

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$9,987 received from the State Department of Early Education and Care to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$4,685) and the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$5,302). Funds will be used to support the work of the Center for Families and the Community Learning Center in providing services to families at the State Overflow Shelter located in Cambridge. (CM24#65)
2. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the MBTA Track Improvement Program work in February and July 2024 on the Red Line. (CM24#66) [[text of report](#)]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Ordinance 2023 #8B Amend Chapter 14.04 – Fair Housing [Passed to 2nd Reading Oct 2, 2023; Amended Nov 6, 2023; to remain on Unfinished Business pending legislative approval of Special Act needed prior to ordination] (ORD23-8B)
2. An Ordinance has been received relative to amending Section 3.34.070 Authorized Revolving Funds. [Passed to 2nd Reading Mar 25, 2024; Eligible To Be Ordained Apr 8, 2024] (ORD24#1)

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. A petition from Uptown Transport Inc. 1430 Massachusetts Avenue, regarding a Tickets kiosk, 4feet by 4 feet from Apr 12, 2024 with an end date of Oct 31, 2024, 9:00am-5:00pm. (AP24#13)

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication from Aaron Shakow, regarding Proposed rule on public comment and the MA Declaration of Rights.
2. A communication from Aaron Shakow, regarding The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Cambridge Residents Alliance Proposed rules change on public comment in City Council meetings.
3. A communication from Ajay Sonalkar, regarding Non-Car Ownership.
4. A communication from Alexander Zheleznyak, regarding Anti-Corruption Foundation.
5. A communication from Amy Waltz, regarding I'm Writing in Support of PO#4.
6. A communication from Andrew Ray, regarding PO#4.
7. A communication from Andrew Strassman, regarding PO#4 incentives for car non-owners.
8. A communication from Andy Nash, regarding Charter Right #2 and Application #1.
9. A communication from Anirudh Wodeyar, regarding In support of PO#4.
10. A communication from Ann Fleck-Henderson, regarding AP24#10.
11. A communication from Becky Sarah, regarding please support PO#4 (7).

12. A communication from Bill McAvinney, regarding Strong Support for PO#35 & PO#37.
13. A communication from Caroline Lowenthal, regarding Please support PO#4.
14. A communication from Carolyn Fuller, regarding In Support of PO#4.
15. A communication from Carolyn Magid, regarding Charter Right #2.
16. A communication from Catalina Arboleda, regarding Parking Needs of Older Residents and those with disabilities.
17. A communication from Charlene Abebe, regarding Incentives for reducing car ownership.
18. A communication from Charles Franklin, regarding Zoning Research.
19. A communication from Christian Moomaw, regarding In appreciation of Cambridge's street improvements.
20. A communication from Dan Phillips, regarding In support of promoting multi-family housing (1).
21. A communication from Dan Totten, regarding thoughts on equitable zoning reform and critical changes to the rules.
22. A communication from David Gutierrez, regarding Please support PO#4.
23. A communication from Diana Yousef, regarding Please restore and maintain parking (2).
24. A communication from Doug Baker, regarding please support those not owning cars.
25. A communication from Earl K. Miller, regarding Support for PO#4 (6).
26. A communication from Ed Bacher, regarding Incentives for reducing car ownership.
27. A communication from Elena Saporta, regarding PO#4 - Incentivize alternatives to car ownership.
28. A communication from Zach Kulstad regarding Incentives for no car ownership.
29. A communication from Young Kim regarding Traffic Congestion at Mass Ave & Alewife Brook Pkwy Intersection.
30. A communication from Ethan Frank, regarding PO24#45 is the kind of conversations we should be having.
31. A communication from Will Borchard regarding PO24#45.
32. A communication from Fernanda Fernandes, regarding U VOTE #4.
33. A communication from Vickey Bestor regarding Parking is a Zero-Sum Game.
34. A communication from Gabe Tiberius, regarding Colombo Support incentives for residents without cars.
35. A communication from Todd Chapin regarding Support of incentives for people who don't own cars.
36. A communication from Haden Smiley, regarding Support for PO#4.

37. A communication from Sheli Wortis regarding Multi-family housing.
38. A communication from Hubba Hubba, regarding CDD Parking Study.
39. A communication from Sharon Cerny regarding Comments on Item #9 Parking Study.
40. A communication from Ian Hutchinson, regarding I support PO#4.
41. A communication from Sarah Block regarding PO#4.
42. A communication from Robson Goulart regarding Support of incentives for bike owners.
43. A communication from Robin Chase regarding PO#4 on providing incentives for residents who do not own cars.
44. A communication from Robert Bledsoe regarding City Council Rules Changes per PO24#41.
45. A communication from Preston Mueller regarding Support for PO#4.
46. A communication from Prabal Chakrabarti regarding Urgent Safety Concern on Appleton Street.
47. A communication from Norman Daoust regarding support for PO#4 on 3/25/2024.
48. A communication from Ned Melanson regarding In support of promoting multi-family housing.
49. A communication from Michael Hoff regarding In support of promoting multi-family housing.
50. A communication from Meredith Moore regarding Support Zoning Petition – Application #1.
51. A communication from Megan Sheeran regarding Support for PO24#45.
52. A communication from James Carroll McGreivy, regarding PO#4.
53. A communication from Eric Colburn, regarding Incentives for residents to go car-free.
54. A communication from Mary Byrne regarding Comments on Cambridge Parking Plan.
55. A communication from Jennifer Payette, regarding Parking.
56. A communication from Marie Elena Saccoccio regarding Proposed Relief from Zoning restrictions PO24#35 and PO24#37.
57. A communication from Jessie Lan, regarding Support PO#4.
58. A communication from Kathy Roberts regarding PO24#37.
59. A communication from Kaleb Strong regarding Support for PO24#45: Providing Incentives for Residents Who Do Not Have Cars.
60. A communication from K.C. Kerby-Patel regarding I support PO24#44!
61. A communication from Jim Gray, regarding Comment on PO24#45 (skeptical).
62. A communication from John Hanratty, regarding 2022 City of Cambridge Parking Study.
63. A communication from Jonathan Ledlie, regarding incentives for residents who do not own cars.
64. A communication from Josh Talbot, regarding Support PO#4 (3).
65. A communication from Alex Epstein regarding Please complete the separated bike network on schedule.
66. A communication from Cari Cesarotti regarding Support of PO#4.
67. A communication from Carolyn Shipley regarding Charter Right #2, Mar 25, 2024.
68. A communication from Bjorn Poonen, regarding PO24#37 on promoting multifamily housing.
69. A communication from Clyve Lawrence, regarding Thank you for passing PO#4.
70. A communication from Corinne Espinoza, regarding Cambridge HEART ARPA spending update.
71. A communication from Dan Totten, regarding police budget abolition and ARPA.
72. A communication from Randy Stern, regarding CBS Strategy Thank you for passing PO#4.
73. A communication from Heather Hoffman, regarding Barron v Kolenda is the law in Massachusetts.
74. A communication from Linda Moussouris, regarding In Response to the new Parking Study, Ongoing Concerns about Mobility, Senior issues in Cambridge.
75. A communication from Patrick W Barrett III, regarding Awaiting Report #24-10.
76. A communication from Stephanie Guirand, regarding Support for Charter Right #1 & #2.
77. A communication from Kathleen Curtis, regarding GAZA.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to the Cambridge Rindge & Latin’s Culinary Team on winning the 16th Annual Massachusetts Restaurant Association Education Foundation Statewide Culinary Arts Competition. Councillor Toner
2. Gratitude to the Cambridge Public Health Department for their work. Mayor Simmons
3. Congratulations to Reverend Brenda Ann Brown on her 10th Anniversary of pastoral leadership at the Massachusetts Avenue Baptist Church. Mayor Simmons
4. Congratulations to Sergeant Michael J. LeVecque on his Promotion to the Rank of Lieutenant with the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner, Councillor Pickett, Councillor Wilson
5. Congratulations to Sergeant Paul J. Gallagher on his Promotion to the Rank of Lieutenant with the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner, Councillor Pickett, Councillor Wilson
6. Congratulations to Sergeant Michael J. Logan on his Promotion to the Rank of Lieutenant with the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner, Councillor Pickett, Councillor Wilson

7. Congratulations to Patrol Officer David P. Tauro on his Promotion to the Rank of Sergeant with the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner, Councillor Pickett, Councillor Wilson
8. Congratulations to Patrol Officer James M. Brown on his Promotion to the Rank of Sergeant with the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner, Councillor Pickett, Councillor Wilson
9. Congratulations to Patrol Officer Andrew Topouzoglou on his Promotion to the Rank of Sergeant with the Cambridge Police. Councillor Toner, Councillor Pickett, Councillor Wilson
10. Congratulations to Sergeant Christopher Ponte on his Promotion to the Rank of Lieutenant with the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner, Councillor Pickett, Councillor Wilson
11. Congratulations to Patrol Officer Robert J. Ciriello Jr. on his Promotion to the Rank of Sergeant with the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner, Councillor Pickett, Councillor Wilson
12. Congratulations to Patrol Officer Jason R. Callinan on his Promotion to the Rank of Sergeant with the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner, Councillor Pickett, Councillor Wilson

ORDERS

1. City Council support of H.3012/S.2027, *An Act Authorizing Project Labor Agreements*, to strengthen and secure Massachusetts' long term economic development. Councillor Azeem, Vice Mayor McGovern, Mayor Simmons, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler (PO24#47)
2. Urge all Cantabrigians to pause on Patriots' Day to pay tribute to those who died for our nation and remember their service and devotion to this country. Vice Mayor McGovern, Councillor Wilson (PO24#48)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The **Finance Committee** held a public hearing on Mar 19, 2024 to review and discuss the FY25 Capital Budget and to continue the Dec 12, 2023 City Council discussion on Public Investment Planning and to discuss City Council budget priorities and goals. [[text of report](#)]
Present: McGovern, Nolan, Pickett, Siddiqui, Wilson
Remote Present: Azeem, Sobrinho-Wheeler, Toner, Simmons (late)

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication from Diane LeBlanc, City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity. (COF24#39)

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Apr 1

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Apr 2

3:00pm The **Public Safety Committee** will hold a public hearing on the State of Policing in Cambridge, and safety in

the community with an update on recommendations from the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) report.

Mon, Apr 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Wed, Apr 10

3:00pm The **Transportation and Public Utilities**

Committee will hold a public hearing to discuss how the city factors potential street congestion into street re-design, monitors and adjusts for street congestion (especially in newly reconfigured areas such as North Mass Ave., Garden Street, and Inman Square/Cambridge Street) and understand its impacts on residents, businesses, and public safety. In addition, the Committee will review and learn how the city is planning for potential impacts on Cambridge streets of DCR's plan to reduce Memorial Drive from four lanes to two lanes between the JFK Street and the Eliot Bridge.

Mon, Apr 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Wed, Apr 24

11:00am The **Health and Environment Committee** will hold a public hearing to review and discuss the Net Zero Action Plan annual report, including review of yearly action items, progress made, and next steps to reach annual goals.

3:00pm The **Transportation and Public Utilities**

Committee will hold a public hearing on the Digital Navigator Pilot Program (DNP), a collaborative effort between the City of Cambridge Information Technology Department, Cambridge Public Library, Cambridge Public Schools Department, Just A Start, and Cambridge Community Television (CCTV) to discuss how this initiative is designed to support residents' digital needs.

Mon, Apr 29

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Apr 30

3:00pm The **Housing Committee** will hold a public hearing from 3:00pm-5:00pm to discuss the feasibility of municipally-funded housing vouchers as referenced in PO24#24.

Wed, May 1

3:00pm The **Human Service and Veterans Committee** will hold a public hearing from 3:00pm-5:00pm to discuss the progress being made to bring universal afterschool to Cambridge. Public Comment will be allowed.

Mon, May 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, May 7

9:00am The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public hearing on the city and school budgets covering the fiscal period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

Wed, May 8

6:00pm The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public hearing on the city and school budgets covering the fiscal period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

Mon, May 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, May 14

9:00am The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public hearing on the city and school budgets covering the fiscal period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

Thurs, May 16

9:00am The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public hearing on the city and school budgets covering the fiscal period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 (if necessary).

Mon, May 20

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Wed, May 29

3:00pm The **Public Safety Committee** will hold a public hearing from 3:00pm-5:00pm to receive a report and get updates from PRAB on general issues and the implementation of the Procedural Justice Data Board.

Mon, June 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, June 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, June 17

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, June 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Apr 1, 2024

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN

MAYOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER

WHEREAS: Massachusetts State Bill H.3012/S.2027, *An Act Authorizing Project Labor Agreements*, was filed last year to allow public agencies to require a project labor agreement for any public works or building project when such public agency has determined, on a project-by-project basis and acting within its discretion, that it is in the public’s interest to require such an agreement; and

WHEREAS: Project Labor Agreements (PLAs) are pre-hire collective bargaining agreements negotiated between one or more construction unions and one or more construction employers (contractors/project owners) that establish the terms and conditions of employment for a specific construction project; and

WHEREAS: Due to their effectiveness as a project delivery tool, project labor agreements have been used for decades by the federal government, many states, including Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut and New York, and major private corporations in various economic sectors; and

WHEREAS: PLAs are beneficial because they include legally enforceable provisions to prevent disputes that can delay projects, establish uniform terms and conditions of employment fostering better project stability, and permit the efficient integration of work schedules among multiple contractors, subcontractors and building trade unions; and

WHEREAS: These advantages that stem from PLAs have become paramount in recent years due to acute, persistent craft labor shortages, which are challenging construction programs across the country; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record in strong support of H.3012/S.2027, *An Act Authorizing Project Labor Agreements*, to strengthen and secure Massachusetts’ long term economic development; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to House and Senate leadership and to the Cambridge delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

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VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR WILSON

WHEREAS: Patriots’ Day has traditionally been celebrated in Massachusetts for more than a century and each year, history is brought to life through reenactments, parades and more; and

WHEREAS: Patriots’ Day commemorates the start of the American Revolution, as marked by the battles of Lexington, Concord and Menotomy, which were also the events following the famous “shot heard ‘round the world”; and

WHEREAS: Those who stood tall and fought for freedom in the American Revolutionary War of 1776 are heralded here today; and

WHEREAS: Today, let us show gratitude for the freedoms their bravery has made possible, and commit ourselves to uplifting our shared ideals in memory of the sacrifices they and those before them have made; and

WHEREAS: Patriots’ Day will be observed on Mon, Apr 15, 2024, at 10:30am, on the Cambridge Common, 1500 Massachusetts Avenue an event which will be highlighted by a reenactment of William Dawes’ historic horseback ride from Boston to Cambridge alerting the colonists of the British threat of 1775; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record urging all Cantabrigians to pause on Patriots’ Day to pay tribute to those who died for our nation and remember their service and devotion to this country.