

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the FY19 submitted budget and appropriation orders.
2. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$5,000,000 to provide funds for the Municipal Facilities Improvement Plan.
3. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$650,000 to provide funds for various School building infrastructure projects, and a new boiler at an Cambridge Rindge and Latin School.
4. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$61,500,000 to provide funds for various water pollution abatement projects, including construction of sewer separation, storm water management and combined sewer overflow reduction elimination improvements within the The Port neighborhood, and the River Street neighborhood.
5. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$21,000,000 to provide funds for the reconstruction of various City streets and sidewalks.
6. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a supplemental appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Free Cash to the Public Works Public Investment Fund account to fund snowstorm related road repairs and capital equipment.
7. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a supplemental appropriation of \$2,475,000 from Free Cash to the Public Works Other Ordinary Maintenance account to fund snowstorm related expenses associated with snow plowing and snow removal contracts, salt, other materials, repair costs.
8. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 18-23, relative to repairs to the Harvard Square Portland Loo and methods to prevent service interruptions in the future.
9. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 18-05, regarding a report Sira Naturals.
10. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a supplemental appropriation of \$120,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Electrical Department Extraordinary Expenditures account to fund consulting, design and installation services for the electrical equipment at City Hall.

11. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a member of the Election Commission effective May 2, 2018 for a term of four years: Victoria Harris
12. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as a members of the Arts Council Advisory Board for a term of three years, effective May 1, 2018: Olivia D' Ambrosio and Michael Monestime.

ON THE TABLE

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 18-33, regarding a report on whether or not Chapter 4.25 of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance applies to the Inman Square redesign project and therefore whether or not a report should be made to the Planning Board.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. A petition was received from MIT Museum, requesting permission for fifty-nine banners on poles along Massachusetts Avenue, from Memorial Drive to Sidney Street to promote visitation at the MIT Museum.
2. A constable bond was received from Charles M. Durrah for approval of the surety.
3. An application was received from Citizens Bank requesting permission for a 2 banners with text at the location of 689 Massachusetts Avenue, announcing Citizens Bank logo.
4. An application was received from the Harvard Square Business Association requesting permission for a temporary lighted banner across from the Public Way located at 12 Palmer Street.
5. A Zoning Petition was received from Douglas Brown Et Al, regarding Zoning petition that aims to balance the future health and safety impacts of climate change.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Charles Hinds, President, East Cambridge Planning Team, regarding Poorman's Landing.
2. A communication was received from Phyllis Bretholtz, regarding support of the City's Inman Square intersection plan.
3. A communication was received from Leonard Aray, 600 Huron Avenue, regarding Alewife Moratorium proposal.
4. A communication was received from Saul Tannenbaum, regarding ACLU calls on local government to pursue municipal broadband.
5. A communication was received from Kathy Roberts, 321 Huron Avenue, regarding Inman Square traffic.
6. A communication was received from Robbie Harwood, Ward 5, regarding Policy Order #11.

7. A communication was received from Michael Goodman, 237 Franklin Street, regarding giving tenants facing eviction from the EMF building more time to transition.
8. A communication was received from Kathy Watkins, 90 Fawcett Street, regarding HIP program being cancelled.
9. A communication was received from Rebecca Pontikes, 5 Lamson Place, regarding support for municipal broadband in Cambridge.
10. A communication was received from Curtis Bell, regarding support of boycott HP products.
11. A communication was received from Peter Valentine, regarding nature is going to destroy you bits.
12. A communication was received from Abraham Lateiner, regarding testimony for upcoming City Council meeting.
13. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, regarding the impact of the outrages at the Magazine Beach playing fields.
14. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, regarding Good/Bad with wildlife, or all bad.
15. A communication was received from Nevena Pilipovic-Wengler, 540 Memorial Drive, regarding urging Cambridge to protect immigrants.
16. A communication was received from Abraham Lateiner, 286 Windsor Street, regarding reducing Cambridge's financial complicity.
17. A communication was received from Kenneth Eisenberg, 200 Hampshire Street, regarding Mass against HP boycott hearing.
18. A communication was received from Beth Stokes, regarding interference on Cambridge Phone.
19. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, regarding fake protector's and "Professionals".
20. A communication was received from Christine Keller, regarding thanking Tim Toomey for the Resolution honoring Father John's Life.
21. Sundry e-mails received, regarding proposed boycott of Hewlett Packard.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Best wishes to Cambridge School Volunteers congratulations for a successful "Back to the 80s!" fundraiser on Apr 6, 2018. Councillor Siddiqui
2. Congratulations to C.A. Webb on her new position as President of the Kendall Square Association. Councillor Mallon
3. Congratulations to Frank Bidart on the occasion of receiving the 2018 Pulitzer Prize for poetry. Vice Mayor Devereux, Councillor Siddiqui
4. Congratulations and best wishes to the Saint Peter School on the occasion of its dedication of the O'Connell Playground on May 19, 2018. Councillor Toomey

5. Congratulations to the Home Energy Efficiency Team (HEET) on their 10th Anniversary. Councillor Zondervan, Vice Mayor Devereux
6. Congratulations to the Organizing Committee of the Women in Comedy Festival for a successful event. Councillor Siddiqui, Councillor Mallon
7. Resolution on the death of William J. Brathwaite, Sr. Councillor Siddiqui
8. Resolution on the death of Yarmouth K-9 Police Officer Sean Gannon. Councillor Toomey
9. Resolution on the death of Norberto Bairos. Councillor Toomey
10. Happy Birthday wishes to City Clerk Donna Lopez. Councillor Simmons
11. Congratulations to Dr. Chanda Prescod-Weinstein on her appointment as Assistant Professor of Physics at the University of New Hampshire. Councillor Siddiqui
12. Congratulations to the organizers of the Black Policy Conference on a successful event. Councillor Siddiqui
13. Retirement of Ronald Harris from the City of Cambridge Human Services Department. Mayor McGovern
14. Retirement of Karen Cunningham from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Mayor McGovern

ORDERS

1. That the City Council go on record in support of supplemental and long-term funding for the Healthy Incentives Program (HIP). Vice Mayor Devereux
2. That the Regular City Council Meeting scheduled for Mon, June 11, 2018, be and hereby is changed to a Roundtable/Working Meeting for the purpose of updating the City Council on the Envision Cambridge process. Mayor McGovern
3. That the City Manager is requested to work with the License Commission and the Consumer's Council to include information online about the complaint process regarding radio interference that is regulated by the Federal Communications Commission. Vice Mayor Devereux
4. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Community Development Department, Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department, the Department of Public Works, and any other City departments to work with the MBTA to address the above listed necessary improvements to the Harvard Square Station Tunnels while they are being renovated. Vice Mayor Devereux
5. That the City Council go on record urging the State Legislature to increase funding to the YouthWorks Youth Jobs State Budget Line Item 7002-0012 to \$14 million to reinstate all jobs lost since 2014 due to funding decreases. Councillor Mallon
6. That the City Manager is requested to work with the appropriate City staff to ensure that an additional

- commitment of \$20 million from the City's budget is devoted over the next five years toward the City's efforts to preserve and create affordable housing units. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Siddiqui
7. That the City Manager is requested to contact the Constellation Charitable Foundation to receive an update on plans for the Parcel C in Kendall Square and when development can be expected to begin. Councillor Toomey
 8. City Council go on record in support of House Bill 2913, "An Act Relative to Environmental Justice and Toxics Reduction in the Commonwealth." Councillor Siddiqui, Councillor Zondervan, Vice Mayor Devereux, Councillor Kelley
 9. Proclaim May 6-12, 2018 as "Children's Mental Health Awareness Week" in the City of Cambridge. Councillor Kelley, Mayor McGovern, Vice Mayor Devereux, Councillor Zondervan
 10. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the appropriate City Staff, the Department of Conservation and Recreation, Friends of Poorman's Landing, and the East Cambridge Planning Team to ensure the timely repair of Poorman's Landing. Vice Mayor Devereux, Councillor Carlone
 11. City Council support of the amendment filed by Representative Cory Atkins to increase funding for the Mass Cultural Council to \$17 million for Fiscal Year 2019. Vice Mayor Devereux, Councillor Carlone
 12. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Community Development Department and the City Solicitor to produce a report for use by the Housing Committee that contains information pertaining to the appropriate language for the creation of an Affordable Housing Overlay District. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Siddiqui
 13. That the City Manager is requested to confer with Commissioner of the Department of Public Works and the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department with the view in mind of replacing the Do Not Enter signs on Willow Street and placing the signs in a more strategic location. Councillor Toomey

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan, Co-Chair of the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee, for a public hearing held on Mar 22, 2018 to gain a better understanding of the extent of the City's digital divide and to explore possible ways to increase digital access.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Craig Kelley, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a public hearing

held on Mar 21, 2018 to discuss the implementation of the Short-Term Rental Ordinance.

3. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone, Co-Chair and Quinton Y. Zondervan, Co-Chair of the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee, for a public hearing held on Apr 18, 2018, to discuss confirming the City's Manager's selection of Margaret Drury as a member of the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority (CRA).

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM OTHER CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a communication from Doshia E. Beard, Executive Secretary to the School Committee, transmitting a copy of an order from the School Committee recommending the FY19 General Fund Budget of the Cambridge Public Schools be adopted in the sum of \$191,069,500.00.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a communication from Councillor Craig Kelley, regarding a Marijuana Education and Enforcement Memorandum.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Apr 23

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

Wed, Apr 25

4:00pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss marijuana laws, education and enforcement. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, Apr 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 1

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the FY2019 City Budget (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 2

10:00am The Human Services and Veterans Committee The purpose of this hearing is to discuss Early Childhood Education in Cambridge and hear updates on meeting the goals set forth by the Early Childhood Education task force. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 8

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the FY2019 City Budget (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 9

6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the FY2019 School Department Budget (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 10

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the FY2019 City Department Budget - if needed (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 14

4:00pm 2018 City of Cambridge Scholarship Awards Ceremony. This ceremony to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 15

5:00pm Housing Committee will conduct a public hearing (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 21

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

Tues, May 22

2:00pm The Transportation and Public Utilities Committee will conduct a public hearing to follow-up on Policy Order #7 of Mar 5, 2018 on the future of dock-less bikes in Cambridge. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 23

12:00pm The Economic Development & University Relations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss an Arts Overlay District ordinance that would achieve the goals of creating and preserving spaces for the arts in the Central Square Cultural District. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 11

5:30pm The City Council will hold a Roundtable/Working Meeting for the purpose of discussing Envision Cambridge. This meeting will be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, June 12

5:00pm Housing Committee will conduct a public hearing. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 18

TBD 2018 Volunteer Awards Ceremony (Sullivan Chambers)

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)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Apr 23, 2018

VICE MAYOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: The Healthy Incentives Program (HIP), part of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), has been suspended until further notice; and

WHEREAS: HIP has been suspended because the program reimbursed 35,000 households a total of \$3.3 million, an amount that was expected to last through April 2020; and

WHEREAS: \$12.5 million was included in a supplemental budget to keep the program alive through July 2018, but the future of the program remains in jeopardy; and

WHEREAS: The funding for the Healthy Incentives Program initially came from the U.S. Department of Agriculture in an effort to encourage healthy eating while acknowledging that fresh fruits and vegetables can be cost-prohibitive and difficult to access; and

WHEREAS: After a 2011 pilot period, the Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA) received a federal grant in 2015 to expand the pilot in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS: SNAP recipients are automatically enrolled in HIP, which matches purchases of fruits and vegetables at local farmer’s markets, farm stands, mobile markets, or Community Supported Agriculture farm-share programs; and

WHEREAS: SNAP recipients are reimbursed dollar-for-dollar to their EBT card for their eligible purchases, adding little barrier to entry for the purchase of fresh food; and

WHEREAS: The Healthy Incentives Program is a critical resource to encourage healthy eating in our community and was suspended due solely to popularity that exceeded funding expectations; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record in support of supplemental and long-term funding for the Healthy Incentives Program; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this order to the Cambridge State Delegation and to the Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-2 Apr 23, 2018

MAYOR MCGOVERN

ORDERED: That the Regular City Council Meeting scheduled for Mon, June 11, 2018, be and hereby is changed to a Roundtable/Working Meeting for the purpose of updating the City Council on the Envision Cambridge process.

O-3 Apr 23, 2018

VICE MAYOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that residents and businesses near the large radio antenna located on the Cambridge Self-Storage site near Concord Avenue and Bay State Road, Birch Street and Fern Street have been experiencing significant interference on their

equipment such as headphones, computer speakers, cordless telephones, and radios; and

WHEREAS: This interference has caused nuisance and productivity issues as well as privacy concerns for the businesses and residents; and

WHEREAS: Radio antennas are regulated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), and there is a complicated filing process for complaints; and

WHEREAS: Affected persons must submit a paper copy of their complaint in triplicate form to the FCC, and no complaints that are submitted via phone or email are accepted; and

WHEREAS: Although the City of Cambridge has no authority in regulating radio antennas, concerns about interference often first come to City officials by affected residents; and

WHEREAS: The City can help residents understand and comply with the complaint process by including helpful information on the appropriate City websites; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the License Commission and the Consumer's Council to include information online about the complaint process regarding radio interference that is regulated by the FCC.

O-4 Apr 23, 2018

VICE MAYOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: The bus tunnels in the Harvard Square MBTA station are scheduled for repair; and

WHEREAS: The MBTA's tentative schedule suggests that the Upper Tunnel will be closed for 3-4 months in late 2018 and the Lower Tunnel will be closed for 3-4 months in early 2019; and

WHEREAS: The details of the project have yet to be released to the City of Cambridge or stakeholders; and

WHEREAS: The project is likely to create confusion, relocation of stops, minor schedule adjustments, and increased foot traffic in Harvard Square for the 6-8 month period that the tunnels will be closed; and

WHEREAS: While the roadways of the tunnels are being repaved, it is in the City of Cambridge's best interest to advocate for other improvements to the tunnels which have fallen into a state of significant and dangerous disrepair; and

WHEREAS: During the Transportation and Public Utilities Committee Hearing of Apr 11, 2018, residents and City Councillors voiced requests to, at minimum, improve the lighting in the tunnels and to provide additional benches or other seating in the tunnels; and

WHEREAS: There is significant water damage and corrosion of many of the light fixtures, structural poles and maintenance doors in the tunnel, that could present a public safety danger and must be improved; and

WHEREAS: The public art that is displayed in the tunnels is also in need of maintenance; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Community Development Department, Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department, the Department of Public Works, and any other City departments to work with the MBTA to address the above listed necessary improvements to the Harvard Square Station Tunnels while they are being renovated; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council when the MBTA releases its plans for construction and mitigation with information about the project and efforts by staff to work with the MBTA to advocate for these improvements.

O-5 Apr 23, 2018

COUNCILLOR MALLON

WHEREAS: Summer employment is valuable for teenagers, allowing them opportunities to build a skillset, gain experience, strengthen their resumes, and gain personal income; and

WHEREAS: In the summer of 2017, the Mayor's Youth Summer Employment Program provided job opportunities to 947 Cambridge teenagers; and

WHEREAS: Funding for State Budget Line Item 7002-0012, "YouthWorks Youth Jobs" has not increased since 2014, and has not kept up with minimum wage increases or the cost of living, therefore resulting in the loss of hundreds of youth jobs across Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS: As cited in a recent [Boston City Council Order](#), for families that make less than \$47,000 per year, teens' income makes up 18% of household earnings, making the availability of good paying youth jobs especially vital for low-income families; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record urging the State Legislature to increase funding to the YouthWorks Youth Jobs State Budget Line Item 7002-0012 to \$14 million to reinstate all jobs lost since 2014 due to funding decreases; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record urging the State Legislature to tie funding for this Line Item to minimum wage increases, so that the YouthWorks program can pay a living wage without decreasing the number of opportunities available; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward suitably engrossed copies of this resolution to the advocacy organization I Have a Future, the Cambridge Legislative Delegation, and Governor Baker on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-6 Apr 23, 2018

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR SIDDIQUI

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the appropriate City staff to ensure that an additional commitment of \$20 million from the City's

budget is devoted over the next five years toward the City's efforts to preserve and create affordable housing units, and to report back to the City Council on this in a timely manner.

O-7 Apr 23, 2018

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: The Constellation Charitable Foundation purchased land in Kendall Square in 1996 with specific deed restriction to enhance the area; and

WHEREAS: The Constellation Charitable Foundation planned to build a performing arts center on the site known as Parcel C; and

WHEREAS: Construction has not started on Parcel C and no building permits have been issued for development; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to contact the owners to receive an update on plans for the Parcel C site and when development can be expected to begin.

O-8 Apr 23, 2018

COUNCILLOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

VICE MAYOR DEVEREUX

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: House Bill 2913, "An Act Relative to Environmental Justice and Toxics Reduction in the Commonwealth" (further referred to as "The Environmental Justice Act") has been introduced in the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS: Article 97 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth provides that the "people shall have the right to clean air and water, freedom from excessive and unnecessary noise, and the natural, scenic, historic, and esthetic qualities of their environment; and the protection of the people in their right to the conservation, development and utilization of the agricultural, mineral, forest, water, air and other natural resources is hereby declared to be a public purpose"; and

WHEREAS: The Environmental Justice Act is intended to promote environmental justice, eliminate disparities with respect to exposure to environmental toxins, and ensure access to environmental benefits within Massachusetts by coordinating between state agencies to plan for environmental justice across sectors; and

WHEREAS: This bill codifies into law an Executive Order on Environmental Justice promulgated by Governor Deval Patrick, and includes a position for an Environmental Justice Director at the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs which Governor Baker has included in his FY2019 budgetary proposal as part of a larger line item on climate adaptation; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record in support of House Bill 2913, "An Act Relative to Environmental Justice and Toxics Reduction in the Commonwealth"; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this order to the Cambridge State Legislative Delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-9 Apr 23, 2018

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

MAYOR MCGOVERN

VICE MAYOR DEVEREUX

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: The citizens of Cambridge value their health and mental health and that of their families, therefore, are proud to support observances such as Children's Mental Health Week; and

WHEREAS: One in five children has a diagnosable mental health disorder and one-half of all lifetime instances of mental illness begin before age 14; and

WHEREAS: Even some children and youth with the most intense needs and some who are insured may not receive services; and

WHEREAS: Children and youth with mental health needs in preschool, elementary, middle and high school are more likely to be bullied, absent, suspended, expelled or fail to graduate; and

WHEREAS: Learning to recognize the early warning signs of mental health needs and where to obtain the necessary support, assistance and treatment gives children and youth better opportunities to lead full and productive lives; and

WHEREAS: The participation and partnership of family members in the assessment and treatment of children and youth is essential to positive outcomes; and

WHEREAS: Our nation's future depends on the health and well-being of its families and their children; and

WHEREAS: Children's Mental Health Week was developed by families of children with emotional, behavioral and mental health needs to focus on the needs of their children and families; and

WHEREAS: In celebrating this year's theme, "Supporting Families, Changing Futures," it is fitting to increase public awareness among all Cambridge citizens of this important issue; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record proclaiming May 6-12, 2018 as "Children's Mental Health Awareness Week" in the City of Cambridge.

O-10 Apr 23, 2018

VICE MAYOR DEVEREUX

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: The dock known as Poorman's Landing on the East Cambridge side of the Charles River is owned by the

Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) and is in a state of significant disrepair; and

WHEREAS: Poorman's Landing is frequently used by residents, office workers, visitors, and boaters, and is a critical resource for our first responders in emergencies and for special events; and

WHEREAS: The dock is currently failing and decaying, with issues including broken or missing decking, missing or failing rub rails, and missing and broken cleats; and

WHEREAS: The dock is currently not compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS: The dock is in urgent need of repair, due to its value to the East Cambridge community, first responders, and the reality that its current condition is a safety threat to all users; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the appropriate City Staff, the Department of Conservation and Recreation, Friends of Poorman's Landing, and the East Cambridge Planning Team to ensure the timely repair of Poorman's Landing.

O-11 Apr 23, 2018

VICE MAYOR DEVEREUX

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that the Massachusetts House Committee on Ways and Means recently released their state budget proposal for Fiscal Year 2019 that recommended less than \$14 million for arts, humanities, and science funding through the Mass Cultural Council; and

WHEREAS: The \$14 million proposal represents level funding for the [Mass Cultural Council](#), "...a state agency that promotes excellence, inclusion, education, and diversity in the arts, humanities, and sciences to foster a rich cultural life for all Massachusetts residents and contributes to the vitality of our communities and economy"; and

WHEREAS: State Representative Cory Atkins filed an amendment to the Ways and Means proposal that would increase funding for the Mass Cultural Council to \$17 million for FY19, allowing the agency to provide additional funding for grant programs for nonprofits, communities, artists, and youth services; and

WHEREAS: The House will discuss the full FY19 budget during the week of April 23, and the Senate will release its own budget in May, at which point the two chambers will work to agree on a single plan to send to Governor Baker; and

WHEREAS: Funding for the arts is critical to not only the cultural integrity of cities in towns in Massachusetts, but to our economy—nonprofit cultural organizations in Massachusetts generate \$2.2 billion dollars in annual economic activity, support over 70,000 full-time jobs, and generate more than \$159 million in local and state tax

revenue, according to the 2016 Arts and Economic Prosperity Report; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record supporting the amendment filed by Representative Cory Atkins to increase funding for the Mass Cultural Council to \$17 million for Fiscal Year 2019; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward suitably engrossed copies of this order to the Cambridge State Delegation, Representative Cory Atkins, and the Mass Cultural Council on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-12 Apr 23, 2018

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: The Housing Committee has been identifying items for further consideration throughout this term, and among those has been the creation of an Affordable Housing Overlay District; and

WHEREAS: In furtherance of this discussion, it will be necessary to obtain the appropriate language from the Community Development Department and the Solicitor's Office needed to establish the Affordable Housing Overlay District; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Community Development Department and the City Solicitor to produce language for a zoning proposal for use by the Housing Committee that contains information pertaining to the above-stated goal, and to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner.

O-13 Apr 23, 2018

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Willow Street is a one-way street that has had a problem with motor vehicles frequently traveling in the wrong direction; and

WHEREAS: In 2015, the City installed three additional "Do Not Enter" signs on Willow Street at the Cambridge/Somerville line next to Roosevelt Towers which helped to resolve this issue; and

WHEREAS: Currently, only one of the permanent signs remains due to fact that one was sheared off and the temporary sign which is located on a large cone is increasingly difficult for drivers to see due to the many instances of the sign being faced away from the street; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with Commissioner of the Department of Public Works and the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department with the view in mind of replacing the signs on Willow Street and placing the signs in a more strategic location and report back to the City Council in a timely manner.