

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the FY2006 submitted budget and appropriation orders.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the Planning Board's proposed zoning changes for the Concord Alewife area.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a request to authorize the disposition of a permanent conservation restriction easement to the Lincoln Land Conservation Trust and further authorization to diminish the full disposition process under Chapter 2.110 of the Cambridge Municipal Code.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a proposed amendment to the text of Section 20.100 of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance relating to Massachusetts Avenue Overlay District, received from the Planning Board.

ON THE TABLE

1. Placed on the Table on the motion of Councillor Simmons relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-137 of December 22, 2003, regarding a report on the number of investment managers for the pension fund with the list to reflect the number of women-owned and minority-owned investment managers.
2. Placed on Table on the motion of Mayor Sullivan relative to Committee Report #1 of March 7, 2005 from the University Relations Committee, for a meeting held on February 8, 2005 to discuss the M.I.T. Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT).
3. Placed on Table on the motion of Councillor Simmons on April 11, 2005 on an order adopted relative to a communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, transmitting a recommendation from the License Commission to deny a jitney license application from Nautical Tours, Inc.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Co-Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on November 18, 2004 for the purpose of considering proposed amendments to Chapter 2.74 of the Cambridge Municipal Code, the Police Review and Advisory Board Ordinance. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after February 14, 2005.

FOUR SECTIONS OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WERE PASSED TO BE ORDAINED AS AMENDED ORDINANCE #1284. THE REMAINING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 2.74 REMAIN ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

5. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves and Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on March 9, 2005 for the purpose of considering proposed amendments to Section 6.12 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding the requirement for providing parking in existing buildings with new additions and/or new uses. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after April 18, 2005. Planning Board hearing held April 5, 2005. Petition expires June 7, 2005.

6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an appropriation of an additional \$750,000 for the construction of the Yerxa Road railroad underpass. The question comes on adoption on or after April 18, 2005.
7. Transmitting communications from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a request for City Council, to adopt a loan order and an order of taking for the siting and construction of a new police station. The question comes on adoption of the loan order on or after April 25, 2005 and the order of taking.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Fast Forward Accessories, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign at the premises numbered 99 Mount Auburn Street.
2. An application was received from Fitness Together, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign at the premises numbered 143 Hampshire Street.
3. An application was received from Cambridge Sports Club, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign at the premises numbered 350 Massachusetts Avenue.
4. An application was received from Sign-A-Rama, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign at the premises numbered 95 First Street.
5. An application was received from Gwendolen Noyes, Oaktree Development, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 48 Inman Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical, Public Works with conditions, and the neighborhood association.
6. An application was received from Joseph Glenmullen, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 168 Lexington Avenue; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical, Public Works with conditions. No neighborhood association for that area.
7. An application was received from Paradise Day Spa, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign at the premises numbered 90 Hampshire Street.
8. An application was received from Pizza Ring, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign and 4-5 tables for restaurant seating and 16-20 chairs at the premises numbered 210-212 Western Avenue.
9. An application was received from Harvard Square Shiatsu, requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 25 Mount Auburn Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development Department and abutters.
10. A petition was received from Algiers Coffee House, 40 Brattle Street, requesting an order from the City Council that, notwithstanding the "Cap/Policy," if the License Commission after investigation and hearing determines that the new license is warranted, the License Commission may act favorably upon the application with City Council support.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from the family of Josephine C. Avakian, transmitting thanks to the City Council for the resolution.
2. A communication was received from Ramon Lopez-Gomez, regarding MIT Police.
3. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding Harvard.
4. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding prejudice.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to the Shady Hill School participants of the ADOPT-A-Lot Program in Riverbend Park. Councillor Davis
2. Congratulations to Kate Lanou, a sixth grade teacher at the Shady Hill School, for her dedication to the ADOPT-A-LOT Program in Riverbend Park. Councillor Davis
3. Resolution on the death of Shawn M. Megan. Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor Decker, Councillor Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan
4. Resolution on the death of Dr. Robert B. Ullian. Councillor Maher
5. Recognition of the Concerned Black Men of Massachusetts, Inc.'s V.I.P. Founders Reception on May 7, 2005, 6:00pm - 10:00pm at the Cambridge Multicultural Arts Center. Mayor Sullivan
6. Best wishes to Donn Hockman in the 2005 MS Challenge Walk. Mayor Sullivan
7. Congratulations to Judith Kurland on being elected President of the Massachusetts Public Health Association. Mayor Sullivan
8. Congratulations to Dr. Deborah Prothrow-Stith on winning the 2005 Massachusetts Public Health Association's Paul Revere Award and to Christie L. Hagger, JD, MPH, on winning the 2005 Massachusetts Public Health Association Alfred L. Frechette Award. Mayor Sullivan
9. Resolution on the death of Captain David S. Connolly. Mayor Sullivan
10. Congratulations to Dr. Roger L. Snow on his retirement. Mayor Sullivan
11. Congratulations to Allison Crump, John Moos and Martha Osler for being the recipients of the Preservation Awards at a ceremony on Tuesday, May 11, 2005 at the Taylor Square Fire Station. Councillor Davis
12. Resolution on the death of Helen M. Baker. Mayor Sullivan
13. Resolution on the death of Patricia J. Cusick. Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio
14. Resolution on the death of Victoria A. Guerrier. Councillor Galluccio
15. Resolution on the death of Frances Johnson. Mayor Sullivan
16. Recognition of the Guidance Center, Inc.'s Annual Gala, Celebrating Families, on May 12, 2005 and appreciation to Larry Lucchino for serving as special guest. Councillor Murphy
17. Congratulations to David Leslie on his new position as Executive Director of Food For Free Committee, Inc. Councillor Simmons

18. Recognition of the Cambridge Fireman's Relief Association's Celebrity Basketball Game on Saturday, April 30, 2005 in the War Memorial at the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School. Mayor Sullivan
19. Cambridge proclaims Arbor Day, April 29, 2005. Mayor Sullivan
20. Congratulations to Jeanne Traxler on winning the 2005 Dance Belt Award. Mayor Sullivan
21. Congratulations to Margo Morado on winning the 2005 Dance Belt Award. Mayor Sullivan
22. Cambridge proclaims May as Dance Month 2005. Mayor Sullivan
23. Cambridge proclaims September 26, 2005 as Family Day - A Day to Eat Dinner With Your Children. Mayor Sullivan
24. Resolution on the death of Geraldine A. Fontaine. Mayor Sullivan
25. Congratulations to Jane Tewksbury on appointed as the new commissioner of the Department of Youth Services. Mayor Sullivan
26. Congratulations and thanks to the Cambridge Police Department for their continued hard work and dedication to public safety. Mayor Sullivan
27. Congratulations to Lee Swislow on being appointed the new Executive Director of GLAD. Councillor Simmons
28. Congratulations to Cambridge Pop Warner Youth Football and the Cambridge Cheerleading Association on another successful season. Mayor Sullivan
29. Support for the 2005 Walk for Hunger, sponsored by Project Bread, on Sunday May 1, 2005. Mayor Sullivan
30. Congratulations to Paul Gonnella on becoming the new Head Football Coach at Cambridge Rindge and Latin School. Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio
31. Cambridge proclaims Sunday, May 15, 2005 as Haitian Heritage Day. Mayor Sullivan
32. Clean Up Central Square Day on Saturday, May 21, 2005 urging all businesses and neighbors to pitch-in. Mayor Sullivan
33. Resolution on the death of Richard J. Littlefield. Councillor Galluccio
34. Resolution on the retirement of Edward Nardell. Mayor Sullivan
35. Congratulations to the 2005 Outstanding City Employee Award Recipients. Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Murphy
36. Congratulations to Nancy Hall for her art being displayed throughout the City of Cambridge. Vice Mayor Decker
37. Congratulations to Paulette Jones on her appointment as Principal of the John M. Tobin Elementary School. Councillor Simmons
38. Resolution on the retirement of Barbara Flynn. Mayor Sullivan
39. Resolution on the death of Arthur Ferry. Councillor Toomey
40. Resolution on the death of Josephine Bresnahan. Mayor Sullivan

41. Congratulations to MIT and to Dr. Susan Hockfield on being inaugurated as its 16th president and best wishes for a successful inaugural celebration during the week of May 2, 2005. Mayor Sullivan
42. April, 2005 proclaimed as Fair Housing Month in Cambridge and urge all residents to re-affirm their commitment to the goal of fair housing opportunity for all. Mayor Sullivan
43. Resolution on the death of Claire Murray. Mayor Sullivan
44. Recognition of the annual Salvation Army Awards Luncheon on Monday, May 9, 2005 at the Hyatt Regency Cambridge at 12:00 noon. Mayor Sullivan
45. Recognition of the Grand Re-Opening of the Harvest Co-op Market in Central Square (formerly known as the Cambridge Food Co-op). Mayor Sullivan
46. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Sam Huff. Vice Mayor Decker
47. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Casey LaWare. Vice Mayor Decker
48. Resolution on the death of Corporal Tyler Dickens. Vice Mayor Decker
49. Resolution on the death of Private Aaron Hudson. Vice Mayor Decker
50. Resolution on the death of Specialist Manuel Lopez III. Vice Mayor Decker
51. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Steven Sirko. Vice Mayor Decker
52. Resolution on the death of Private Joseph Knott. Vice Mayor Decker
53. Resolution on the death of Specialist John Miller. Vice Mayor Decker
54. Resolution on the death of Specialist Randy Stevens. Vice Mayor Decker
55. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Juan Venegas. Vice Mayor Decker
56. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Jeremiah Kinchen. Vice Mayor Decker
57. Resolution on the death of Corporal William Richardson. Vice Mayor Decker
58. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Tomaine Toy, Sr. Vice Mayor Decker
59. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Javier Garcia. Vice Mayor Decker
60. Resolution on the death of Corporal Michael Lindermuth. Vice Mayor Decker
61. Resolution on the death of Captain James Edge. Vice Mayor Decker
62. Resolution on the death of Staff Sergeant Christopher Dill. Vice Mayor Decker
63. Resolution on the death of Sergeant First Class Stephen Kennedy. Vice Mayor Decker
64. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Angelo Lozada, Jr. Vice Mayor Decker
65. Resolution on the death of Staff Sergeant Kevin Davis. Vice Mayor Decker
66. Resolution on the death of Corporal Glenn Watkins. Vice Mayor Decker
67. Congratulations to John Butterworth of Meredith and Grew for his recent success in Cambridge. Councillor Galluccio
68. Welcome to Starbucks, 220 Alewife Brook Parkway and express wishes of success to Store Manager Christina Hanlon and her team and applaud their support for community-based charities. Councillor Galluccio
69. Congratulations to Jody Sammons in her future endeavors as she leaves the position of Case and Outreach Coordinator at the Cambridge Dispute Center. Councillor Toomey
70. Resolution on the death of Frances Terry. Councillor Galluccio
71. Resolution on the death of Gertrude Broussard. Councillor Galluccio
72. Resolution on the death of William S. Horan. Councillor Galluccio
73. Resolution on the death of Mary I. Jewell. Mayor Sullivan
74. Resolution on the death of Sister Mary of the Precious Blood. Mayor Sullivan
75. Resolution on the death of Phyllis M. Meehan. Mayor Sullivan
76. Resolution on the death of Janet M. Ames. Mayor Sullivan
77. Resolution on the death of Anthony J. Sordillo. Mayor Sullivan
78. Resolution on the death of John F. Malone. Mayor Sullivan
79. Resolution on the death of Joseph F. Menino. Mayor Sullivan
80. Resolution on the death of Marian Kelly. Mayor Sullivan
81. Resolution on the death of Antonio Santiago. Mayor Sullivan
82. Resolution on the death of Fred J. Scalese. Councillor Maher, Mayor Sullivan
83. Congratulations to New Hampshire Governor Jeanne Shaheen on being name the Director of the Institute of Politics at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government. Councillor Murphy
84. Recognition of the third Annual Big Pig Gig to benefit the Farm School on Tuesday, May 3, 2005, 6:00pm - 10:00pm at the Charles Hotel. Mayor Sullivan
85. Best wishes to the Farr Academy on its 14th Annual Golf Tournament. Mayor Sullivan
86. Wednesday, June 1, 2005, proclaimed as Foster Grandparents Day in Cambridge. Mayor Sullivan
87. Happy 230th Anniversary to the United States Army. Councillor Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan
88. Congratulations to the winners of the 2005 Mack I. Davis II Awards at a reception on Wednesday, May 18, 2005 from 4:00pm - 7:00pm at the Harvard Family Club. Mayor Sullivan

89. Congratulations to Hilary and Julie Goodridge on their recognition by the Boston Women's Fund at its annual Take a Stand Celebration on April 26, 2005. Councillor Simmons
90. Appreciation to Sister Marie Agnes Connolly, OSF, for her years of commitment to education as Assistant Principal at St. Peter School. Mayor Sullivan
91. Congratulations to Mary Jo Keaney on being appointed as the new Principal of St. Peter School. Mayor Sullivan
92. Congratulations to Joseph Dunford, Jr. on his promotion to Brigadier General in the Marine Corp. Mayor Sullivan
93. Appreciation to Connie Stringos for her years of dedicated service at the Baybank Harvard Trust Company. Councillor Galluccio
94. Welcome to Reverend Dr. Dennis Wiley and the Reverend Fred Lucas, the founders of Harvard's Knumba Singers. Councillor Reeves
95. Resolution on the death of Kate Field. Councillor Davis
96. Congratulations to Knumba Singers of Harvard University on their 35th anniversary. Councillor Reeves
97. Congratulations to the participants in the 5th Annual Sons of Allen Oratory Program at the St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church. Councillor Reeves

ORDERS

1. The City Manager is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department regarding the installation of parking meters in front of the Longfellow School and report on whether there is a purpose and/or need for these meters. Councillor Toomey, Councillor Simmons and Mayor Sullivan
2. The City Manager is requested to report on whether there can be an exemption for residents of Cambridge at the meters on Broadway in the area between Fayette and Antrim Streets. Councillor Simmons
3. The City Manager is requested to provide a update on the debate concerning the Tulip Tree located on Cambridge Street near Inman Square. Councillor Simmons
4. Dedication of a site near Kinnaird Street and Hancock Street in honor of John and Mildred Joyce. Mayor Sullivan
5. Dedication a site near Brattle Street and Sparks Street as Henry Wadsworth Longfellow Square. Mayor Sullivan
6. Dedication of an appropriate site in the vicinity of Fifth and Otis Streets as Mitza Square. Councillor Toomey and Mayor Sullivan
7. Dedication of a memorial in honor of Shawn M. Megan at Danehy Park. Councillor Toomey
8. Dedication of a site near Salem Street in honor of George and Peggy Thompson. Mayor Sullivan
9. Dedication of the corner of Charles and Fulkerson Streets as Mel Milhelm Square. Councillor Galluccio
10. The City Manager is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Community Development to report on the progress in re-siting a drug store at the former location of Huron Drug Store on Huron Avenue and locating a post office in the same vicinity. Councillor Maher

11. The City Manager is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner to increase patrols in West Cambridge in response to recent dramatic increase in graffiti on Concord and Huron Avenues. Councillor Maher
12. The City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate City departments and the owner of the building that houses Sarah's Market at the corner of Huron and Concord Avenues regarding the possibility of cost-sharing to remove graffiti removal and the possibility of cost-sharing for a public art mural. Councillor Maher
13. Support for the US Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement and establish a formal relationship with the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) Cities for Climate Protection Program to track progress and implementation of the US Mayors Climate Protection Agreement Mayor Sullivan
14. The City Manager is requested to report on an update on traffic calming for Cushing Street and to coordinate with the Community Development Department, Traffic, Parking & Transportation, and the Mayor's Office to conduct a meeting with the neighbors of Cushing Street to learn of the public safety concerns in the neighborhood Mayor Sullivan
15. The City Manager is requested to coordinate with the Police Commissioner to provide increased enforcement of traffic laws on Cushing Street, with particular attention to the intersection of Thingvalla and Cushing. Mayor Sullivan
16. The City Manager is requested to coordinate with the Electrical Department for an inspection of lighting on Lawn Court and report back to the City Council with recommendations for improvement of lighting in that area. Mayor Sullivan
17. The City Manager is requested to coordinate with the Police Commissioner to provide increased enforcement of traffic laws in the Mount Auburn/Strawberry Hill neighborhood, with particular attention to ends of streets that abut Belmont Street. Mayor Sullivan
18. Naming the new police station in honor of Robert W. Healy, City Manager. Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Toomey, Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Reeves, Councillor Davis, Councillor Maher, Councillor Murphy and Councillor Simmons
19. The City Manager is requested to investigate the feasibility of installing bus shelters in Harvard Square. Councillor Murphy and Mayor Sullivan
20. The City Manager is requested to report on working with the Community Development Department on what the available resources are to help affected individuals and how we are organizing these resources to reach out to those who will be affected by the Housing Assistance Program cuts and. Vice Mayor Decker
21. The City Manager is requested to confer with the Department of Human Services to provide summer programs at Dana Park or another area in upper Cambridgeport due to the loss of two schools in the Cambridgeport community. Vice Mayor Decker

22. The City Manager is requested to confer with the Legal Department on the feasibility of amending the City's ordinance regarding construction in the City on moving the start time from 7:00am to 9:00am and report back its findings to the City Council. Vice Mayor Decker
23. The City Manager is requested to direct the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to increase enforcement of parking violations in the Mt. Auburn neighborhood and to ensure that there is sufficient staffing on this route and, if not, to provide or hire additional parking control officers. Councillor Toomey
24. The City Manager is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works regarding long-term roadway and sidewalk improvements along Clarendon Avenue and to coordinate these efforts with improvements to Cambridge Housing Authority property as well. Councillor Galluccio
25. The Housing Committee is requested to hold a committee meeting to discuss the safety issues and the residents' growing concern regarding their safety at 30-50 Churchill Avenue, the Burns Apartment. Councillor Maher
26. Support for the "Reverse the Cuts" effort by the Statewide Coalition for Public Schools. Councillor Murphy
27. The City Manager is requested to provide the City Council with the repaving schedule of the streets in East Cambridge. Councillor Toomey
28. A letter from a resident to the City Council regarding the need for appropriate services for her autistic child is requested to be forwarded to the School Committee for action by the School Department. Councillor Simmons
29. The City Manager is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of the Water Department to replace the fencing adjacent to Fresh Pond along Concord Avenue and Blanchard Road and undertake beautification efforts along the perimeter, including plantings and other appropriate measures. Councillor Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan
30. The City Manager is requested to direct the Historical Commission and Assistant City Manager of the Community Development Department to work with the Women's Center of and the Dance Complex to see if building rehabilitation program can be of assistance to the Women's Center and the Dance Complex. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Sullivan
31. The City Manager is requested to direct the Community Development to develop a community benefit program for the City that can be used each time a developer or major construction project is planned and that this plan come before the City Council for adoption for use as a regular and customary part of future developments. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Sullivan
32. City Manager is requested to investigate concerns from residents of Putnam Avenue and Putnam Gardens concerning buses (Peter Pan, The Crystal, and Paul Revere) on Putnam Avenue after 12:00am. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Sullivan
33. Support for House Bill 706, an innovative social justice legislation currently under consideration by the Massachusetts Legislation. Councillor Simmons

34. Letter of concern to Varney Hintlian and Bill Kress with regard to not using union contractors on the Aberdeen Lofts. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Sullivan
35. Request for to the License Commission to act favorably upon the application being submitted to the License Commission by Algiers Corporation for a new license to serve wine and malt, with cordials, at the Algiers Coffee House. Mayor Sullivan
36. Urging the Bush administration to reverse its policies of restricting the rights of U.S. Cubans who wish to visit Cuban relatives annually. Councillor Reeves

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Brian Murphy, Chair of the Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee, for a meeting held on April 14, 2005 to discuss plans for the First Anniversary of the May 17, 2004 Same Sex Marriage celebration.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Brian Murphy, Chair of the Finance Committee, for a meeting held on April 14, 2005 to discuss ideas and suggestions around property tax issues to be considered by the Special Committee on Property Tax and the Finance Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Marilyn Y. Bradshaw, Executive Secretary to the School Committee, transmitting the FY05-06 Budget of the Cambridge Public Schools.
2. A communication was received from Mayor Michael A. Sullivan, transmitting thanks to the City Council from Denise Murphy for all of the projects that have made Cambridge more pedestrian and bicycle friendly.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Apr 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Apr 27

10:00am The Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussing plans for the First Anniversary of the May 17, 2004 Same Sex Marriage Celebration. (Ackermann Room)

Thurs, Apr 28

6:00pm The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will conduct a public meeting with the Pedestrian Committee to discuss pedestrian priorities and any and all matters that may properly come before the committee. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 2

5:30pm Roundtable City Council Meeting. To discuss community based planning for arts, culture, history and heritage programming. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (344 Broadway, 2nd floor conference room)

Tues, May 3

10:00am The Cable TV, Telecommunications and Public Utilities Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussion on the subject of NSTAR and renewable energy requirements. (Ackermann Room)

6:00pm The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will conduct a public meeting with the Bicycle Committee to discuss bicycle issues and any and all matters that may properly come before the committee. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 4

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss FY06 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 5

6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY06 School Department Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 10

5:30pm The Claims Committee will conduct a public hearing to consider claims filed against the city. (Ackermann Room)

Wed, May 11

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY06 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 16

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 17

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss FY06 City Budget. (IF NECESSARY) (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 25

1:30pm The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a public meeting to evaluate the needs of the Cambridge homeless, particularly the Harvard Square population. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 20

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Aug 1

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

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department regarding the installation of parking meters in front of the Longfellow School and report back to the City Council on whether there is a purpose and/or need for these meters.

O-2 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report on whether there can be an exemption for residents of Cambridge at the meters on Broadway in the area between Fayette and Antrim Streets.

O-3 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide a update on the debate concerning the Tulip Tree located on Cambridge Street near Inman Square.

O-4 April 25, 2005

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate an appropriate site in the vicinity of Kinnaird Street and Hancock Street in honor of John and Mildred Joyce; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Chief of Staff to the Mayor be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-5 April 25, 2005

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate an appropriate site in the vicinity of Brattle Street and Sparks Street as

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow Square; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Chief of Staff to the Mayor be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-6 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate an appropriate site in the vicinity of Fifth and Otis Streets as Mitza Square; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-7 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record dedicating a suitable memorial to the memory of Shawn M. Megan at Danehy Park; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-8 April 25, 2005

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate an appropriate site in the vicinity of Salem Street in honor of George and Peggy Thompson; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Chief of Staff to the Mayor be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-9 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate the corner of Charles and Fulkerson Streets be named "Mel Milhelm Square;" and be it further

ORDERED: That Assistant to the City Council to the Mayor be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-10 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR MAHER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Community Development to report to the City Council on the progress in re-siting a drug store at the former location of Huron Drug Store on Huron Avenue and locating a post office in the same vicinity.

O-11 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR MAHER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner to increase patrols in West Cambridge in response to recent dramatic increase in graffiti on Concord and Huron Avenues.

O-12 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR MAHER

WHEREAS: The rear of the building housing Sarah's Market at the corner of Huron and Concord Avenues is covered with unsightly graffiti; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the owner of the building and the appropriate City departments regarding graffiti removal and the possibility of City/property owner cost-sharing to remove the graffiti and replace it with a public art mural depicting the spirit of this west Cambridge neighborhood over the summer; and be it further.

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to see that the necessary steps are taken to begin the process immediately with the view of completing the murals this summer.

O-13 April 25, 2005

MAYOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: The US Conference of Mayors has previously adopted strong policy resolutions calling for cities, communities and the federal government to take actions to reduce global warming pollution; and

WHEREAS: The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), the international community's most respected assemblage of scientists, is clear that there is no longer any credible doubt that climate disruption is a reality and that human activities are largely responsible for increasing concentrations of global warming pollution; and

WHEREAS: Recent, well-documented impacts of climate disruption include average global sea level increases of four to eight inches during the 20th century; a 40% decline in Arctic sea-ice thickness; and nine of ten hottest years on record occurring in the past decade; and

WHEREAS: Climate disruption of the magnitude now predicted by the scientific community will cause extremely costly

disruption of human and natural systems throughout the world including: increased risk of floods or droughts; sea-level rises that interact with coastal storms to erode beaches, inundate land, and damage structures; more frequent and extreme heat waves; and more frequent and greater concentrations of smog; and

WHEREAS: On February 16, 2005, the Kyoto Protocol, and international agreement to address climate disruption, entered into force in the 141 countries that have ratified it to date; 38 of those countries are now legally required to reduce greenhouse gas emissions on average 5.2 percent below 1990 levels by 2012; and

WHEREAS: The United States of America, with less than five percent of the world's population, is responsible for producing approximately 25% of the world's global warming pollutants yet is not a party to the Kyoto Protocol; and

WHEREAS: The Kyoto Protocol emissions reduction target for the U.S. had it ratified the treaty, would have been 7% below 1990 levels by 2012; and

WHEREAS: Many leading US companies that have adopted greenhouse gas reduction programs to demonstrate corporate social responsibility have also publicly expressed preference for the US to adopt precise and mandatory emissions targets and timetables as a means by which to remain competitive in the international marketplace, to mitigate financial risk and to promote sound investment decisions; and

WHEREAS: State and local governments throughout the United States are adopting emission reduction targets and programs and that this leadership is bipartisan, coming from Republican and Democratic governors and mayors alike; and

WHEREAS: Many Cities throughout the nation, both large and small are reducing global warming pollutants through programs that provide economic and quality of life benefits such as reduced energy bills, green space preservation, air quality improvements, reduced traffic congestion, improved transportation choices, and economic development and job creation through energy conservation and new energy technologies; and

WHEREAS: Mayors from around the nation have signed the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement, which reads:

A. We urge the federal government and state governments to enact policies and programs to meet or beat Kyoto Protocol target of reducing global warming pollution levels to 7% below 1990 levels by 2012, including efforts to: reduce the United States' dependence on fossil fuels and accelerate the development of clean, economical energy resources and fuel-efficient technologies such as conservation, methane recovery for energy generation, wind and solar energy, fuel cells, efficient motor vehicles, and biofuels;

B. We urge the U.S. Congress to pass the bipartisan Climate Stewardship Act sponsored by Senators McCain and Lieberman and Representative Gilchrist and Olver, which would create a flexible, Markey based system of tradable allowances among emitting industries; and

C. We strive to meet or exceed Kyoto Protocol targets for reducing global warming pollution by taking actions in our own operations and communities such as:

1. Inventory global warming emissions in City operations and in the community, set reduction targets and create an action plan.
2. Adopt and enforce land-use polices that reduce sprawl, preserve open space, and create compact, walkable urban communities;
3. Promote transportation options such as bicycle trails, commute trip reduction programs, incentives for car pooling and public transit;
4. Increase the use of clean, alternative energy by, or example, investing in “green tags”, advocating for the development of renewable energy resources, and recovering landfill methane for energy production;
5. Make energy efficiency a priority through building code improvements, retrofitting city facilities with energy efficient lighting and urging employees to conserve energy and save money;
6. Purchase only Energy Star equipment and appliances for City use;
7. Practice and promote sustainable building practices using U.S. Green Building Council’s LEED program or a similar system;
8. Increase the average fuel efficiency of municipal fleet vehicles; reduce the number of vehicles; launch an employee education program including anti-idling messages; convert diesel vehicle to bio-diesel;
9. Evaluate opportunities to increase pump efficiency in water and wastewater systems; recover wastewater treatment methane for energy production;
10. Increase recycling rates in City operations and in the community;
11. Maintain healthy urban forests; promote tree planting to increase shading and to absorb carbon dioxide; and
12. Help educate the public schools, other jurisdictions, professional associations, business and industry about reducing global warming pollution; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council endorse the US Mayors’ Climate Protection Agreement and urge mayors from around the nation to join in this effort; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this City Council establish a formal relationship with the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) Cities for Climate Protection Program to track progress and implementation of the US Mayors Climate Protection Agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Office of Sustainability and Environment on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-14 April 25, 2005

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with an update on traffic calming for Cushing Street; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to coordinate with the Community Development Department, Traffic, Parking & Transportation, and the Mayor’s Office to

conduct a meeting with the neighbors of Cushing Street to learn of the public safety concerns in the neighborhood.

O-15 April 25, 2005

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to coordinate with the Police Commissioner to provide increased enforcement of traffic laws on Cushing Street, with particular attention to the intersection of Thingvalla and Cushing Street.

O-16 April 25, 2005

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to coordinate with the Electrical Department for an inspection of lighting on Lawn Court and report back to the City Council with recommendations for improvement of lighting in that area.

O-17 April 25, 2005

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to coordinate with the Police Commissioner to provide increased enforcement of traffic laws in the Mount Auburn/Strawberry Hill neighborhood, with particular attention to ends of streets that abut Belmont Street.

O-18 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

MAYOR SULLIVAN

COUNCILLOR REEVES

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

COUNCILLOR MAHER

COUNCILLOR MURPHY

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record naming the new police station in honor of Robert W. Healy, City Manager.

O-19 April 25, 2005

COUNCILLOR MURPHY

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is requested to investigate the feasibility of installing bus shelters in Harvard Square at the following locations:

- Holyoke Gate at Harvard Yard;
- Johnston Gate at Harvard Yard;
- Cambridge Common;
- Quincy Street at the blinking crosswalk light;
- Plaza in front of Charles Hotel; and
- J.F.K. Street in front of the Kennedy School of Government.

O-20 April 25, 2005

VICE MAYOR DECKER

WHEREAS: The Housing Assistance Program has been critical in providing affordable housing opportunities to low income families and seniors; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Community Development Department on what the available resources are to help

affected individuals and how we are organizing these resources to reach out to those who will be affected by the Housing Assistance Program cuts and report back to the City Council.

O-21 April 25, 2005
VICE MAYOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Department of Human Services to provide summer programs at Dana Park or another area in upper Cambridgeport due to the loss of two schools in the Cambridgeport community.

O-22 April 25, 2005
VICE MAYOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Legal Department on the feasibility of amending the City's ordinance regarding construction in the City on moving the start time from 7:00am to 9:00am and report back its findings to the City Council.

O-23 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: The City Manager is requested to direct the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to increase enforcement of parking violations in the Mt. Auburn neighborhood and to ensure that there is sufficient staffing on this route and, if not, to provide or hire additional parking control officers.

O-24 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works regarding long-term roadway and sidewalk improvements along Clarendon Avenue and to coordinate these efforts with improvements to Cambridge Housing Authority property as well.

O-25 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR MAHER

ORDERED: The Housing Committee be and hereby is requested to hold a committee meeting to discuss the safety issues and the residents' growing concern regarding their safety at 30-50 Churchill Avenue, the Burns Apartment.

O-26 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR MURPHY

WHEREAS: "Reverse the Cuts" is a new event being planned this year by the Statewide Coalition for Public Schools to lobby for restoring the drastic cuts to the state public education budget over the past years; and

WHEREAS: The event is being modeled after a statewide rally held in Minnesota in February which drew thousands of parents, educators and municipal leaders to the capitol to lobby for school funding after years of reductions; and

WHEREAS: The goal of the campaign is to restore 50 per cent of the FY04 cuts in FY06; and

WHEREAS: If this goal were achieved, Cambridge would gain \$849,000 in Chapter 70 funds and \$2.3 million in additional assistance; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record supporting the Reverse the Cuts effort; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the members of the Cambridge School Committee, the members of

the Cambridge Delegation to the State Legislature and Governor Romney on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-27 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide the City Council with the repaving schedule of the streets in East Cambridge.

O-28 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the attached letter from a resident to the City Council regarding the need for appropriate services for her autistic child be forwarded to the School Committee for action by the School Department.

O-29 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of the Water Department with the view of replacing the fencing adjacent to Fresh Pond along Concord Avenue and Blanchard Road and undertaking beautification efforts along the perimeter, including plantings and other appropriate measures.

O-30 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: In an April 14, 2005 memorandum, the Cambridge Historical Commission describes a new funding opportunity for building rehabilitation; and
WHEREAS: This program may assist two long-standing programs in Cambridge that have and continue to serve the residents of Cambridge; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Historical Commission and the of Assistant City Manager of Community Development Department to work with the Women's Center of Cambridge and the Dance Complex to see if this building rehabilitation program can be of assistance to the Women's Center and the Dance Complex.

O-31 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: Cambridge continues to have major developments and with each development the residents in the impacted neighborhood rally together to try to maintain the quality of life in their neighborhood; and

WHEREAS: Development is going to continue in Cambridge, and the development is going to impact each neighborhood in similar and different ways; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct Community Development to develop a community benefit program for the City that can be used each time a developer or major construction project is planned; and be it further

ORDERED: That this plan come back before the City Council for adoption for use as a regular and customary part of future developments in Cambridge.

O-32 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to investigate concerns from residents of Putnam Avenue and Putnam Gardens concerning buses (Peter Pan, The Crystal, and Paul Revere) on Putnam Avenue after 12:00am.

O-33 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record supporting House Bill 706, an innovative social justice legislation currently under consideration by the Massachusetts State Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to each member of the Cambridge Legislative Delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-34 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council write strong letter of concern to Varney Hintlian and Bill Kress concerning their not using union contractors on the Aberdeen Lofts; and be it further

ORDERED: That a copy of this letter be sent to Carpenters Local Union 40.

O-35 April 25, 2005
MAYOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: Algiers Corporation, a Massachusetts corporation (“Algiers”), doing business as the Algiers Coffee House at 40 Brattle Street in Cambridge, is applying to the Cambridge License Commission (the “License Commission”) for a new license to serve wine and malt, at the Algiers Coffee House until 1:00am; and

WHEREAS: The Algiers Coffee House is located in “Cap Area 1” as defined in Addendum D, passed April 11, 1986 (“Addendum D”), attached to the Rules and Regulations of the Cambridge License Commission Relating to Alcoholic Beverages and Entertainment (the “Rules and Regulations”); and

WHEREAS: Pursuant to Section 2(b) of Addendum D to the Rules and Regulations, the grant of the license requested by Algiers would require that the License Commission grant an exception to its “Cap Policy”, which otherwise prohibits such a grant; and

WHEREAS: Section 2(b) of Addendum D provides in part that an exception may be granted “if the license application, after a rigorous, searching and detailed examination, passes scrutiny by the Commission and if there is a consensus among local residents, local businesses, and the Commission that the new license to be granted fulfills an extraordinary public need for the particular kind of enterprise to be licensed, that the license applicant has made adequate provisions to verify that unreasonable noise from within the premises to be licensed or by the license applicant’s patrons outside will not be audible from residential premises; and generally that the new license to be granted significantly furthers the common good of the City of Cambridge. No license will be granted under this section 2(b) unless the license applicant agrees to accept Addendum A

to the Rules and Regulations of the Cambridge Board of License Commissioners Relating to Alcoholic Beverages”; and

WHEREAS: Addendum A to the Rules and Regulations of the License Commission sets forth certain conditions limiting the rights of a corporate license holder and of any permitted successor-in-interest; and

WHEREAS: Section 2(b) of Addendum D further states the License Commission’s reluctance to grant an exception in “Cap Area 1” in the absence of a City Council Resolution favorable to the granting of a license application as an exception; and

WHEREAS: Because the License Commission’s procedures under Addendum D require a favorable City Council Resolution prior to the License Commission’s undertaking its own “rigorous, searching and detailed examination” of Algiers’s application for a license under Addendum D; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the License Commission is recommended to act favorably upon the application being submitted to the License Commission by Algiers Corporation for a new license to serve wine and malt, with cordials, at the Algiers Coffee House at 40 Brattle Street, provided that the License Commission decides, after a rigorous, searching and detailed examination, that the grant of a license to Algiers is warranted, and further provided that the license, if and when granted, shall be subject to such conditions, limitations or restrictions as the License Commission deems appropriate.

O-36 April 25, 2005
COUNCILLOR REEVES

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record urging the Bush administration to reverse its policies of restricting the rights of U.S. Cubans who wish to visit Cuban relatives annually; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the President Bush on behalf of the entire City Council.