## CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

- Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 07-39, regarding a report on the steady increases in electric, gas and other utilities that Cambridge customers have experienced.
- 2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a donation to the Department of Human Services (Cambridge Prevention Coalition) in the amount of \$5,300.00 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account from the Cambridge Health Alliance and will be used to support the Cambridge Teen Health Survey.
- 3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$6,600 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care as part of the Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program Pilot related to Classroom Quality and will be used to promote school readiness, including reading and literacy development, at the Peabody Preschool.
- 4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, the appropriation of \$22,075 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care as part of the Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program Pilot related to Assessment Planning and will be used to purchase assessment tools to measure children's progress across all developmental domains and improve DHSP Pre-school program quality.
- 5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 07-54, regarding a report on the feasibility of requiring a renewal fee for building permits when the construction goes on longer than contemplated.
- 6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-210, regarding a draft of the Hotel Worker Retention Ordinance. **Referred to Ordinance Committee**
- Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 07-52, regarding a report on the City's responsibilities, powers and limitations relative to abandoned or neglected properties.

## CHARTER RIGHT

- 1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$333,358 from the General Fund School Salaries and Wages account to the School Other Ordinary Maintenance account. In addition, I am requesting a transfer from the School Extraordinary Expenditures account (\$10,820) to the General Fund School Travel and Training account (\$10,479) and to the School Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$341) and are reallocations related to school improvement plans based on approved detail budget allocations by Principals, plant maintenance projects for window, bathroom stall, locker and other repairs, contracted special education support services based on student IEP requirements and various other operating transfers such as the purchase of materials for the start-up Montessori Program, Compass Learning software for students at the High School Extension Program and student transportation services. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on City Manager Agenda Item Number Three of Apr 23, 2007.] **1A. ORDER ADOPTED ROLL CALL 9-0-0 1B. ORDER ADOPTED ROLL CALL 9-0-0**
- 2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$450,000 School General Fund Extraordinary Expenditures account to the School Debt Stabilization Fund to be used to fund future school capital projects and help offset fluctuations in future debt service revenues and

expenses, subject to appropriation. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on City Manager Agenda Number Four of Apr 23, 2007.] **ORDER ADOPTED ROLL CALL 9-0-0** 

## ON THE TABLE

- 3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-06 of Feb 27, 2006, regarding a report on the legality of the banners in front of the Dunkin' Donuts at 2480 Massachusetts Avenue and at other location in the City. [Placed on Table on the motion of Councillor Kelley on Feb 27, 2006.]
- 4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a recommendation from the License Commission to deny the Jitney License application of Star Shuttle, Inc. [Placed on Table City Manager Agenda Number Six of Nov 6, 2006 on the motion of Councillor Davis on Nov 6, 2006.]
- 5. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk transmitting a report from Councillor Brian Murphy and Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on Dec 13, 2006 for the purpose of considering the Historical Commission's recommendation for the consolidation of the Half Crown and Marsh Neighborhood Conservation Districts. [Placed on Table Committee Report Number Two of Jan 22, 2007 on the motion of Mayor Reeves on Jan 22, 2007. On Feb 12, 2007 Agenda Item Number Eight was referred to the Ordinance Committee and Calendar Item Number Seven and Eight.]
- 6. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk transmitting a report from Councillor Brian Murphy and Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on Dec 13, 2006 for the purpose of considering the recommendations for changes to the Neighborhood Conservation District Ordinance and the Avon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District Order, submitted by the Avon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District Boundary Study Committee and endorsed by the Historical Commission. [Placed on Table Committee Report Number Three of Jan 22, 2007 on the motion of Councillor Sullivan on Jan 22, 2007. On Feb 12, 2007 Agenda Item Number Eight was referred to the Ordinance Committee and Calendar Item Number Seven and Eight.]
- 7. That the City Council go on record in opposition to House Bill 847 "An Act to Streamline Chapter 91 License Applications and Coastal Planning." [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Sullivan on Order Number Sixteen of Mar 5, 2007. Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Davis on Mar 19, 2007.]
- 8. Opposition to the Urban Ring Phase II bus system unless the whole route is grade separated to ensure that the buses would not have to compete with general traffic. [Placed on Table Order Number Nineteen of Apr 9, 2007 on the motion of Councillor Davis on Apr 9, 2007. Councillor Kelley's motion to take from Table Failed 3-6-0 on Apr 23, 2007.]
- 9. An application was received from Singh Raghbin, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 66 Dudley Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. Response has been received from neighborhood association. [Placed on Table Applications and Petitions Number Four of Apr 23, 2007 on the motion of Councillor Davis on Apr 23, 2007.]

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. 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 Nov 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 Feb 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.]

11. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk transmitting a report from Councillor Michael A. Sullivan and Councillor Brian Murphy, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on Feb 13, 2007 to consider proposed amendments to the Cambridge Municipal Ordinance Chapter 6 entitled Animal Control Regulations, to provide rules for off-leash areas. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Apr 23, 2007.

#### APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

- 1. A zoning petition has been received from Felice Cott et al., requesting to amend the Zoning Map of the City of Cambridge by changing the area bounded by the centerlines of Broadway, Hancock Street, Harvard Street and Lee Street from Residence C-1 district to Residence B district. **REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE AND PLANNING BOARD FOR HEARING AND REPORT**
- 2. An application was received from Adidas Originals, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of premises numbered 1270 Massachusetts Avenue.
- 3. A zoning petition has been received from Glenn KnicKrehm, President, Constellation Charitable Foundation, requesting to amend the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to any Performing Arts Center in the PUD-3 district. REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE AND PLANNING BOARD FOR HEARING AND REPORT
- 4. An application was received from the Margaret Fuller House, requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue at Pearl and Norfolk Streets announcing the Sweet Soul Supper '07.
- 5. An application was received from the Peace Commission, requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue at Temple Street announcing Cambridge as a City of Peace and June 2nd Peace Day.
- 6. An application was received from Hidden Sweets, requesting permission for three mannequins and a display of merchandise in front of premises numbered 25 Brattle Street.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. A communication was received from Sharl Heller, regarding offleash dogs at Fort Washington.
- 2. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding discouraging snitching.
- 3. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding cuttlefish abuses.

#### RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Resolution on the death of John P. Connor. Councillor Galluccio
- 2. Resolution on the death of Dorothy E. (Butler) Peters. Councillor Galluccio
- 3. Resolution on the death of Karl Van Duyn Teeter. Councillor Davis, Councillor Galluccio
- 4. Resolution on the death of Richard B. Yorke. Councillor Galluccio
- 5. Resolution on the death of Rose (Garoian) Yonge. Councillor Davis
- 6. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Steven Walberg. Councillor Decker
- 7. Resolution on the death of Private First Class John Borbonus. Councillor Decker
- 8. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Richard Langenbrunner. Councillor Decker
- 9. Resolution on the death of Private Jason Morales. Councillor Decker

- 10. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Daniel Scherry. Councillor Decker
- 11. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Daniel Santee. Councillor Decker
- 12. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Aaron Genevie. Councillor Decker
- 13. Resolution on the death of First Lieutenant Shaun Blue. Councillor Decker
- 14. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Lucas Starcevich. Councillor Decker
- 15. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Mario DeLeon. Councillor Decker
- 16. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Joshua Schmit. Councillor Decker
- 17. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Brandon Wallace. Councillor Decker
- 18. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Larry Bowman. Councillor Decker
- 19. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Jesse Dalatorre. Councillor Decker
- 20. Resolution on the death of Specialist Ryan Bishop. Councillor Decker
- Congratulations to Diane Patrick on receiving the Lady Baden-Powell Award at the 24th Annual Cambridge Good Scout Luncheon on June 26, 2007. Mayor Reeves
- 22. Congratulations to Denise Burns for being elected to the Arlington School Committee. Councillor Galluccio
- 23. Congratulations to Eileen Moran Brown, founder and Chancellor of Cambridge College, on receiving the Good Scout Award at the 24th Annual Cambridge Good Scout Luncheon on June 26, 2007. Mayor Reeves
- 24. Urge all residents to be cognizant of and participate in the Spring Benefit for the Cambridge Historical Society on May 6, 2007 at 74R Fayerweather Street. Councillor Sullivan
- 25. Congratulations to the honorees, Philip W. Johnston and M.J. Powell, and recipients, Congressman Martin T. Meehan and Robert Travaglini, of the Eighth Annual Franklin & Eleanor Roosevelt Awards which will be held on Mon, Apr 30, 2007 at the Ballroom at the Fairmont Copley Plaza, Boston. Councillor Sullivan
- 26. Appreciation to Nancy Daniel, Joe Grassia, Jean Helstrom and Pat Schannen, Kennedy-Longfellow School Staff for their service to the children of Cambridge. Councillor Sullivan
- 27. Declare May as National Bike Month and May 12-19, 2007 as National Bike Week. Councillor Kelley
- 28. Congratulations to Hannah Lyons-Galante on becoming a Ranger Venturer in Boy Scout Venture Crew 56. Councillor Kelley
- 29. Best wishes to the participants in the hunt for the Golden Shoes sponsored by the Department of Public Health, the Cambridge Pedestrian Committee and Cambridge Green Streets. Councillor Kelley
- 30. Congratulations to Helen and Kevin Johnson on the birth of their daughter Alexandria Mae Rose Johnson. Councillor Sullivan
- 31. Thanks to Peggy Perry for her efforts in helping people in need as a result of the fire at the YWCA on Nov 28, 2006. Mayor Reeves
- 32. Congratulations to the Cambridge Health Alliance on being named one of the 100 most integrated healthcare networks in the country by Verispan. Councillor Sullivan
- 33. Thanks to Dean Jeremy Knowles for his outstanding service as dean and leader of Harvard University. Councillor Sullivan
- 34. Congratulations to the Morse School, the Cambridge Public School Department, the Department of Human Services, the Cambridge Health Department and the Cambridge Health Alliance

for their recognition for their successful programs on healthy eating at home and school. Councillor Sullivan

- 35. Resolution congratulating the recipients of the 10th Annual Taxicab Driver of the Year Awards. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Sullivan
- 36. Thanks to David Haines, David Bass and the North Cambridge Family Opera for bringing a wonderful combination of music and science to the City, the schools and the residents. Councillor Kelley
- 37. Best wishes to the soldiers of the Massachusetts National Guard who will be holding a farewell ceremony on their behalf. Mayor Reeves
- 38. Thanks to Alice Hoffman as she hosts "An Evening with Your Favorite Authors" at the American Repertory Theatre on May 21, 2007 to benefit The Hoffman Breast Center at the Mount Auburn Hospital. Mayor Reeves
- 39. Thanks to the Department of Conservation and Recreation for undertaking the lighting project which will make an enormous improvement to the safety of pedestrians at the Rindge Avenue/Route 16 intersection. Councillor Galluccio
- 40. Resolution on the death of Dorothy (Welch) Breen. Councillor Sullivan
- 41. Resolution on the death of Francis J. Dever. Councillor Sullivan
- 42. Resolution on the death of Ralph Norman Helverson. Councillor Sullivan
- 43. Resolution on the death of Joseph P. Zamparelli. Councillor Sullivan
- 44. Resolution on the death of Robert P. Souza. Vice Mayor Toomey, Councillor Sullivan
- 45. Resolution on the death of John Pasquarello. Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan
- 46. Condolences to the family of Ferdinand "Burd" Saintville. Councillor Galluccio
- 47. Resolution on the death of Eileen P. (Smith) Cheever. Councillor Galluccio
- 48. Congratulations to Paine Social Services as they celebrate 100 years of service to Cambridge seniors at an event honoring Bob Severino on May 7, 2007. Councillor Sullivan
- 49. Congratulations to MIT on the occasion of the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the new facility for the MIT Sloan School of Management on May 15, 2007. Councillor Sullivan
- 50. Congratulations to Leader Bank-East Arlington Branch, on its 5th Anniversary Celebration on May 8, 2007. Councillor Sullivan
- 51. Resolution on the death of Alice M. (Powers) Kelly. Councillor Galluccio
- 52. Resolution on the death of Robert Brown. Councillor Galluccio
- 53. Speedy recovery wishes to Maureen Manning. Councillor Sullivan

#### ORDERS

- That the City Council refer the matter of developing local revisions in the building codes that will lead to energy efficiency to the Committee on Cable TV, Telecommunications, and Public Utilities. Councillor Davis
- 2. City Council support of Bill H2168 entitled "An Act to Promote Proper School Nutrition." Councillor Davis
- 3. That the City Manager is requested to contact the MBTA and ask that it notify its drivers to stop for pedestrians in crosswalks in Cambridge, particularly on the Massachusetts Avenue route near Garfield Street. Councillor Davis **Amended**
- 4. That the City Manager is requested to work with the City Arborist, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, the City Electrician, the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and any other relevant City staff, members of the Public Plantings Committee and other involved citizens to

determine if putting utility lines under streets is feasible in Cambridge when streets are already being dug up and will not result in greater damage to tree roots. Councillor Kelley

- 5. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to draft a policy and/or legislative mechanism, if necessary, that would provide pre-deployment benefits of paid leave and that this pre-deployment paid time off will not count towards personal, sick, vacation time, nor interfere with retirement credit. Councillor Decker, Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan and Vice Mayor Toomey Amended
- 6. Declare Apr 25, 2007 as "DNA Day" annually in Cambridge and that the City Manager is requested to form a committee to establish a permanent Human Genome Trail with the assistance of the biotech community. Councillor Davis
- 7. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate staff to investigate banning disposable plastic bags from distribution by large retail stores in Cambridge and other measures to reduce use and increase recycling of plastic bags and report back to the City Council on this matter during Go Green Month in May. Councillor Davis
- 8. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to draft a policy and/or legislative mechanism, if necessary, that would provide full salary and benefits, including accrued vacation time, to all city employees who are not now actively serving in Iraq or are being deployed to Iraq. Councillor Decker, Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan and Vice Mayor Toomey Amended
- 9. Dedication of a suitable location in honor of Nicholas Spera. Vice Mayor Toomey
- 10. That the City Manager is requested to provide an update on Pacific Park and the City's plans to improve the look of the park and the maintenance of the park. Councillor Simmons
- That the City Manager is requested to provide an update on the status of the buildings at 108 Brookline Street and 130 Brookline Street. Councillor Simmons
- 12. That the City Manager is requested to look into the ownership of the parking lot at the southeast corner of Brookline and Erie Streets with the view of engaging in discussion with the owner as to the feasibility of locating a covered bus shelter at that corner. Councillor Simmons
- 13. That the City Manager is requested to work with Nauset Construction to submit dust and parking mitigation plans for their work at the Blessed Sacrament Church construction site to the City. Councillor Decker
- 14. That this City Council go on record urging Nauset Construction to use unionized labor in their workforce and to take all possible steps to ensure that their contractors and sub-contractors on the Blessed Sacrament project also employee unionized workers. Councillor Decker
- 15. That the City Manager is requested to revisit the possibility of installing portable temporary toilet facilities in Raymond Park for the warm weather part of the year. Councillor Simmons
- 16. That the City Manager is requested to direct the relevant Department heads to have the West Cambridge painted "rotary" removed. Councillor Kelley Charter Right - Toomey
- 17. That the City Manager is requested to convert the Corporal Burns Shelter in the Corporal Burns Park into a warm weather concession stand with attached public restrooms. Councillor Simmons
- 18. Declare June 16, 2007 as Tom and Ray Magliozzi Car Talk Day in Cambridge and that a suitable area in the vicinity of 75 Hamilton Street be dedicated as Tom and Ray Magliozzi Square. Councillor Murphy and Councillor Sullivan

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19. That the City Council meeting scheduled for May 14, 2007 be cancelled and that the meeting of the Finance Committee now scheduled for Saturday, May 12, 2007 be rescheduled to Monday, May 14, 2007 beginning at 5:00pm in the Sullivan Chamber. Councillor Davis and Councillor Sullivan

## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

 A communication was received from Councillor Henrietta Davis, transmitting a copy of a memo from the Board of Directors, Cambridge Council on Aging regarding issues impacting age 60+ Residents of Cambridge.

# HEARING SCHEDULE

# Mon, Apr 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

## Thurs, May 3

7:00pm The Human Services Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the vision for our youth centers. (Senior Center, 806 Mass. Ave.)

# Mon, May 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

## Tues, May 8

- 4:45pm The Ordinance Committee and Housing Committee will conduct a joint public meeting to discuss use of zoning regulations to encourage developers of market-rate housing to include larger family-sized units in their projects. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 5:15pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the definition in the Zoning Ordinance of side and rear lot lines and types of multifamily structures. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 6:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussion of the recommendation of the Historical Commission regarding the Avon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District boundary study. (Sullivan Chamber)

## Wed, May 9

- 4:45pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss FY08 Capital Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss FY08 School Department Budget. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

# Thurs, May 10

5:30pm The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the topic of a "clean" hybrid cab program as implemented in Boston. (Sullivan Chamber)

## Sat, May 12

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss FY08 City Budget. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

# Mon, May 14

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

# Tues, May 15

5:30pm The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the issues including speed bumps, raised intersections and other devices intended to slow traffic speeds, and the limits of employing these devices and the criteria for selection of the placement of these devices. (Sullivan Chamber)

## Wed, May 16

5:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss FY08 City Budget. This meeting to be televised. (if necessary) (Sullivan Chamber)

# Thurs, May 17

5:30pm The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss an appropriate response to the media expressions and images of women of color and how to reinforce positive self image, especially with regard to young women. (Sullivan Chamber)

# Mon, May 21

4:00pm 2007 Scholarship Award Ceremony (Sullivan Chamber) 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

# Thurs, May 24

5:30pm Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

# Mon, June 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

#### Tues. June 5

6:00pm The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss citywide neighborhood issues and a presentation on community participation by Marian Darlington-Hope. (Sullivan Chamber)

## Wed, June 6

5:00pm Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

# Mon, June 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

#### Mon, June 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

## Tues, June 26

2:00pm The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a public meeting to receive an update from the Cambridge Health Alliance on current projects. (Sullivan Chamber)

# Mon, July 30

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

## Mon, Sept 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

# Mon, Sept 17

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

## Mon, Sept 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

# TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Apr 30, 2007

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

- ORDERED: That the City Council refer the matter of developing local revisions in the building codes that will lead to energy efficiency to the Committee on Cable TV, Telecommunications, and Public Utilities.
- O-2 Apr 30, 2007

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

- WHEREAS: Bill H2168 before the Legislature, "AN ACT TO PROMOTE PROPER SCHOOL NUTRITION" is a common sense measure to help stem the tide of childhood obesity in Massachusetts, prohibiting the sale of junk food and sugar-packed drinks in public schools and setting healthy standards for snacks and drinks; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record as supporting Bill H2168; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to transmit this resolution to the Cambridge Legislative Delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

## O-3 Apr 30, 2007 Amended

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to contact the MBTA and ask that it notify its drivers to stop for pedestrians in crosswalks in Cambridge, particularly on the Massachusetts Avenue route near Garfield Street; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner for special enforcement efforts with regarding to buses on north Massachusetts Avenue.

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#### O-4 Apr 30, 2007

#### COUNCILLOR KELLEY

- WHEREAS: Overhead utility lines present a public safety hazard, are unsightly and lead to injurious pruning of street trees; and
- WHEREAS: Utility work in Cambridge often digs up large portions of the street; and
- WHEREAS: Public street trees may be spared damage to their branches by putting utilities under the streets; and
- WHEREAS: Other communities find it possible to put their utilities underground, thus protecting street trees, avoiding the dangers of downed wires and removing unsightly lines; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the City Arborist, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, the City Electrician, the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and any other relevant City staff, members of the Public Plantings Committee and other involved citizens to determine if putting utility lines under streets is feasible in Cambridge when streets are already being dug up and will not result in greater damage to tree roots; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter.

# O-5 Apr 30, 2007 Amended

COUNCILLOR DECKER

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

# COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

# VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

- WHEREAS: The United States has been at war in Iraq for over four years; and
- WHEREAS: There are city employees who are being deployed to war time duty; and
- WHEREAS: These employees cannot be certain of their safety or return; and
- WHEREAS: Employees need time to say goodbye to loved ones and attend to personal matters prior to war time deployment; and
- WHEREAS: Personal and sick time should not be counted towards pre-deployment as it will most likely be needed upon their return; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to draft a policy and/or legislative mechanism, if necessary, that would provide predeployment benefits of paid leave and that this pre-deployment paid time off will not count towards personal, sick, vacation time, nor interfere with retirement credit.

#### O-6 Apr 30, 2007

#### COUNCILLOR DAVIS

- ORDERED: That the City Council declare Apr 25, 2007 as "DNA Day" annually in Cambridge; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to form a committee to establish a permanent Human Genome Trail with the assistance of the biotech community.

#### O-7 Apr 30, 2007

## COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate staff to investigate banning disposable plastic bags from distribution by large retail stores in Cambridge and other measures to reduce use and increase recycling of plastic bags and report back to the City Council on this matter during Go Green Month in May.

## O-8 Apr 30, 2007 Amended

## COUNCILLOR DECKER

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

- WHEREAS: Our nation has been at war for over four years; and
- WHEREAS: People are losing their lives everyday; and
- WHEREAS: A handful of Cambridge city employees have been deployed to Iraq combat duty in Iraq Afghanistan and elsewhere; and
- WHEREAS: The City Council voted to ensure that city employees reporting for military duty would not lose their salary in 2001; and
- WHEREAS: The City's policy should be to provide full salary and benefits compensation to city employees who are serving in active war time duty combat; and
- WHEREAS: City employees should not lose accrued shall accrue vacation time, retirement credits or benefits while serving in active military duty combat; and
- WHEREAS: Ensuring that employees receive their full salary might help alleviate some of the stress and burden on families whose loved one is called for <del>military duty</del> combat; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to draft a policy and/or legislative mechanism, if necessary, that would provide full salary and benefits, including accrued vacation time, to all city employees who are now actively serving in Iraq or being deployed to Iraq on combat duty in Iraq or elsewhere.

#### O-9 Apr 30, 2007

## VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council be and hereby is requested to confer with the family to find a suitable location for a street corner to be named for Nicholas Spera.

#### O-10 Apr 30, 2007

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide an update on Pacific Park and the City's plans to improve the look of the park and the maintenance of the park.

#### O-11 Apr 30, 2007

- COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide an update on the status of the buildings at the following addresses: 108 Brookline Street; and 130 Brookline Street.

## O-12 Apr 30, 2007

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

- WHEREAS: The problem of how to locate a covered bus shelter on Brookline Street by the intersection of Erie Street has been the subject of many conversations over several years; and
- WHEREAS: Previous attempts to achieve this objection have met with various obstacles and have not produced a satisfactory solution; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to look into the ownership of the parking lot at the southeast corner of Brookline and Erie Streets with the view of engaging in discussion with the owner as to the feasibility of locating a covered bus shelter at that corner.

#### O-13 Apr 30, 2007

COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with Nauset Construction to submit dust and parking mitigation plans for their work at the Blessed Sacrament Church construction site to the City.

#### O-14 Apr 30, 2007

#### COUNCILLOR DECKER

- WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is committed to the rights of all workers to dignity in their lives, safe conditions at work, and a living wage, and supports responsible employers who follow the law and treat their workers fairly; and
- WHEREAS: Nauset Construction is set to begin construction of a new development at the old Blessed Sacrament Church site; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record urging Nauset Construction to use unionized labor in their workforce and to take all possible steps to ensure that their contractors and subcontractors on the Blessed Sacrament project also employee unionized workers; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Nauset Construction on behalf of the entire City Council.
- O-15 Apr 30, 2007
- COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
- WHEREAS: Raymond Park is well populated with children especially during the summer months; and
- WHEREAS: It is not unusual to see children answering nature's call in various places in the park; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to revisit the possibility of installing portable temporary toilet facilities for the warm weather part of the year.

#### O-16 Apr 30, 2007 Charter Right - Toomey

#### COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the relevant Department heads to have the West Cambridge painted "rotary" removed.

#### O-17 Apr 30, 2007

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to convert the Corporal Burns Shelter in the Corporal Burns Park into a warm weather concession stand with attached public restrooms.

#### O-18 April 30, 2007

COUNCILLOR MURPHY

#### COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

- WHEREAS: Car Talk is celebrating its 20th anniversary of national broadcast this year, as well as the 30th anniversary of its first local broadcast; and
- WHEREAS: The hosts of Car Talk, Tom and Ray Magliozzi, also known as Click and Clack, the Tappet Brothers, grew up in East Cambridge, graduated from MIT and have their garage, Good News Garage, at 75 Hamilton Street between Brookline and Sidney Streets; and
- WHEREAS: Doug Berman, the producer of Car Talk is a Cambridge resident and Car Talk is produced by Dewey, Cheetham & Howe in Cambridge, known to millions of listeners thanks to Tom and Ray as "our fair city"; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the Cambridge City Council go on record declaring June 16, 2007 as Tom and Ray Magliozzi Car Talk Day in Cambridge; and be it further
- ORDERED: That a suitable area in the vicinity of 75 Hamilton Street be dedicated as Tom and Ray Magliozzi Square; and be it further
- ORDERED: That Cantabrigians be advised to follow the advice of Tom Magliozzi and not drive like his brother and the advice of Ray Magliozzi to not drive like his brother; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council contact the appropriate individuals to arrange for a sign and dedication.

#### O-19 April 30, 2007 COUNCILLOR DAVIS COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council meeting scheduled for May 14, 2007 be cancelled and that the meeting of the Finance Committee now scheduled for Saturday, May 12, 2007 be rescheduled to Monday, May 14, 2007 beginning at 5:00pm in the Sullivan Chamber.