

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as members of the Women's Commission for a term of three years, effective Mar 27, 2016: Jane Shou, Carol Chow Carson, Barbara Thomas, Therecia Jozefzoon and Nadia Elysse
2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as members of the Human Rights Commission for a term of three years, effective Mar 27, 2017: Amanda Savage and Joshua Stadlan
3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as a members of the Harvard Square Kiosk Working Group, effective Mar 27, 2017: Abra Berkowitz, Robyn Culbertson, Ankita Deshpande, Timothy Hyde, Janet Si-Ming Lee, Sarah Rosenkrantz, Daniel Andrew Schofield-Bodt, Kenneth Taylor, John DiGiovanni, Bertil JeanChronberg, Frank Kramer, Peter Kroon, Sohail Nasir, Abhishek Syal, Thomas Lucey and Mary Flynn
4. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the requirements of the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) that the City Council adopt an order for the Statement of Interest Form to be submitted to MSBA no later than Apr 7, 2017 for the Tobin and Vassal Lane Upper School located at 197 Vassal Lane.

AGENDA #4 Mar 27, 2017

WHEREAS: The Vassal Lane building currently houses the Tobin Pk-5 Montessori School and the Vassal Lane Upper 6-8 School. The Vassal Lane Building was built in 1971 and the existing building and building systems do not meet the educational needs of the building's occupants, the Montessori Pk-5 Elementary School and the Vassal Lane Upper School (Middle School). The building is an old electric heat building resulting in high energy cost and consumption. Room windows are mostly all original and approximately 50 years of age. Building temperatures can become uncomfortable due to the age and condition of the distribution system. Roof and windows are all original and while the roof has been patched regularly the building and its exterior walls are subject to interior leaking during heavy rain and snow storms. In addition to building systems that are past normal life expectations, the building's classrooms, cafeteria and gymnasium do not meet the educational needs of its occupants. Originally built as a K-8 elementary school the building now houses a Pk-5 elementary and 6-8 upper school (middle school) that both suffer from scheduling problems including the gym and cafeteria; and

WHEREAS: Funds are sought for the complete renovation or replacement of the building in order to provide a full range of programs consistent with the State and approved local requirements; and

WHEREAS: The School Committee of Cambridge, Massachusetts voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit the Statement of Interest Form to the MSBA at an open meeting held on Mar 21, 2017; now therefore be it ORDERED: The Cambridge City Council hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement

of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance of the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City of Cambridge to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

5. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-76, regarding implementing an electronic public comment display in the Sullivan Chamber.
6. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-18, regarding ways to preserve the historic stained glass located at 50 York Street.
7. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council for \$21,600 to the Grant Fund Public Celebrations (Arts Council) Other Ordinary Maintenance account that will be used to provide direct financial support and technical assistance to artists, arts organizations, and community groups in Cambridge.
8. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-90, regarding requesting that the DCR continue Sunday closings on Memorial Drive.
9. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-23, regarding the possibility of installing a stop sign at the intersection of located between 150 and 160 Cambridgepark Drive.
10. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-53, regarding a response to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-53, regarding subsidizing the cost of installing and removing air conditioning units from CHA properties.
11. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a proposed ordinance related to the growth and maintenance of "Running Bamboo".
12. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 16-64 and 17-9, regarding trash and recycling pick up for small businesses.
13. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-75, regarding a report on a suitable replacement for the crumb-rubber turf used on City playgrounds.
14. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$1,000,000 from the Water Fund Other Ordinary Maintenance account to the Public Investment Fund Water Extraordinary Expenditures account to fund the replacement of water meters and meter transmitter units (MTUs).
15. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to recommendations for the block rates for water consumption and sewer use for the period beginning Apr 1, 2017 and ending Mar 31, 2018.

AGENDA #15 Mar 27, 2017

ORDERED: That the following block rate for water

consumption and sewer use in the City of Cambridge be in effect for the period beginning Apr 1, 2017 and ending Mar 31, 2018:

	Annual Consumption*	FY17 Water Rate	FY18 Proposed Water Rate	FY17 Sewer Rate	FY18 Proposed Sewer Rate
Blk 1	0-40 CcF	\$3.02	\$3.02	\$9.50	\$10.23
Blk 2	41-400 CcF	\$3.24	\$3.24	\$10.05	\$10.82
Blk 3	401-2,000 CcF	\$3.44	\$3.44	\$10.79	\$11.62
Blk 4	2,001-10,000 CcF	\$3.65	\$3.65	\$11.62	\$12.51
Blk 5	Over 10,000 CcF	\$3.96	\$3.96	\$12.35	\$13.30

*All rates are per CcF. CcF is an abbreviation of 100 cubic feet. One CcF is approximately 750 gallons; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Senior Citizens Discount Program gives either a 15 percent or 30 percent discount on water/sewer bills, depending upon certain qualifications. Any resident who owns and occupies his/her own home and who is 65 or older on July 1 qualifies for the 15 percent discount. This discount may not exceed \$90 for the fiscal year.

To qualify for the 30 percent discount, a homeowner must be 65 years of age or older and must have been granted the Clause 41C Elderly Real Estate Exemption, which is based on the demonstrated financial need. This discount may not exceed \$180 for the fiscal year.

16. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a request for the City Council to authorize the Purchasing Agent to award an extension of up to three (3) months to the existing Hubway contract with Motivate.

AGENDA #16 Mar 27, 2017

ORDERED: That the City Council goes on record authorizing the Purchasing Agent to award an extension for up to three (3) months to the existing contract with Motivate (formerly Alta) as operator of the Hubway bike share system, in order to allow the Hubway bike share system to operate without interruption and to enable the City to negotiate and successfully execute a new contract.

ON THE TABLE

1. An application was received from Mundo/Lux, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 2 Bow Street. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Cheung on Dec 19, 2016. Placed On Table on a voice vote of 8 on motion of Councillor Cheung on Jan 9, 2017.]
2. The City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to organize regular suppers on the second Saturday of each month, starting on the 13th of August, with free food for the Cambridge community in open public spaces throughout the various Cambridge neighborhoods. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Mazen on June 20, 2016. Tabled on a motion by Councillor Mazen on June 27, 2016.]
3. The City Manager coordinate with the Finance Department, Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, and community stakeholders to outline a proposed system of governance, management, and stakeholder engagement for the Foundry, to be discussed in a public forum with the Council and community. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Toomey

on Oct 31, 2016. Placed On The Table on voice vote of six members on motion of Councillor Toomey.]

4. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and any other relevant City department to survey of city residents, work, and visitors to determine who is interested in parking in the City. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Jan 30, 2017. Placed On Table on a motion by Councillor Cheung on Feb 6, 2017.]
5. That the City Manager is requested to establish the requirement that all appointments to the City's commissions, advisory committees, and task forces reflect the City's diversity and that the Civic Unity Committee is asked to sign off on all such appointments going forward. [Charter Right exercised by Mayor Simmons on Feb 27, 2017. Tabled on a motion by Councillor Cheung on a voice vote of 8 members on Mar 6, 2017.]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. An amendment to the Municipal Code Ordinance that Title 8 entitled "Health and Safety be amended in Chapter 8.12.010 entitled "Self-service station regulations. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Apr 3, 2017.
7. An amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge in Inclusionary Housing, including the insertion of new definitions in Article 2.000 and the substitution of revised zoning text for the current text to Sections 11.200 through 11.206. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Apr 3, 2017. Planning Board hearing held Dec 20, 2016. Petition expires Apr 4, 2017.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Cambridge Redevelopment Authority and Boston Properties, requesting permission to install and maintain eight permanent banners on electrical poles along Main Street from the Hubway Station near Galaxy Park to Ames Street, north side only.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Joan Keating, 51 Dudley Street, regarding a donation to the Richard Rossi Housing Fund.
2. A communication was received from Hasson Rashid, forwarding a document regarding the Administration's Budget Blueprint: What it means for homelessness.
3. A communication was received from Maria Collins, 1 Rindge Terrace, regarding updated limits on Short Term Rentals in Cambridge.
4. A communication was received from Patrick W. Barrett III, regarding the Short Term Rental Petition.
5. A communication was received from Rob Primmer, 6 Rindge Terrace, regarding Short Term Rentals in Cambridge.
6. A communication was received from Melissa Ludtke, 30 Buena Vista Park, opposed to Airbnb petition re: short-term rentals.
7. A communication was received from Gene Dolgin, 515 Putnam Avenue, regarding the short term rental petition.
8. A communication was received from Jessica Kuh, 161 Raymond Street, regarding Short term rentals.

9. A communication was received from Lauren Gibbs, 3 Newport Road, regarding Short Term Rental petition.
10. A communication was received from Leah Williams, 30 Mount Pleasant Street, regarding limiting short term rentals to owner-occupied buildings.
11. A communication was received from Lydia Gralla, 19 Beech Street, regarding limiting Airbnb-type Short Term Rentals in Cambridge.
12. A communication was received from Charlotte Wang, 165 Pleasant Street, regarding Short Term Rental Petition.
13. A communication was received from Jennifer Chen, 321 Concord Avenue, regarding limiting Short-term Rentals in Cambridge.
14. A communication was received from Elisabeth Werby, 7 Wright Street, regarding the Short Term Rental Petition.
15. A communication was received from Judith Aronson, 39 Martin Street, regarding the Short Term Rental Petition.
16. A communication was received from Claire Chafee, 17 Hurlbut Street, regarding limiting the number of Short Term Rentals.
17. A communication was received from Sheli Wortis, 106 Berkshire Street, regarding David Maher.
18. A communication was received from Sheli Wortis, 106 Berkshire Street, regarding non-resident housing.
19. A communication was received from Leslie Brunetta, 29 Roberts Road, regarding short-term rental.
20. A communication was received from Chris Low, regarding the Aberdeen bus location.
21. A communication was received from Jennifer Marshall, 17 Hurlbut Street, regarding short term rental in Cambridge.
22. A communication was received from Tracey Stark, 51 Market Street, supports more affordable housing in Area 4.
23. A communication was received from Laurie Friedman, 33 Essex Street, regarding Inclusionary Housing Ordinance.
24. A communication was received from Barbara Hume, 33 Essex Street, regarding Inclusionary Housing Ordinance.
25. A communication was received from Barbara Hume, 33 Essex Street, regarding short-term rentals.
26. A communication was received from Peter Valentine, 37 Brookline Street, regarding creating a new financial monetary currency.
27. A communication was received from Rita Kraner, 10 McTernan Street, regarding the Short Term Rental Petition.
28. A communication was received from Kit Hickey, 27 Prince Street, regarding the Short Term Rental Petition.
29. A communication was received from Claudia Majetich, 329 Concord Avenue, regarding Inclusionary zoning.
30. A communication was received from Laura Holsen, 218 Thorndike Street, opposing the STR petition.
31. A communication was received from Leslie Eckel, 97-99 Aberdeen Avenue, regarding the proposed bus shelter on Aberdeen Avenue.
32. A communication was received from Jacquelyn Smith, 7 Ashburton Place, regarding Inclusionary housing.
33. A communication was received from Linda Selaya, 237 Allston Street, regarding Air B& B, Novus Petition.
34. A communication was received from Quinton Zondervan, regarding Inclusionary Zoning Petition.
35. A communication was received from Sonia Kowal, transmitting support for affordable housing.
36. A communication was received from Valerie Thompson, Upton Street, regarding Inclusionary Housing.
37. A communication was received from Suzanne Bouffard, 6A Chester Street, regarding limiting short-term rentals and keep housing affordable.
38. A communication was received from Janie Katz-Christy, 166A Elm Street, regarding limiting short term rentals in Cambridge.
39. A communication was received from Sumbul Siddiqui, regarding Inclusionary Housing Ordinance, keep out the PUD wording and support tenant protections.
40. A communication was received from Joshua Reyes, 35 Lee Street, regarding Inclusionary Housing.
41. A communication was received from Richard Krushnic, regarding Inclusionary Zoning.
42. A communication was received from Anna Gosline, 163-165 Chestnut Street, regarding some additional thoughts on AirBnB.
43. A communication was received from JJ Gonson, regarding affordable housing.
44. A communication was received from Abra Berkowitz, 253 1/2 Broadway, transmitting a letter of support for increase to 20% inclusionary units and inclusion of PUDs in Zoning Ordinance.
45. A communication was received from Andrew Richman, 36 Hubbard Avenue, regarding Short Term Rental Petition.
46. A communication was received from Hasson Rashid, forwarding a document regarding funding cuts would increase homelessness-advocacy is critical.
47. A communication was received from Hasson Rashid, forwarding a document regarding the Health Care replacement bill.
48. A communication was received from Lynn Trever, 156 Richdale Avenue, regarding limiting Airbnbtype Short Term Rentals in Cambridge.
49. A communication was received from Claire Barliant, 244 Lexington Avenue, regarding Short Term Rentals in Cambridge.
50. A communication was received from Hasson Rashid, forwarding a document regarding The HOME Coalition Action Needed to Protect HOME.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to PlacePass for securing funding from Marriott International, Inc. Councillor Cheung
2. Resolution on the death of Richard J. Medeiros. Councillor Toomey
3. Retirement of Jane Carroll from the Mount Auburn Cemetery. Mayor Simmons
4. Resolution on the death of William A. Fox Jr. Councillor Maher
5. City Council support of the Boston Area Rape Crisis Center Walk for Change on Apr 23, 2017, and affirming that the City of Cambridge stands in solidarity with those working

to put an end to sexual violence everywhere. Mayor Simmons

ORDERS

1. City Council go on record urging the Governor to resist reducing funding for The Ride. Mayor Simmons
2. That the City Manager is requested to work with the City Solicitor's office and update the City Council on a potential Surveillance Ordinance by the Apr 10, 2017 City Council meeting. Councillor Cheung, Mayor Simmons
3. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the Acting Police Commissioner with a view toward piloting a Cambridge Police outpost located in Carl Barron Plaza, to be ready for operation by Summer 2017. Mayor Simmons, Vice Mayor McGovern
4. That the City Manager be requested to consult with the Director of Traffic, Parking, and Transportation and any other appropriate City Staff to discuss, in conjunction with residents, what traffic calming measures are appropriate for Rice Street, and when they can be installed and to consult with City staff to identify neighborhood streets that are becoming more heavily used as cut-through streets due to navigation apps like Waze and to determine which other streets may need additional traffic calming measures to remain safe for residents. Councillor Devereux, Councillor Kelley, Councillor Carlone
5. That the Transportation and Public Utilities Committee is requested to hold a public hearing within 30 days of the passage of this order on the possibility of the City subsidizing the \$30 unlimited monthly MBTA passes for low income CRLS students who participate in extracurricular activities. Councillor Cheung, Councillor Kelley
6. That the City of Cambridge opposes H.R. 482 and S. 103, and calls on its representatives in the House and Senate to vote against these bills, and to exert influence on other representatives to oppose these bills and support the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in all efforts to affirmatively further fair housing and collect data to assess the progress of fair housing initiatives and inclusiveness of its communities. Vice Mayor McGovern, Mayor Simmons
7. That the City Council agenda be altered to create a section in the agenda between public comment and the City Manager's agenda entitled "General Council Discussion," where Councillors would be able to bring their colleagues up-to-date on projects in which they are engaged or ask for updates about projects that other Councillors are working on, even if these issues do not appear on the Council's agenda or have never been the subject of formal City Council attention. Councillor Kelley, Councillor Devereux

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone and Councillor Leland Cheung, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on Mar 16, 2017 to discuss a zoning petition filed by Richard Harding, et al., to amend the Mass + Main Residential sub district and the Central Square Overlay District by amending Sections 20.307.8.1 (a) and (b) and 20.307.6.2 (a).

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Councillor Craig A. Kelley, transmitting an Update on Regulatory Framework for Drone Policy Discussions.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Mar 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Mar 29

3:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to strike out Section 8.23 entitled "Non-conformity" and substitute in place thereof a new Section 8.23. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Apr 4

3:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to have a general discussion on short-term rental uses throughout the City. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Apr 6

2:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a petition by the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance in Article 20.50 entitled "Harvard Square Overlay and Harvard Square Historic Overlay District" by adding a new Section 20.54.7 Exempting rooftop spaces from FAR. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Apr 19

3:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a petition by the City Council to amend the Zoning Map and Ordinance by creating a new Section 11.900 - Registration of Vacant/Abandoned Buildings; Maintenance and Security Requirements. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Apr 25

3:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Needs Assessment Report. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Apr 26

3:00pm The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a public hearing to receive an update on the City's urban forestry programs, tree inventory and maintenance, planting programs, the role of the Committee on Public Planting, the impacts of the drought on the urban forest, and any other matters related to trees. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 1

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 2

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss FY2018 City Budget. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 3

3:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a zoning petition from Mark Lechmere, LLC, Owner and Amadan Management, LLC, Manager, of the property at 207 and 227 Cambridge Street to amend the existing zoning at that location to authorize the construction of a 45 unit residential building with small scale retail on the ground floor and parking below grade. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 9

6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss FY2018 School Department Budget. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 10

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss FY2018 City Budget. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 11

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss FY2018 City Budget (if necessary). This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 15

4:00pm 2017 Scholarship Award Ceremony (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 16

3:30pm Housing Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 17

3:30pm The Economic Development and University Relations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss updates and data collected thus far for the Retail Strategic Plan, and other matters pertaining to the Study. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Aug 7

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

Mon, Sept 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 16

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Mar 27, 2017

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The Baker Administration has cautioned that there is a looming budget gap in FY2017-2018, and Governor Baker has stated that he will be required to make some difficult decisions in order to balance the budget; and

WHEREAS: Among the anticipated [problem areas are the MBTA](#), with a reported [\\$42 million gap in its \\$2 billion budget](#) on the horizon; and

WHEREAS: Among the cost-saving measures being considered is a one-year suspension of "premium trips" (those not mandated by the Americans with Disabilities Act and which can include journeys beyond the MBTA's core

area) on The Ride, the MBTA's service for people with disabilities, which [the Governor suggests would save \\$7 million](#); and

WHEREAS: [The Ride is a critical lifeline for many seniors](#) who subsist on a small, fixed income, and who do not have other means to move freely about the city, and even minimal cutbacks of this service could have outsized, negative impacts upon this most vulnerable community in Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: It is recognized that the Commonwealth may well need to engage in difficult cutbacks in order to close anticipated budget gaps, yet it would be cruel and overly burdensome to balance the budget on the backs of our most vulnerable residents, and this is precisely what reducing The Ride's service capacity would achieve; now therefore be it ORDERED: That the City Council formally goes on record strongly urging Governor Baker to resist any measures that would reduce funding or service of the MBTA's The Ride program as part of any cost-saving measures for FY2017-2018; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this Order to Governor Charles D. Baker and to the Cambridge Delegation to the State House on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-2 Mar 27, 2017

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: On Nov 21, 2016, the City Council passed a Policy Order forwarding language for a potential Surveillance Ordinance to the City Solicitor's office to be vetted and transcribed in a way that would allow it to be ultimately referred to the Ordinance Committee for consideration at a future hearing; and

WHEREAS: On Feb 6, 2017 the City Council passed a Policy Order asking the City Manager to confer with the City Solicitor's office and update the City Council on the vetting process within two months; and

WHEREAS: It has been over two months since the order on Feb 6th passed and the City Council has not received an update on the development of language for a potential Surveillance Ordinance; now therefore be it ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the City Solicitor's office and update the City Council by the Apr 10, 2017 City Council meeting.

O-3 Mar 27, 2017

MAYOR SIMMONS

VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: In the years since the Cambridge Police Department relocated its headquarters from 5 Western Avenue to the new facility at 125 Sixth Street in East Cambridge, there has been a growing public perception that Central Square suffers from an increased amount of crime and people engaging in undesirable behavior, particularly during the evening hours in and around Carl Barron Plaza; and

WHEREAS: Members of the community have repeatedly raised concerns with the City about this neighborhood, lamenting that many families and senior citizens steer clear of the area because they feel unsafe walking through Central

Square due to the panhandling and other behaviors of many people who tend to congregate in Carl Barron Plaza; and
WHEREAS: In response to these community concerns, the Cambridge Police have provided repeated assurances that there is a steady police presence in Central Square, that officers in uniform are routinely covering this beat, and that Central Square is just as safe, and the police response there just as swift, as when the Cambridge Police Department was located on Western Avenue; and

WHEREAS: True as these repeated assurances may be, the public's perception of Central Square as an unsafe neighborhood best to be avoided remains a steep and significant hurdle that must be effectively addressed if the City is truly serious about working to revitalize this most important district; and

WHEREAS: There remains a vocal public desire for a more robust, more visible police presence, and many residents and business owners have urged for the installation of a physical Cambridge Police outpost situated in Carl Barron Plaza, which would provide an unmistakable signal that the City is making an aggressive effort to revitalize Central Square and provide a greater sense of safety to all who would come to this area; and

WHEREAS: When this has been discussed in years past, Cambridge Police representatives had advised that such an outpost would be both unnecessary and redundant to the police presence already operating in the Square, yet the psychological comfort such an outpost could provide to business owners, business patrons, and pedestrians alike can no longer be overlooked or easily dismissed; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the Acting Police Commissioner with a view toward piloting a Cambridge Police outpost located in Carl Barron Plaza, to be ready for operation by Summer 2017, and to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner.

O-4 Mar 27, 2017

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: An email containing the signatures of 50 Rice Street residents supporting traffic calming measures has come before members of the City Council and City staff; and

WHEREAS: Rice Street is a one-way street approximately 1,000 feet in length between Massachusetts Avenue and Cedar Street, representing a significantly long stretch between intersections as compared to other side-streets in Cambridge, which may allow drivers to speed; and

WHEREAS: Because Rice Street connects two heavily-used arterial streets, Massachusetts Avenue and Rindge Avenue, it is often used by drivers as a cut-through to avoid the signal and congestion; and

WHEREAS: The two neighboring streets, Rindge Avenue and Cedar Street, both have traffic calming measures installed; and

WHEREAS: Residents of Rice Street conducted their own traffic counts in September 2016, finding that there were 117 vehicles, 47 pedestrians, and 7 bikes on weekdays

between 7:40-8:40am, and 47 vehicles, 19 pedestrians, and 2 bikes between 9:00-10:00am on Saturdays; and
WHEREAS: The residents concluded that most of the traffic was cutting through and about 1/3 of the traffic on Saturdays and 10% on weekdays was speeding; and
WHEREAS: Residents have suggested installing raised intersections at Massachusetts Avenue and Cedar Street and mid-block traffic slowing treatment such as chicanes, curb extensions with trees, or raised crossings; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the Director of Traffic, Parking, and Transportation and any other appropriate City Staff to discuss, in conjunction with residents, what traffic calming measures are appropriate for Rice Street, and when they can be installed; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with City staff to identify neighborhood streets that are becoming more heavily used as cut-through streets due to navigation apps like Waze and to determine which other streets may need additional traffic calming measures to remain safe for residents.

O-5 Mar 27, 2017

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: Getting students to and from extracurricular activities can be burdensome on their families; and

WHEREAS: CRLS students are offered multiple reduced fair options through MBTA S-cards issued at the school; and

WHEREAS: Students can access a 50% rate for MBTA trains and busses 24/7 by either paying as they go or by purchasing a \$30 unlimited monthly pass; and

WHEREAS: \$30 or more a month can be difficult for students from low income families who struggle to get by from week to week; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Transportation and Public Utilities Committee be and hereby is requested to hold a public hearing within 30 days of the passage of this order on the possibility of the City subsidizing the \$30 unlimited monthly MBTA passes for low income CRLS students who participate in extracurricular activities.

O-6 Mar 27, 2017

VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Representative Paul Gosar (R-AZ) and Senator Mike Lee (R-UT) have introduced H.R. 482 and S. 103, proposed legislation intended to weaken the Fair Housing Act and interfere with its implementation and enforcement; and

WHEREAS: The proposed bills aim to prohibit diligent housing data collection tools that allow communities to affirmatively further fair housing and establish more equal and inclusive communities; and

WHEREAS: The Fair Housing Act was passed in 1968 with the goal of ending discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin in any and all housing matters in the United States; and

WHEREAS: The Fair Housing Act has protected the rights of millions of vulnerable citizens since its enactment and led to

landmark court victories for fair housing supporters across the United States; and

WHEREAS: The Department of Housing and Urban Development and its Office for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) have a mission to administer the Fair Housing Act and establish national policies that protect American citizens' right to housing of their choice, including the rule to affirmatively further fair housing; and

WHEREAS: Affirmatively furthering fair housing means to address significant disparities in housing needs and in access to opportunity, replacing segregated living patterns with truly integrated and balanced living patterns, transforming racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty into areas of opportunity, and fostering and maintaining compliance with civil rights and fair housing laws; and

WHEREAS: The right to live in the area and housing of one's choice is fundamental to the free and equal order of American society and has an impact on the equality in the workplace and education that individuals and families can attain; and

WHEREAS: Such fairness is the foundation of the American system and reflects traditional American values; and

WHEREAS: Hindering the implementation of fair housing principles undermines the strength and vitality of America and its people; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge reaffirms its commitment to the goals of the Fair Housing Act: the principles of desegregation, access to the housing of one's choice irrespective of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin and equal protection under the law; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge opposes H.R. 482 and S. 103, and calls on its representatives in the House and Senate to vote against these bills, and to exert influence on other representatives to oppose these bills; and be it further

RESOLVED: That all persons who feel that they have been discriminated against in any housing or real estate purchase, conveyance or transaction because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin, will be assisted to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the Human Rights Commission of the City of Cambridge; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge will support the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in all efforts to affirmatively further fair housing and collect data to assess the progress of fair housing initiatives and inclusiveness of its communities; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this order be sent to all Cambridge representatives in Congress.

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COUNCILLOR KELLEY
COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: City Councillors are engaged in a variety of issues of interest to other Councillors and the general public; and

WHEREAS: There are a variety of constraints on how Councillors can interact and communicate about issues on which they are working; and

WHEREAS: This lack of communication and coordination amongst and between Councillors can make it difficult for them to be fully cognizant of ongoing civic and legislative efforts; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That to allow for more effective communication among Councillors without violating rules and regulations governing interaction between elected officials, the City Council agenda be altered to create a section in the agenda between public comment and the City Manager's agenda entitled "General Council Discussion," where Councillors would be able to bring their colleagues up-to-date on projects in which they are engaged or ask for updates about projects that other Councillors are working on, even if these issues do not appear on the Council's agenda or have never been the subject of formal City Council attention.