

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the votes necessary to seek the Massachusetts Department of Revenue approval for the tax rate for FY2002:
 - 1A. Authorize the use of \$1,000,000 from the School Stabilization Fund to offset the FY02 School Budget;
 - 1B. Authorize the appropriation of \$75,000 to the Finance Department Capital Fund, and authorize the use of \$75,000 in Free Cash to finance the appropriation;
 - 1C. Appropriation \$185,000 to the Law Department Other Ordinary Maintenance Account and authorize the use of \$185,000 in Free Cash to finance the appropriation;
 - 1D. Transfer \$80,000 from the Finance Department (Assessor's) Salary & Wages Account to the Finance Department (Assessor's) Other Ordinary Maintenance Account;
 - 1E. Classify property into five classes;
 - 1F. Adopt a minimum residential factor of 56.4042%;
 - 1G. Approve the maximum residential exemption factor of 20% for owner occupied homes [which should result in a residential tax rate of \$7.22 and a commercial tax rate of \$18.81 upon final approval by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue];
 - 1H. Double the normal value of the statutory exemptions for FY2002;
 - 1I. Increase the FY2002 exemption allowed under MGL Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 17D from \$200.88 to \$210.72; and
 - 1J. Increase the income limit for deferral of real estate taxes by elderly persons [from \$20,000 to \$40,000 as allowed under M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41A.]

ON THE TABLE

1. Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square, 1-11 Shady Hill Square and 36 Holden Street.
2. Landmark Designation Study Report for designating as a protected landmark the Tulip Tree at 1436 and 1446 Cambridge Street.
3. Communications and Reports from City Officers #1 of February 11, 2002 regarding the application from Lyme Properties LLC requesting approval for the following new street names:
 - Broad Canal Way
 - Athenaeum Street (ext. of existing Athenaeum St.)
 - Kendall Street
 - West Kendall Street
 - East Kendall Street.Approval has been received from Public Works and Emergency Communications Departments.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. A constable bond was received from Daniel F. Long for approval of the surety.
2. An application was received from Gary D. Kanitz, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign, one chair and one table to display literature on the sidewalk on John F. Kennedy Street near the back side of the T elevator shaft in Harvard Square.
3. An application was received from Simons Coffeehouse, requesting permission for two tables and six chairs for restaurant seating at the premises numbered 1736 Massachusetts Avenue.
4. An application was received from The Dance Complex, requesting permission for a temporary banner across Mass. Ave. in front of City Hall. Approval has been received from abutters.

CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Representative Paul C. Demakis, regarding the resolution supporting An Act Enhancing Municipal Police Cooperation.
2. A communication was received from Representative Paul C. Demakis, regarding the resolution to temporarily freeze the rollback of the state income tax rate.
3. A communication was received from Lawrence Wolff et al., transmitting opposition to a curb cut application at the premises of 64 Garfield Street.
4. A communication was received from Alan J. Stone, Vice President, Government, Community and Public affairs, regarding the resolution supporting the Harvard custodians in current negotiations.
5. A communication was received from David B. Balfour, Jr., Commissioner, Metropolitan District Commission regarding increased speed limit enforcement along Memorial Drive.
6. A communication was received from Joachim Theilhaber and Nathalie van Bockstaele, transmitting opposition to a curb cut application at the premises of 64 Garfield Street.
7. A communication was received from Representative Michael E. Capuano, regarding the resolution supporting the Federal Trade Commission's (FTC) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to establish a national do-not-call registry and to strengthen consumer protection in the area of telemarketing.
8. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding the tunnel under Cambridge Street.
9. A communication was received from the Darling family, transmitting thanks for the resolution on behalf of their mother Helen Darling.
10. A communication was received from Owen O'Riordan, Assistant Commissioner of Engineering, transmitting notification of an address reassignment of 125 Sixth Street.

11. A communication was received from the Vincent Pacelli and family, transmitting thanks for the resolution on behalf of their dad.
12. A communication was received from Representative Paul C. Demakis, regarding the resolution to prevent cuts to Mass Health.
13. A communication was received from Major Kathleen M. Stefani, Mass. State Police, regarding the resolution requesting increased speed enforcement on diverse areas of Memorial Drive.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulating the Cambridge Arts Council on the success of the Fourth annual Grant Awards Celebration and offering congratulations to all of the 2002 grantees. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
2. Congratulations to Afterworks, a PASS recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant Program for 2002. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
3. Congratulations to the Agassiz Neighborhood Council, a PASS recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
4. Congratulations to the Maria Agui Carter, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for the Maria Baldwin Project. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
5. Congratulations to Myrna Balk, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for the "Art of Witnessing." Councillor Murphy and entire membership
6. Congratulations to Behind the Mask Theater, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for the Tales of the Monkey King. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
7. Congratulations to the Boston Archdiocesan Choir School, a PASS recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant Program for 2002. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
8. Congratulations to the Brazilian Cultural Center, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for Capoeira Education and Training. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
9. Congratulations to the Caitlin Corbett Dance Company, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for concerts featuring two premieres, "Sparkle & Elbow" Councillor Murphy and entire membership
10. Congratulations to the Cambridge Multicultural Arts Center, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for Youth Arts and Media (YAM) and Arts Access. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
11. Congratulations to the Cambridge Public School, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for Performances by Magpie Puppets. Councillor Murphy and entire membership

12. Congratulations to the CRLS Drama Fund for Cambridge Schools, a PASS recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant Program for 2002. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
13. Congratulations to the Cambridge Society of Early Music, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for "Early Music" Chamber Music Concert. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
14. Congratulations to the Community Arts Center, Inc., a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council for 2002 for "Do It Your Damm Self Youth Video Festival" Councillor Murphy and entire membership
15. Congratulations to the Betsy Damian & Tobin Community School, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for a collaborative art studio for Grades Kindergarten, First Grade and Second Grade. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
16. Congratulations to the Fletcher-Maynard After School Collaborative, a PASS recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant Program for 2002. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
17. Congratulations to Dan Fox, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for a Swing Dance Concert at Cadbury Common. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
18. Congratulations to the Gamelan Galak Tika, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for the Commission and Presentation of the Gamelan Music. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
19. Congratulations to the Greater Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for "A Day At The Opera" Concert. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
20. Congratulations to the Greet Street Studios, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for The Emerging Artists Concert Program. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
21. Congratulations to the Jose Mateo's Ballet Theatre, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for Nutcracker Community Night. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
22. Congratulations to the Luna Theatre, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for The Creation of Three New Pieces. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
23. Congratulations to the M.E. Fitzgerald School, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for the Creation and Installation of a Tile Wall Mural. Councillor Murphy and entire membership

24. Congratulations to the Morse/Graham & Parks Community Schools, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for The April Vacation Week Theater Arts Program. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
25. Congratulations to New Words Live, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for The Spring Reading Series 2002. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
26. Congratulations to the Snappy Dance Theater, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for a Field Trip to Beacon Hill Theater to see Snappy. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
27. Congratulations to the Agenda for Children, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for Acting Out, An Underground Railway Theater (URT) Residency. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
28. Congratulations to Jody Weber, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for "Contemporary Dance In America." Councillor Murphy and entire membership
29. Congratulations to Hilary Weisman, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for "Extraordinary People" A Cable Access TV Series. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
30. Congratulations to Rosana Yamagiwa Alfaro, a recipient of the Cambridge Arts Council Grant for 2002 for Radio Plays – Adapting, Recording, and Presenting. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
31. Resolution on the death of Janet M. Sparrow. Councillors Galluccio, Toomey, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
32. Resolution on the death of Salvatore J. Sabatino. Councillor Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
33. Resolution on the death of Delia M. Brown. Councillors Galluccio, Reeves and entire membership
34. Resolution on the death of Jean E. Devine. Councillors Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
35. Resolution on the death of Jessica "Molly" Hanna. Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership
36. Resolution on the death of Barbara F. Carter. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
37. Resolution on the death of Evelyn G. Gibson. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
38. Resolution on the death of Margaret F. Buldini. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
39. Resolution on the death of Shellie Z. Brooks. Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership
40. Resolution wishing the Miller's River Tenant Council success on their Annual Bazaar. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
41. Congratulating the Cambridge Rindge and Latin Girls Basketball Team on their semi-final win over Peabody in overtime. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
42. Resolution on the death of Reverend Peter D. Hickey. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
43. Congratulating Michele Kincaid and her husband Byron on the birth of their third son, Zachary Byron Kincaid. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
44. Extending congratulations and best wishes to Councillor Fitch and Ms. Buckley on their engagement. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
45. Congratulating the CRLS Girls Basketball Team on their overtime win of 75-66. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
46. Wishing the CRLS Girls Basketball Team "GOOD LUCK." Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
47. Wishing a speedy recovery to Elizabeth M. Senecal. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
48. Condolences on the death of William Riga. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
49. Congratulating the Margaret Fuller House on its 100 years of service and support to the Cambridge Community. Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership
50. Resolution on the death of Catherine M. Prebensen. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
51. Resolution on the death of John W. Groom. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
52. Resolution on the death of Mary I. Kenny. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
53. Resolution on the death of Irene F. Martell. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
54. Resolution on the death of Alice R. Russell. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
55. Extending wishes for a successful conference to the members of CRLS STAR'S. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
56. Congratulation Hussein Ramadan on being this years recipient of the Taxi Cab Driver of the Year. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
57. Thanking the Cambridge Employees Committee on Diversity for the outstanding Black History Month celebration on February 27, 2002. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
58. Resolution welcoming Julia Bowden back to employment with the City of Cambridge and congratulating her on her new position as Assistant to the City Manager. Councillor Maher and entire membership

59. Resolution congratulating SEIU Local 254 and Harvard University for a successful contract negotiation. Councillor Murphy and entire membership
60. Resolution congratulating John Nardone on his new position as Assistant Commissioner of Operations for the Department of Public Works. Councillor Maher and entire membership
61. Expressing appreciation to the Women's Commission and the Women's Heritage Project for there March 7, 2002 celebration honoring International Women's Day. Councillor Decker, Vice Mayor Davis and Councillor Simmons
62. Wishing the CRLS Girls Basketball Team "GoodLuck" in their Division 1 North Final contest. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
63. Resolution on the death of Reverend Thomas J. Gibbons. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
64. Expressing best wishes for a successful 5th Annual Doug Pollander, Sr. Basketball Tournament. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
65. Special recognition given to the works of the Women's Center to the efforts of women. Councillor Simmons and entire membership
66. Expressing appreciation to Teresa Phillips for her twenty-four years of dedicated service to the citizens and to the City of Cambridge and wishing her much happiness in her retirement. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
67. Expressing condolences to the family of Charles Christiansen. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
68. Expressing condolences to the family of Robert J. Feloney. Councillor Maher and entire membership
69. Extending a very Happy 100th Birthday wish to Ms. Joyce Bailey. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
70. Commending the students, teachers and administration for their support and patriotism in light of the September 11th tragedy. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
71. Congratulating the CRLS Girls Basketball Team on winning their division on Saturday, March 9th. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
72. Congratulating the Harvard University and Women's Basketball Team on winning their division. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
73. Resolution on the death of Gertrude L. Conley. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
74. Resolution on the death of John R. Sennott. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
75. Resolution on the death of Natalie B. Frohock. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
76. Resolution on the death of Anna M. Fitzgerald. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
77. Resolution on the death of Frances V. Dynan. Councillors Galluccio, Maher and entire membership
78. Resolution on the death of Alejandra (Ortiz) Colon. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
79. Resolution on the death of Ralph Palmacci. Councillor Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
80. Wishing the CRLS Girls Basketball Team "GoodLuck" in their quest to bring home a Division 1 State Title on Saturday, March 16, 2002 at the Worcester Centrum. Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Toomey and entire membership
81. Resolution on the death of Jean C. Sauer. Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Toomey and entire membership
82. Expressing appreciation to Jennie Bilikas for her fifteen years of dedicated service to the citizens and the City of Cambridge and wishing her well on her retirement. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
83. Expressing appreciation to Gila Kornfeld-Jacobs for her many years of dedicated service to the citizens and the City of Cambridge and wishing her well on her retirement. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
84. Resolution on the death of Doris Taylor Goins. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
85. Congratulations to Al LaRosa on his retirement from the Massachusetts House of Representatives Information Systems Staff after thirty years of dedicated service. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
86. Resolution on the death of James P. Rowan, Sr. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
87. Congratulations to the parents and grandparents of Timothy William Healy. Councillor Maher, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
88. Commending the North Cambridge Crime Task Force for their work on reducing children's exposure to media violence by hosting a community and family workshop. Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership
89. Congratulating Elijah Wald for winning the Grammy Award for Best Album Notes and the release of his new album. Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership
90. Congratulating Frank Kramer, owner of the Harvard BookStore, and his entire staff for being named the 2002 BookSeller of the Year. Vice Mayor Davis, Councillor Maher, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership

91. Congratulating CASCAP on the opening of 8 Bigelow Street and commending them for their dedication to affordable housing and service to people with special needs in the City of Cambridge. Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership
92. Extending gratitude to Maria Freddura for her service to Cambridge Little Baseball League and wish her well in all future endeavors. Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership
93. Congratulating Friends of Alewife Reservation on receiving a Riverways Small Grant. Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership
94. Congratulating the Cambridge Unit of the American Cancer Society on a successful Daffodil Days and extend our appreciation for their efforts. Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership
95. Urging all residents to be cognizant of and participate in the Jane Doe, Inc.'s annual rally to kick off Sexual Assault Awareness month on Monday, April 1, 2002 at 12:00 p.m. at the Boston Common. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
96. Congratulating Laura Groff on receiving the Toyota Tapestry Grant. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
97. Extending Happy 25th Anniversary wishes to Michael and Karen Nicoloro. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
98. Extending best wishes for a spectacular performance of Bon Appetit. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
99. Congratulating Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino on his forthcoming role as President of the U.S. Conference of Mayors and express gratitude for his service. Vice Mayor Davis, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
100. Congratulating the 2002 graduating class of the Medical Interpreters Training Program at Cambridge College and extend best wishes in all future endeavors. Mayor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership
101. Congratulating Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino on his forthcoming role as President of the U.S. Conference of Mayors and express gratitude for his service. Vice Mayor Davis, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
102. Extending Congratulations to the Cambridge Youth Programs on the 13th Citywide African American History Celebration to be held on March 16, 2001. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
103. Wishing a Happy 80th Birthday to Mabel Levarity on Saturday, March 16, 2002. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
104. Congratulating the Women's Missionary Society of the New England Region of the African Methodist Episcopal Church on its annual Fashion Show, Saturday, April 6, 2002 at St. Paul A.M.E. Christian Life Center. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
105. Congratulations to Dr. Sarah Lawrence Lightfoot on being named as the Chairperson of the McArthur Foundation. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
106. Thanking Carmen Pacheco Medeiros for her service to the children of Cambridge and wishing her a happy and healthy retirement. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
107. Congratulations to Dr. Jose M. Figueiredo for his many years of dedicated service and wish him well in his retirement. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
108. Extending a warm welcome to Karen Hacker, M.D., MPH. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
109. Extending thanks to Virginia Chromitz, PhD for her dedicated service. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
110. Best wishes to the Mount Auburn Memorial Post No. 8818, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States on their Annual Banquet. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership

ORDERS

1. The City Manager is requested to have the Department of Public Works survey the brick sidewalks in Central Square, most notably the block between Western Avenue/Prospect Street and Pleasant Street. Councillor Reeves
2. The City Manager is requested to provide the City Council with a report on the infant mortality rate in Cambridge. Councillor Reeves
3. The City Manager is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner to provide increased police presence in the North Cambridge area that has experienced recent break-ins and robberies. Councillor Galluccio
4. The City Manager is requested to have the Department of Public Works fix the large sink hole in the street on Pleasant Street between River Street and Western Avenue. Councillor Reeves
5. Asking the Governor and Legislature to take all possible steps to continue level funding for the Department of Social Services. Councillor Galluccio
6. The City Manager is requested to consult with Verizon and report to the City Council on the course of the phone service outage and Verizon's lack of response to the community affected by the service outage. Councillor Toomey and Vice Mayor Davis

7. The City Manager is requested to consult with the Commissioner of Inspectional Services on the status of the former Boston Trucking Company property bounded by Land Boulevard, First Street and Linskey Way. Councillor Toomey
8. The City Manager is requested to examine the possibility of including a brief explanation with the mailing outlining how Cambridge residents can apply for scholarship and further that the city increase publicity of the scholarship program and application process. Vice Mayor Davis and Mayor Sullivan
9. The City Manager is requested to contact the Cambridge business community and respectfully ask for cooperation in initiating a new program to recycle cell phones for the purpose of equipping seniors with a means for emergency assistance. Vice Mayor Davis
10. The City Manager is requested to make every effort to contact residents and business owners about the beginning of the 2002 street sweeping season on April 1st. Vice Mayor Davis
11. The City Council designate the corner of Lawrence and Magazine Streets as Thomas R. Smyth Square. Councillor Toomey
12. The City Manager is requested to provide the City Council with an overview of the work plan of the Cambridge Arts Council. Councillor Reeves
13. The City Manager is requested to encourage city efforts to work with the Central Square Business Association and Arts Council to support the continuation of the Central Square Worlds Fair. Councillor Reeves
14. The City Manager is requested to determine in this budget cycle if the current staffing level at the License Commission, particularly with respect to police deployment, is sufficient to assure the inspection of taxi cabs. Councillor Reeves

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment Committee, for a meeting held on February 22, 2002 to discuss climate protection in Cambridge, the International Council for Local Environmental Incentives (ICLEI) conference and organization of the committee.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee, for a meeting held on February 28, 2002 to receive a general overview and assessment of economic development issues in the City.

3. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the University Relations Committee, for a meeting held on March 6, 2002 to discuss the work of this new committee.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Mayor Michael A. Sullivan, transmitting a letter from Lauren A. Liss, Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, transmitting congratulations on receiving a Municipal Recycling Grant.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Mar 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

6:30pm The City Council will conduct a public hearing to discuss the property tax rate classification. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Mar 20

5:30pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss community policing, community grants and block parties. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 1

5:30pm Roundtable Meeting - The City Council will discuss storm water and sewer issues. Informal meeting with no public comment, at which time no votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Apr 2

11:00am The Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the Gibbs Report and to received an update from the Human Services Department on the report entitled "Education and Skill for the new Economy: A Survey of Employment Trends in Cambridge." (Ackermann Room)

Wed, Apr 3

6:00pm Special City Council Meeting Public hearing on the request of Harvard University for a subsurface easement on Cambridge Street. (This meeting will be televised) (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 29

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 20

5:00pm *Special Presentation by the award recipients of the Cambridge Partnership for Public Education Mini-Grants.* (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 3

5:30pm Roundtable Meeting - Informal meeting with no public comment, at which time no votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1. March 18, 2002

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to have the Department of Public Works survey the brick sidewalks in Central Square, most notably the block between Western Avenue/Prospect Street and Pleasant Street. In that block many bricks are missing and there appears to be a shifting of the sidewalk under surface causing significant damage to the brickwork done relatively recently. Can this brickwork be repaired/replaced? Are these defects related to contractor performance? If so, can the contractors be held responsible for repairs? Please report back to the City Council.

O-2. March 18, 2002

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide this City Council with a report on the infant mortality rate in Cambridge.

O-3. March 18, 2002

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner to provide increased police presence in the North Cambridge area that has experienced recent break-ins and robberies.

O-4. March 18, 2002

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Commissioner of Public Works to fix the large sink hole in the street on Pleasant Street between River Street and Western Avenue (on the commercial store side of the street).

O-5. March 18, 2002

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

WHEREAS: The City Council has serious concern with respect to \$3.5 million in cuts to the Department of Social Services Social worker

account and \$1.8 million in cuts to the Department of Social Services administrative account; and

WHEREAS: The City Council has grave concern about the impact of the loss of 211 social workers as a result of budget cuts; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge community and communities across the Commonwealth, and most importantly children across Massachusetts, will suffer as a result of these cuts; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record asking the Governor and the Legislature to take all possible steps to continue level funding for the Department of Social Services; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward suitably engrossed copies of this resolution to Governor Swift, the Cambridge Legislative Delegation, the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services and representatives of the unions representing the Department of Social Services employees.

O-6. March 18, 2002

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with Verizon and report to the City Council on the course of the phone service outage experienced in East Cambridge and Verizon's lack of response to the community effected by the service outage.

O-7. March 18, 2002

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the Commissioner of Inspectional Services and report back to the City Council on the status of the former Boston Trucking Company property bounded by Land Boulevard, First Street and Linsky Way.

O-8. March 18, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

MAYOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: The annual fundraising effort for the Cambridge Scholarship Fund is run in coordination with the mailing of the statements for property taxes; and

WHEREAS: The request for contributions to the Cambridge Scholarship Fund specifically states that the individual should not remit their contribution in the same envelope with their tax payment; and

WHEREAS: The request for contributions to the Cambridge Scholarship Fund provides a lists the names of scholarship recipients, but does not include information regarding how Cambridge residents can apply; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to examine the possibility of including a

separate remittance envelope with the Cambridge Scholarship Fund and property tax mailing specifically for the purpose of mailing a contribution for the fund; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to examine the possibility of conducting a separate fundraising effort for individuals who have previously given to the scholarship program; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to examine the possibility of including a brief explanation with the mailing outlining how Cambridge residents can apply for scholarship and further that the city increase publicity of the scholarship program and application process; and be it further

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

O-9. March 18, 2002
VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The speed with which cell phone technology changes encourages periodic upgrades by cell phone users, particularly in the business sector; and

WHEREAS: Used cell phones, even without a service plan, can reach emergency services by dialing 911; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Council on Aging is initiating a new program to recycle cell phones for the purpose of equipping seniors with a means for emergency assistance; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to contact the Cambridge business community and respectfully ask for their cooperation in this worthy effort.

O-10. March 18, 2002
VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: April 1, 2002 marks the beginning of the 2002 street sweeping schedule and the Departments of Public Works and Traffic, Parking, and Transportation will coordinate in an effort to keep our Cambridge streets clean; and

WHEREAS: Residents and business owners in the City of Cambridge should be cognizant that street sweeping begins on April 1, 2002; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to make every effort to contact residents and business owners about the beginning of the 2002 street sweeping season, using public notices, the city web site, cable television, and the reverse 911 system, which was utilized last year and was well received and successful.

O-11. March 18, 2002
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record designating the corner of Lawrence and Magazine Streets as Thomas R. Smyth, Square; 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 suitable sign.

O-12 March 18, 2002
COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide the City Council with an overview of the work plan of the Cambridge Arts Council; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the report address the following: In addition to the lottery grants program, the River Festival and Summer Youth Concerts which new programs are being planned.

O-13 March 18, 2002
COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to encourage city efforts to work with the Central Square Business Association and Arts Council to support the continuation of the Central Square Worlds Fair.

O-14 March 18, 2002
COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to determine in this budget cycle if the current staffing level at the License Commission, particularly with respect to police deployment, is sufficient to assure the inspection of taxi cabs and reasonable response time for consumer issues particularly with respect to the use of vouchers.