# CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

 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

Stephen West, Jr., 40 Josephine Ave., Somerville, MA John F. Monti, Jr., 52 Lunt Street, No. Quincy, MA William S. Dusablon, 72 Spring Street, Cambridge James R. Miskel, 163 Greenfield Road, Mattapan Olyver Haynes, 21 Elmwood Street, Somerville

- Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-63, regarding a report on re-paving Little Massachusetts Avenue.
- 3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-37**, regarding a report on the amount of free cash spent this and last fiscal years and a break down of what these funds were spent on.
- 4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of persons to the Public Health Commission Board.
- 5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$10,000 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$9,750) and Travel & Training Account \$250 from the Mass Dept. of Education to the Center for Families under the Mass Family Network Project.
- 6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$2,332 from the Grant Fund Human Services Salary Wages Account to the Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from the Mass Department of Education to cover costs for the Community Learning Center to hold ESL classes at the Center for Families.
- 7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-62**, regarding a report on whether the current ordinance exempting churches from the Noise Ordinance covers noise other then church bells.
- Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-69, regarding a report on actions to be taken to ensure the security of the families in affordable units at Museum Towers if the property is sold.
- 9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative a budget request for Agenda for Children for FY2000.

### CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. A communication was received from Senator Edward M. Kennedy, transmitting continued concern relative to Lori Berenson's imprisonment in Peru.
- 2. A communication was received from Michael Capuano, United States Congress, transmitting a letter sent to Present Clinton requesting that Peruvian President Fujimori, during his visit to the United States, be urged to improve Lori Berenson's conditions and to grant her a fair and open trial.
- 3. Revocation of a sign permit granted to Prospect Liquor Company, Inc., for the premises numbered 1226 Cambridge Street.

- 4. A communication was received from Jonathan S. Myers, Executive Director, Training Innovations, Inc., transmitting grateful appreciation for the resolution adopted by the City Council relative to the kick-off of the KNAC Program.
- 5. An application was received from Council Travel, requesting permission to erect an "A" framed sign and a table to display merchandise, Monday through Friday, 9:30 to 5:30 and Saturday, 10:00 to 2:00.
- 6. A communication was received from Carl Barron, President, Central Square Business Association, transmitting support for a new library building in Central Square.
- 7. A communication was received from Daniel Taylor, Hill & Barlow, Attorney for Cambridge Research Park, transmitting legal arguments against the proposed zoning amendment affecting land in the PUD area in East Cambridge.
- 8. An application was received from Edward Harvey, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 16 Rockwell Street; approval was received from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission, Public Works Department and abutters. Response has been received from neighborhood association.
- 9. A communication was received from Donald K. Stern, U.S. Attorney, transmitting a reply to the City Council's concern about the usage of the term "paddy wagon" in the government's appellate brief in the case of United States v. Kenneth Conley.
- 10. A communication was received from Jose A. Gomez-Ibanez and Nanette E. Wilson, transmitting their concern with the validity of the recent survey of citizens relative to the site for the new main library.
- 11. An application was received from Universal Marketing, 390 Main Street, Woburn, MA, requesting permission to erect a table in front of MIT Campus and around Harvard University campus from April through June, Monday through Friday, 9:00 - 5:00.
- 12. A communication was received from Gary M. Grasso, requesting that the City establish a less expensive permit for yard sales than the year-long vendor's permit presently required by the License Commission for more than one yard sale a year.
- 13. An application was received from David Clem, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 47 Erie Street; approval was received from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission, Public Works Department and abutters. Response has been received from neighborhood association.
- 14. A communication was received from Marilyn Zoeller Wellons, relative to the Zoeller Wellons and the Cook Petitions.
- 15. A petition was received from Davis Dyer, et al, parents of school aged children, who cross the intersection of Pearl Street and Putnam Avenue, requesting a crossing guard be placed at this intersection.

#### CONSENT ORDERS

- 1. April 24, 1999 is the 84th Anniversary of the Armenia Genocide. Mayor Duehay
- 2. Report on the connection between the Minuteman Bikeway to the Charles River through Watertown. Councillor Davis
- 3. Report on the circumstances of the accident in which a tractor trailer accident overturned at Binney and Third Streets. Councillor Toomey
- Congratulations to Anthony Carvello on his graduation from the Harvard Police Academy. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 5. Congratulations to Anthony Shannon on his engagement to Ms. Phyllis McLaughlin. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 6. Participate in the clean up of Magazine Beach on Saturday, April 24th from 9:30-12:00 noon. Councillor Toomey
- 7. The groundbreaking ceremony for Ecole Bilingue, the French American International School of Boston will be held on April 14th at 3:00pm at 31 St. James Avenue, Boston. Councillor Toomey
- 8. The Morse School's 9th Annual Young Authors'; Club will donate books illustrated by students to the Cambridge Hospital Pediatric Ward at a special presentation on Thursday, May 20th from 9:00-10:30am in the Morse School Auditorium, 40 Granite Street. Councillor Toomey
- 9. Community Development to contact Mr. Wendell, owner of The Real Estate Café, to determine whether some sort of technical assistance could further the City's affordable housing goals. Councillor Triantafillou
- 10. Resolution on Archie Epps, III stepping down as Dean of Students for Harvard College. Councillors Sullivan and Reeves
- 11. Best wishes to Sister Virginia Marie O';Connell,C.J.S. on the occasion of her being named a Woman of Excellence by the Alumni Association of Mt. St. Joseph Academy. Councillor Russell
- 12. Resolution on the death of Margaret A. Reeves. Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
- Resolution on the death of Vincent B. Turner. Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
- 14. Resolution on the death of Angelo P. Graci. Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
- 15. Resolution on the death of James F. Burns. Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
- Prepare a resolution on the death of Sharif Moustafa. Vice Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Toomey and entire membership
- 17. Improvements/renovations to the street, sidewalk and the park of Langdon Street. Councillor Sullivan and Mayor Duehay
- 18. Resolution on the retirement of Francis J. Murphy. Mayor Duehay and entire membership
- 19. Invite all citizens to attend the evening Holocaust remembrance program "Courage, Conscience and Compassion" April 15th, 7:00-9:00pm at Temple Beth Shalom and to attend the library programs related to the

Holocaust at the O'Neil Branch Library April 27th and 29th at 7:30pm. Mayor Duehay

- 20. Congratulations to Leroy Cragwell for receiving the Harriet Wigfall Community Service award. Mayor Duehay
- 21. Congratulations to all participants in the Pilot Play "Where is My Bubble" on April 8-10 at 7:30 PM at CRLS. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 22. Update on permanent traffic calming plans along Concord Avenue. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 23. Report with an evaluation and plan for future use of the "yield" stanchions in crosswalks. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 24. Produce data as to bicycle use and traffic congestion impact of the bike lane on Concord Avenue and review the feasibility of its removal. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 25. Report with a date for a public meeting on the status of Donnelly Field. Councillor Toomey
- 26. Provide the Auxiliary Firefighters with new uniforms and a new fire truck. Councillor Toomey
- 27. Happy 80th Birthday to Mary Percoco. Councillor Toomey
- 28. Enter into negotiations with the owner of the empty lot at Cambridge Street and Columbia Street for open space. Councillor Toomey
- 29. Congratulations to Cassandra Parise for placing first at the Massachusetts Sectional Gymnastics Meet. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 30. Report on whether the City has received or is intending to seek reimbursement for the cost of consultants from the party or parties who caused damage at the Mass Foundry Building. Councillors Born and Russell
- 31. Report on who is bearing the costs of security measures associated with the visit of the Premier of China. Councillor Born
- 32. Arrange for executive session at the April 26th City Council meeting regarding pending zoning issues. Councillor Born
- 33. Policy of renting schools to religious groups for weekend services. Councillor Born
- 34. The Tobin School will present their Third Annual Eight Grade Play "Rhythm of the Beat" on Thursday, April 15th at 7:00pm. Councillor Toomey
- 35. Provide an update on plans for plantings at Barron Plaza. Councillor Reeves
- 36. Provide an update on the status of future use of the Central Square Post Office. Councillor Reeves
- 37. Any progress in the negotiations with the new owners of 929 House. Councillor Reeves
- 38. Confer with the Peace Commission to inform the City Council and citizens what we may do to support efforts for peace in Yugoslavia. Councillor Reeves
- 39. Request the Arts Council to review the work of Cambridge artist Melvin Robbins and organize an exhibition of his fine work. Councillor Reeves
- 40. Appropriate \$5 million in the FY2000 for the purchase and/or bonding of the purchase of properties located on Fulkerson Street. Councillor Sullivan

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 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 25, 1999 for the purpose of receiving an update on University Park.
- 2. Communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kathleen L. Born, Chair of the Housing and Community Development Committee for a meeting held on March 30, 1999 for the purpose of discussing MIT's housing impact report.
- 3. Communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kathleen L. Born, Chair of the Public Service Committee for a meeting held on March 31, 1999 for the purpose of considering a proposed policy for art gifts and donations to the City of Cambridge.

### COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting an order from Claire Rodley, Secretary of the School Committee regarding the development of a policy for the use of crossing guards.

#### **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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 5. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Eleven of June 16, 1997 regarding the possibility of reducing the costs of legal advertising.
- 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.
- 7. Relative to an Awaiting Report Item Number Fourteen of May 11, 1998, on the removal of street trees on Pemberton Street.
- 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.
- 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.

- 10. Relative to an appropriation of \$146,000 to support the Mayor's Initiative on race and class.
- Relative to Awaiting Report Fifteen of January 11, 1999 regarding a report on the traffic lights on Monsignor O'Brien Highway and Museum Way.
- 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.

### 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 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.
- 15. Proposed amendment to the Municipal Code to ban the sale of laser pointer pens to minors. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after April 19, 1999.

### HEARING SCHEDULE

### Mon, Apr 12

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

Tues, Apr 13

3:00pm - 5:00pm The **Human Service and Youth Committee** will conduct a public meeting to discuss the Youth Program assessment. (Area Four Youth Center 243 Harvard Street.)

### Wed, Apr 14

11:00am The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Fiscal Year 1999 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)

#### Tues, Apr 27

6:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public hearing on the re-filed 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 1999 Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 6:00pm The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Fiscal Year 1999 Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

### Mon, May 3

5:30pm Regular City Council meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

#### Tues, May 4

5:30pm The **Health and Hospital Committee** will conduct a public meeting to discuss the Public Health Department's proposal for changes in the regulation of tobacco. (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)

# Wed, May 5

- 5:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance on the Re-filed 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)
- 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)