Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee during the planning of a Cambridge community event to be held during the 2004 Democratic National Convention (DNC) and to insure that the City's web site includes information about the Cambridge DNC event and Cambridge area businesses, museums, restaurants and art exhibits.

O-17 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the Mayor be and hereby is requested to appoint a committee to explore the feasibility of providing for the democratic election of the Mayor of the City of Cambridge and that said committee will report back to the City Council on its findings, which should include, but is not limited to, an inquiry as to whether this change could be made without undertaking a charter commission; the process for making and implementing such a change; public comment from the community on this matter; and other salient benefits, issues, and concerns; and be it further

ORDERED: That said committee, if necessary, request the drafting of a home rule petition to be sent to the legislature to authorize this change; and be it further

ORDERED: That this committee report back to the City Council before the summer recess.

O-18 March 15, 2004 MAYOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: House Bill 2215, currently under review by the Joint Education Committee, proposes a three-year moratorium retroactive to charter approvals after January 1, 2003; and

WHEREAS: If the date is updated to January 1, 2004, the moratorium would also include problematic proposals for Charter Schools in Cambridge; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That this City Council go on record supporting House Bill 2215 which is currently under review by the Joint Education Committee and further supporting updating the bill January 1, 2004; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Massachusetts Legislature on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-19 March 15, 2004 VICE MAYOR DECKER

WHEREAS: Seventy thousand grocery workers in Southern California represented by the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) have been on strike since October 11, 2003; and

- WHEREAS: Safeway management is demanding that its workers accept a seventy-five percent cut in health coverage for new workers and a fifty percent cut for current employees; and
- WHEREAS: Aside from its seventy thousand workers in Southern California, Safeway employs an additional one hundred thousand people nationwide who will also be entering contract into negotiations; and
- WHEREAS: Safeway management must understand that such health coverage cuts will not be tolerated for any of its workers in any city nationwide, now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record in support of the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) and their efforts to retain health care benefits for its seventy thousand grocery workers in Southern California who have been on strike since October 11, 2003.

O-20 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council strongly supports the use of union labor on construction projects in the City of Cambridge because union wages, fair benefits and certified apprentice programs not only benefit union members, they lead to building better buildings and a stronger community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record respectfully requesting that the owner-developer of the Brickworks project at 310-324 Rindge Avenue begin conversations with the Boston Building Trades with the view in mind of reaching an agreement and so that the project is built with union labor; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copies of this resolution to James Lichoulas, owner-developer of the Brickworks project, John O'Connor, Dolben Company, Inc., construction manager, Jai Singh Kholsa, architect, Joe Nigro, President of the Boston Building Trades and Jack McGinn, President of Local 12 Plumbers and Gas Fitters.

O-21 March 15, 2004

VICE MAYOR DECKER

WHEREAS: The city of Cambridge strongly supports the use of union labor; and

WHEREAS: Members of the New England Regional Council of Carpenters have been picketing Whole Foods Markets in Cambridge for hiring non-union labor for new store construction; and

WHEREAS: The Council of Carpenters have been handing out leaflets at store entrances imploring customers to turn away from Whole Foods Market; and

WHEREAS: The Council of Carpenters is petitioning that the Whole Foods Markets follow a responsible contractor policy when renovating current store locations or building new stores and that they provide all of its workers with health care benefits, retirement benefits and apprenticeship opportunities; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That this City Council go on record in support of the New England Regional Council of Carpenters and their efforts to secure pro-union contracts with Whole Foods Market that provide workers with health care benefits, retirement benefits and apprenticeship opportunities.

O-22 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO VICE MAYOR DECKER MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council request MBTA to undergo a new Request For Proposal Bid (RFP) process for Air Right Development in Porter Square after a community planning process takes place to understand the communities' vision and concerns for that development area; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City help fund this initiative with the MBTA and the City of Somerville.

O-23 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to re-examine the plans relative to the back of the Main Library where it abuts the CRLS Amphi Theatre and Tennis Courts with a view in mind of creating an open passage way; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on plans to relocate the Tot Lot during the construction of the Main Library.

O-24 March 15, 2004 COUNCILLOR TOOMEY MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council be and hereby is requested to dedicate a suitable location for Dismas Centrella; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and sign.