

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a request for authorization to transfer a leasehold interest in the property at 1-15 Vail Court to the Cambridge Affordable Housing Trust and to appropriation \$750,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Public Works Department Extraordinary Expenditures to facilitate the abatement and demolition of the existing structures on the site.

Agenda Item Number 1 June 12, 2017

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge, per an Order of Taking dated Sept 26, 2016, acquired the property at 1-15 Vail Court, located at 139 Bishop Allen Drive, after the existing buildings sat vacant for many years; and

WHEREAS: There exists in Cambridge a severe shortage of housing affordable to low and moderate income residents; and

WHEREAS: A public meeting regarding Vail Court was held on Mar 23, 2017. At the meeting there was strong support for the creation of affordable housing on the property, as well as a desire expressed for appropriately scaled buildings; and

WHEREAS: The City Council has made affordable housing a top priority and desires to increase the supply of affordable housing for low and moderate residents; and

WHEREAS: Pursuant to Section 15A of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as amended and accepted by the City Council on Nov 26, 1990, the City Council may, by a majority vote, transfer municipal land to another board or officer of the City for the purpose of constructing low and moderate income housing; and

WHEREAS: The City Manager is recommending transfer of a 99-year leasehold interest in the property to the Cambridge Affordable Housing Trust for development of low and moderate income housing; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager is authorized to transfer a 99-year leasehold interest in the property at 1-15 Vail Court, located at 139 Bishop Allen Drive, to the Cambridge Affordable Housing Trust for the development of low and moderate-income housing; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute and deliver to the Cambridge Affordable Housing Trust in the name of and on behalf of the City of Cambridge in such form and at such time as the City Manager shall approve (such approval to be evidenced by such execution and delivery) such documents, instruments, agreements, leases, licenses, warranties, indemnifications, releases or certificates, or amendments thereto, necessary for the Cambridge Affordable Housing Trust to develop low and moderate income housing on the property at 1-15 Vail Court, located at 139 Bishop Allen Drive; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute, accept, and deliver such supplemental or ancillary documents as are reasonable necessary to implement the intent of this Order and to execute, accept and deliver amendments thereto.

2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-4, regarding current or potential future public-private

partnerships that could deliver an operational Foundry that consists of significant community space for the community.

3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment and reappointments of the following persons as a members of the Cambridge Human Rights Commission for a term of three years, effective June 12, 2017: New Appointment: Kathryn Stack. Reappointments: M. Chanta Bhan, Bonita Cox and Mercedes Evans
4. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an order authorizing the City Manager for transfer appropriations of available balances prior to the close of the books for FY16-17.
5. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-26, regarding the possibility of a temporary mural to screen the King Open project site on Cambridge Street.
6. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Festivals Program of the Massachusetts Cultural Council grant for \$500 to the Grant Fund Public Celebrations (Arts Council) Other Ordinary Maintenance account. Funds will be used to support artist fees for the Cambridge Arts River Festival.
7. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) for \$35,000 to the Grant Fund Public Celebrations (Arts Council) Other Ordinary Maintenance account. Funds will be used to support promotion of the arts by supporting a series of temporary public artworks in the historic Cambridge Common.
8. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-103, regarding funds raised for the Mayor's Disaster Relief Fund for residents impacted by the Dec 3, 2016 fire.
9. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-39, regarding a report on the City's policy of conducting CORI checks on applicants of the Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program.
10. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$450,000 in Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Human Services Extraordinary Expenditures Account for the purpose of designing and renovating the basement space at 51 Inman Street for the Human Services Department Center for Families and Baby University staff.
11. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Summer Food Program grant funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the Massachusetts Department of Education for \$243,087.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account to be used to provide nutritious meals to Cambridge youth at 22 sites throughout the City during the summer months when schools are closed.
12. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$38,583.33 from the Temporary Emergency Shelter grant received from

- the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to the Grant Fund Human Services Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account to be used to subcontracted to the Cambridge YWCA.
13. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of donations from the Cambridge Individuals with Special Needs in the amount of \$14,250.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account and will be used to support Cambridge athletes participating in Special Olympics.
 14. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of user reimbursements received from Cambridge Homeless Service Provider Agencies to support the Cambridge Homeless Management Information System in the amount of \$8,250.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to support associated program costs of the citywide tracking system for homeless persons receiving services.
 15. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of various donations to the Council on Aging in the amount of \$24,233.40 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$9,000.00) and to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$15,233.40) which will be used to support a variety of services for Cambridge Seniors.
 16. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) grant in the amount of \$29,000.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$11,764.00) and to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$17,236.00) and will be used for the Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education Program, and will provide an integrated education and training program for immigrant adults in the Metro North area who are interested in becoming home health aides.
 17. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance (MHSA) grant funded by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) in the amount of \$934.14 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account and will be used for costs related to the Carey Men's Transitional Program operated by the Multi-Service Center.
 18. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$2,500 in the Massachusetts Housing Shelter Alliance (MHSA) grant from the Grant Fund Human Services Travel and Training account to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account to be used for staffing costs through the end of the fiscal year.
 19. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a member of the Community Benefits Advisory Committee for a term of three years, effective June 1, 2017: Kathryn Fenneman, Risa Mednick, Elizabeth Aguilo, Cibele Goncalves, Daniel Liss, Rowan Murphy, Amy Salomon, Geeta Pradhan, Susan Lapierre, Paul Parravano, Ellen Semonoff, Sandra Clarke, and Lisa Peterson (Chair)
 20. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$3,728,500 from Free Cash to the Community Benefits Stabilization Fund.
 21. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$1,366,506 from Free Cash to the Mitigation Revenue Stabilization Fund.
 22. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation not to adopt the Zoning Petition regarding rooftop spaces in the Harvard Square Overlay District.
 23. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation not to adopt the petition to rezone the block bounded by Third Street, Cambridge Street, Second Street and Gore Street from Business A to a new designation Business A-5.
 24. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation not to adopt the Observatory Hill Village (Mahon, et al.) Zoning Petition.
 25. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation (no recommendation at this time) on the Zoning Petition regarding vacant or abandoned buildings.
 26. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation to adopt the City Council Petition on Short-Term Rental Housing.
 27. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation not to adopt the Cockrill, et al., Petition on Short-Term Rental Housing.
 28. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-100, regarding advertising revenue to support Hubway expansion.
 29. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-7, regarding an update on the City's Community Choice Electricity Aggregation Plan.
 30. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$2,500 from a donation from the Sand County Charitable Trust to the Grant Fund Community Development Other Ordinary Maintenance account to support the City's efforts related to the Glocal Challenge contest for Cambridge High School students and will be used for project implementation by the competition winners, who have received spring/summer internships to work with Community Development's staff to bring their creative concepts to fruition.
 31. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-84, regarding a report on determining which pedestrian crosswalks are in need of additional on street signage.
 32. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-

- 89, regarding a safety review of the intersection of Brattle Street, Sparks Street and Craigie Street.
33. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-36, regarding a report on installing a park bench around the Fresh Pond Reservation and Awaiting Report Item Number 17-38, regarding providing additional seating at Kingsley Park.
 34. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$750,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Public Works Department Extraordinary Expenditures Account to be used to conduct geotechnical, and environmental services to support the site assessment for a Concept Plan to site the new school on Callahan Field and future Feasibility Study for the Tobin School project.
 35. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$200,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Public Works Department Extraordinary Expenditures Account to be used for the purchase of three City vehicles in the Animal Commission, Department of Human Services and Electrical Departments.
 36. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Free Cash to the Public Works Department Public Investment Fund Extraordinary Expenditures Account for the citywide curbside organics program.
 37. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$1,000 from a donation from the Carl Barron Family to the Grant Fund Public Works Other Ordinary Maintenance account to recognize employees who exhibit excellent job performance.
 38. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-12, regarding the possibilities of using less salt, finding non-salt options or removing excess salt when the ice threat has stopped and the salt still remains.
 39. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to recommendation from City Engineer Katherine Watkins to name two new private ways; Clifton Place and Clifton Circle.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. City Council in support of Somerville officials in their efforts to achieve 20% affordable housing in all development projects.

ON THE TABLE

2. The City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to organize regular suppers on the second Saturday of each month, starting on the 13th of August, with free food for the Cambridge community in open public spaces throughout the various Cambridge neighborhoods. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Mazen on June 20, 2016. Tabled on a motion by Councillor Mazen on June 27, 2016.]
3. The City Manager coordinate with the Finance Department, Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, and community stakeholders to outline a proposed system of governance,

management, and stakeholder engagement for the Foundry, to be discussed in a public forum with the Council and community. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Toomey on Oct 31, 2016. Placed On The Table on voice vote of six members on motion of Councillor Toomey.]

4. An application was received from Mundo/Lux, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 2 Bow Street. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Cheung on Dec 19, 2016. Placed On Table on a voice vote of 8 on motion of Councillor Cheung on Jan 9, 2017.]
5. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and any other relevant City department to survey of city residents, work, and visitors to determine who is interested in parking in the City. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Jan 30, 2017. Placed On Table on a motion by Councillor Cheung on Feb 6, 2017.]
6. That the City Manager is requested to establish the requirement that all appointments to the City's commissions, advisory committees, and task forces reflect the City's diversity and that the Civic Unity Committee is asked to sign off on all such appointments going forward. [Charter Right exercised by Mayor Simmons on Feb 27, 2017. Tabled on a motion by Councillor Cheung on a voice vote of 8 members on Mar 6, 2017.]
7. That the City Manager is requested to create a permanent office or public-private initiative for the purpose of fostering charitable giving in Cambridge and to work with non-profits to study the local charitable giving landscape, measuring the estimated maximum charitable carrying capacity of the city. [Tabled as amended by substitution on a motion of Councillor Mazen on May 8, 2017.]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, recommending that the City Council accept amendments to Municipal Code Chapter 15.04 relating to the Building Permit Fee schedule for services provided by the Inspectional Services Department. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after June 5, 2017.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Haute Coffee, requesting permission for a projecting sign at the premises numbered 1 Canal Park. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutters.
2. An application was received from Cambridge License Advisory Board, requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue at Pearl and Norfolk Streets announcing the 15th annual Taste of Cambridge on Tues, July 11th, 2017.
3. An application was received from Viale, requesting permission for eight tables and twenty-one chairs for an enclosed seating area in front of the premises numbered 502 Massachusetts Avenue.
4. An application was received from La Fabrica Central, requesting permission for seven tables and twenty chairs for an outdoor eating patio in front of the premises numbered 450 Massachusetts Avenue.

5. An application was received from Iram Farooq, Assistant City Manager for Community Development Department, requesting permission for fifteen temporary banners on electrical poles along Huron Avenue, Concord Avenue and Appleton Street to highlight Observatory Hill during construction. The banners would be hung in the Summer of 2017 and are expected to remain in place until the Summer of 2019.
6. An application was received from Thazar Hair Studio, requesting permission for an awning at the premises numbered 962 Cambridge Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutters.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Carol O'Hare, 172 Magazine Street, transmitting appreciation and support to Henrietta Davis's letter to MassDOT regarding Allston I-90 Project.
2. A communication was received from Paul Lyons, 24 Glenwood Avenue, transmitting support to Henrietta Davis's letter to MassDOT regarding Allston I-90 Project.
3. A communication was received from Robert La Tremouille, regarding Charles River Attacks renewed.
4. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, Individually, and as Chair, Friends of the White Geese, concerning I90 Allston work.
5. A communication was received from Rebecca Rutenberg, Chief Operating Officer, The Novus Group, transmitting a communication from Airbnb relative to the City Council Short Term Rentals Petition.
6. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, Individually, and as Chair, Friends of the White Geese, regarding balance of destruction by the Apr 24, 2017 vote (Order 1) by City Council to destroy at Magazine Beach, communication #9 in a series.
7. A communication was received from Ayala Livny, 20 Norris Street #2, transmitting a quick thank you for the work that you have done to create the Community Electricity Program.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Happy 100th Birthday wishes to Joe Cohen. Councillor Devereux, Mayor Simmons, Councillor Toomey
2. Resolution on the death of James H. Quinn. Councillor Maher
3. Resolution on the death of Thomas "Tommy" Reid. Councillor Toomey
4. Congratulations to Viale on the occasion of being featured on Boston.com for incorporating Polar Seltzer's limited-edition summer flavors into a cocktail series. Councillor Cheung
5. Congratulations to iZotope, Inc. for being selected as the winner in the Best B2C Technology category for the 2017 MITX Awards. Councillor Cheung
6. Resolution on the death of James A. Argeros. Councillor Maher
7. Congratulations to Monica's Beauty Salon on its reopening at 77 Walden Street. Councillor Cheung

8. Congratulations to Pro EMS and the Cambridge Fire Department on being awarded the 2017 Mission: Lifeline EMS - Team Gold Plus award by the American Heart Association. Councillor Cheung
9. Congratulations to Lieby Bouchard for receiving the Cambridge Mayor's Lifetime Award for Extraordinary Community Service from the Office of the Mayor and the Cambridge Volunteer Clearinghouse. Mayor Simmons
10. Congratulations to Maya Sears for being given the Cambridge Community Service Award for an Extraordinary Youth Volunteer by the Office of the Mayor and the Cambridge Volunteer Clearinghouse. Mayor Simmons
11. Congratulations to Jane Park Farris on being given the Cambridge Legacy of Kindness Award for an Extraordinary Long-Term Volunteer from the Office of the Mayor and the Cambridge Volunteer Clearinghouse. Mayor Simmons
12. Congratulations to Nancy Ryan for being given the Cambridge Beverly Benner Cassara Award for an Extraordinary Senior Volunteer from the Office of the Mayor and the Cambridge Volunteer Clearinghouse. Mayor Simmons
13. Congratulations to Ariana Baldasaro on her recent graduation and best wishes in her pursuit of a career in criminal law in Massachusetts. Councillor Toomey
14. Congratulations to Paddy's on the occasion of its 7th Annual 5K Cambridge Classic Walk/Run. Councillor Toomey
15. Congratulations to Ellen Semonoff for being named the 2017 Margaret Fuller Women's Leadership recipient at the Sweet Soul Supper. Mayor Simmons
16. Honoring and remembering Renae Gray as she is named the 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award recipient at the Sweet Soul Supper. Mayor Simmons
17. Congratulations to Kessen Green for being named the 2017 Lieutenant Kenney Spirit Award recipient at the Sweet Soul Supper. Mayor Simmons
18. Congratulations to Turner Construction for being named the 2017 Corporate Citizenship Award recipient at the Sweet Soul Supper. Mayor Simmons
19. Congratulations to Jakigh Dottin for being named the Sion Chambers Community Leadership Award recipient at the Sweet Soul Supper. Mayor Simmons
20. Congratulations to Alan Schwartz for being named the Staff and Volunteer Recognition Award recipient at the Sweet Soul Supper. Mayor Simmons
21. Congratulations to Russell Harding for being named the Staff and Volunteer Recognition Award recipient at the Sweet Soul Supper. Mayor Simmons
22. Congratulations to Charles D. "Charlie" Keefe Jr. on his retirement from the Keefe Funeral Home and thanks to the Keefe family for their service to the Cambridge community. Councillor Maher
23. Congratulations to Tutoring Plus on receiving a grant of \$100,000 from the Cummings Foundation for its after-school tutoring, mentoring and enrichment programs to help close the achievement gap for students in grades 3 to 12. Councillor Cheung

24. Congratulations to Charlie Allen Renovations on receiving its' 9th recognition and 3rd Director's Award from the Somerville Historic Preservation Commission for its work on an 1894 Victorian house located at 83 Belmont St. in Somerville. Councillor Cheung
25. Resolution on the death of George E. Hutchinson Sr. Councillor Maher
26. Congratulations to Sarah Ann McMorris and William James Corssen on their upcoming marriage. Councillor Toomey
27. Congratulations to Bobbi Lemay for being awarded the Cambridge Community Contribution Award for an Extraordinary Corporate Volunteer by the Office of the Mayor and the Cambridge Volunteer Clearinghouse. Mayor Simmons

ORDERS

1. That the Dedication Committee consider a request from Councillor Devereux for a street corner dedication in honor of Billy Ruane in the vicinity of Brookline Street and Green Street. Councillor Devereux
2. That the City Council condemn President Trump's decision to withdraw from the Paris Climate Agreement and urge Governor Charles D. Baker to publicly commit to ensuring that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts similarly adheres to the goals and ideals of the Paris Climate Agreement. Mayor Simmons, Councillor Devereux, Councillor Cheung
3. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Superintendent of Schools to determine whether additional safety features, including adding or relocating a crossing guard, can be included at the intersection of Fern Street and Concord Avenue for children to safely cross to the Tobin School/Vassal Lane Upper School. Councillor Devereux, Councillor Cheung
4. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Community Development Department and the Planning Board to determine how Visual Preference Surveys (VPS) could be incorporated into the planning and zoning process. Councillor Carlone
5. That the City Manager is requested to reach out to the appropriate City of Boston representatives, Harvard University representatives, and Boston Calling organizers to ensure that the City of Cambridge has an active voice in any future iterations of the Boston Calling festival in order to address the concerns raised by Cambridge residents. Mayor Simmons, Councillor Devereux
6. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Department of Public Works, the Recreation Department, and any other relevant City department to determine if there are family oriented parks or playgrounds where the City could install a Portland Loo. Councillor Cheung
7. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Department of Public Works and any other City department to provide appropriate playground equipment at the King Open playground. Councillor Toomey
8. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Commissioner of the Cambridge Police Department to enforce that the trains are not idling in residential areas. Councillor Toomey

9. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the License Commission with the intent of formulating a plan that will provide relief and fair compensation to liquor license holders that have been impacted by dramatic devaluing of their liquor license. Councillor Toomey

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the Government Operations, Rules & Claims Committee, for a public hearing held on May 22, 2017 to discuss the creation of a section in the agenda entitled "General Council Discussion;" and dedications to identify a suitable location site to honor the commitment to the City made by City Councillor and State Representative Timothy J. Toomey, Jr. and to identify an appropriate building to dedicate to Richard C. Rossi's decades of service to Cambridge.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone and Councillor Leland Cheung, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on May 23, 2017 to discuss a proposed Municipal Code amendment to Title 8 entitled "Health and Safety" by adding a new Chapter 8.69 entitled "Running Bamboo Ordinance."
3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Leland Cheung and Councillor Dennis J. Carlone, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on May 18, 2017 to discuss a zoning petition filed by the Friends of Observatory Hill Village to establish the Observatory Hill Village Overlay District.
4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone and Councillor Leland Cheung, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on May 31, 2017 to discuss a petition by the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance to create a new chapter 4.60 to regulate short-term rentals (STR).
5. A communication was received from Paula M. Crane, City Clerk, transmitting a report on behalf of Councillor Nadeem Mazen, Chair of the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee, for a public hearing held on June 1, 2017 to discuss the open data portal, hear an update from the open data review board, and plan future opportunities for open data in Cambridge.
6. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone and Councillor Leland Cheung, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on May 24, 2017 to discuss the zoning petition filed by Latoyea Hawkins Cockrill, et al. to regulate short-term rental uses throughout the City.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Lisa Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk transmitting a report from the Dedication Committee for a hearing held on June 5, 2017 transmitting their recommendations for dedications to the full City Council for approval.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, June 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, June 13

4:00pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the various forms and mediums of communication between residents and the city, to include Commonwealth Connects, and how the Council may prioritize critical issues for data collection and reporting, also the Committee will discuss Order #11 of Oct 31, 2016 regarding the creation of a Commonwealth Connects category for residents negatively impacted by short-term rental activity; Order #8 of Apr 24, 2017 regarding creating a report system for mosquito harborage; and also bicycle-safety related incidents that would not generate a crash-report. (Ackermann Room)

Wed, June 14

2:00pm The Human Services and Veterans Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the current opioid crisis on a state and local level, and what programs and plans exist to combat this epidemic. (Sullivan Chamber)

4:30pm The Economic Development and University Relations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the final recommendations from Larisa Ortiz Associates in regards to the Retail Strategic Plan, as well as policy and programmatic opportunities related to the retail environment in Cambridge. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 19

5:00pm Special Presentation A Celebration of Cambridge Volunteers (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, June 21

1:00pm The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the next steps for the Foundry Building including: financing, community benefit, non-profit ecosystem, and community engagement. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Aug 7

5:30pm Special City Council Meeting (Dr. Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, CRLS, 459 Broadway)

Mon, Sept 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 16

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 20

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 29

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 June 12, 2017

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Councillor Devereux for a street corner dedication in honor of Billy Ruane in the vicinity of Brookline Street and Green Street; and be it further ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward this order to the Dedication Committee for their review and approval.

O-2 June 12, 2017

MAYOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: On June 1, 2017, President Donald J. Trump took an incredibly short-sighted, ill-advised, and ultimately destructive action in [announcing that the United States would be withdrawing from the Paris Climate Agreement](#); and

WHEREAS: The Paris Climate Agreement, announced by President Barack Obama in December 2015, is a sweeping and necessary framework that 195 countries across the globe have reached in stark recognition of the fact that it will take unprecedented agreement and collaboration amongst the world's countries to preserve our planet and protect it from the most severe climate changes, many of which are already taking place; and

WHEREAS: In announcing this agreement in December 2015, then-[President Obama stated](#), "...this agreement will mean less of the carbon pollution that threatens our planet, and more of the jobs and economic growth driven by low-carbon investment. Full implementation of this agreement will help

delay or avoid some of the worst consequences of climate change,” and these goals were lauded by millions of people across the planet; and

WHEREAS: By announcing his plans to withdraw from the Paris Climate Agreement, President Trump has not only placed the planet on a significantly more perilous path in the coming decades, he has jeopardized our country’s ability to remain competitive in the global workforce of tomorrow, and he has also signaled to the world that the United States has lost its willingness to be the true moral leader upon the World Stage; and

WHEREAS: While President Trump may be intent on carelessly walking away from this most necessary agreement, governors and [mayors across the United States](#) have been standing up and speaking out about their own commitments to adhere to the ideals and policies as laid out by the Paris Climate Agreement, and the City of Cambridge shall stand in solidarity in word and in deed with those communities in the months, years, and decades ahead; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record condemning President Trump’s decision to withdraw from the Paris Climate Agreement, and in expressing a renewed commitment to the City of Cambridge doing all that it can to join the many other communities across the United States in honoring the ideals and actions that are laid out in that agreement; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record strongly urging Governor Charles D. Baker to publicly commit to ensuring that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts similarly adheres to the goals and ideals of the Paris Climate Agreement; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward suitably engrossed copies of this policy order to Governor Charles D. Baker and President Donald J. Trump on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-3 June 12, 2017

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The Department of Public Works is currently installing a colorful multi-use path and public artscape on Fern Street, which is designed to provide a safe and direct connection between Danehy Park and the Tobin/Vassal Lane Upper School and the playing fields on Concord Avenue; and

WHEREAS: Once the new path is completed this summer, it is likely that more people of all ages and especially young people and families will begin to use this safe and protected connection; and

WHEREAS: At present a school crossing guard is stationed at the corner of Concord Avenue and Alpine Street, one block from Fern Street; and

WHEREAS: Once the path is open it might be desirable to relocate the school crossing guard and school bus stop from Alpine Street to Fern Street and to consider other safety measures for students crossing Concord Avenue; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Superintendent of Schools to determine whether additional safety features, including adding or relocating a crossing guard, can be included at the

intersection of Fern Street and Concord Avenue for children to safely cross to the Tobin School/Vassal Lane Upper School.

O-4 June 12, 2017

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: A Visual Preference Survey (VPS) is a technique for obtaining public feedback on physical design alternatives, and is often used when creating zoning codes, planning redevelopment, and conducting urban planning research; and

WHEREAS: A Visual Preference Survey allows citizens and decision makers to determine public preferences for various types of community design, architectural qualities, land/streetscaping, and/or built-environment options; and

WHEREAS: Commercial and residential development within Cambridge remains highly competitive, with developers often times building the most cost efficient structures with minimal community aesthetic appeal; and

WHEREAS: Incorporating a Visual Preference Survey will offer guidance to developers, policy makers, and citizens as they consider how the city should grow; and

WHEREAS: The Visual Preference Survey consists of a series of images that may be actual photographs or computer simulated images depicting potential urban environments, and, participants score these images according to their preference; and

WHEREAS: Effective Visual Preference Surveys are specifically tailored to the community and location, generated after multiple discussions and field investigations, and address eight or more related categories of visual and spatial characteristics; and

WHEREAS: Recent plans utilizing Visual Preference Surveys include Denver, Topeka, New Castle, Orlando and neighboring Somerville, Massachusetts; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Community Development Department and the Planning Board to determine how Visual Preference Surveys (VPS) could be incorporated into the planning and zoning process; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Community Development Department to report back to the City Council on the feasibility of incorporating Visual Preference Surveys (VPS) and a timetable for when this may take place.

O-5 June 12, 2017

MAYOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: From May 26, 2017 through May 28, 2017, the Boston Calling music festival was held on the grounds of Harvard University’s Athletic Complex, located in Allston, after having previously been held at Boston City Hall Plaza in its earlier iterations; and

WHEREAS: Music festivals like Boston Calling are important cultural events for this region, boosting our local businesses and enhancing our already-thriving musical and artistic communities; and

WHEREAS: Nevertheless, numerous Cambridge residents have reached out to their City representatives both during and after the Boston Calling dates, voicing strong concern

over excessively loud noise levels that were interfering with peoples' quality of life, even within their homes; and
WHEREAS: While the concert itself took place outside of Cambridge, it nevertheless had an impact on the quality of life for many Cambridge residents, and these residents have urged the City to take a more active role in mitigating any future issues with the Boston Calling festival should it return to Harvard University in the future; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to reach out to the appropriate City of Boston representatives, Harvard University representatives, and Boston Calling organizers to ensure that the City of Cambridge has an active voice in any future iterations of the Boston Calling festival in order to address the concerns raised by Cambridge residents, and to report back on this to the City Council in a timely manner.

O-6 June 12, 2017

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: Access to public toilets is a necessity for the large volume of residents and tourists who visit and utilize our parks and playgrounds; and

WHEREAS: There is a history of robust conversations between the City and the community about putting public toilets in and around the City; and

WHEREAS: In 2016 the City opened a Portland Loo, a brand of public toilet, in Harvard Square; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Department of Public Works, the Recreation Department, and any other relevant City department to determine if there are family oriented parks or playgrounds where the City could install a Portland Loo and to report back to the City Council with a list of those parks and playgrounds.

O-7 June 12, 2017

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: The King Open school has moved to the Longfellow School for three years while construction takes place; and

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that the playground used in the courtyard does not support the need of the children to engage in meaningful play time; and

WHEREAS: King Open School has a large student enrollment with a small recreation space and a small number of fixtures at this site; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Department of Public Works and any other City department to provide appropriate playground equipment for the site and report back to the City Council regarding a timeline and plan for completion.

O-8 June 12, 2017

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that there have been several instances of CSX train lines idling in residential areas; and

WHEREAS: The train idling is disruptive to the citizens and violates the state mandate that prohibits idling; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Commissioner of the Cambridge Police Department to enforce that the trains are not idling in residential areas.

O-9 June 12, 2017

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that some business owners holding Liquor Licenses with the City of Cambridge are experiencing dramatic devaluation of their license; and

WHEREAS: Small business owners have invested in the Cambridge economy, often taking great personal and financial risk to open their businesses and to serve the needs of the community at large; and

WHEREAS: The restaurant industry is identified as one of the fastest growing markets in Cambridge and growth is expected to continue; and

WHEREAS: The availability of no-value licenses is important in maintaining Cambridge's vibrant restaurant community but it has also impacted the value of previous licenses; and

WHEREAS: License owners often use the asset to back commercial loans to improve their business, assist in business operations, and weather down turns in the restaurant business; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the License Commission with the intent of formulating a plan that will provide relief and fair compensation to liquor license holders that have been impacted by dramatic devaluing of their liquor license and to report back to the City Council on this matter.