

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the FY00 submitted budget and appropriation orders.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-55, regarding a report on establishing a safe crosswalk on Massachusetts Avenue at or near Blanche Street.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-57, regarding a report on the feasibility of using the City's fleet of vehicles to display instructive traffic safety measures.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-11, regarding a report on plans to increase the number of bus shelters in the City.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-31, regarding a report on procedures addressing morale in departments.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-44, regarding a report on whether Harvard's affiliate housing property is classified as taxable or exempt property for purposes of real property taxation.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-52, regarding a report on the enforcement of the pay telephone ordinance.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$7,034 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages Account from the CHA to be used for English as a second language, computer and writing classes for CHA residents at the Community Learning Center.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$8,941 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from FEMA to provide fuel assistance to qualified residents.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$44,556 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages Account from the Cambridge Health Alliance to provide alcohol, tobacco and other drug prevention training for Cambridge youth by the Cambridge Prevention Coalition.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$2,575 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from the Massachusetts Foundation for the Humanities to the Center for Families to provide funds for the Rindge Avenue Connections project, which explores family life in North Cambridge.
12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$6,000 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages Account \$1,350 and Other Ordinary Maintenance Account \$4,650 from the Massachusetts Department of Education through ERI to provide funds for ESL classes and related counseling at the Community Learning Center.
13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$16,711 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages Account \$12,961 and Other Ordinary Maintenance Account \$3,750 from the US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development through the CHA to the Community Learning Center to provide pre-college classes for CHA residents.
14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constables for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 1999:
Without Power
Christopher L. Rickman
40 Drake Circle
Eastham, MA 02642
David G. Salani
17 Kenmar Drive, #16
Billerica, MA 01821
15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-56, regarding a report on the new crosswalk signals that indicate the number of seconds before pedestrians can cross.
16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-50, regarding a report on what resources can be employed to compile an oral or written account of Cambridge history from William Jones.
17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-49, regarding a report on the opening of the First Street connection to O'Brien and McGrath Highways.
18. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-60, regarding a report on why retirees receive MEDEX Bronze and not MEDEX Gold.
19. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-54, regarding a report on the feasibility of developing a program to pick-up small amounts of construction debris for a fee, similar to the fee program for removing appliances.

CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from William Bonn, Esq. Cambridge Athenaeum, LLC, transmitting written opposition to the proposed petition to amend the text of the Zoning Ordinance, Article 11.500 - IPOP, in Section 11.502, as land owner of real estate at 215 First Street, 195 First Street and 77 Doc Linsky Way.
2. A bond was received from Gerard C. Cole for surety approval.
3. A communication was received from Leo Anderson and June M. Anderson, transmitting support for the Sheila Cook, et al., Open Space/Yards protection petition.
4. A communication was received from the family of Jerry Dangel, transmitting grateful appreciation for the resolution adopted by the City Council on his behalf.
5. An application was received from Apex Computers, requesting permission to erect a sign in front of the premises numbered 2374 Massachusetts Avenue. Approval has been received from the Inspectional Services Department, the Community Development Department and abutters.
6. A communication was received from Harold Cox, Cambridge Health Alliance, transmitting notification of the Sock Drive for the Homeless, Help the Feet that Walk the Streets, April 5th - 12th, 1999.
7. A communication was received from Judith Contrucci, Coordinator of Dramatic Arts, transmitting appreciation to the City Council for the resolution congratulating the CRLS students and the Department of Drama and Dance on becoming one of the fourteen finalists in the statewide competition with their production of The Land of the Astronauts.
8. A communication was received from Nancy Seymour, regarding the six Squirrel Brand properties on Boardman, Broadway, Harvard and Windsor Streets.
9. A communication was received from Ralph Yoder, transmitting a report concerning the Genetics Institute/200 Cambridge Drive issue.
10. A communication was received from Nancy Hall, Campaign to Save 2000 Cambridge Homes, transmitting continuing concern for tenants at 8 Bigelow Street and all tenants facing huge rent increases and/or evictions in Cambridge.
11. An application was received from Temple, Inc. d/b/a Temple Bar & Grille, requesting permission to erect six tables and twelve chairs for outdoor seating on the sidewalk in front of the premises numbered 1688 Massachusetts Avenue, Monday through Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.
12. A communication was received from James Williamson, transmitting opposition to the plans of MassPort to expand the runways at Logan International Airport and triple the number of flights over Somerville and Cambridge.
13. A communication was received from Owen O'Riordan, Interim City Engineer, transmitting notification of a new address name at the premises numbered 60 R. Alewife Brook Parkway with the new address of 1 New Street and a new address at the premises numbered 45 Reed Street and 47 Reed Street.

CONSENT ORDERS

1. Urge the Cambridge legislative delegation to the House of Representative to fund the Massachusetts Child Hunger Initiative. Councillor Reeves
2. Congratulations to the Cambridge Bucs Baseball Team on their success of the 1998 season and wish them good luck in 1999. Vice Mayor Galluccio
3. Possibility of renovated school space that could be used by schools during the day and boards and commission at night for meeting space. Councillor Sullivan
4. Thanks to Sy Shapiro, owner of TAGS Hardware Store in Porter Square and the Rotary Club for the great redecorating job at the Chilton House. Councillor Russell
5. Report on the repairs made to the handicapped ramp at Walden Street and Massachusetts Avenue. Councillors Davis and Russell
6. Repave Bent Street. Councillor Toomey
7. Install a trash receptacle near the entrance of the Kennedy School tot lot on Spring Street. Councillor Toomey
8. Congratulations to the students and the faculty of the Kennedy School on their Jog-A-Thon for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Councillor Toomey
9. Provide a zoning analysis of the Mahoney's site and the surrounding area. Councillor Davis
10. Report on the efforts to control the water level from Alewife Brook. Councillor Davis
11. The Tree Project is requesting the public to identify twenty different varieties of trees and return in writing the Tree Project, 1657 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, MA 02138. Councillor Davis
12. April is National Poetry Month and boys and girls ages 10-13 are encouraged to submit an original poem with a tree theme by Friday, April 16th to the Central Square Library for the Poetry Party on April 29th. Councillor Davis
13. Congratulations to Cambridge Inside Out on their 500th broadcast. Vice Mayor Galluccio
14. Enforce the no nighttime truck ban on Putnam Avenue particularly in the morning hours. Councillor Davis
15. Enforce the speed limit on Pleasant Street and Putnam Avenue and install traffic calming measures at this intersection. Councillor Davis
16. Arrange for vehicle traffic counts on Sidney Street. Councillor Davis
17. Report on the previous request to appoint a representative of the adult athletics to the Green Ribbon Open Space Committee. Councillor Toomey
18. Urge the Cambridge delegation in the House and Senate to enact Senate Bill 1513, An Act to Enable a Community Preservation Fund to be established in Certain Municipalities. Mayor Duehay
19. Best wishes to the Chamber of Commerce on the occasion of its Excellence in Business Award Banquet on April 22, 1999 at the Charles Hotel. Councillor Sullivan
20. Welcome Premier Zhu Rongji of the People's Republic of China to Cambridge. Councillor Sullivan

21. Congratulations to Girls' LEAP for their mastering of new and invaluable skills and to their excellent instructors. Councillors Triantafillou and Sullivan
22. The Juvenile Bar Association will hold its Sixth Annual Awards Dinner on April 29th and congratulations to the awardees Honorable Marie Parente and Chief Administrative Justice Martha P. Grace. Councillor Triantafillou
23. The American Swiss Foundation will hold a Discussion Evening and Reception at the Harvard Faculty Club on April 13th on the subject of "Swiss Armed Neutrality during World War II." Councillor Sullivan
24. Cancel the June 28, 1999 City Council meeting. Mayor Duehay and Councillor Russell
25. Resolution on the death of Stephen L. Gilardi. Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
26. Resolution on the death of Herman J. "Archie" Marchand. Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
27. Resolution on the death of Giuseppe Rotondo. Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
28. Cambridge police officers Paul Coutinho and Paul Timmins will be participating in the Boston Marathon to raise funds to the Cancer Center of Boston Research Foundation in memory of fellow officer, Joe Carvalho. Vice Mayor Galluccio and Councillor Toomey
29. Best wishes to the Cambridge Business Development Center on the occasion of its April 28, 1999 First Annual Awards Ceremony at the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Councillor Sullivan
30. Report on the possibility of placing a warning sign in the vicinity of Huron Village similar to the sign at the Marriott Hotel on Broadway. Councillor Russell
31. Endorse H3401 and S1494 An Act Increasing the Level of Private Investment in Housing. Mayor Duehay
32. Prepare a resolution on the death of Cornelius Farrell. Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
33. Development a plan for responding to inappropriate behavior on the part of visitors to schools. Councillor Sullivan
34. Extend get well wishes to Dr. Janet Moses, who was recently involved in an auto accident. Councillor Reeves
35. Convene a meeting regarding the resources necessary to support an aftercare program for persons re-entering the community after a period of incarceration. Councillor Reeves
36. Happy Easter to all Cantabrigians. Councillor Reeves
37. Welcome to Cambridge Willa Taylor of New York City, president of the Black Lesbian and Gay Leadership Forum. Councillor Reeves
38. Welcome author Keith Boykin who will visit Cambridge on a book tour for his new book Positive Notion. Councillor Reeves
39. Thanks to Mayor Frank Duehay for his many years of service to the City of Cambridge. Councillor Born

40. Oppose the construction of Runway 14/32 at Logan Airport. Councillor Born
41. Recognize the hard work of Anne Morison in organizing a crime watch for her neighborhood. Vice Mayor Galluccio and Mayor Duehay

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kathleen Leahy Born, Chair of the Housing and Community Development Committee, for a meeting held on March 2, 1999 for the purpose of discussing Harvard University's housing impact statement.
2. Communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Traffic and Transportation Committee, for a meeting held on March 18, 1999 for the purpose of discussing traffic calming and the nighttime truck ban.
3. Communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sheila Russell, Chair of the Government Operations Committee, for a meeting held on March 24, 1999 for the purpose of discussing technological/audiovisual improvements to the Sullivan Chamber, the final revision of the Council's FY 2000 priorities, a process for considering the City Manager's goals and any other business of the committee.
4. Communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on March 24, 1999 for the purpose of considering a proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance to regulate truck traffic by providing a nighttime curfew on use of city streets by through trucks 2.5 tons or more in gross weight.
5. Communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on March 24, 1999 for the purpose of considering a proposed amendment to the Municipal Code to ban the sale of laser pointer pens to minors.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Councillor Henrietta Davis, transmitting a letter from Melvin A. Kleckner, Town Administrator, Town of Belmont, regarding opposition to the proposed zoning amendment on truck curfew proposal.
2. A communication was received from Claire E. Rodley, Secretary of the School Committee, transmitting an order promulgating the budget of the Cambridge Public Schools to be in the sum of \$95,553,810.00 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999 and ending June 30, 2000; and promulgating the budget of the Cambridge Public Schools as the School Department Debt Service to be in the sum of \$6,672,190.00.
3. A communication was received from Mayor Francis Duehay, transmitting information from State Representative Alice K. Wolf regarding the Historic Landscape Preservation Grant Program.

4. A communication was received from Claire E. Rodley, Secretary of the School Committee, transmitting a corrected order regarding the school calendar for the 1999-2000 school year.
5. A communication was received from Mayor Francis Duehay, transmitting a letter from Todd S. Kaplan, Staff Attorney, Cambridge and Somerville Legal Services, commending Mr. Bruce Percelay, for his part in successfully stabilizing several tenants in the property that he recently purchased in Cambridge.
6. A communication was received from Mayor Francis Duehay, transmitting a letter from John F. Kerry, United States Senator, transmitting an update on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Programs.
7. A communication was received from Mayor Francis Duehay, transmitting a letter from Laura Booth, Director of Community Services, Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee, Inc., regarding a pending hearing on State Legislation, H447: An Act Authorizing Municipalities to Offer Financial Incentives to Owners of Affordable Housing, scheduled for Monday, April 12, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. in hearing room B-1.
8. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Seventeen of July 27, 1998 regarding a report on the current status of state funding to the schools and what steps will be taken to remedy any deficiencies within the School Department Special Education Services. ACCEPT REPORT. PLACE ON FILE.
9. Relative to resolution submitted by Councillor Triantafillou regarding sending a letter to the Massachusetts Municipal Association expressing the City's opposition to the bill in the 1999 legislative package which would substitute for City Council approval, approval by the City Manager for the issuance of bonds and bond refunding. WHAT IS THE PLEASURE OF THE CITY COUNCIL?
10. Relative to an appropriation of \$146,000 to support the Mayor's Initiative on race and class. WHAT IS THE PLEASURE OF THE CITY COUNCIL?
11. Relative to Awaiting Report Fifteen of January 11, 1999 regarding a report on the traffic lights on Monsignor O'Brien Highway and Museum Way. ACCEPT REPORT. PLACE ON FILE.
12. Relative to Awaiting Report Seven of February 8, 1999 regarding the impact to the City and the redeployment of police officers involved in the elimination of the K-9 unit. ACCEPT REPORT. PLACE ON FILE.

ON THE TABLE

1. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-eight of June 22, 1998, regarding a report on what notification was given concerning the development of a hotel at 19 Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington. ACCEPT REPORT. PLACE ON FILE.
2. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-one of June 22, 1998, regarding a report on the procedures if a building alarm goes off for more than ten minutes. ACCEPT REPORT. PLACE ON FILE.
3. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-four of February 23, 1998 regarding a report on the status of the Public Library Bookmobile for elderly residents. ACCEPT REPORT. PLACE ON FILE.
4. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-nine of February 23, 1998 regarding a report on how many positions in the City are being filled with employees from temporary agencies. ACCEPT REPORT. PLACE ON FILE.
5. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Eleven of June 16, 1997 regarding the possibility of reducing the costs of legal advertising. ACCEPT REPORT. PLACE ON FILE.
6. Relative to Consent Order Number Twenty-six of September 22, 1997 regarding the request to prepare appropriate language for a non-binding referendum petition for the upcoming municipal election relative to the use of free-cash to reduce the tax levy on homeowners and businesses. WHAT IS THE PLEASURE OF THE CITY COUNCIL?
7. Relative to an Awaiting Report Item Number Fourteen of May 11, 1998, on the removal of street trees on Pemberton Street. ACCEPT REPORT. PLACE ON FILE.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

13. Proposed amendment to the Municipal Code of Cambridge by adding a new chapter number entitled "Cambridge Living Wage Ordinance." The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after March 8, 1999.
14. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of Cambridge to Section 11.502 of the Interim Planning Overlay Petition - Parking Garage. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after March 29, 1999. The completion date for this petition is April 27, 1999.
15. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of Cambridge to Section 11.511 of the Interim Planning Overlay Petition - Procedural Amendment. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after March 29, 1999. The completion date for this petition is April 27, 1999.
16. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of Cambridge to require additional open space in the area of the PUD in East Cambridge. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after March 29, 1999. The completion date for this petition is May 25, 1999.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Apr 5

5:30pm Regular **City Council** Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

[The Mayor will make a special presentation to the North Cambridge Catholic High School Boy's Basketball Team for winning the Division Three State Championship.]

Tues, Apr 6

10:00am The **Health and Hospital Committee** will conduct a public meeting to discuss the new Health of the City Assessment. (Sullivan Chamber)

3:00pm Meeting of the City Council's **Task Force on Deliberation and Policy making**. (Ackermann Room)

Thurs, Apr 8

5:30pm The **Human Services and Youth Committee** will conduct a public meeting to discuss the youth program assessment. (Area 4 Youth Center)

Mon, Apr 12

5:30pm Regular **City Council** Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Apr 14

11:00am The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Fiscal Year 2000 Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 26

5:30pm Regular **City Council** Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Apr 27

3:00pm Meeting of the City Council's **Task Force on Deliberation and Policy making**. (Ackermann Room)

5:30pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance submitted by the Planning Board regarding yards and space. (Sullivan Chamber)

6:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public hearing on the refiled Special District 2 amendment to the zoning in the Linear Park Area, Frankleton III. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Apr 28

11:00am The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Fiscal Year 2000 Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

6:00pm The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Fiscal Year 2000 Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 3

5:30pm Regular **City Council** Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 5

11:00am The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Fiscal Year 2000 Budget. (if necessary) (Sullivan Chamber)

5:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance on the Refiled Planning Board Petition on Yards. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to consider a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance on the petition submitted by Sheila Cook et al. relative to Yards. (Sullivan Chamber)

6:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to consider a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance on the petition submitted by Marilyn Zoeller Wellons et al. relative to Yards. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 5

7:30pm - 9:00pm The **Traffic and Transportation Committee** will conduct a public meeting to receive a presentation from the Truck Advisory Committee on the issue of day-time truck ban and any other matters related to trucks. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 6

5:30pm The **Food Policy Committee** will conduct a public meeting to receive information on childhood hunger in Cambridge. (Sullivan Chamber)