

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constables for a term of three years, effective the first day of Jan, 2001:
Without Power
Cristina Carosella, 63 Porter Street, Malden, MA 02148
Anthony Rizzuto, 34 Line Street, Somerville, MA 02143
With Power
John Scichilone, 31 Avon Drive, Hudson, MA 01749
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 01-182, regarding a report on notifying abutters of sewer/water repairs or replacement.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 01-181, regarding a report on the status of constructing a skate park.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$110,000 in the Public Investment Fund of the Community Development Department Extraordinary Expenditures Account from Free Cash for the purpose of retaining a consultant team to carry out the completion of the Riverside planning study.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$20,000 to the Grant Fund License Commission (Consumers' Council) Salary & Wages \$14,000, Travel & Training (\$1,500) and Other Ordinary Maintenance (\$4,500) from the Attorney General's Office to be used for a part-time mediator/special project assistant, training, and a law student work study contract.

ON THE TABLE

1. Consent Agenda #17, relative to a Preservation Easement for 2 Holyoke Place (Fly Club).
2. Order submitted by Councillor Davis to draft new rezoning proposal for Riverside Neighborhood adjacent to Western Avenue.
3. Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square, 1-11 Shady Hill Square and 36 Holden Street.
4. An order introduced by Councillor Reeves regarding an allocation for a planning study for Riverside.
5. Committee Report #2 of February 5, 2001 from the Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee for the purpose of evaluating the process used by the City Council to evaluate the City Manager.

6. Consent Communication #7 of March 19, 2001, and Calendar Item #3 of April 2, 2001 regarding notification of a new address for 127 Sixth Street from Owen O'Riordan, City Engineer.
7. Committee Report #1 of April 23, 2001 regarding a meeting held on March 27, 2001 for the purpose of discussing whether a zoning prohibition of lodging houses in Residence C and C-1 zoning districts is consistent with the City's goal of promoting affordable housing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$500,000 for the first phase of improvements to Harvard Square. The question comes on adoption on or after May 21, 2001.
9. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$15,000,000 for extensive renovations to the War Memorial facility. The question comes on adoption on or after May 21, 2001.
10. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$750,000 to begin construction of new open space in Area Four. The question comes on adoption on or after May 21, 2001.
11. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$7,865,000 to supplement the \$3,240,000 previously authorized for improvements to Cambridge Street. The question comes on adoption on or after May 21, 2001.
12. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$12,950,000 for several sewer projects. The question comes on adoption on or after May 21, 2001.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Bertucci's, requesting permission for tables and chairs at the premises numbered 799 Main Street.
2. An application was received from the Pentecostal Tabernacle, 77 Columbia Street requesting permission for their church band of four members to play at Carl Barron Plaza on Sunday, July 1, 2001 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Margaret and Richard Callahan, transmitting thanks for the resolution presented to them on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.
2. A communication was received from Mary F. Aufiero, transmitting many thanks for the beautiful dedication ceremony on her behalf.
3. A communication was received from the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, transmitting a copy of NStar Gas Company's condensed financial return for the year ending December 31, 2000.

4. A communication was received from the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, transmitting a copy of Boston Edison Company's condensed financial return for the year ending December 31, 2000.
5. A communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities, transmitting a copy of Cambridge Electric Light Company's condensed financial return for the year ending December 31, 2000.
6. A communication was received from East Cambridge Planning Team et al., regarding housing units at 300 Bent Street Telecom building.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Alice M. Jackman. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
2. Welcome to ten educators from Armenia arriving in Boston for a three week program focussed on current education issues in Armenia. Mayor Galluccio
3. Resolution on the death of Gregory Scott Kolligian. Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
4. Congratulations to CASPAR on the historical renovation of 11 Russell Street. Vice Mayor Maher
5. Recognition to brave women and men of all branches of the service who have displayed courage and dedication to duty as we prepare for the upcoming Memorial Day celebration. Councillor Toomey
6. Resolution on the death of Leo E. Ferry. Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
7. Resolution on the retirement of Ann M. Arata from the Cambridge Housing Authority. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
8. Resolution on the retirement of Mitchell Sartanowicz from the School Department. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
9. Resolution on the retirement of Marion Arthur. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
10. Congratulations to Patricia Moran for receiving her Master's Degree in Creative Arts in Learning from Lesley University. Mayor Galluccio
11. Urge Cambridge residents to participate in an International Party on June 2, 2001 from 6:30pm - 10:00pm at St. Bartholomew's Church, 239 Harvard Street. Mayor Galluccio
12. Urge Cambridge residents to be cognizant of and participate in a concert at the YWCA, 7 Temple Street, Cambridge, on Sunday, May 20, 2001 at 4:00pm featuring Don White. Mayor Galluccio
13. Urge all residents to be cognizant of the "Footsteps for Living" event sponsored by the St. Paul A.M.E. Church Margaret Hazel Missionary Society which will take place on Saturday, May 19, 2001 from 8:30am - 2:00pm at the St. Paul A.M.E. Christian Life Center. Councillors Davis and Reeves
14. Urge all residents to be cognizant of the Police Auction that will take place on May 19, 2001 at the Cambridge Police Station, 5 Western Avenue, Cambridge with registration beginning at 8:30am and the auction beginning at 10:00am. Councillor Davis
15. Support of the Cambridge Public Health Initiative and the "Golden Shoe" Event which promotes walking to reduce the risk of coronary heart disease that will run through the month of May. Councillor Davis
16. Congratulations to the 2001 CRLS graduates. Councillor Reeves
17. Best wishes to John Clifford, organizer of the Central Square World's Fair and urge all residents to be cognizant of and participate in the Central Square World's Fair which will take place on Sunday, June 3, 2001. Councillor Reeves
18. Welcome Mr. Gilbert, an outstanding artist, who will be visiting the City of Cambridge. Councillor Reeves
19. Congratulations to Professor Charles Ogletree on his receipt of the Charles Hamilton Houston Medal. Councillor Reeves
20. Congratulations to Larry Bacow on his appointment as President-elect of Tufts University. Councillor Reeves
21. Best wishes to the 2000 and 2001 CRLS retirees who will be honored at a celebration on Tuesday, June 5, 2001 at the VFW Hall at 688 Huron Avenue. Councillor Sullivan
22. Welcome to Zephyr on the Charles, a new restaurant in the Hyatt Hotel, to Cambridge and best wishes for a wonderful Grand Opening event on Thursday, May 10, 2001. Councillor Sullivan
23. Congratulations to State Representative Ellen Story on the occasion of her being honored by the Women's Bar Association. Councillor Decker
24. Congratulations to Ted La Crone and Amy Tague on the birth of the daughter Julia. Councillor Decker
25. Dedication of the O'Connell Branch Library fiction collection in honor of Dolly Duffy. Councillors Sullivan and Toomey

ORDERS

1. Dedication of an area adjacent to or in the vicinity of the Haggerty School as "CATHERINE RENA SYNNOTT SQUARE." Vice Mayor Maher
2. Report on progress toward providing remote access to the city system from home for City Councillors and other senior city employees. Councillor Decker
3. Report on internet access to City Council orders and City Manager's responses in a way that allows research and retrieval by subject matter and councillor name. Councillor Decker
4. Report on the number of departments where there are written performance evaluations of employees each year. Councillor Davis
5. Repaint crosswalks near the Peabody School area. Councillor Sullivan
6. Availability of the senior discount card which enables senior citizens to receive discounts at participating stores and how can participation be increased. Councillor Decker
7. Proclaim May 19, 2001 as Fair Trade Day in the City of Cambridge. Councillor Decker
8. Petition to rezone the Alewife area be referred to the Planning Board and the Ordinance Committee for a hearing and report. Vice Mayor Maher and Councillor Born
9. Notify residents in a broader geographic area than is currently the practice regarding upcoming public works projects and provide them with regular updates. Councillor Born
10. Step up enforcement of the speed limit on Brattle Street. Councillor Born
11. Evaluate the need for left turn arrows on existing signals at the intersection of JFK Street and Memorial Drive. Councillor Born
12. System whereby utilities and private owners who excavate streets for the purposes of utility installation and repair are required to repave and regrade areas which may have settled. Councillor Born
13. Process to stabilize funding for the North Cambridge Family Center. Councillor Reeves
14. Naming the East Cambridge Health Center in honor of Mayor Emeritus Alfred E. Vellucci for his devoted service to the people of Cambridge. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Galluccio, Vice Mayor Maher and entire membership
15. Process whereby the current pilot after school program at the Harrington School can be duplicated at additional locations throughout the city. Councillor Reeves
16. Report on what compromises have been made with the Bellis Circle Neighborhood Group regarding the lighting at Danehy Park. Councillor Reeves
17. Report on the impact that the proposed new runway at Logan Airport would have on noise and overflights in Cambridge. Councillor Davis
18. Amend rules of the City Council to require a quorum at all meetings and hearings of the Ordinance Committee and Finance Committee. Councillor Decker
19. Appoint commission that will be responsible for studying the names of schools and public buildings. Councillor Decker

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marjorie C. Decker, Chair of the Civic Unity Committee for a meeting held on April 20, 2001 to receive information from City agencies dealing with conflict resolution and mediation services offered and the methodology used to resolved the conflicts.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment Committee for a meeting held on April 25, 2001 to discuss the Public Health Assessment.
3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment Committee for a meeting held on April 25, 2001 to discuss the implementation of a plan for the establishment of permanent public toilet facilities.
4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee for a meeting held on April 26, 2001 to receive a presentation from the Community Development Department on the Parking Transportation Demand Management Ordinance (PTDM) and discuss the recertification of the ordinance and to receive public comment on the ordinance and any and all business which may come before the Committee.

5. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor David P. Maher and Councillor Kathleen L. Born, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee for a meeting held on April 26, 2001 to consider proposed amendments as part of the zoning of East Cambridge proposed as part of the Citywide Rezoning package and re-filed as a separate petition.
6. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor David P. Maher and Councillor Kathleen L. Born, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee for a meeting held on May 2, 2001 to consider proposed amendments to the zoning in Special District 8 in Cambridgeport submitted by the Planning Board.
7. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marjorie C. Decker, Chair of the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee for a meeting held on May 3, 2001 to discuss the issue of master planning and town/gown relations.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Councillor Jim Braude, regarding scheduling a report of the Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee on whether 16 and 17 year olds should be allowed to vote in certain local elections for the agenda for June 4, 2001.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, May 14

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

Tues, May 15

4:00pm The Government Operations, Rules and Claims will conduct a public meeting regarding the evaluation of the City Clerk and the issue of reappointment. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 16

2:00pm The Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the services offered to Cambridge residents by Bunker Hill Community College Satellite Campus. (Ackermann Room)

Thurs, May 17

4:00pm The Government Operations, Rules and Claims will conduct a public meeting to discuss the proposed creation of a new position/office to provide assistance and information to Cambridge residents/citizens. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, May 21

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

Tues, May 22

4:00pm The Housing Committee will conduct a public meeting on condition of housing at Fresh Pond Apartments. (Sullivan Chamber)

6:00pm The Government Operations, Rules and Claims will conduct a public meeting to discuss changing the way the Mayor is selected. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, May 24

10:30am The Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee will conduct a public meeting to receive an update on renovations to City Hall. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, May 29

4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a second hearing on the Special District 8 zoning petition. This hearing is televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, May 30

3:00pm The Human Services Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue to discuss extended day, youth centers and other after-school programs. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, June 4

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

Mon, June 11

5:30pm Roundtable Meeting - Discussion with the Election Commission. Informal meeting with no public comment, at which no votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, June 13

4:30pm Ordinance Committee hearing on zoning. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 18

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

Mon, June 25

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

Friday, June 29

12:30pm The Economic Development, Training and Employment will conduct a public meeting with the Superintendent of Schools and the Principal of the high school to discuss the School to Careers Program and to present the survey results entitled "Education and Skill for New Cambridge Economy. Patterns of Employment in New Economic Sectors." (Ackermann Room)

Wed, July 18

4:30pm Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, July 30

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

Wed, Aug 22

4:30pm Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 10

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

Wed, Sept 12

4:30pm Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 17

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

Mon, Sept 24

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

Wed, Sept 26

4:30pm Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 1

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

Wed, Oct 10

4:30pm Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 15

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

Mon, Oct 22

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

Wed, Oct 24

4:30pm Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1. May 14, 2001

VICE MAYOR MAHER

WHEREAS: Catherine Rena Synnott has been a teacher for thirty-eight years and will be retiring at the end of this school year; and

WHEREAS: During her tenure as a teacher at the Haggerty School, Catherine has had a major impact on the lives of many students through her loving ways and dedication to education; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That in appreciation of the service provided to the city and the children, the City Council go on record designating an area adjacent to or in the vicinity of the Haggerty School as "CATHERINE RENA SYNNOTT SQUARE"; and be it further

ORDERED: That a suitable dedication ceremony be arranged by the Assistant to the City Council after consultation with Catherine and a sign to be prepared by the Public Works Department; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record designating June 19th as "CATHERINE RENA SYNNOTT DAY" in the City of Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Catherine Rena Synnott on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-2. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of MIS to provide an update on the progress toward providing remote access to the city system from home for City Councillors and other senior city employees.

O-3. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of MIS to report on a plan for internet access to City Council orders and City Manager's responses in a way that allows research and retrieval by subject matter and councillor name.

O-4. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report on the number of departments where there is written performance evaluations of employees each year; what percentage of employees are evaluated and what kind of evaluation tools are used.

O-5. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to have the crosswalks near the Peabody School repainted.

O-6. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Human Services and the Executive Director of the Consumer Council with regard to the availability of the senior discount card which enables senior citizens to receive discounts at participating stores, restaurants and other businesses; said report to provide information as follows:

- List of stores that participate;
- Does McDonald's participate, and, if not, why not; and
- How can participation be increased.

O-7. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: In the context of the global economy, our consumer choices unknowingly affect communities and the environment in all corners of the earth; and

WHEREAS: Many people are looking for more socially conscious and environmentally responsible ways to conduct their lives, which do not degrade people, animals or the environment; and

WHEREAS: Most small-scale coffee farmers receive market payments for their harvest which are less than the costs of production, forcing them into a cycle of poverty and debt; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council is aware of the dire situation of poverty throughout coffee-producing world; and

WHEREAS: Fair Trade Certified coffee works to correct these imbalances by guaranteeing stringent international criteria; paying a minimum price per pound of \$1.26, providing much needed credit at fair terms to farmers, and providing technical assistance such as help transitioning to organic farming; and

WHEREAS: Fair Trade Certified coffee encourages the cultivation of coffee under a shade canopy which preserves trees and birds, as well as coffee grown under organic conditions; and

WHEREAS: With the profits generated from receiving a fair wage, farmers can invest in community development, health care, education, and environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS: As a purchaser of goods and services, the City of Cambridge has a responsibility to ensure that its monies are spent in a manner consistent with decent ethical principles, including assuring that workers are paid a living wage, and purchasing goods made in the most fair manner when possible; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council has a responsibility to set a high standard of ethics with regards to economic activities for our community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the City's Purchasing Agent to restrict the purchasing of coffee by all City departments and agencies to brands that are Fair Trade Certified; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council recognizes and supports the efforts of those organizations, like Oxfam America and TransFair USA, who work to strengthen our awareness and commitment to poor communities around the world through Fair Trade; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council hereby proclaims May 19, 2001 Fair Trade Day in Cambridge.

O-8. May 14, 2001

VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR BORN

WHEREAS: On April 2, 2001, the City Council adopted on order requesting that the City Manager direct his staff to draft proposed zoning for the Alewife area in accord with the goals and general parameters set forth in the February 28, 2001 memorandum of David Maher and Kathleen Born (Attachment 1); and

WHEREAS: Said proposed zoning has been so drafted (Attachment 2); now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the attached petition to rezone the Alewife area be referred to the Planning Board and the Ordinance Committee for a hearing and report.

O-9. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR BORN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Acting Commissioner of Public Works to notify residents within a broader geographic area than is currently the practice regarding upcoming public works projects and provide them with regular updates, noting that in the case of the sewer reconstruction at Mount Auburn and Story Street, residents of Hilliard Street received no mailings despite their close proximity to the project.

O-10. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR BORN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner to step up enforcement of the speed limit on Brattle Street.

O-11. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR BORN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to evaluate the need for left turn arrows on existing signals at the intersection of JFK Street and Memorial Drive with the goal of increasing safety for vehicles and pedestrians.

O-12. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR BORN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Acting Commissioner of Public Works to establish a system whereby utilities and private owners who excavate streets for the purposes of utility installation and repair are required to return to the site 90 days from the date of the work and repave and regrade areas which may have settled, causing depressions in the pavements and sidewalks.

O-13. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to propose a process for considering how the city can stabilize funding for the North Cambridge Family Center; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to begin plans to build a second family center in the city.

O-14. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
MAYOR GALLUCCIO
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the East Cambridge Health Center be named in honor of Mayor Emeritus Alfred E. Vellucci for his devoted service to the people of Cambridge and his unswerving support for public health in Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council confer with the Cambridge Health Alliance CEO John O'Brien and the Department of Public Works to arrange for a suitable dedication.

O-15. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to propose a process whereby the current pilot after school program at the Harrington School, which is in its third budget year can be examined to determine if the city will fund additional such programs at additional locations throughout the city or not.

O-16. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on what have been the compromises made with the Bellis Circle Neighborhood Group regarding the lighting at Danehy Park; specifically what grounds, if any, the city has conceded.

O-17. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide the City Council with a report on the impact that the proposed new runway at Logan Airport would have on noise and overflights in Cambridge.

O-18. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the rules of the City Council be amended to require a quorum at all meetings and hearings of the Ordinance Committee and Finance Committee.

O-19. May 14, 2001

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: There is currently considerable public discussion regarding the Agassiz School and the possibility of changing the name to the Maria Baldwin School; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to appoint a commission responsible for studying the names of schools and public buildings; said commission should include at least one representative from the City Council, School Committee, Historical Commission and community representatives.