

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a COVID-19 Update.
2. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the FY2021 Cultural Investment Portfolio Program Grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council in the amount of \$12,100 to the Grant Fund Historical Commission Salaries and Wages account (\$12,100) which will continue to support part-time archives assistants, who maintain the public archive of Cambridge history.
3. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of an Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) FFY19 grant in the amount of \$45,555.55, to the Grant Fund Emergency Communications Extraordinary Expenditures account for acquisition of emergency communication dispatch consoles for upgrades at the City of Cambridge Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at the Water Department Facility.
4. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Mass Save Municipal Partnership Grant, in the amount of \$25,000, received through a municipal partnership with Eversource Energy Services Company to the Grant Fund Community Development Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$25,000) which will contribute to meeting the City's energy efficiency outreach and engagement goals.
5. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 21-11 regarding filling vacant positions.
6. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 21-31, regarding funding for housing stabilization assistance in the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget.
7. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 21-12, regarding a report on the feasibility of retrofitting existing vehicles or renting vehicles to create a mobile vaccine clinic program.
8. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$28,500,000 to provide funds for the construction of sewer separation, storm water management and combined sewer overflow reduction elimination improvements within River Street and Harvard Square areas as well as the Sewer Capital Repairs Program and climate change preparedness efforts.

Agenda Item Number 8 May 10, 2021

ORDERED: That \$28,500,000 is appropriated, in addition to any amounts previously appropriated, for the purpose of financing the design and construction of various water pollution abatement projects, including but not limited to:

- Construction of sewer separation, storm water management and combined sewer overflow reduction elimination improvements within River Street and Harvard Square areas as well as the Sewer Capital Repairs Program and climate change preparedness efforts;
 - including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the City Manager is authorized to borrow \$28,500,000 and issue bonds or notes therefore under G.L. c.44 and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the City unless the Treasurer with the approval of the City Manager determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C; that the Treasurer with the approval of the City Manager is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C or the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or a security agreement and/or financial assistance agreement with the Trust or the Authority and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Authority and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the projects or for the financing thereof; and that the City Manager or any other authorized City official is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the projects and to take any other action necessary to carry out the projects.
- Any premium received by the City upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any premium applied to the costs of preparing, issuing and marketing them, may be applied to the payment of project costs approved by this vote in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.
9. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,800,000 to provide funds for various Schools for projects that include: asbestos abatement in various schools, replace the front plaza and failing masonry wing walls and recaulking the building at the Haggerty School, replace emergency generator and extend exhaust at Cambridgeport, recaulking precast panels at CRLS Field House, unit vents engineering at the Fletcher Maynard Academy and Longfellow building and replace the gym floor at the Amigos School.

Agenda Item Number 9 May 10, 2021

ORDERED: That \$1,800,000 is appropriated, for the purpose of financing building renovations, including but not limited to, the following projects:

asbestos abatement in various schools, replace the front plaza and failing masonry wing walls and recaulking the building at the Haggerty School, replace emergency generator and extend exhaust at Cambridgeport, recaulking precast panels at CRLS Field House, unit vents engineering at the Fletcher Maynard Academy and Longfellow building and replace the gym floor at the Amigos School; and to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the City Manager is authorized to borrow \$1,800,000 under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; and be it further

ORDERED: Any premium received by the City upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any premium applied to the costs of preparing, issuing and marketing them, may be applied to the payment of project costs approved by this vote in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

10. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$10,000,000 to provide funds for the Municipal Facilities Improvement Plan. Funds will support improvements at the Department of Public works Complex, Moses Youth Center HVAC Design, fire notification system installation at 11 buildings, Coffon building bathroom rehab and upgrades and MFIP study. Also, included is funding to support fire station improvements including: Lafayette Square fire station improvements (floor slab, kitchen and gym flooring replacement), Taylor Square fire station improvements (decontamination showers, installation and parapet improvement), East Cambridge fire station improvements (sanitary storm system replacement and generator installation) and Lexington Ave. fire station driveway construction.

Agenda Item Number 10 May 10, 2021

ORDERED: That \$10,000,000 is appropriated, in addition to any amounts previously appropriated, for the purpose of planning and financing building renovations, including but not limited to the following projects in the municipal facilities improvement plan; improvements at the Department of Public works Complex, Moses Youth Center HVAC Design, fire notification system installation, Coffon building bathroom rehab and upgrades, and MFIP study. Also, included is funding to support fire station improvements including :Lafayette Square fire station improvements (floor slab, kitchen and gym flooring replacement), Taylor Square fire station improvements

(decontamination showers, installation and parapet improvement), East Cambridge fire station improvements (sanitary storm system replacement and generator installation) and Lexington Ave. fire station driveway construction; and to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the City Manager is authorized to borrow \$10,000,000 under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; and be it further

ORDERED: Any premium received by the City upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any premium applied to the costs of preparing, issuing and marketing them, may be applied to the payment of project costs approved by this vote in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

11. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$5,000,000 to provide funds for the reconstruction of various City streets and sidewalks.

Agenda Item Number 11 May 10, 2021

ORDERED: That \$5,000,000 is appropriated for the purpose of financing the repair and/or reconstruction of various City streets and sidewalks; and to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the City Manager is authorized to borrow \$5,000,000 under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; and be it further

ORDERED: Any premium received by the City upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any premium applied to the costs of preparing, issuing and marketing them, may be applied to the payment of project costs approved by this vote in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

12. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$30,000 from the General Fund Traffic, Parking and Transportation Salary and Wages account to the General Fund Traffic, Parking and Transportation Travel and Training (Judgment and Damages) account to cover current and anticipated medical services and/or prescription reimbursement costs for the remainder of the fiscal year for Traffic and Parking personnel injured in the performance of their duties.
13. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the [first Cycling Safety Ordinance report](#) which analyzes the block-by-block impacts of installing quick-build separated bike lanes on four specific segments of Massachusetts Avenue, as identified in Section 12.22.040 (E) of the ordinance.

ON THE TABLE

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 20-64, requesting Home Rule language to allow for acoustic live entertainment performances in small businesses under certain conditions without a license. [TABLED IN COUNCIL FEB 22, 2021]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 18-108, regarding a report on offering early voting in City Council and School Committee Elections. [PENDING RESPONSE FROM LEGISLATURE]

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from The Central Square Business Improvement District requesting permission for forty (40) temporary pole banners around CRLS, Central Square and Kendall Square to “Celebrate the graduating class of 2021”. on May 24, 2021 thru Aug 31, 2021.
2. An application was received from The Central Square Business Improvement District requesting permission for sixty (60) temporary pole banners along Massachusetts Avenue from Hancock Street to Albany Street announcing on “Meet Me in Central” from May 11, 2021 thru Oct 31, 2021.
3. An application was received from Senior Economic Development Manager, Pardis Saffari, Community Development Department requesting permission for a twenty-nine (29) temporary pole banners in the neighborhood of Inman Square to celebrate and promote the neighborhood of Inman Square from the Spring of 2021 thru Fall of 2023.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to 2021 Outstanding Employees. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Siddiqui
2. Resolution on the death of Martha A. Johnson. Councillor Toomey
3. Thank You to Oliva Fenty. Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Simmons
4. AAPI Heritage Month. Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Nolan, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler
5. Resolution on the death of Doris Mitchell. Councillor Toomey
6. Condolences to the Family of Susan F. Cole. Mayor Siddiqui
7. Resolution on the death of Daniel Montgomery. Councillor Nolan, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor McGovern

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with all relative city departments, the Central Square BID and the MBTA to close Mass Ave. from Prospect Street to

Sydney Street on Friday and Saturday evenings from 7:00pm to 1:00am through September 2021 and report back to the Council. Councillor McGovern, Councillor Simmons

2. In Support of H.3559. Councillor Nolan, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler, Vice Mayor Mallon, Mayor Siddiqui

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The Ordinance Committee met on Feb 24, 2021 conduct a public hearing on the following ordinance amendments.
 - (1) That the City Council adopt a municipal ordinance to reduce or limit campaign donations from donors seeking to enter into a contract, seeking approval for a special permit or up-zoning, seeking to acquire real estate from the city, or seeking financial assistance from the city.
 - (2) REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE. The Cambridge City Council direct the City Manager to work with the City Solicitor’s Office to draft a Home Rule Petition that would cap campaign contributions to any City Council candidate to \$200 per person, per year, per candidate and limit candidate loans to \$3,000 per election cycle.
 - A. That the city manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the law department to review the proposed ordinance to reduce or limit campaign donations, POR 2020 #240, and respond to the City Council, in a reasonable time, with suggested edits, comments and recommendations. Councillor Carlone, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Nolan, Councillor Zondervan, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Toomey
 - B. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the City Solicitor’s Office to draft a Home Rule Petition that would cap campaign contributions to any City Council candidate to \$200 per person, per year, per candidate. Councillor McGovern

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui transmitting questions for the COVID-19 Update.
2. A communication was received from Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui, communicating information from the School Committee.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, May 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 11

9:00am The Finance Committee will hold a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2022 budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 12

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will meet to conduct a hearing on the Cannabis Delivery Zoning Amendments and Municipal Code Amendments. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 17

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 18

10:00am The Finance Committee will hold a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2022 budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 19

6:00pm The Finance Committee will hold a public hearing on the School Department Fiscal Year 2022 budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 20

9:00am The Finance Committee will hold a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2022 budget (if needed). (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 26

10:00am The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts & Celebrations Committee will conduct a public hearing on the reappointment of Conrad Crawford to the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority Board and to discuss the pilot of street closures in Harvard Square. (Sullivan Chamber)

12:00pm Special Meeting of the City Council (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, June 1

3:00pm The Economic Development and University Relations Committee will conduct a public hearing on the small business grant and loan programs managed by the Economic Development Division of the Community Development Department throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, June 2

2:00pm The Neighborhood and Long-Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts & Celebrations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Alewife Envision Plan. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will meet to conduct a public hearing on an order to amend the Municipal Code of the City of Cambridge to insert new section Restricting the Use of Chemical Crowd Control Agents and Kinetic Impact Projectiles. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 7

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

Tues, June 8

11:00am The Economic Development and University Relations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss strategies and opportunities to alleviate permit and license fees for small businesses, through possible consolidation or elimination. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, June 9

5:00pm The Neighborhood and Long-Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts & Celebrations Committee will hold a public hearing to follow-up from the initial neighborhood group hearing and further discuss how the City can work with groups. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 14

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 21

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 28

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Aug 2

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

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 May 10, 2021

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The pandemic has had a devastating impact on local businesses, including restaurants; and

WHEREAS: The CDC has indicated that it is safe for outdoor dining; and

WHEREAS: Many cities and towns in Massachusetts have closed streets to traffic to allow for safer outdoor dining and to increase foot traffic in business districts; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the city manager be and hereby is requested to work with all relative city departments, the Central Square BID and the MBTA to close Mass Ave. from Prospect Street to Sydney Street on Friday and Saturday evenings from 7:00pm to 1:00am through September 2021 and report back to the Council.

O-2 May 10, 2021

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER

VICE MAYOR MALLON

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: Electrification of public transit is an important and necessary step in the fight against climate change, and will help improve air quality in environmental justice communities who are the most impacted; and

WHEREAS: Representative Owens and Representative Barber recently submitted [H. 3559](#), An Act Relative to Public Transit Electrification, which lays out a standard for electrification and a plan to electrify all public transit in Massachusetts by 2030; and

WHEREAS: The City Council passed a [resolution](#) last year in opposition of the plans to replace zero-emission transit routes in Cambridge and requesting that the MBTA prioritize environmental justice communities for electrification efforts; and

WHEREAS: H.3559 prioritizes electrification in environmental justice communities, where air quality is already poor, and creates a roadmap for full electrification; now therefore be it

WHEREAS: That the City Council go on record in support of H.3559

An Act relative to public transit electrification; and be it further

ORDERED: That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be sent to the Cambridge state delegation.