

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as Constables With Power for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2003: Gerald J. LeBlanc, 9 Murray Street, Waltham, MA 02451
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the re-appointment of Wayne Drugan, 16 Linnaean Street, #1, as a member of the Cambridge Election Commission for a term of four years, effective April 1, 2003.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-32, regarding a report on efforts to create a Tech Square.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-30, regarding a report on snow clearance at bus stops, handicapped ramps and at critical crosswalks including the MBTA's responsibility.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-24, regarding a report on condition of crosswalks in University Park.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to The Harvard Square Pit Report.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an application for a Jitney License for Back Bay Coach to operate a shuttle service.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-14, regarding a report on plans to post weekly schedule of meetings outside of City buildings.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the block rates for water consumption and sewer use for the period beginning April 1, 2003 and ending March 31, 2004.
[RECOMMENDATION - That the City Council approve the following block rates for water consumption and sewer use for the period beginning April 1, 2003 and ending March 31, 2004. The recommendation calls for a 5.1% increase in water rates and a 7.2% increase in sewer rates. Overall, consumers will see a 6.4% increase in their annual water/sewer bill.]

CHARTER RIGHT

1. Charter Right was exercised by Mayor Sullivan on Consent Agenda #5 of March 17, 2003 relative to the Disposition Report for Trolley Square, prepared by the Community Development.

ON THE TABLE

2. Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square, 1-11 Shady Hill Square and 36 Holden Street.
3. Landmark Designation Study Report for designating as a protected landmark the Tulip Tree at 1436 and 1446 Cambridge Street.
4. Order #19 of September 9, 2002 requesting the City Manager to direct the Community Development Department to make maximum use of CPA funds to develop affordable housing that is permanently affordable, such as limited equity cooperatives and condos.
5. Order #17 of October 7, 2002 requesting the City Manager to appoint someone to speak with Neighbors for a Better Community to explore possible collaboration.
6. Applications and Petitions #1 of November 18, 2002 an application from John Kennedy requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 33 Walker Street.
7. Applications and Petitions #1 of December 9, 2002 an application from Jill Toney requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 45 Creighton Street.
8. Order #1 of January 6, 2003 requesting the City Manager to direct the City Solicitor to draft a home rule petition to enable the City Manager to approve curb cuts.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. Petition from Harvard University requesting a sub-surface easement located between 1720 and 1737 Cambridge Street for the purpose of constructing an underground pedestrian and service tunnel beneath Cambridge Street.
10. The proposed amendment to Chapter 8.28 of the Municipal Code, which restricts youth access to tobacco and prohibits smoking in workplaces and public places, would prohibit smoking in all restaurants and bars. The amendment also modifies the exception for private clubs. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after February 24, 2003.
11. The proposed amendment to Section 2.121.030 (b) of the Municipal Code, regarding the calculation of the yearly cost of living adjustment to the Living Wage Ordinance. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after March 31, 2003.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Unique Nail Salon, requesting permission a sandwich board sign at the premises numbered 99 Mount Auburn Street.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Olga R. Bennett and family, transmitting appreciation for the resolution adopted by the City Council on behalf of George R. Bennett.
2. A communication was received from Phyllis Cohen et al., urging the City Council to pass a resolution boycotting World Bank Bonds.
3. A communication was received from Senator Jarrett Barrios, transmitting notification that the home rule petition for the City of Cambridge on behalf of the Cambridge Police Officers hired from the 1972 Police examination was filed.
4. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding CCTV.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Proclaiming May 11-17, 2003 as National Women's Health Week in the City of Cambridge and encourage all citizens to work together to promote and improve the health of women and to increase awareness and understanding of women's health issues. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
2. Wishing Rena Leib a very Happy 60th birthday. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
3. Expressing condolences to Eileen Moran Brown, President of Cambridge College, on the death of her mother. Councillor Simmons and entire membership
4. Resolution on the death of Theresa (Nazarian) Yacoubian. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
5. Resolution on the death of Almerinda Pirez. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
6. Resolution thanking the City Manager, the Police Commissioner and the officers of the Cambridge Police Department for their outstanding job of keeping the peace in Cambridge. Councillor Decker and entire membership

ORDERS

1. Requesting the City Manager to instruct the Assistant City Manager for Community Development investigate the ways that Cambridge Business can benefit from the 2004 Democratic Convention. Councillor Simmons
2. That the City Council dedicate the corner of Clay and Dudley Streets for Helen and Douglas Risser. Councillor Galluccio
3. Requesting the City Manager to report on practices currently in place regarding use of environmentally sound cleaning products in City owned properties. Vice Mayor Davis

4. Requesting the City Manager to report back to the City Council with an analysis of Governor Romney's plan linking local aid to housing construction in Massachusetts and its potential impact on Cambridge. Vice Mayor Davis
5. Requesting the City Manager to report on the requirement to post fare cards in all Cambridge taxicabs. Vice Mayor Davis
6. Dedicating the corner of Walden Street and Cypress Street as Lucy E. Doherty Square in memory of Lucy E. Doherty. Mayor Sullivan

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Brian Murphy, for a meeting of the Housing Committee held on February 19, 2003 for the purpose of discussing information about income eligibility, demographics and market demand in relation to inclusionary zoning and other affordable housing programs.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Mar 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Mar 26

8:30am The Human Services Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue the discussion on out-of-school time issues. (Ackermann Room)

12:30pm The University Relations Committee will conduct a public working meeting to focus on opportunities for university and city dialogue and collaboration in the area of education. (Sullivan Chamber)

4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance on a petition filed by the Planning Board to rezone areas of Riverside. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance on the re-filed Robert S. Carlson et al. petition to amend zoning in the Riverside area. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Sat, Mar 29

9:30am The Ordinance Committee will conduct a continuation of the Mar 26 hearings to enable members of the public who through childcare or other hardships were unable to provide testimony on Mar 26th to speak. People who spoke at the Mar 26th hearing will not be allowed to speak again. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 31

5:00pm *Special Presentation - Rape Aggression Defense* (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Apr 9

3:30pm The Human Services Committee will conduct a roundtable meeting with school principals to hear their recommendations and concerns about out-of-school time programs. (Ackermann Room)

Fri, Apr 11

9:00am The University Relations Committee will conduct a public working meeting to focus on opportunities for university and City dialogue and collaboration in the area of fiscal health. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, Apr 14

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 28

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Apr 30

4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to consider a proposed tree protection ordinance. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 12

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

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 14

11:00am Budget Hearing (subject to change) (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 19

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)

Wed, May 21

11:00am Budget Hearing (subject to change) (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 22

6:00pm Budget Hearing (subject to change) (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 28

11:00am Budget Hearing (subject to change) (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jun 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jun 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jun 16

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jun 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jun 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1. March 24, 2003

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Assistant City Manager for Community Development to investigate the ways that Cambridge Businesses can benefit from the 2004 Democratic Convention.

O-2. March 24, 2003

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate the corner of Clay and Dudley Streets for Helen and Douglas Risser; 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 communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-3. March 24, 2003

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has adopted the concept of the Green Seal standard, allowing both buyers and sellers to know what constitutes a safe and environmentally sound industrial cleaning product, including health and safety criteria; and

WHEREAS: The Commonwealth issued a request for responses (RFR) based on this standard and is expected to award its contract by the end of March 2003; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the outcome of this contract and on the feasibility of the City of Cambridge pursuing a similar approach to utilizing and purchasing environmentally sound cleaning products for use in all City owned properties; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and here by is requested to report on practices currently in place to regarding use of environmentally sound cleaning products in City owned properties.

O-4. March 24, 2003

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with an analysis of Governor Romney's plan linking local aid to housing construction in Massachusetts

and its potential impact on Cambridge (see attached Boston Globe editorial); and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager analyze, in a similar fashion, the legislation proposed by the Citizens' Housing and Planning Association, which would provide cities and towns monies for housing units built under the state's 40B law.

O-5. March 24, 2003

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report on the requirement to post fare cards in all Cambridge taxicabs, including response to the follow:

- 1) Are routine inspections conducted to assure that fare cards are posted in all Cambridge taxicabs?
- 2) Are there fines for failure to post fare cards?
- 3) Have any fines been levied for failure to post fare cards?

O-6. March 24, 2003

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate the corner of Walden Street and Cypress Street as Lucy E. Doherty Square in the memory of Lucy E. Doherty; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Chief of Staff of the Mayor 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.