

## CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an additional appropriation to the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) grant in the amount of \$506,250.00 funded by the Federal Department of Health and Human Services (\$310,800) and the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (\$195,450), which also administers the program, to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$36,005.00), to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$465,245.00), and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Travel and Training account (\$5,000.00) which will allow the Department of Human Service Programs to operate the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program serving Cambridge and Somerville.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of donations to the Multi Service Center in the amount of \$2,387.98 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used in support of homeless clients of the Multi Service Center to maintain at-risk households by paying either part of their rental arrearage, helping a previously homeless individual or family being placed in housing with a security deposit, paying one month's rent, or assisting with other related relocation costs.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of user reimbursements received from Cambridge Homeless Service Provider Agencies and surrounding communities to support the Cambridge Homeless Management Information System in the amount of \$13,365.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account, which will be used to support associated program costs.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$3,077,597.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$97,948.00) and to the Department of Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$2,979,649.00) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and will be used to contracted with Homeless Services Providers and cover the costs related to serving homeless persons in Cambridge.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 12-46, regarding a report on the accident at the corner of Dover Street and Massachusetts Avenue.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 12-38, regarding a report on safety at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Prospect Street.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 12-05, regarding a report on the installation of bike helmet vending machines as part of the bike share program

8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 12-31, regarding a report on annual reporting by the PTDM Planning Officer.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of **Nancy Tauber** as the Executive Director of the Cambridge Kids' Council effective Apr 24, 2012.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 12-32, regarding a report on the appointment of a local MBTA Advisory Council.

11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, requesting City Council confirmation of members of the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority Board in accordance with Chapter 121B of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Apr 9, 2012

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In accordance with Chapter 121B of the Massachusetts General Laws, I am submitting the following names for City Council confirmation as members of the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority Board.

**D. Margaret Drury**, 1-year term to expire Apr 12, 2013: Margaret is the recently retired City Clerk, former Executive Director of the Cambridge Rent Control Board and an Attorney.

**Chris Bator**, 3-year term to expire Apr 12, 2015:

Chris is an Assistant United States Attorney serving in that role since 1990. Prior to that, he served as the Assistant to the Commissioner of Health and Hospitals in Boston and as Executive Assistant to Mayor Kevin White.

**Conrad Crawford**, 4-year term to expire Apr 12, 2016:

Conrad is presently the Director of Partnerships for the Department of Conservation and Recreation and has experience in energy efficient transportation products. He is a resident of East Cambridge.

**Kathleen Born**, 5-year term to expire Apr 12, 2017:

Kathy is an Architect and former Cambridge City Councillor. She co-chaired the Ordinance Committee, and is thus very familiar with the zoning process.

The State appointment term expiration would occur in 2014.

Since this recommendation results in a reconstruction of the Board, my recommendation results in staggered terms with one member's term expiring in each of the five years. Subsequent appointments would be for 5-year terms.

Very truly yours, Robert W. Healy, City Manager

## CHARTER RIGHT

1. That the City Manager is requested to investigate the possibility of using wireless street lighting powered by renewable energy. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Order Number Three of Apr 2, 2012.]
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 12-09, regarding a report on the use of coal and on Cambridge becoming coal-free. [Placed on Table on motion of Vice Mayor Simmons on Mar 5, 2012.]

## APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Cambridge Community Television requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 438 Massachusetts Avenue.
2. An application was received from Cambridge Housing Authority requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 7 Temple Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association.

## COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from the Kevin P. Crane transmitting thanks for the kind and generous resolution on his mother's recent passing.
2. A communication was received from Ashley E. Melnik, Revere City Clerk transmitting a copy of a resolution passed on Mar 12, 2012 to go on record as being opposed to the transportation of ethanol through the City of Revere.
3. A communication was received from State Senator William N. Brownsberger transmitting thanks for forwarding the City Council resolution concerning H2553, An Act to invest in our communities.
4. A communication was received from Representative Barney Frank transmitting thanks for forwarding the very gracious resolution offered by Vice Mayor Simmons and adopted by the Council.
5. A communication was received from Reverend Danny DeGug regarding the state seal and flag.
6. A communication was received from Carolyn Shipley at al., on behalf of the Citywide Community Council transmitting petitions regarding funding of Community Schools Positions inequity.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to Rachael Solem on receiving the Community Partner Award from CASPAR, Inc. Vice Mayor Simmons
2. Congratulations to Elaine Blake on receiving the Richard M. Brescia Employee Award from CASPAR, Inc. Vice Mayor Simmons
3. Congratulations to George Metzger on receiving the Carl Barron Catalyst for Change Award from CASPAR, Inc. Vice Mayor Simmons
4. Congratulations to the Harvard Law School on the occasion of the dedication of Wasserstein Hall, Caspersen Student Center and Clinical Wing Building. Mayor Davis
5. Congratulations to the Hungry Mother Restaurant on winning the Boston Globe's Munch Madness. Councillor Toomey
6. Congratulations to Craigie On Main for reaching the finals of the Boston Globe's Munch Madness. Councillor Toomey
7. Congratulations to Gilda M. Nogueira on her election as fourteenth President of East Cambridge Savings Bank. Mayor Davis
8. Best wishes to Chris Schlesinger as he moves on from the East Coast Grill and thanks for his contributions to the Cambridge dining scene. Councillor Toomey

9. Congratulations to Jonathon Dauphine on being named the Cambridge Clubhouse 2011 Youth of the Year by the Cambridge Boys and Girls Club. Councillor Toomey
10. Congratulations to the Funf Project on the occasion of winning the grand prize at the 2012 SXSW competition. Councillor Cheung
11. Congratulations to Ginger.io on winning the grand prize at the 2012 SXSW competition. Councillor Cheung
12. Congratulations to Vitzu Technologies on the occasion of winning the grand prize at the 2012 SXSW competition. Councillor Cheung
13. Proclaim April as Donate Life Month in the City of Cambridge. Mayor Davis
14. Continued recovery wishes to Ethel Ampey. Vice Mayor Simmons

## ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to develop an economic development strategy to promote and support green technology and clean energy sectors in Cambridge Mayor Davis
2. Urge greater cooperation from the Cambridge Housing Authority to better serve the people of Cambridge. Vice Mayor Simmons and Councillor Cheung
3. That the petition to amend the Zoning Ordinance to add to the Special Dimensional Regulations a Special Regulation for Municipal Elementary and Middle (K-8) Schools be referred to the Planning Board and Ordinance Committee for a hearing and report. Councillor Maher
4. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Community Development Department and other relevant departments in order to present to the City Council a map of Cambridge that shows, by location and by date, all of the areas where construction is and will be taking place over the coming decade. Vice Mayor Simmons
5. That the City Manager is requested to urge all City departments to cooperate in using all available means to publicize the Science Festival. Mayor Davis
6. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Community Development regarding the feasibility of expanding LED lighting across the city and report back to the City Council on this matter. Councillor Cheung
7. That the City Manager is requested to look into the feasibility of conveying the East Cambridge neighborhood's message of the desire for residential housing, parking and green space a priority at the Edward J. Sullivan Courthouse to the Division of Capital Asset Management (Massachusetts) (DCAM). Councillor Cheung
8. That a one-time suspension of Council Rule 23B be allowed, for the broadcast of the Wed, Apr 25, 2012, 4:00pm. Cambridge City Council Roundtable Meeting (a meeting to receive an update from Goody Clancy and the Community Development Department on the Kendall Central Study.) Councillor vanBeuzekom
9. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the City Solicitor's Office, the City Auditor and the Community Development Department to explore the City of Cambridge's relationship with the Cambridge

Redevelopment Authority and any of its current and future development projects. Councillor vanBeuzekom and Vice Mayor Simmons

## HEARING SCHEDULE

### Mon, Apr 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

### Thurs, Apr 19

2:30pm Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, Apr 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting [Proposed budget submission] (Sullivan Chamber)

### Tues, Apr 24

5:30pm The Environment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss water conservation and energy efficiency as it pertains to the treatment and distribution of Cambridge's water and associated costs. (Sullivan Chamber)

### Wed, Apr 25

4:00pm Roundtable Meeting to receive an update from Goody Clancy and the Community Development Department on the Kendall Central Study. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

### Thurs, Apr 26

2:30pm University Relations Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, Apr 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting [Budget Overview] (Sullivan Chamber)

### Wed, May 2

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the FY2013 City Budget. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, May 7

5:30pm Roundtable Meeting with the Election Commission. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

### Wed, May 9

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the FY2013 City Budget. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, May 14

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

### Wed, May 16

6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the FY2013 School Department Budget. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

### Thurs, May 17

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the FY2013 City Budget. (IF NECESSARY) This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)  
2:00pm Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, May 21

5:30pm City Council Meeting [Budget Adoption] (Sullivan Chamber)

### Wed, May 23

4:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Forest City/MIT to amend the

Zoning Ordinance by extending the Cambridgeport Revitalization Development District from Green Street out to Massachusetts Avenue in the area adjacent to Blanche Street and further to provide for the potential development of a residential building on Sidney Street between Massachusetts Avenue and Green Street. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

### Thurs, May 24

2:30pm University Relations Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, June 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, June 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, June 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, June 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, July 30

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

### Mon, Sept 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, Sept 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

## TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Apr 9, 2012

MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to develop an economic development strategy to promote and support green technology and clean energy sectors in Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter.

O-2 Apr 9, 2012

VICE MAYOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Housing Authority [CHA] is charged with managing the stock of affordable housing in the City of Cambridge, and acting as a conduit for those in need of this housing. The CHA's mission statement, posted on their website, declares that their priorities are to "...develop and manage safe, good quality, affordable housing for low-income individuals and families in a manner which promotes citizenship, community and self-reliance;" and

WHEREAS: The City Council is charged with representing the entire citizenry of Cambridge. Several thousand of these citizens are also tenants who live in CHA housing, or are applying for CHA housing or subsidized housing vouchers, and as such, there is a considerable overlap in the constituencies that are served by both the City Council and the CHA. Both entities are, ultimately, answerable to this group of citizens, and both entities have a duty to carry out their roles to the very best of their abilities; and

WHEREAS: Due to this overlap in constituencies, and due to the fact that each entity plays a vital role within this community, it is in the City's best interests if the City Council and the CHA are able to work together harmoniously; and

WHEREAS: Although the CHA is not directly answerable to the Cambridge City Council and exists independently of the City's municipal government hierarchy, a professional courtesy and pragmatism would suggest that employees at all levels of the CHA should make themselves available to answer questions issued from the City Council, and the City Council should extend this same courtesy to the CHA. Sizeable numbers of residents are regularly requesting clarification on pressing housing matters from their City Councilors, and these questions cannot be resolved without the City Councilors first discussing matters with their CHA liaisons; and

WHEREAS: It has been the experience of several City Councilors that, over the course of several years, the professional courtesy extended by the CHA has been largely unsatisfactory, with letters, emails, and phone calls to CHA offices regularly going unanswered for days, and sometimes weeks. These information requests are often prompted by constituents who are in unstable, untenable living situations, who live on the streets or in homeless shelters, and who are seeking clarification on where they are on housing lists, which housing lists they are on, or which housing lists are most appropriate for them to be on. These constituents are among some of the City's most vulnerable people, and they tend to contact their City Councilors when they feel they have nowhere left to turn for assistance and guidance; and

WHEREAS: The need for safe, stable housing is one of the most fundamental needs there is, and when a Cambridge City Councilor seeks clarification on a housing matter from the CHA, the urgency in that request should be self-evident. It is unfortunate that City Councilors should be forced to repeat their requests to CHA staffers, over multiple occasions, in order to get timely and complete responses to basic inquires. This process also constitutes a needless drain on City resources, as time spent pursuing answers from the CHA is time that a City Councilor cannot devote to any number of other pressing City concerns; and

WHEREAS: The inability or unwillingness of some CHA employees to work more cooperatively with the City Council is a concern that has been raised with the CHA's administration multiple times over the past several years - yet the problem persists. If the CHA feels that this request for increased cooperation is unreasonable or unviable, the organization has an obligation to share that sentiment, and to offer counter proposals as to how these two entities could more effectively work together; and

WHEREAS: The City Council and the CHA owe the people of Cambridge their very best efforts in finding ways to work together to address areas of common concern and to work toward common goals; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council goes on record in urging greater cooperation from all employees at the Cambridge Housing Authority, in order to better serve the people of Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council goes on record requesting that the Cambridge Housing Authority make a better effort, at every level of the organization, to respond to all information requests submitted to them from the City Council in a timely and complete manner; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council goes on record in requesting that the Cambridge Housing Authority's Executive Director respond to this order in writing clarifying why these requests cannot or should not be met, if that is his ultimate determination; and be it further  
ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward copies of this resolution to Greg Russ, Executive Director of the Cambridge Housing Authority; Michael Johnston, Deputy Director of the Cambridge Housing Authority; Gloria Leipzig, Director of Operations at the Cambridge Housing Authority; Angelica Martinez-Benzan, Director of Leased Housing at the Cambridge Housing Authority; Governor Deval Patrick; Representative Michael Capuano; State Senator William Brownsberger; State Senator Sal DiDomenico; State Senator Anthony Petrucci; State Representative Marty Walz; and State Representative Alice Wolf on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-3 Apr 9, 2012

COUNCILLOR MAHER

WHEREAS: On December 5, 2011, the City Manager transmitted a recommendation and language for a zoning amendment in Special Dimensional Regulations in Section 5.54 entitled "Special Regulations for Municipal Elementary and Middle (K-8) Schools;" and

WHEREAS: This zoning petition was referred to the new City Council; and

WHEREAS: The time for hearings to be held has expired; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the attached petition to amend the Zoning Ordinance to add to the Special Dimensional Regulations a Special Regulation for Municipal Elementary and Middle (K-8) Schools be referred to the Planning Board and Ordinance Committee for a hearing and report.

O-4 Apr 9, 2012

VICE MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: There are a number of developments and construction projects currently taking place in the City of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: There are a number of developments that are in various stages of planning or are awaiting approval that are due to take place in Cambridge over the coming decade; and

WHEREAS: With all of the construction, and the proposed construction, taking place in various locations across the city, it can be difficult to have a sense of exactly how much development in a particular area of the city may be taking place at any given time; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Community Development Department and other relevant departments in order to present to the City Council a map of Cambridge that shows, by location and by date, all of the areas where construction is and will be taking place over the coming decade.

O-5 Apr 9, 2012

MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The 2012 Cambridge Science Festival will take place from Apr 20-29, 2012; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to urge all city departments to cooperate in using all available means to publicize the Science Festival.

O-6 Apr 9, 2012

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: LED lighting is cost-effective, environmentally-friendly and conserves energy; and

WHEREAS: It has been suggested that the Cambridge City Council look into expanding LED lighting across the city as recent LED pilot projects on Inman Street and Rindge Avenue have been successful; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Community Development regarding the feasibility of expanding LED lighting across the city and report back to the City Council on this matter.

O-7 Apr 9, 2012

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that all bids to redevelop the Edward J. Sullivan Courthouse have been rejected by the state; and

WHEREAS: Community members and stakeholders have recommended that developers strongly consider making residential housing, parking and green space a priority as they re-submit their development proposals to maintain the character of the neighborhood; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to look into the feasibility of conveying this message to the Division of Capital Asset Management (Massachusetts) (DCAM).

O-8 Apr 9, 2012

COUNCILLOR VANBEUZKOM

ORDERED: That a one-time suspension of Council Rule 23B be allowed, for the broadcast of the Wed, Apr 25, 2012, 4:00pm. Cambridge City Council Roundtable Meeting (a meeting to receive an update from Goody Clancy and the Community Development Department on the Kendall Central Study.)

O-9 Apr 9, 2012

COUNCILLOR VANBEUZKOM

VICE MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: In 1954, the Cambridge City Council established a Citizen's Advisory Committee, as required by the 1954 Federal Housing Act, which included citizens from all sectors of the community; and

WHEREAS: The purpose of this committee was to identify major economic, physical and social planning issues that the City of Cambridge should address as it planned for its future using federally provided funding for urban renewal; and

WHEREAS: In 1955, the redevelopment and renewal functions of this committee were transferred to the newly created Cambridge Redevelopment Authority; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Redevelopment Authority has dutifully carried out and fulfilled its mission under the leadership of its Executive Director Joseph Tulimieri; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Redevelopment Authority has operated without a duly constituted board for several years; and

WHEREAS: The City Manager is in the process of appointing new members to the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority board; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Redevelopment Authority has deeded its largest remaining parcel of developable land to the City of Cambridge. [Which is the 47,000 sq ft of land given in exchange for a reduction in open space within the Boston Properties owned roof top garden.]; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Redevelopment Authority is in the process of creating a Kendall Square "Gateway" to coincide with the Longfellow Bridge Rehabilitation Project; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the City Solicitor's Office, the City Auditor and the Community Development Department to explore the City of Cambridge's relationship with the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority and any of its current and future development projects; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council prior to appointment of new members to the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority board.