

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to a request to increase the Section 101 allowance, a benefit for surviving spouses of a disabled employee, from the current annual amount of \$9,000 to \$12,000.
2. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the reappointment of the following members of the Community Preservation Act Committee for 5-year terms:
Ellen Shachter, Community Representative (effective 4/1/15)
Gerard Clark, Housing Authority Representative (effective 5/10/15)
Albe Simenas, Conservation Comm. Representative (effective 5/10/15)
Susan Schlesinger, Affordable Housing Trust Representative (effective 5/10/15)
3. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-10, regarding a report on contracts to obtain electricity from TransCanada and the possibility of entering into an agreement to obtain up to 100% renewable power for all municipal electricity needs.
4. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 14-139, regarding a report on a feasibility study and subsequent action plan on instituting suffrage for immigrants in Cambridge.
5. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 14-130, regarding a report on whether preference points can legally be allotted to all city employees for affordable housing units.
6. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-27, regarding a report on the feasibility of launching a pilot program for heated bus shelters.
7. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-39, regarding a report on the Citywide Planning Process (Master Plan) including next steps and timeline.
8. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$13,000 from the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department Salary and Wages account to the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department Travel and Training account (judgment and damages) to cover medical services and/or prescription reimbursement costs for Traffic and Parking personnel injured in performance of their duties.
9. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the FY2016 submitted budget and appropriation orders.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. An application was received from Ronald Smith, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 139 Charles Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. Response has been received from the neighborhood association. [Charter

Right exercised by Councillor Toomey on Applications and Petitions Number Three of Apr 13, 2015.]

2. That Article 13 of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinances entitled "Planned Unit Development Districts" be amended in section 13.53.2 of 13.50 entitled "PUD-4, PUD-4A, PUD-4B and PUD-4C Districts: Development Controls" by adding after the first sentence: The minimum size of the Development Parcel within PUD-4B shall be two hundred and fifty thousand (250,000) square feet. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Cheung on Order Number Fourteen of Apr 13, 2015.]

ON THE TABLE

3. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on the status and next steps for the Beekeeping ordinance. [Order Number Ten of Mar 30, 2015 Placed on the Table on the motion of Councillor Kelley on Mar 30, 2015.]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing held on Nov 22, 2013 to conduct a public hearing on an amendment to the Municipal Code by adding a new Chapter 8.68 entitled "Concussion Prevention and Management in Youth Activities at City Facilities." The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Dec 23, 2013.
5. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to an update on the Foundry Building process, including the City's plans to collaborate with the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority (the "CRA") to redevelop the Foundry building in a way that meets the vision and objectives expressed by the City Council and the community. City Manager Agenda Number Seventeen of Dec 15, 2014 Referred to Unfinished Business. City Manager Agenda Item Twenty-four of Jan 29, 2015 referred to Unfinished Business.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Patrick Barrett, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 41 Pleasant Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. Response has been received from one neighborhood association.
2. An application was received from CVS requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 1430 Mass. Ave. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development, Historical Commission, one abutter and no opinion from the other abutter.
3. An application was received from Citizens Bank requesting permission for ten banners at the premises numbered 30 Brattle Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development, Historical Commission and abutters.
4. An application was received from Lulu Cuisine LLC d/b/a Shepard requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 1 Shepard Street. Approval has been received

from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development and abutter.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Giovani Hoyos-Corrales, 211 Putnam Avenue, transmitting thanks to the City Council for their support against his deportation from the U.S.A. and receiving his American citizenship on Mar 26, 2015.
2. A communication was received from Caroline Jaffe, 18 Amory Street, regarding Pearl Street.
3. A communication was received from David Quinn, 17 Fairmont Avenue, regarding Pearl Street.
4. A communication was received from Sam Christy, 166A Elm Street, regarding Pearl Street.
5. A communication was received from Lauren Donahue, 32 Calvin Street, Somerville, regarding Pearl Street.
6. A communication was received from Steven H. Adelson, Owner, Teddy Shoes, Inc, 548 Mass. Ave., transmitting opposition to Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
7. A communication was received from Patrick Verbeke, 91 Sidney Street, transmitting opposition to Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
8. A communication was received from Jan Devereux, 255 Lakeview Avenue, regarding Pearl Street.
9. A communication was received from Matt Haymer, Owner, Cafe Luna and Sola Handcrafted Sandwiches, 350 Mass. Ave., transmitting opposition to Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
10. A communication was received from Bob and Mary Woodbury, River Street, transmitting opposition to Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
11. A communication was received from Christopher Sol Gully, Owner and Coach, Redline Fight Sports MMA, 614 Mass. Ave., transmitting opposition to Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
12. A communication was received from Sibylle DeCarlo, Employer Services Representative, Career Source, 186 Alewife Brook Parkway, transmitting opposition to Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
13. A communication was received from Tom Spataro, Managing Director, Improv Boston, transmitting opposition to Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
14. A communication was received from Huan Zhang, Chief Instructor and Executive Director, Huan's Tai Chi, 7 Temple Street, transmitting opposition to Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
15. A communication was received from Peter Valentine, 37 Brookline Street, regarding the future of technology.
16. A communication was received from Will Wood, transmitting opposition to Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
17. A communication was received from Paul R. Lohnes and Charles R. Laverty, Jr., General Partners, Laverty Lohnes Properties, transmitting opposition to Policy Order #12 Apr 13, 2015.
18. A communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting a copy of the Condensed

Financial Return for the year ended Dec 31, 2014 for NSTAR Gas Company.

19. A communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting a copy of the Condensed Financial Return for the year ended Dec 31, 2014 for NSTAR Electric Company.
20. A communication was received from Saul Tannenbaum, 16 Cottage Street, regarding Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
21. A communication was received from Jeff Byrnes, 7 Lawrence Street, regarding Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
22. A communication was received from Alec Papazian, 105 Norfolk Street, regarding Policy Order #12 of Apr 13, 2015.
23. A communication was received from Barbara Broussard, 148 Third Street, transmitting support for housing in Central Square at the corner of Mass. Ave. and Main Street.
24. A communication was received from Olivia Fiske, 131 Magazine Street, transmitting support for the Mass+Main project.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to CCTV on being named a finalist in the Knight News Challenge. Councillor Cheung
2. Congratulations to MassChallenge on their acquisition of Start Tank Boston. Councillor Cheung
3. Congratulations to the adjunct faculty at Lesley University and the SEIU on forming a long-term partnership focused on generating mutual growth and improving industry-wide labor relations. Councillor Cheung
4. Congratulations to netBlazr and CEO Jim Hanley on their new round of funding. Councillor Cheung
5. Congratulations to Bill Doncaster and the cast and crew of "Two Boys Lost" on their nominations and success. Councillor Cheung
6. Congratulations to the organizers of Immigrant Heritage Month on their commitment to acknowledging the importance of the immigrant experience in America. Councillor Cheung
7. Resolution on the death of Daniel J. "Danny" Dowd. Mayor Maher
8. Resolution on the death of Louis J. Crusco. Mayor Maher
9. Resolution on the death of Angelina (Marra) Killion. Mayor Maher
10. Thanks to VAST Capital Management for their choice to eliminate the use of rodenticides on their property in order to make the property a safer place for Buzz and Belle, the two red tail hawks, to live. Councillor Cheung
11. Speedy recovery wishes to Barbara Taggart. Councillor Simmons
12. Retirement of Maria Almeida from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Mayor Maher
13. Thanks to Sarah Boyer for her work writing We Are the Port: Oral Histories of the Port/Area4. Councillor Toomey
14. Recognition of the dedication of the Officer Sean Collier Memorial and gratitude to Officer Collier for his service and sacrifice. Councillor Toomey

15. Congratulations to Giovani Hoyos-Corrales on the occasion of becoming a United States citizen. Councillor McGovern
16. Happy 65th Birthday wishes to Dan Epstein. Vice Mayor Benzan
17. Recognition to Sara Mae Berman for her accomplishments and for leading the way in women's sports and congratulations on her induction into the Distance Running Hall of Fame. Councillor McGovern
18. Best wishes to Paul Fallon as he undertakes a bike ride throughout the continental United States. Councillor Cheung
19. Resolution on the death of Leo F. Malloy. Mayor Maher
20. Resolution on the death of James Thornhill. Councillor Simmons
21. Resolution on the death of Jacqueline L. Carroll. Councillor Simmons
22. Happy Birthday wishes to Ambassador Swanee Hunt. Councillor Simmons
23. Condolences to Boston City Councilor Matt O'Malley on the loss of his sister Jill O'Malley Conroy. Councillor Simmons
24. Congratulations to Rachel Sundet on receiving a Boston's Rising Star award from Star Chefs. Councillor Cheung
25. Congratulations to Patrick Campbell on receiving a Boston's Rising Star award from Star Chefs. Councillor Cheung
26. Congratulations to Carl Dooley on receiving a Boston's Rising Star award from Star Chefs. Councillor Cheung
27. Congratulations to Jason Bond on receiving a Boston's Rising Star award from Star Chefs. Councillor Cheung
28. Congratulations to Clover HFI on its grand opening at 496 Mass. Ave. Councillor Cheung
29. Congratulations to Cara Chigazola on receiving a Boston's Rising Star award from Star Chefs. Councillor Cheung
30. Congratulations to Renae Connolly on receiving a Boston's Rising Star award from Star Chefs. Councillor Cheung
31. Best wishes to the Kendall Square Association as they host the Kendall Non-Profit Volunteer Fair on Apr 29, 2015 at the Technology Square Atrium, 100 Technology Square. Mayor Maher
32. Congratulations to the 2015 City of Cambridge Outstanding City Employee Awards. Mayor Maher
33. Congratulations to Liz Phipps-Soeiro for her commitment to creating an epicenter of engagement and community activism at the Cambridgeport School by establishing a monthly ongoing "Coffee and Conversation" event. Councillor Cheung
34. Congratulations to Reverend Dr. Nerissa C. Wyzard and the Cambridge Community Outreach Tabernacle on their successful Cambridge Shines Area IV Cleanup Day which was held on Apr 18, 2015. Councillor Simmons
35. Happy Birthday wishes to Tony Brooks. Vice Mayor Benzan
36. Happy Birthday wishes to Bruni Guzman. Vice Mayor Benzan

37. Congratulations to Dorie Clark on the publication of her book "Stand Out: How to Find Your Breakthrough Idea and Build A Following Around It." Councillor Simmons
38. Condolences to Joe Kaplan on the death of his father, Leonard Kaplan. Councillor Simmons
39. Speedy recovery wishes to Former Mayor and City Councillor Sheila Russell. Mayor Maher

ORDERS

1. That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Marc McGovern for a street corner dedication in honor of Cambridge firefighter Lieutenant William R. Skelley. Councillor McGovern
2. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads to investigate the feasibility of installing permanent grill areas at Cambridge parks and youth centers. Councillor Cheung
3. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Cambridge Retirement system to investigate the potential of excess fees charged by UBS Realty to investors. Councillor McGovern and Councillor Simmons
4. Support of the work done by the City Clerk's Office and of the IT Governance Committee process and funding to prioritize the procurement of a back-end and customer-facing City Council database that simplifies administrative workflow, allows documents attached to the meeting items to be searchable, and moves the City Council towards paperless meetings. Councillor Mazen and Councillor Cheung
5. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the appropriate City personnel to determine what steps the City must take in order to opt in to the new Earned Sick Time law, to apply this to full time as well as part time employees of the City, and to report back to the City Council prior to July 1, 2015 as to how soon the City of Cambridge can formally implement this new law. Councillor Simmons
6. Amendment by adding new Rule 31C regarding City Manager appointments to the Cambridge Housing Authority. Councillor Kelley
7. That the City Manager is requested to confer with relevant City staff to: determine the existing capacity of the City to address excessive noise complaints; analyze past complaints to determine if there have been any trends in type, location, time or any other aspect of formal noise complaints and response actions in Cambridge; create a noise map focusing on existing noise from industrial, lab and office buildings and the impact of that noise on residential structures; review opportunities to provide noise measurement and enforcement capabilities and responsibilities within the Police Department, Inspectional Services, DPW and the Department of Public Health to provide comprehensive, 24/7 noise response capacity with Cambridge Councillor Kelley and Councillor McGovern
8. That the City Manager is requested to confer with relevant City staff and Hubway representatives to determine the feasibility of putting bike share stations in West Cambridge at places such as the West Cambridge Youth Center, the Tobin School, Fresh Pond or other private or public locations and the feasibility of having all Hubway stations

be situated so that they are available year round.
Councillor Kelley

9. That the City Manager is requested to confer with relevant City staff and report back to the City Council with suggested language for either a Home Rule petition or a change to general state law that requires all individuals involved in a collision, to include dooring, to give everyone else involved written contact information, not just to offer it.
Councillor Kelley

10. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the appropriate City personnel to determine the feasibility of establishing a planting and beautification program for the tree wells along Harvard Street in Area IV, with the purpose of encouraging dog owners to pick up after their pets and to make the neighborhood more attractive in general.
Councillor Simmons

11. That the City Council go on record supporting the American Postal Workers Union in its efforts to protect living wage jobs and its insistence on the highest possible standards of customer services, and the City Council opposes efforts to privatize postal operations, and calls upon all residents of Cambridge to consider this issue when deciding whether or not to patronize Staples. Councillor Simmons, Vice Mayor Benzan, Councillor Cheung and Councillor McGovern

12. City Council support of Amendment #665 to restore the provisions of the Taxpayer Protection Act at the MBTA.
Councillor Cheung and Councillor Simmons

13. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the Affordable Housing Trust about the progress being made at the former Tokyo Restaurant Site and to report back to the City Council with any findings and recommendations.
Councillor McGovern and Mayor Maher

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Housing Committee for a public hearing held on Mar 19, 2015 to provide an update and continue discussion on the incentive zoning study from the Community Development Department.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Dennis A. Benzan and Councillor Dennis J. Carlone, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on Apr 1, 2015 to continue discussions on the Normandy/Twining petition.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Judith T. Martin, Executive Secretary to the School Committee transmitting a copy of an order from the School Committee recommending the FY16 General Fund Budget of the Cambridge Public Schools be adopted in the sum of \$163,940,420.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Apr 27

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

Tues, Apr 28

4:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss amendments to the Cambridge Municipal Code in Chapter 9.04 entitled "Offenses Against Property." (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Apr 29

4:00pm The Economic Development and University Relations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss recommendations to ensure that all positions hired directly by the City of Cambridge, or by outside vendors, uphold the same high employment standards that the City urges all businesses to uphold. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

7:00pm The City Council will hold a public hearing on a proposal by the City of Cambridge to dispose of a long-term leasehold interest in the Foundry Property at 101 Rogers Street to the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority (CRA) and on a request for diminution of the full disposition process. The public hearing is being held pursuant to the requirements of Section 2.110 of the Cambridge Municipal Code, regarding Disposition of City Property. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 5

5:00pm Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee (TBD)

Wed, May 6

4:00pm The Human Services and Veterans Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss domestic violence and anti-domestic violence initiatives in Cambridge. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 7

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss FY2016 City Budget. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 11

4:00pm 2015 Scholarship Award Ceremony (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm Roundtable/Working Meeting with the Cambridge Housing Authority to discuss RAD. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 12

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a zoning petition filed by Chestnut Hill Realty to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge, Section 20.600 Basement Housing Overlay District by including language to clarify the intent of the provisions to apply to multifamily structures that are wholly or partially located in Residence C, C-1, C-1A, C-2A, C-2B, C-3, C-3A, or C-3B base zoning districts. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 13

6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss FY2016 School Department Budget. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 14

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss FY2016 City Budget. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 19

5:30pm The Economic Development and University Relations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss how economic development impacts and supports the quality of life of Cambridge residents, and to investigate the feasibility of establishing an agreement with ride-share services such as Uber, Lyft, and Sidecar. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 20

5:30pm Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 21

9:00am The Finance committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss FY2016 City Budget (if necessary). This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 1

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

Mon, June 8

5:30pm Roundtable/Working Meeting to discuss the master plan. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 15

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 29

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Aug 10

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

Mon, Sept 21

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 28

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Marc McGovern for a street corner dedication in honor of Cambridge firefighter Lieutenant William R. Skelley, the vicinity of which is to be determined by the family; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward this order to the Dedication Committee for their review and approval.

O-2 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is blessed with a wealth of well-maintained parks and playgrounds dotted around the City; and

WHEREAS: Both the active and passive parks in the City of Cambridge offer oases where citizens can relax, socialize, and engage in recreational activities; and

WHEREAS: Encouraging citizens to make use of the parks and their many facilities falls in line with the Council's goal of fostering community and neighborhood vitality; and

WHEREAS: Grilling and cook-outs are activities commonly associated with summer time recreation and parks, and the City of Cambridge does not currently offer grilling installations for such activities at the majority of the City's parks; and

WHEREAS: The grill installation at Danehy park has been a great success, and sees frequent use throughout the summer; and

WHEREAS: Many Cambridge residents do not have access to grilling equipment without such public installations because they lack the fire safe space necessary to own a grill, and expanding access to this pursuit is in the interest of both equity and summer fun; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads to investigate the feasibility of installing permanent grill areas at Cambridge parks and youth centers; and be it further

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

O-3 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Retirement System makes investments in accordance with their fiduciary duty; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council offers its appreciation to the board and staff of the Cambridge Retirement System as CRS diligently labors to ensure that those who work to keep our city running, growing, and thriving are able to retire with dignity at the end of their public service; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council has been made aware of a report that focuses on the potential of excess fees charged by UBS Realty to investors; and

WHEREAS: CRS is a limited partner in the UBS Trumbull Property Fund (UBS-TPF); and

WHEREAS: An analysis of some recent filings from UBS-TPF owned properties with county tax assessors reveals disparities in some valuations provided to investors; and

WHEREAS: Research into three different properties in UBS-TPF reveals that values which were appealed as too high already averaged 40% less than values reported to limited partners as of September 2013; and

WHEREAS: If such a disparity were applied to the \$51 million CRS has invested with UBS, CRS could potentially have been significantly overcharged on fees; and

WHEREAS: If correct, a 40% overvaluation would mean that in 2014 \$215,528 of the fees charged to CRS may have been in error; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Cambridge Retirement system to examine these claims and report back to the City Council with any relevant findings.

O-4 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR MAZEN

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: A searchable record of meetings and the documents discussed in those meetings is beneficial to increasing the transparency, effectiveness, and institutional memory of the Cambridge City Council; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record in support of the work done by the City Clerk's Office and of the IT Governance Committee process and funding to prioritize the procurement of a back-end and customer-facing City Council database that simplifies administrative workflow, allows documents attached to the meeting items to be searchable, and moves the City Council towards paperless meetings.

O-5 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: In 2014, Massachusetts voters went to the polls and voted in favor of allowing Earned Sick Time for Employees at businesses and agencies that met a number of specific criteria, and this new law shall go into effect as of July 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS: The conditions that must be met in order for a business or agency to take advantage of this new law can be found online on the Secretary of the Commonwealth's website at http://electionstats.state.ma.us/ballot_questions/view/2468/; and

WHEREAS: In order for the employees of any city to take advantage of Earned Sick Time, the specific municipality must actively opt in to the law; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the appropriate City personnel to determine what steps the City must take in order to opt in to the new Earned Sick Time law, to apply this to full time as well as part time employees of the City, and to report back to the City Council prior to July 1,

2015 as to how soon the City of Cambridge can formally implement this new law.

O-6 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Council Rules for 2014-2015 be and hereby are amended by adding a new Rule 31C which reads as follows:

“**Rule 31C.** That the Housing Committee will hold a public hearing to review the City Manager’s appointments to the Cambridge Housing Authority prior to City Council confirmation on the appointments.”

That the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee, or other suitable committee, will hold a public hearing to review the City Manager’s appointments to the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority prior to City Council confirmation of the appointments; and be it further

ORDERED: That this matter be placed on Unfinished Business.

O-7 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: Noise concerns in Cambridge encompass issues ranging from construction noise to street performer noise to loud motorcycles and car radios to building air handling, air conditioning and heating units to air plane noise to leaf blower usage and more; and

WHEREAS: Excessive noise can be detrimental to sleep, cause undue stress and have other public health impacts; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has a City Ordinance that limits types, times and locations of various noise sources; and

WHEREAS: State law limits noise from loud motorcycles; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge’s noise enforcement staff reside in the Arts Committee and the License Commission but not in Inspectional Services, Cambridge Police Department, DPW or the Department of Public Health; and

WHEREAS: There are widespread public concerns about excessive noise throughout the City but there is little concerted effort to map and manage noise sources or to review zoning rules for noise impacts; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant City staff to: determine the existing capacity of the City to address excessive noise complaints; analyze past complaints to determine if there have been any trends in type, location, time or any other aspect of formal noise complaints and response actions in Cambridge; create a noise map focusing on existing noise from industrial, lab and office buildings and the impact of that noise on residential structures; review opportunities to provide noise measurement and enforcement capabilities and responsibilities within the Police Department, Inspectional Services, DPW and the Department of Public Health to provide comprehensive, 24/7 noise response capacity with Cambridge; and be it further

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

O-8 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: The City and various other entities have invested significantly in the bike share program, Hubway, providing year-round bike sharing options throughout much of the City and regional bike sharing options in non-winter months; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge Hubway stations are clustered in the eastern part of the city, with no stations west of Garden Street, thus leaving all of West Cambridge unserved by this City resource; and

WHEREAS: The City has committed to ensuring that Hubway remains a fiscally and operationally sound transportation option for the indefinite future; and

WHEREAS: It is important to have Hubway stations near people’s homes if it is expected that people will use them on a regular basis; and

WHEREAS: It is important to have Hubway stations located in areas where year-round access is possible; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant City staff and Hubway representatives to determine the feasibility of putting bike share stations in West Cambridge at places such as the West Cambridge Youth Center, the Tobin School, Fresh Pond or other private or public locations; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant City staff and Hubway representatives to determine the feasibility of having all Hubway stations be situated so that they are available year round; and be it further

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

O-9 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: People on bicycles or people walking who are injured by a moving vehicle or by the opening of a door are often so impacted by adrenaline that they do not realize they are injured until hours after the collision; and

WHEREAS: Immediately after the collision, the victim is often in a state of shock or a similar mental condition that leads to a willingness to leave the collision site without any information about the other people involved even if that contact information was offered; and

WHEREAS: Absent relevant contact information, there is no way for an injured victim to seek insurance coverage or other damages for injuries suffered; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant City staff and report back to the City Council with suggested language for either a Home Rule petition or a change to general state law that requires all individuals involved in a collision, to include dooring, to give everyone else involved written contact information, not just to offer it. This new law would apply even if there is no immediately clear physical harm or there was no physical contact with a vehicle but where the victim’s avoiding that contact let to him or her falling to the ground, running into a wall or otherwise being potentially injured.

O-10 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: It has come to the City Council’s attention that a number of tree wells along Harvard Street in Area IV are regularly filled with dog feces, and neighborhood residents have been upset by the mess that has been accruing; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the appropriate City personnel to determine the feasibility of establishing a planting and beautification program for the tree wells along Harvard Street in Area IV, with the purpose of encouraging dog owners to pick up after their pets and to make the neighborhood more attractive in general; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council in a timely manner.

O-11 Apr 27, 2015

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

VICE MAYOR BENZAN

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: It has come to the City Council’s attention that the United States Postal Service (USPS) has entered into a no-bid deal with Staples to operate postal counters in Staples Stores and to provide nearly all the services that the USPS provides; and

WHEREAS: The USPS and Staples have been unwilling to staff Staples’ postal units with unionized USPS employees, who have the training and experience to properly handle U.S. mail, have

sworn an oath to uphold the highest standards of public service, and are accountable to the American people; and
WHEREAS: If this policy is not changed, low wage, non-union “postal” jobs at Staples could ultimately replace the living wage, union jobs held by USPS employees, with Staples stores eventually completely replacing USPS Post Offices, and using non-union employees to process mail at privately owned facilities would amount to a virtual, and unauthorized, privatization of the USPS, which would also risk jeopardizing the sanctity and security of the mail; and

WHEREAS: Postal workers have been resisting this plan to privatize the USPS, replace their living wage jobs with low wage jobs, and potentially degrade service, and protecting high quality public services, protecting living wage jobs, and maintaining universal, affordable mail service for the American people should be a priority not just for the postal workers, but all Cambridge residents; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record supporting the American Postal Workers Union in its efforts to protect living wage jobs and its insistence on the highest possible standards of customer services, and the City Council opposes efforts to privatize postal operations, and calls upon all residents of Cambridge to consider this issue when deciding whether or not to patronize Staples; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Katherine E. Lydon, Cambridge Postmaster General, to the USPS Board of Governors, to Ronald Sargent, CEO of Staples, and to the Board of Directors of the Staples Corporation on behalf of the entire City Council.

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COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge takes strides to balance fiscal prudence with measured consideration, and encourages other government entities to take the same balanced approach; and

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that a proposal contained in the Massachusetts state budget would exempt the MBTA from the Taxpayer Protection Act, which ensures that any privatization measures are subject to a cost-benefit analysis performed by the State Auditor prior to their undertaking; and

WHEREAS: As a community served by the MBTA, Cambridge has a vested interest in having all services provided by the MBTA held to the same level of scrutiny as other items in the Massachusetts state budget; and

WHEREAS: State Representative Nick Collins has introduced Amendment #665 to restore the provisions of the Taxpayer Protection Act at the MBTA; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record in support of Amendment #665; and be it further

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

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COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

MAYOR MAHER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the Affordable Housing Trust about the progress being made at the former Tokyo Restaurant Site and to report back to the City Council with any findings and recommendations.