

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constables With Power for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2003:
Joseph M. Nicoloro, 162 Thorndike Street, Cambridge, 02141
Mary Cheevers, 3 Clifton Street, Boston, 02119
Lauren Sullivan, 2 Hosmer Street, Watertown, 02472
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-21, regarding a report on the circumstances surrounding the curb cut request by 60 Raymond Street.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-25, regarding a report the plan for redesigning the City's water bill with a view toward consumer information as it pertains to water conservation.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-23, regarding how the elimination of the MDC will impact the MDC-owned lands in Cambridge.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-36, regarding a report on a timeline for the renovation of the Concord Avenue Playground.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-34, regarding a report on providing assistance to the Porter Square Neighbors Association to address safety concerns.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative Awaiting Report Item Number 03-33, regarding a report on the expected impact of state funding cuts to City services.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 02-114, regarding the curb cut application for 33 Walker Street.

ON THE TABLE

1. Consent Agenda #7 of October 23, 2000 relative to a Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square, 1-11 Shady Hill Square and 36 Holden Street.
2. Consent Agenda #3 of June 4, 2001 relative to the Landmark Designation Study Report for designating as a protected landmark the Tulip Tree at 1436 and 1446 Cambridge Street.

3. 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.
4. 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.
5. Applications and Petitions #1 of November 18, 2002 an application from John Kennedy requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 33 Walker Street.
6. Applications and Petitions #1 of December 9, 2002 an application from Jill Toney requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 45 Creighton Street.
7. 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

8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. Consent Agenda #5 of March 17, 2003 relative to the Disposition Report for Trolley Square, prepared by the Community Development.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Tellos Clothing Company, requesting permission for a display of merchandise at the premises numbered 596 Massachusetts Avenue.
2. Approval of constable bond surety was received from James M. Desrosiers.
3. A petition was received from Carolyn Thall, et al., requesting to rezone Plat 112-Plots 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 95 and 96, currently zoned as Residence C-1, for inclusion in the adjacent Residence B District.

4. An application was received from Newtowne Variety, requesting permission for a sign and four awnings at the premises numbered 93 Windsor Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development Department and abutters.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Judge Santo Ruma and family, transmitting appreciation for the resolution adopted by the City Council on behalf of Mary Ruma.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Happy 80th Birthday wishes to Daphne Luscat. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
2. Congratulations to Susie Castillo for being crowned Miss USA. Councillor Galluccio and entire membership
3. Congratulations to Bill and Eileen Stafford on the occasion of their forty-ninth wedding anniversary. Mayor Sullivan and the entire membership
4. Congratulations to Edward B. Harris Jr. on his new position as the Field Office Director for the U.S. Department of Justice in Miami, Florida. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
5. Get well wishes to Rabbi Moshe Holcer. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
6. Resolution on the death of Michael F. Guerino. Councillor Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
7. Resolution on the death of Katherine M. DeNucci. Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Toomey and entire membership
8. Resolution on the death of Mary J. (Campagna) Signoriello. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
9. Resolution on the death of Shawn Michael Keenan. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
10. Resolution on the death of Sister Marie Jeanne Turcotte, SGM. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
11. Congratulating Cambridge attorney Andrew F. Cornell on receiving the 2003 Massachusetts Bar Association and Massachusetts Bar Foundation Pro Bono Publico Award. Councillor Decker and entire membership
12. Resolution on the death of James T. Hurton. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
13. Resolution on the death of Sister Ann Margaret Ryan, C.S.J. Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
14. Welcome the International Gay and Lesbian Sports Association to Cambridge. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
15. Encourage all Cantabrigians to attend the 21st Century Black Massachusetts Conference on April 10th and 11th at the Hynes Auditorium in Boston. Councillor Reeves and entire membership

16. Resolution on the death of Daniel Patrick Moynihan. Councillor Murphy, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership
17. Congratulations to MassBow Partners LLC on the beautiful project at One Bow Street. Councillor Reeves and entire membership

ORDERS

1. Report from the City Manager on feasibility of televising Planning Board hearings and incorporating broadcasting capacity into 57 Inman Street. Councillor Murphy
2. City Manager to report on the status of need for traffic calming measures for Brookline Street. Mayor Sullivan
3. City Manager to report on installation of a shelter at the bus stop on Brookline Street. Mayor Sullivan
4. City Manager to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Community Development, the Commissioner of Inspectional Services, the Executive Director of the Historical Commission to consider an annual award for presentation to property owners who build exceptionally beautiful projects in the City of Cambridge. Councillor Reeves
5. Signage directing individuals to the Central Square branch library. Vice Mayor Davis
6. City Manager to report on property taxes paid and not paid by the universities in Cambridge. Councillors Decker, Reeves and Toomey
7. Report on why at least 200 cities and towns are ranked healthier places to live than Cambridge in the Boston Magazine. Councillor Reeves

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher and Councillor Brian Murphy, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on February 12, 2003 for the purpose of considering proposed amendments to Section 2.84.030 and 2.84.050 of the Municipal Code, covering the "Kids Council."
2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Human Services Committee, for a meeting held on February 27, 2003 for the purpose of continuing the discussion on out-of-school (OST) time programs.
3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a meeting held on March 13, 2003 to discuss the City's education campaign regarding bicycle and pedestrian safety.

4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Davis, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a meeting held on February 26, 2003 to discuss the issue of community policing and the grant received from the Executive Office of Public Safety to assist in the implementation of a community policing strategy.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Mayor Michael A. Sullivan, regarding the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission's Report on the Examination of the Retirement System as of January 1, 1998 to December 31, 2000.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Mar 31

- 5:00pm *Special Presentation* - Rape Aggression Defense (Sullivan Chamber)
5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Apr 1

- 10:00am The University Relations Committee will hold a public meeting to continue discussion of opportunities for university and city dialogue and collaboration in the area of education. (Ackermann Room)

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. (Sullivan Chamber)

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)
5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to consider proposed amendment to Section 19.33 of the Zoning Ordinance to include in the design review of proposed developments a review of whether the outdoor lighting is designed to minimize light pollution. This meeting to be televised. (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

- 4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public working meeting to continue discussion of the proposed amendment to the Smoking Ordinance with the City's health and economic development professionals. (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)

Tues, May 20

- 10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY04 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 22

- 10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY04 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 27

- 6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY04 School Department Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jun 2

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

Wed, Jun 4

- 10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY04 City Budget. (if necessary) (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 31, 2003
COUNCILLOR MURPHY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council on the feasibility of televising Planning Board hearings and incorporating television broadcast equipment and capacity into the new building at 57 Inman Street.

O-2. March 31, 2003
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the status of, and need for, traffic calming measures on Brookline Street; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate authorities to increase enforcement on Brookline Street, including enforcement of speeding and parking/double -parking.

O-3. March 31, 2003
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council regarding installation of a shelter at the bus stop on Brookline Street.

O-4. March 31, 2003
COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Community Development, the Commissioner of Inspectional Services, the Executive Director of the Historical Commission and other interested persons to consider an annual award for presentation to property owners who build exceptionally beautiful projects in the City of Cambridge, such as the One Bow Street project.

O-5. March 31, 2003
VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to clearly post a sign on Massachusetts Avenue directing individuals to the Central Square branch of the Cambridge Public Library.

O-6. March 31, 2003
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council the following information relative to property taxes paid and not paid by the universities in Cambridge:

- * Identify the for profit buildings which the universities own and pay property taxes on
- * Describe the criteria by which these properties are determined to be taxable or tax exempt
- * For all exempt properties, specify the date on which the property became exempt and the amount of property taxes paid in the last tax year prior to the exemption
- * For each said exempt property, provide information as to the amount paid in lieu of property tax, if any
- * For each said exempt property calculate the taxes that would have been paid had the property stayed on the tax role
- * For each property, calculate the net difference between the total in lieu of tax payment and the total taxes that would have been paid if the property had remained on the tax roles.

O-7. March 31, 2003
COUNCILLOR REEVES

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that a recent Boston Magazine ranks at least 200 cities and towns as healthier places to live than Cambridge; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council on the methodology and reasons for this low rating of Cambridge as a healthy place to live.