

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constables Without Power for a term of three years, effective the first day of Jan, 2010: Glenton A. Smith, Christopher Rickman, Claude St. Louis
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the block rates for water consumption and sewer use for the period beginning Apr 1, 2010 and ending Mar 31, 2011.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-25, regarding a report on Oak Tree Development returning CPA funds used towards the preservation of St. James Church.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-22, regarding a report on the accident that occurred in the vicinity of Garfield Street and Mass Avenue on Feb 11th.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-04, regarding a report on how effective the school vaccine program was.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an additional appropriation of the Temporary Emergency Shelter grant received from the Dept. of Housing and Community Dev. in the amount of \$340,095.00 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary & Wages account (\$45,000.00) and to the Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$295,095.00). A portion of the funds will be used for a partnership between the Multi-Service Center & the YWCA for case management and operating costs of the family shelter facilities at the YWCA and the remainder of these funds will be used to assist clients in obtaining and retaining permanent housing.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Microsoft Grant received from the Microsoft Unlimited Potential Fund of the Boston Foundation for \$47,500.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$30,550.00) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$16,950.00) and will be used to support the Youth Tech Program delivered by the Cambridge Youth Center Programs.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Shannon Grant received from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council through the Executive Office of Public Safety for \$11,872.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$9,216.00) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$2,656.00) and will be used to support the City Peace Program which is a violence prevention program through the Department of Human Services that engages teens in working with their peers to address issues within the community.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-06,

regarding a report on how the City pool and the two DCR pools will be kept open in the summer

10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-31, regarding a report on enforcement of MBTA buses disobeying the rules of the road.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-29, regarding a report on the infrastructure of Kendall Square and its planned improvements.
12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-07, regarding a report on installing signage on Memorial Drive warning drivers of the upcoming lane of parked cars.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Applications and Petitions Number Two on an application from TD BANK requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 1270 Massachusetts Avenue. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development, Historical Commission and abutters.

ON THE TABLE

2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a copy of the referral of Order Number 15 of Dec 21, 2009, regarding increasing the amount of public information about elections while the election is in progress, to the 2010-2011 City Council. [Communications and Reports from City Officers #1 of Jan 11, 2010 Placed on Table.]
3. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a copy of the referral of Order Number 16 of Dec 21, 2009, regarding the City Council's policy on naming street corners, along with the attached Oct 27, 2006 report from the City Manager. [Communications and Reports from City Officers #2 of Jan 11, 2010 Placed on Table.]

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Cambridge Arts Council, requesting permission for a temporary banner across JFK Street at Mount Auburn Street announcing Cambridge Open Studios North/West on Apr 24th and 25th.
2. An application was received from Cambridge Arts Council, requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue at Pearl and Norfolk Streets announcing Cambridge Open Studios East on May 8th and 9th.
3. An application was received from Cambridge Arts Council, requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue at Pearl and Norfolk Streets announcing Cambridge Open Studios Central on May 22nd and 23rd.
4. An application was received from Cambridge Arts Council, requesting permission for a temporary banner across JFK Street at Mount Auburn Street announcing the Cambridge River Festival on June 5th.
5. An application was received from Cambridge Arts Council, requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue at Pearl and Norfolk Streets

announcing the Dragon Boat Festival on June 12th and 13th.

6. An application was received from Stephen Dubouloz, requesting permission to modify and consolidate two existing curb cuts to create a single curb cut at the premises numbered 135-137 Elm Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. Approval has been received from the neighborhood association.
7. An application was received from Cambridge Science Festival requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue at City Hall, fifty-seven banners on poles in Harvard Square and one hundred eighteen banners on poles along Massachusetts Avenue from Memorial Drive to Sydney Street, sixteen banners on poles along Broadway, from Ellery Street to Felton Street, thirty-five banners on poles from 136 Main Street to 9 Cambridge Center and eighteen banners on poles from Inman Street to Bigelow Street announcing the Cambridge Science Festival Apr 24-May 2, 2010. Approval has been received from the Electrical Department.
8. An application was received from Scott Kenton, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 63 Francis Avenue; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. Approval has been received from the neighborhood association.
9. An application was received from Central Barber Shop, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 1617A Massachusetts Avenue.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Richard McKinnon, on behalf of Archstone and New England Development, regarding the council order on the relocation of the Lechmere Station to NorthPoint.
2. A communication was received from the Cambridge Climate Emergency Action Group, transmitting the recommendations of 2009-2010 Climate Congress for an all-city awareness and response campaign, and for city responses to the Climate Emergency.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Retirement of Wayne Ferguson from the Cambridge Fire Department. Mayor Maher
2. Retirement of Richard Randall from the Public Works Department. Mayor Maher
3. Congratulations to Executive Chef Nuno Alves on his new position at Boston restaurants 33 and Styx. Councillor Toomey
4. Happy Birthday wishes to Eva Boyce. Councillor Simmons
5. Speedy recovery wishes to Sergeant Karen Meehan of the Salvation Army. Councillor Simmons
6. Congratulations to Samina Uddin and Robin Engel on their recent marriage. Councillor Cheung
7. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Aaron M. Arthur. Councillor Decker
8. Resolution on the death of Specialist Lakeshia M. Bailey. Councillor Decker
9. Resolution on the death of Raymond A. "Ray" Tye. Councillor Toomey

10. Resolution on the death of Gil De Matos. Councillor Toomey
11. Congratulations to the MIT Entrepreneurship Center on the launch of the MIT Entrepreneurship Review. Councillor Cheung
12. Congratulations to Tammy Baldwin on receiving the Dr. Susan M. Love Award. Councillor Simmons
13. Resolution on the death of Dennis Wolkoff. Councillor Decker, Councillor Seidel, Mayor Maher, Vice Mayor Davis
14. Resolution on the death of Clifford A. Truesdell, IV. Councillor Cheung, Councillor Toomey, Councillor Decker, Vice Mayor Davis
15. Resolution on the death of Anna T. (Magliozzi) Giorgio. Councillor Toomey
16. Resolution on the death of Isaura (Cardoso) Carreiro. Councillor Toomey
17. Happy 60th birthday wishes to Reverend Carol Johnson. Councillor Simmons
18. Resolution on the death of George E. Warner. Councillor Toomey
19. Congratulations to the Shelley Neill Group on the release of their new album. Councillor Decker
20. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Erin L. McLyman. Councillor Decker
21. Welcome to Jose Edgardo Aleman Molina as the new Consul General of the Republic of El Salvador. Councillor Decker
22. Resolution on the death of Phyllis L. (Richards) Burrill. Councillor Decker
23. Retirement of Lena James from the School Department. Vice Mayor Davis
24. Congratulations to the Human Rights Commission on their 17th Annual Fair Housing Celebration. Councillor Decker
25. Congratulations to David Wylie on his new book entitled "City, Save Thyself." Councillor Decker
26. Congratulations and thanks to Corinne Varon on her successful exhibition entitled "Celebrating the Human Form: 4 Decades of Visual Expression" at the GAGA Gallery in Swampscott. Councillor Reeves
27. Appreciation for the work of the Cambridge Climate Congress. Councillor Seidel
28. Resolution on the death of Joseph E. Favaloro Sr. Councillor Toomey

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to instruct the Assistant City Manager of Community Development to investigate the opportunity to partner with local non-profits in order to obtain and develop the properties currently held by the Jesuit Order that are being placed on the market into affordable housing opportunities for the City of Cambridge. Councillor Toomey
2. That the City Manager is requested to take the necessary steps to prepare Cambridge to participate in Earth Hour again this year. Councillor Cheung
3. That the City Manager is requested to investigate the use of space in Cemusa bus shelters for the display of Cambridge Energy Alliance posters and report back to the City Council. Councillor Seidel

4. That this City Council go on record endorsing the goal of continuing to reduce the Military Budget until it has shrunk to the amount necessary for the purposes of legitimate defense of the United States. Councillor Decker and Vice Mayor Davis
5. Public notification process and plans relating to the Blair Pond and the Alewife Reservation. Councillor Simmons
6. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager of Community Development in order to report back with draft language for an amendment to Section 5.28.2 of the Zoning Ordinance to include a provision to facilitate the conversion of Institutional Property to Affordable Housing. Councillor Toomey
7. Dedication of an appropriate site in the vicinity of Essex Street and Norfolk Street in honor of Clifford Truesdell IV. Councillor Decker
8. That the City Council place on the table the attached proposal to amend the City Council rules to replace the Health and Environment Committee with two committees, the Community Health Committee and the Sustainable Environment Committee. Mayor Maher
9. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on whether the scope of the First Street construction project can be extended to include visual improvements of the First Street corridor, such as lighting, in order to prevent future impact of construction on businesses on First Street. Councillor Toomey
10. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads with the intention of improving the appearance of the facades along First Street and Spring Street and to report back to the City Council on this matter. Councillor Toomey
11. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on the specific improvements that Harvard University has agreed to make on the streetscapes for the intersections of Everett and Chauncy Streets, the timeframe for these projects and their current status. Councillor Seidel
12. That the City Manager is requested to direct the new Executive Director of the Police Review Advisory Board to submit a report to the City Council detailing what are perceived to be the issues of greatest importance that the Police Review Advisory Board must focus on, and that this report should be submitted to the City Council no later than 90 days from the adoption of this order. Councillor Simmons
13. That the Cambridge City Council urges the U.S. Department of Energy to support the Massachusetts petition to exempt from federal preemption Massachusetts's 90% AFUE standard for non-weatherized gas furnaces. Vice Mayor Davis
14. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the relevant City staff, the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the MBTA and other large entities in the city such as Harvard and MIT and report back to the City Council on what circumstances the public should expect the Cambridge Police Department not to act on a public safety related issues because the problematic behavior is taking

place on property within the City over which another public institution has jurisdiction. Councillor Kelley

15. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on the status of the transmittal of the sum of \$50,000 by Lesley University to the City of Cambridge for improvement of Massachusetts Avenue and of any allocation of the funds to date. Councillor Seidel
16. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on any proposed physical design changes or traffic-calming measures at the intersection of Garfield Street and Massachusetts Avenue. Councillor Seidel
17. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on the feasibility of adopting a Pay-As-You-Throw program in Cambridge. Councillor Reeves
18. That the City Manager is requested to direct the City Solicitor to report back to the City Council with options for amending the city ordinance to allow for the Manager to permit civic organizations to use public space after hours. Councillor Cheung
19. That the City Manager is requested to provide a report on the City's response to the heavy rain that was most damaging to North Cambridge and inform our residents of any federal assistance that may be available to them and explain the need to purchase flood insurance when those residences are in a declared flood plain. Mayor Maher

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., transmitting a copy of his letter to the City Manager to consider expanding the affordable housing stock by purchasing properties currently being offered by the Jesuits in the Harvard Square area.
2. A communication was received from Mayor David P. Maher, transmitting the 2010-2011 City Council Committee Assignments.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Mar 22

- 5:00pm Special Presentation welcoming Jose Aleman the new Salvadoran Consul to Boston (Sullivan Chamber)
- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 23

- 6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 5

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

Tues, Apr 6

- 6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 12

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

Mon, Apr 26

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

Mon, May 3

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

Tues, May 4

- 6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 10

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

Mon, May 17

4:00pm 2010 Scholarship Award Ceremony (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 18

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, June 1

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 14

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, June 15

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 21

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 28

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that a number of properties currently held by the Jesuit Order are being placed on the market; and

WHEREAS: Many of these large homes could offer excellent affordable housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS: Adding affordable opportunities in these Cambridge neighborhoods would help to distribute affordable housing more evenly throughout the city and create opportunities where there are currently few, if any, options; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Assistant City Manager of Community Development to investigate the opportunity to partner with local non-profits in order to obtain and develop these homes into affordable housing opportunities for the City of Cambridge; 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-2 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: Our nation's use of energy continues to increase resulting in detrimental effects on the world's climate; and

WHEREAS: It has been estimated that turning non-essential lights out in America for one hour could save as much as 15% of the energy consumed on an average Saturday night; and

WHEREAS: The energy savings will reduce carbon emissions into our air, preserve the natural resources used to produce this energy, set a positive precedent for the rest of the nation, and result in ongoing reduced costs for the City, taxpayers, and businesses; and

WHEREAS: Created to take a stand against the greatest threat our planet has ever faced, Earth Hour uses the simple action of turning off the lights for one hour to deliver a powerful message about the need for action on global warming; and

WHEREAS: This simple act has captured the hearts and minds of people all over the world. As a result, at 8:30pm on Mar 27, 2010 millions of people in some of the world's major cities will unite and switch off for Earth Hour; and
WHEREAS: To alter the course of climate change, we must act now. The U.S. is the world's leading emitter of carbon dioxide-over 20 tons per person every year; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record urging residents and the municipal City departments and School Department to turn off their lights during earth hour

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

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to arrange publicity about Earth Hour including information on the City web site and cable channel in order that as many people as possible can participate.

O-3 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: The Energy Alliance has produced a series of posters and public service announcements on energy conservation related matters; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to investigate the use of space in Cemusa bus shelters for the display of Cambridge Energy Alliance posters and report back to the City Council; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with additional options to display Cambridge Energy Alliance posters and marketing materials.

O-4 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR DECKER

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: This City Council has learned the Military Budget doubled during the Bush presidency to an amount equal to the military budgets of the rest of the world combined, and the military budget is much larger than is necessary for the legitimate defense needs of the nation; and

WHEREAS: The military budget excesses take money away from Cambridge schools and essential human service programs; and

WHEREAS: Mayor Thomas M. Menino of Boston has been a local voice in speaking out on behalf of this proposal; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record endorsing the goal of using the reduction in military spending to fund programs to meet the needs of the people of Cambridge and of the United States; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record endorsing the goal of using the reduction in military spending to meet the needs of returning armed forces personnel and veterans; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record endorsing the goal of continuing to reduce the budget until it has shrunk to the amount necessary for the purposes of legitimate defense of the United States; and be it further

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

President Barack Obama, Secretary of Defense Robert Gates, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, all members of the Massachusetts Congressional and Senatorial Delegation, Governor Deval Patrick, and the major Boston-area newspapers and television stations on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-5 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The nearly 10-acre wooded natural habitat surrounding Blair Pond is integral to the Alewife Reservation. Its complex ecosystems in West Cambridge (on the Belmont border) are the most remote and mammal protected section of the Alewife Reservation; and

WHEREAS: As a result of the DCR dredging plan, this area will be negatively impacted from the construction equipment and the roadways planned for the East side of the bordering pond nature preserve, and

WHEREAS: The pond can be dredged without the extreme impact of roadways in its urban wild; and

WHEREAS: The Conservation Commission has the right, and in this case, the obligation to ask for a wildlife assessment before any permits for equipment construction are given; and

WHEREAS: The planners from the DCR should establish a greater degree of communication with Friends of Alewife Reservation (FAR), whose non-profit assessors are considered stewards of the area; FAR should be given advance knowledge of upcoming meetings on this matter, and on-going communication should be agreed to by Mr. Lowell during any additional construction planning (MEPA Site visit) for the Blair urban wild; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Mayor of Cambridge is requested to send a letter to Mr. Dan Driscoll and Mr. Robert Lowell, Project Manager of the DCR, noting the absence of public meeting notification to the Friends of Alewife Reservation; this letter should request that the Conservation Commission notify FAR of all future meetings related to Blair Pond and the Alewife Reservation, and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to write and require that the DCR provide clear layman's plans with non-numeric understandable wetlands by-law information; and with wildlife assessments for the removal of any trees and vegetation or removal and/or destruction of animal habitat in advance of presenting the information to the Cambridge Conservation Commission (as this is an unusually rare urban wild in Cambridge); and be it further

ORDERED: That the DCR assess the construction impacts in the specific area noted between Cambridge's Mooney Street, Normandy Avenue, and Flanders Road in Belmont; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a copy of this policy order to Ian Bowles, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA); to State Representative Will Brownsberger; to the Selectmen and Conservation Commission of Belmont; the Conservation Commission and Planning Board of Cambridge; and State Senator Ken Donnelly.

O-6 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager of Community Development in order to report back with draft language for an amendment to Section 5.28.2 of the Zoning Ordinance to include a provision to facilitate the conversion of Institutional Property to Affordable Housing.

O-7 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate an appropriate site in the vicinity of Essex Street and Norfolk Street in honor of Clifford Truesdell IV; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-8 Mar 22, 2010

MAYOR MAHER

WHEREAS: The serious community health and sustainable environment policy issues that the Health and Environment Committee will encounter at the this time warrant the division of that committee into two committees, one of which could focus on community health policy and the other on sustainable environment policy; and

WHEREAS: Rule 26 of the Rules of the City Council designates the City Council Committees, their structure and their purposes; and

WHEREAS: Paragraph three on page 9 of Rule 26 described the current Health and Environment Committee as follows: HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - A committee of three City Councillors.

Purposes

-To consider matters relating to the health of the citizens of Cambridge;

-To monitor and improve health programs;

-To consider matters relating to the physical environment of the city including without limitation issues relating to air and water quality, solid and hazardous waste, visual quality and the environmental impact of development.

and

WHEREAS: The proposal to divide the Health and Environment Committee into two committees would require a change to the City Council Rules. Pursuant to Rule 35B, proposed amendments cannot be enacted until at least seven days have elapsed from the date of the submission of the proposed changes; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council place on the table the attached proposal to amend the City Council Rules to replace the Health and Environment Committee with two committees, the Community Health Committee and the Sustainable Environment Committee for deliberation at the next regular meeting of the City Council.

Proposed Change to Rule 26

Strike paragraph three on page 9 of Rule 26 of the Rules of the City Council 2010-2011, beginning with the words "HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE" and ending with the words "impact of development."

Replace said paragraph three with the following two paragraphs:

COMMUNITY HEALTH COMMITTEE - A committee of three City Councillors

Purposes

To consider matters relating to the health of the citizens of Cambridge.

To monitor and improve city policies relating to health programs.

SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - A Committee of three City Councillors

Purposes

To consider matters relating to the physical environment of the city including without limitation issues relating to air and water quality, solid and hazardous waste, visual quality, the environmental impact of development and the sustainability of our physical environment.

O-9 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Construction repairs are being planned for the First Street corridor; and

WHEREAS: First Street is in much need of improvement, both structural and visual; and

WHEREAS: There are currently no plans for aesthetic improvements of First Street; and

WHEREAS: Future plans for First Street extending to O'Brien Highway will create further construction in years to come that businesses will have to face; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on whether the scope of the project can be extended to include visual improvements of the First Street corridor, such as lighting, in order to prevent future impact of construction on businesses on First Street.

O-10 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: First floor retail on First Street in the First Street Garage is in disrepair; and

WHEREAS: Windows are boarded up along First and Spring Streets, and decorative tiles are broken; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads with the intention of improving the appearance of the facades along First Street and Spring Street and to report back to the City Council on this matter.

O-11 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: Harvard University has recently agreed to make improvements to the streetscapes for the intersections of both Everett and Chauncy Streets at Massachusetts Avenue as part of the Harvard Law School construction project; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the specific improvements agreed to, the timeframe for these projects and their current status.

O-12 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The Police Review Advisory Board (PRAB) has recently appointed an Executive Director following a lengthy vacancy of the position; and

WHEREAS: Filling the Executive Director position returns the Police Review Advisory Board to a fully-functioning capacity, and it ushers in a new era of robust citizen advocacy from this important committee; and

WHEREAS: The recent installation of the new Executive Director serves as an excellent opportunity to take stock of the work the Police Review Advisory Board has traditionally engaged in, and to assess the areas that this committee may need to focus on in the weeks and months ahead; and

WHEREAS: A robust, fully-functioning Police Review Advisory Board is vital to the citizenry of Cambridge; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the new Executive Director of the Police Review Advisory Board to submit a report to the City Council detailing what are perceived to be the issues of greatest importance that the Police Review Advisory Board must focus on, and that this report should be submitted to the City Council no later than 90 days from the adoption of this order.

O-13 Mar 22, 2010

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: In January 2007 the Cambridge City Council adopted an order urging the U.S. Department of Energy to adopt a standard of 90% AFUE (the measure of furnace efficiency) in northern states because there are significant energy savings and reductions in carbon emissions by going to the 90% standard; and

WHEREAS: The DOE instead adopted 80% AFUE; and

WHEREAS: Massachusetts has filed a petition with the federal DOE asking to waive the federal preemption so that the 90% AFUE furnace efficiency standard adopted by the Massachusetts legislature in 2005 can be implemented; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council urges the U.S. Department of Energy to support the Massachusetts' petition to exempt from federal preemption Massachusetts' 90% AFUE standard for non-weatherized gas furnaces (docket EERE-BT-PET-0024); and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to transmit copies of the order by Mar 29, 2010 to Brenda Edwards, U.S. Department of Energy, and also to the Cambridge legislative delegation, and the Massachusetts Energy office.

O-14 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: The Porter Square area has a problem with loud music, public drinking and inappropriate behavior by a small but regular group of people; and

WHEREAS: Much of this problematic behavior takes place on MBTA property; and

WHEREAS: When called about this issue, the Emergency Communications Center has said, "This is not on us, it's the MBTA police;" and

WHEREAS: At the time of the call, the Porter Square area was inundated with Cambridge Police officers on construction details or on regular duty assignments; and

WHEREAS: Twenty minutes after this call, the MBTA police had still not arrived and the problem persisted; and

WHEREAS: When there is a public safety problem or a perception of such, in the City of Cambridge, the public does not want to hear "It's not on us." when they call the Emergency Communications Center. The public wants the Cambridge Police Department to address the issue in a timely way and sort out jurisdictional issues with the MBTA at a later date; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the relevant City staff, the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the MBTA and other large entities in the city such as Harvard and MIT and report back to the City Council as to under what circumstances the public should expect the Cambridge Police Department not to act on a public safety related issues because the problematic behavior is taking place on property over which the City has jurisdiction but over which some other entity has concurrent or some other type of jurisdiction; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with a list of properties over which the Cambridge Police Department does not have jurisdiction.

O-15 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: In agreements made between Lesley University and the City of Cambridge regarding recent zoning amendments and the creation of a Lesley Porter Overlay District, Lesley University committed the sum of \$50,000 to the City of Cambridge for the improvement of Massachusetts Avenue; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the status of the transmittal of said funds and of any allocation of the funds to date.

O-16 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: There are markings in the pavement at the intersection of Garfield Street and Massachusetts Avenue indicating an alteration, including the possible construction of a bump-out; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on any proposed physical design changes or traffic-calming measures at the intersection of Garfield Street and Massachusetts Avenue.

O-17 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR REEVES

WHEREAS: Cambridge is not listed by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council among the leaders of Boston-area municipalities regarding recycling; and

WHEREAS: According to data from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Cambridge recycles between 21% and 35% of its residential waste; and

WHEREAS: Municipalities in the Boston Metropolitan Area, including many with better recycling records than Cambridge, have been adopting "Pay-as-you-throw" (PAYT) trash programs; and

WHEREAS: PAYT is a waste-reduction initiative in which persons are charged for the trash they dispose of through a municipality's trash disposal service; and

WHEREAS: PAYT programs have led to reductions in total recycled and disposed-of waste, reductions in waste thrown out, and increases in proportion of waste recycled; and

WHEREAS: PAYT programs aim to achieve savings, raise revenue, and increase sustainability; and

WHEREAS: The city of Gloucester not only saved \$926,076 in 2009 through its implementation of PAYT but also reduced its hauled tonnage of garbage by 26 percent; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge could stand to make similar gains, both economical and ecological, by implementing a PAYT program; therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the feasibility of adopting a Pay-As-You-Throw program in Cambridge.

O-18 Mar 22, 2010

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The Leadership Campaign is a volunteer organization seeking to raise awareness of policy option by which Massachusetts could move towards being 100% Clean Electricity in 10 years; and

WHEREAS: The Leadership Campaign seeks to peaceably demonstrate their commitment to clean energy legislation by holding a rally and sleep-out on the Cambridge Commons the night before walking to Beacon Hill; and

WHEREAS: Section 12.20.060 of the Municipal Code "Walking or lying on grass prohibited" gives no recourse by which the City can authorize or allow civic organizations to utilize community space outside of normal operating hours; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the City Solicitor to report back to the City Council with options for amending the city ordinance to allow for the Manager to permit civic organizations to use public space after hours.

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MAYOR MAHER

ORDERED: That due to the heavy rain that fell from Saturday through Monday that was particularly damaging to those residences of North Cambridge bordering the Alewife Brook Parkway area, the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide a report on the City's response to this event and inform our residents of any federal assistance that may be available to them and explain the need to purchase flood insurance when those residences are in a declared flood plain.