

## CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-33, regarding the feasibility of using City-installed and managed cameras in the Clifton Street area.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-51, regarding a report on assisting Curious George & Friends in Harvard Square.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-41, regarding a report on participating in the Seattle Farm Bill Principles initiative.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a Constable Without Power for a term of three years, effective the first day of Jan, 2011: Michael Janus
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-22, regarding a report on SCM funding.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an appropriation from the Boston Ultimate Disc Alliance to the Recreation Division in the amount of \$1,000 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account and support the annual Cambridge Youth Games for Cambridge youth.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Leaders in Action donation received from the City Youth Sports Training and Education Movement in the amount of \$450 to the grant Fund of Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account and will be used to support a variety of activities for the Leaders in Action program at the Frisoli Youth Center by increasing efforts to develop important leadership skills and community-mindedness among Cambridge youth.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Commonwealth Corps grant in the amount of \$22,704 received from the Massachusetts Service Alliance to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$18,385.12) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$4,318.88) and will be used to engage and support eight college students to work on the City's Shared Youth, Shared Strategies Initiative to educate middle school children about the importance of out-of-school time and planning for success in college and beyond.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of funds to the Cambridge Prevention Coalition in the amount of \$5,000 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account received from the Cambridge Health Alliance and will be used to support the Middle Grade Health Survey.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an additional appropriation of the Low Income Heating Assistance Program grant in the amount of \$97,285 funded by the Federal Department of Health and Human Services and administered in Massachusetts by the Commonwealth's Department of Housing and Community Development to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$13,860) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$83,425) which will be used to operate the Low Income Heating Assistance Program (LIHEAP) serving Cambridge and Somerville.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the City Run Road Race grant received from proceeds and corporate donations in the amount of \$26,989 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will primarily benefit the Friends of Cambridge Athletics and limited race expenses and a portion of the funds will also benefit DHSP's Special Olympics Program and the Andrea Harvey Memorial Fund.
12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of various private donations to the Council on Aging in the amount of \$26,719.05 to the grant Fund of Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account and will be used to support a variety of services for Cambridge Seniors, including food and entertainment for senior parties, the purchase of fans for low-income seniors, provision of minor home adaptation equipment, support for the food pantry, and transportation for special senior center events and trips.
13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$3,120 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to purchase uniforms, trophies, equipment, food and supplies in support of Cambridge Individuals with Special Needs.
14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$20,200 from Public Works Public Investment Extraordinary Expenditures account to the Department of Human Service Programs Public Investment Extraordinary Expenditures account to cover the cost of replacing four basketball backboard units and repainting the court surface at Riverside Press Park Basketball Courts.
15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-32, regarding a report on adding flood lights in the Danehy dog park.
16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-55, regarding a report on filling potholes on Putnam Avenue between Western and Massachusetts Avenues.
17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-47, regarding opportunities for putting white roofs on municipal buildings.
18. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order authorizing the City Manager to transfer appropriations of available balances prior to the close of the books for FY10-11.
19. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$15,000 to cover the cost of the CitySprouts Summer Internship for Youth

program in partnership with Department of Human Services from a \$10,000 donation received to support summer employment to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account and from a \$5,000 transfer from the General Fund Reserve Other Ordinary Maintenance account to the General Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account.

20. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the rescission of the remaining amount of the loan order [\$5,000 of \$1,355,000] authorized by the City Council on May 12, 1997 for the first phase of the Fiber Optic Infrastructure Project.
21. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the rescission of the remaining amount of the loan order [\$315,000 of \$315,000] authorized by the City Council on May 11, 1998 for the second phase of the Fiber Optic Infrastructure Project.
22. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the rescission of the remaining amount of the loan order [\$495 of \$31,500,000] authorized by the City Council on Feb 23, 2004 for the construction of the new Main Library.
23. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the rescission of the remaining amount of the loan order [\$1,555 of \$157,405] authorized by the City Council on May 20, 2002 for the Public Works Department Sewer Division Infiltration/Inflow Project.
24. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the rescission of the remaining amount of the loan order [\$205,000 of \$305,000] authorized by the City Council on Feb 22, 1999 for the Public Works Department Sewer Division Floatables/Best Management Practices (BMP) Project.
25. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the rescission of the remaining amount of the loan order [\$277,358 of \$5,700,000] authorized by the City Council on June 4, 2007 for renovations to the War Memorial.
26. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the rescission of the remaining amount of the loan order [\$700,000 of \$1,000,000] authorized by the City Council on May 18, 2009 for the remediation of soil contamination at Yerxa Road.

#### **CHARTER RIGHT**

1. That the Cambridge City Council go on record in support of Jobs with Justice, the Cambridge El-Salvador Sister City Committee and the Salvadoran community in their efforts to persuade TIFF to separate from Pacific Rim and shares their opposition to local shareholders investing their money in a corporation whose practice has led to violations of environmental and human rights. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Decker on Order Number Five of May 23, 2011.]

#### **ON THE TABLE**

2. That the City Manager is requested to restore funding for School Department clerical positions until a proper and

negotiated process can be achieved with the Cambridge School Department and Unions representing the employees, and to report back to the City Council on the progress. [Order Number Fourteen of Apr 26, 2010 Placed on Table. Councillor Kelley made motions to take from table on May 10, 2010 failed 2-7-0, Sept 13, 2010 failed 4-4-1, Sept 27, 2010 failed 3-5-1, Dec 13, 2010 failed 3-6-0. Remains on Table.]

3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-32, regarding a report on issues with the development of the former St. John's property site. [Charter Right exercised on City Manager Agenda Item Number Eighteen of May 24, 2010. Placed on Table June 7, 2010.]
4. An application was received from Tony LaVita, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 68 Middlesex Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association. [Applications and Petitions Number Ten of June 7, 2010 Placed on Table.]
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-189, regarding a report on the legitimacy of the tax exempt claim of Education First. [Charter Right exercised on City Manager Agenda Item Number Nineteen of Jan 24, 2011. Placed on Table Jan 31, 2011.]
6. That the City Manager is requested to have the Community Development Department convene a meeting with neighbors in the vicinity of Grove Street and Blanchard Road, the Fresh Pond Master Plan Committee and other relevant parties to review the zoning along the golf course and the Fresh Pond Reservation in that area. [Charter Right exercised on Order Number Five of Jan 24, 2011. Placed on Table Jan 31, 2011.]
7. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council with a complete and comprehensive list of all concessions made to the City and broader Cambridge community by developers and the universities in exchange for zoning relief, special permits, or Council approval. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Reeves on Order Number Eleven of Apr 25, 2011. Tabled on Motion of Councillor Cheung on May 2, 2011.]

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing on Apr 6, 2011 and a follow-up public meeting on May 17, 2011 to consider a petition to amend the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance filed by Novartis Institute for BioMedical Research, joined by M.I.T. as land owner, to allow for the creation of a new Special District 15 along a portion of Massachusetts Avenue between Albany Street and Windsor Street opposite the location of the Novartis main campus at the former Necco Building. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after June 6, 2011. Planning Board hearing held Mar 29, 2011. Petition expires July 5, 2011.

## **APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

1. An application was received from Mike Pescavage, 150 Second Street LLC, requesting permission for two new curb cuts and discontinuance of eight curb cuts at the premises numbered 150 Second Street (known as 65 Bent Street in PUD Permit); said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. Approval has been received from the neighborhood association.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

1. A communication was received from United States Senator Scott P. Brown, regarding funding for the Community Service Block Grant program.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution on the death of Rose (Figueiredo) King. Mayor Maher
2. Resolution on the death of Sophia (Baltrukiewicz) St. Thomas. Councillor Toomey
3. Resolution on the death of Elena (DeMille) Capobianco. Councillor Toomey
4. Thanks to Dr. Robert Corrigan for his presentation to Cambridge residents regarding rodents in urban environments and to the Department of Public Works for setting up this presentation. Councillor Toomey
5. Congratulations to the American Repertory Theater on receiving awards at the 29th Annual Elliot Norton Awards for 2011 and for their award winning 2010-2011 season. Councillor Reeves
6. Congratulations to Edward Chase on receiving an honorary degree from the Episcopal Divinity School at Harvard University. Councillor Reeves
7. Congratulations to Diane Paulus on being named the Outstanding Director (Large Theater) at the 29th Annual Elliot Norton Awards. Councillor Reeves
8. Congratulations to the American Repertory Theater for their production of "Blue Flower" which earned the Outstanding Local Musical Production and Outstanding Design (Large Theater) award at the 29th Annual Elliot Norton Awards. Councillor Reeves
9. Congratulations to Uzo Aduba of "Prometheus Bound" for being awarded the Outstanding Musical Performance award at the 29th Annual Elliot Norton Awards. Councillor Reeves
10. Thanks to Amy Merrill and Si Kahn for bringing the play "Silver Spoon" to the City of Cambridge. Councillor Reeves
11. Resolution on the death of Joseph N. Shimkas. Mayor Maher
12. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Ramon Mora Jr. Councillor Decker
13. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Clifford E. Beattie. Councillor Decker
14. Retirement of Robert J. Haynes from the AFL-CIO. Councillor Toomey, Councillor Decker
15. Thanks to the volunteers and businesses who took part in the East Cambridge Clean Up Day. Councillor Toomey
16. Welcome Bosse City Club & Spa to Kendall Square. Councillor Toomey
17. Congratulations to Dr. Julian Harris of the Cambridge Health Alliance on being named Director of the Office of Medicaid by Governor Deval Patrick. Councillor Toomey

18. Congratulations to the Museum of Science on their Let's Talk About Food Festival on June 25, 2011. Vice Mayor Davis
19. Encourage residents to participate in Race Amity Day on June 12, 2011. Vice Mayor Davis
20. Congratulations to Dr. Omid Farokhzad on being named a finalist for the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year New England Award. Mayor Maher
21. Congratulations to Brian Halligan on being named a finalist for the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year New England Award. Mayor Maher
22. Congratulations to Craig Wheeler on being named a finalist for the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year New England Award. Mayor Maher
23. Congratulations to Jackie Douglas, Director of LivableStreets, on being honored as Advocate of the Year by the Alliance for Biking & Walking. Vice Mayor Davis
24. Resolution on the death of Karen Aqua. Vice Mayor Davis
25. Congratulations to William Rawn Associates, Architects Inc. and Ann Beha Architects on receiving the Haleston Parker Medal Awards from the Boston Society of Architects for the Cambridge Public Library. Councillor Decker
26. Congratulations to the Cambridge Public Library on receiving a Public Relations Award from the Massachusetts Library Association. Councillor Decker
27. Thanks to Shakeem Nicholson and Emma Steffens for their efforts at the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School on LGBT issues. Mayor Maher
28. Acknowledge the good works and valuable life of the Reverend Peter John Gomes and posthumously congratulate him for being honored at the LGBT Pride Brunch on June 11, 2011. Mayor Maher
29. Acknowledge the good work and commitment of Youth on Fire. Mayor Maher

## **ORDERS**

1. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager of Community Development and the City Solicitor to provide the City Council with background information on the current ownership of the land that was transferred to Neighbors for a Better Community for the benefit of the Area Four community and whether it has been or is being sold and how the benefits will accrue to the community. Councillor Simmons
2. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation and identify a particular project or item that the donations raised for environmental initiatives during the 2011 resident parking sticker renewals could be used for, and to publicly display that the project was made possible by donations from residents during 2011 Resident sticker renewals. Councillor Toomey
3. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the MassDOT and be sure that future public meetings regarding the Grand Junction be held in East Cambridge. Councillor Toomey

4. That the City Manager is requested to direct the appropriate City agencies to work with Area IV residents, businesses and community groups to address recent violence and to work towards implementing a plan involving more than the Cambridge Police Department to minimize violence in Area IV. Councillor Kelley
5. That the City Manager is requested to contact relevant City officials and the officials of Belmont, Arlington and appropriate State agencies and non-profit agencies such as the Trustees of Reservations to determine if the Silver Maple Forest could be purchased for preservation. Councillor Kelley
6. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on the options available to Cambridge residents and businesses for appropriately disposing of medical waste such as syringes. Councillor Kelley
7. That the City Manager is requested to ask the relevant City departments-Public Works, Parks, Recreation, as well as the Public Planting Committee to fully support the Cambridge Water Department's Stewardship Program's campaign for the eradication of the Black Swallow-wort. Vice Mayor Davis
8. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Inspectional Services Department and the Community Development Department to produce information for residents and neighborhood groups regarding the best way to seek technical support for zoning and development issues. Councillor Decker
9. That the City Council pass the re-filed Fox petition to a second reading. Councillor Seidel

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Leland Cheung, Chair of the Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee for a public meeting held on May 9, 2011 to follow-up on the current and prospective employers in the City and to discuss the employers that the Chamber of Commerce has contacted.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Chair of the Claims Committee, for a meeting held on May 26, 2011 to consider claims filed against the City.
3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Craig Kelley, Chair of the Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee for a public meeting held on Apr 21, 2011 to discuss the footbridge at Magazine Beach.
4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Craig Kelley, Chair of the Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee for a public meeting held on Apr 28, 2011 to discuss traffic concerns about the East Cambridge roadways and the Lechmere Station.
5. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing on Apr 6, 2011 for the purpose of considering the

- re-filed Fox petition to rezone an area primarily along Cottage Park Avenue from Business A-2 to Residence B.
6. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing on May 5, 2011 for the purpose of considering proposed amendments submitted in response to City Council Order No.11 of Jan 24, 2011, in which the Council requested that Community Development Department (CDD) staff engage in a comprehensive review of Section 5.28.2, including the history of the use of the section for special permit applications for conversion of commercial and institutional uses to residential building, and the recent public conversations on this section of the Zoning Ordinance.
7. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public meeting on May 25, 2011 for the purpose of continuing to considering proposed amendments submitted in response to City Council Order No.11 of Jan 24, 2011, in which the Council requested that Community Development Department (CDD) staff engage in a comprehensive review of Section 5.28.2.

#### **HEARING SCHEDULE**

##### **Mon, June 6**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Tues, June 7**

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Wed, June 8**

5:30pm The Government Operations and Rules Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss clarification/correction to the City Manager's contract. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, June 13**

5:30pm The City Council will hold a roundtable meeting for the purpose of discussing with the Planning Board the vision of Cambridge underlying the City's zoning and land use planning. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Wed, June 15**

4:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussion on a zoning petition by the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance in Section 5.28.2-Conversion of Nonresidential Structures to Residential Use and Section 4.29 clarifying the allowances of additional uses as permissible under Section 5.28.2. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, June 20**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, June 27**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Tues, June 28**

3:00pm The Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss creating the City's economic development goals. (Sullivan Chamber)

**Wed, June 29**

5:30pm The Environment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss building green schools. (Sullivan Chamber)

**Thurs, June 30**

6:00pm The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a public meeting with the Civic Unity Advisory Committee to receive and discuss information from the Police Commissioner regarding CPD training relative to recommendations from the Cambridge Review Committee. (Ackermann Room)

**Mon, Aug 1**

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

**Mon, Sept 12**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Sept 19**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Sept 26**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Oct 3**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Oct 17**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Oct 24**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Oct 31**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 7**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 14**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 21**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 28**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Dec 5**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Dec 12**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Dec 19**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**TEXT OF ORDERS**

O-1 June 6, 2011

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Questions continue to be raised by members of the Area Four community regarding what benefits the community has received from land transferred to Neighbors for a Better Community for the benefit of the Area Four community; and

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that this land has been or is being sold; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager of Community Development and the City Solicitor to provide the City Council with background information on the current ownership of the land, whether it has been or is being sold and how the benefits will accrue to the community.

O-2 June 6, 2011

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: In 2011, during resident parking sticker renewals, the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department accepted additional donations to raise money for environmental initiatives within the City; and

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that a significant amount of funds were raised; and

WHEREAS: The funds raised could be put toward a single project or item so that those who donated can be recognized for their generosity and commitment to the environment; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the total amount of money raised through this initiative; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation and identify a particular project or item that the funds could be used for, and to publicly display that the project was made possible by donations from residents during 2011 Resident sticker renewals.

O-3 June 6, 2011

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) is preparing for a second phase of public outreach regarding the use of the Grand Junction Railroad; and

WHEREAS: Many East Cambridge residents will be greatly impacted by commuter rail use along this line; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the MassDOT and be sure that future public meetings regarding the Grand Junction be held in East Cambridge.

O-4 June 6, 2011

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: There have been a number of recent episodes of reported shootings in Area IV; and

ORDERED: Public safety involves strong partnerships between neighborhood groups, residents, public safety officials and a host of other parties; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate City agencies to work with Area IV residents, businesses and community groups to address recent violence and to work towards implementing a plan involving more than the Cambridge Police Department to minimize violence in Area IV.

O-5 June 6, 2011

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: The Silver Maple Forest lies partly in Cambridge and is threatened by development; and

WHEREAS: The Silver Maple Forest is a valuable natural resource in the greater-Boston area and is very accessible to Cambridge residents; and

WHEREAS: Development of the Silver Maple Forest would remove this resource from the area while increase traffic congestion and other related regional and area problems; and

WHEREAS: There is the possibility that the property owner would sell the Silver Maple Forest to a government or non-

profit entity and thus allow this property to be preserved forever; and

WHEREAS: Were the Silver Maple Forest to be purchased, Cambridge's contribution to the purchase price would likely be in the millions of dollars; now be it therefore

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to contact relevant City officials and the officials of Belmont, Arlington and appropriate State agencies and non-profit agencies such as the Trustees of Reservations to determine if the Silver Maple Forest could be purchased for preservation; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to determine how the City might fund its share of the purchase price were other entities also interested in purchasing the Silver Maple Forest; and be it further

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

O-6 June 6, 2011

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the options available to Cambridge residents and businesses for appropriately disposing of medical waste such as syringes.

O-7 June 6, 2011

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: Black Swallow-wort, an invasive weed, is spreading in many parts of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Black Swallow-wort threatens native plants, shrubs and trees; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Water Department Stewardship Program has started an eradication campaign with a kick-off on Sat, July 10; and

WHEREAS: Participants will meet for training at Fresh Pond Reservation where Black Swallow-wort is especially abundant, and learn how to dig up the plant's extensive root system, and how to pick and dispose of the pods containing seeds that also enable the weed to spread; and

WHEREAS: During the summer and into the fall, the eradication program will expand throughout Cambridge, with small-scale efforts organized by individual blocks; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to ask the relevant City departments - Public Works, Parks, Recreation, as well as the Public Planting Committee - to fully support this effort.

O-8 June 6, 2011

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of this City Council that many resident groups and individuals turn to City Councilors for strategic advice, especially regarding zoning special permits and zoning variances; and

WHEREAS: It is important that residents can rely on a more predictable path to seek information regarding the impact of developments on their neighborhood prior to approval of developments, in particular those that seek zoning relief; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Inspectional Services Department and the Community Development Department to produce information for residents and neighborhood groups

regarding the best way to seek technical support for zoning and development issues; 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-9 June 6, 2011

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

ORDERED: That the City Council hereby discharged the re-filed Fox petition for a zoning amendment from the Ordinance Committee; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council pass the re-filed Fox petition to a second reading.