

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$1,000,000 from the General Fund School Salary and Wages account to the Public Investment School Extraordinary Expenditures account to support the costs associated with the operational phase of the Innovation Agenda. [This includes costs related to the relocation of students and staff, various facilities improvements such as science lab renovations, technology improvements and equipment and specialist space improvements, and other operational expenses.]
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$700,643.05 in unexpended School Public Investment balances from school capital projects that have been completed, the balances from which are now available for redistribution to other school projects. [“The completed school capital projects are related to the Replacement of Fire Alarms (\$360,660.74), Baldwin School HVAC replacement (\$50,000), Tobin School HVAC replacement (109,982.31) and Elementary Gym Door Replacement (\$200,000)... I am requesting that these balances be transferred to the following school capital projects: CRLS phasing (\$100,000) to support the costs of the move back to CRLS this summer and (\$600,643.05) to elementary building repairs to support the estimated costs with the operational phase of the Innovation Agenda as described in Agenda Item 1 and other small projects.”]
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for \$101,811 to the Grant Fund Community Development Salaries and Wages account which will be used to cover a portion of the salaries of existing housing planners and support staff related to the administration of the HOME Program.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the HOME Program for \$918,243.00 to the Public Investment Fund Community Development Extraordinary Expenditures account to provide funds to create new affordable housing (\$745,309) and to provide funding to local Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs), non-profits, (\$172,934) for program delivery costs for affordable housing projects (required under HOME regulations).
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Income of \$14,818.65 to the Public Investment Fund Community Development Extraordinary Expenditures account which is available to support the development of affordable housing activities.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer \$85,113 within the Public Safety Answering Point Emergency Communications Center Support (PSAP Support) Grant from the Grant Fund Emergency Communications Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$28,113) and from the Grant Fund Emergency Communications Department Extraordinary Expenditures account (\$57,000) to the Grant Fund Emergency Communications Department Salary and Wages account (\$85,113) which will support overtime costs for backfills to allow for training classes for dispatch personnel in the Emergency Communications Department.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer \$4,485.25 within the Public Safety Answering Position (PSAP) Grant from the Grant Fund Emergency Communications Department Salary and Wages account (\$4,485.25) to the Grant Fund Emergency Communications Department Travel and Training account (\$4,234) and to the Grant Fund Emergency Communications Department Other ordinary maintenance account (\$251.25) which will support additional training classes for dispatch personnel in the Emergency Communications Department.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of various donations for \$700 to the Grant Fund Human Rights Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will support the annual Fair Housing Month student poster and essay contest.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$135,000 from the General Fund Fire Salary and Wages account (\$84,000), the General Fund Fire Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$25,000) and from the General Fund Extraordinary Expenditures account (\$26,000) to the General Fund Fire Travel and Training account (\$135,000) to cover tuition reimbursements, medical services and/or prescription reimbursement costs for fire personnel injured in performance of their duties.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-57, regarding a report on Harvard University's acquisition of three properties formerly owned by the Society of Jesus of New England/Weston School of Theology and affordable housing in Cambridge.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constables Without Power for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2011: Paul Beckford, Jr.; Joseph D. Bombino
12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of Richard Johnson as a member of the Cambridge Water Board for a five year term, effective June 30, 2016.
13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of 21 Proof Training donations in the amount of \$30,093.69 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account which the Cambridge Prevention Coalition received from numerous alcohol-serving establishments in Cambridge for conducting 21 Proof server trainings and will be used to support staff salaries.
14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of funds to the Center for Families from the Cambridge Public Health Department in the amount of \$3,564.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance

account to provide support to Pathways for Success, facilitating one community playgroup, and support for the June 2011 Family Fun Day.

15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$2,400.00 for the Center for Families program funded by the Department of Education to the Department of Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account to purchase additional supplies.
16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of reimbursement revenues received from Cambridge Homeless Service Provider Agencies and surrounding communities to support the Cambridge Homeless Management Information System in the amount of \$12,000.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account.
17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Summer Food Program grant that is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the Massachusetts Department of Education for \$200,289.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salaries and Wages account (\$30,000.00) and to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$170,289.00) which will be used to provide nutritious meals to Cambridge youth at 26 confirmed sites throughout the City during the summer months when schools are closed.
18. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$55,510 in excess Library Fine revenue to the General Fund Library Other Ordinary Maintenance account to cover the cost of purchasing replacement outside book return containers for the main and branch libraries.
19. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a \$750 donation from the Cambridge Rotary Club to the Grant Fund Police Travel and Training account which will support a Police Department program through the Youth and Family Services Unit (YFSU) in partnership with the Cambridge YMCA and the Cambridge/Somerville Boxing Club for a youth boxing program for youth 13-22 who are either currently or have previously been enrolled in the YFSU Diversion program.
20. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$9,200 in donations to the Public Investment Public Works Extraordinary Expenditures account to support the purchase of hanging baskets and public plantings, primarily in Central Square.
21. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$43,450 from the General Fund Police Other Ordinary Maintenance account to the General Fund Police Extraordinary Expenditures account to purchase a vehicle to support tactical response activities.
22. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a energy efficiency rebate revenues from NSTAR for \$18,789 to the Public Investment Fund Public Works Extraordinary Expenditures account related to heating system boiler replacements at the Frazier and Moore Youth Center buildings and will be used for additional energy efficiency projects in other City buildings.
23. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$15,000 from the General Fund Employee Benefits (Insurance) Salary and Wages account to the General Fund Employee Benefits Travel and Training (Judgment and Damages) account to cover current and anticipated medical services and/or prescription reimbursement costs for personnel injured in performance of their duties for various departments.
24. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$1,500 from the General Fund Community Development Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account to the General Fund Community Development Department Travel and Training account to provide funds for membership to the National Association of City Transportation Officials, Cities for Cycling program.
25. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to proposed zoning language to enable a regional bike share program.
26. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-52, regarding a report on installing traffic calming measures at Russell Street and Massachusetts Avenue.
27. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-75, regarding a report on North Point special permit.
28. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-74, regarding a report on producing information for residents and neighborhood groups relative to the best way to seek technical support for zoning and development issues.
29. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation of the Section 5.28.2 Rezoning Petition.
30. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-60, regarding report the feasibility of creating a program for residents who are interested in starting a new business in Cambridge as Awaiting Report Item 11-67, regarding a report on ensuring that Cambridge participates in Global Entrepreneurship Week 2011.
31. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 11-56 and 11-62, regarding how the City can support electric vehicles and the US Department of Energy grant for development of local/regional electric charging infrastructure.
32. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a request for approve of the alteration, layout and acceptance of the portion of Vassar Street that is between Massachusetts Avenue and Audrey Street in the City of Cambridge.

ON THE TABLE

1. 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.]

2. 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.]
3. 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.]
4. 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.]
5. 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.]
6. 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

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 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.
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 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. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after June 20, 2011. Planning Board hearing held Mar 29, 2011. Petition expires July 5, 2011.

9. 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. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after June 20, 2011. Planning Board hearing held May 10, 2011. Petition expires Aug 3, 2011.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Rafiki bistro, requesting permission for four tables and eight chairs for restaurant seating in front of premises numbered 1682 Massachusetts Avenue.
2. An application was received from Cambridge Arts Council, requesting permission for a temporary banner across JFK Street at Mount Auburn Street announcing National Poetry Slam 2011.
3. An application was received from Oxford Street Realty, Inc., requesting permission for a sign to be placed in a flower box in front of premises numbered 1644 Massachusetts Avenue.
4. An application was received from Josh Newbury, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 21 Decatur 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.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Jimmy Tingle, transmitting thanks for the resolution of congratulations on his graduation from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Francis J. "Franny" Hayes. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Maher
2. Congratulations to Quinton Zondervan on his new position as President of Green Decade/Cambridge. Vice Mayor Davis
3. Happy 80th Birthday wishes to Maria C. Barnes. Councillor Reeves
4. Resolution on the death of Joseph A. Sousa. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Maher
5. Resolution on the death of Richard J. "Dick" Silva. Mayor Maher

6. Happy 90th Birthday wishes to Zelma Olivia Evelyn.
Councillor Reeves
7. Retirement of Nancy Kendall from the School Department.
Mayor Maher
8. Retirement of Hal Hedges from the School Department.
Mayor Maher
9. Resolution on the death of Jean Keldysz. Mayor Maher,
Councillor Toomey
10. Resolution on the death of Shirley F. (Feeney) McGrail.
Mayor Maher, Councillor Toomey
11. Resolution on the death of Specialist Michael B. Cook Jr. Councillor Decker
12. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Michael C. Olivieri. Councillor Decker
13. Resolution on the death of Specialist Emilio J. Campo Jr. Councillor Decker
14. Resolution on the death of Specialist Christopher B. Fishbeck. Councillor Decker
15. Resolution on the death of Specialist Robert P. Hartwick. Councillor Decker
16. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Matthew Joseph England. Councillor Decker
17. Congratulations to Emily and Matt Robison on the birth of their daughter Ruth Else Robison. Councillor Decker
18. Congratulations to Robin Lapidus on being named Executive Director of the Central Square Business Association. Mayor Maher
19. Thanks to Carl Barron for his longstanding support of the Hildebrand Family Self Help Center. Mayor Maher
20. Thanks to the Metabolix employees who will be hosting its annual Day of Service in partnership with Cambridge Department of Public Works on June 20, 2011. Mayor Maher
21. Congratulations to Brian Dandro on his appointment as Executive Chef at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in Cambridge. Mayor Maher
22. Thanks to Joyce Trotman for her many years of service as the Executive Director of the Hildebrand Family Self Help Center. Mayor Maher
23. Thanks to John Schall, owner of FiRE + Ice, for hosting a fundraiser for Brenna Bean on June 14, 2011. Mayor Maher
24. Welcome Matrix Partners to the City of Cambridge. Mayor Maher
25. Congratulations to Dr. James Roland Braithwaite for his many years of service as organist and choir master at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Maher
26. Congratulations to Una Barrett on being the recipient of the 2011 Irish Voice Influential Women Award. Mayor Maher
27. Resolution on the death of James P. Harkins. Mayor Maher, Councillor Toomey
28. Congratulations to Tom Benner on being hired as the new Editor-in-Chief of Spare Change. Councillor Seidel
29. Congratulations to Gladys Vega on her fellowship position with the Barr Foundation. Councillor Decker
30. Welcome Paperwork.Pro to the City of Cambridge. Councillor Cheung
31. Welcome Architex to the City of Cambridge. Councillor Cheung
32. Best wishes to Dana Goheen, Multi Service Center, as he pursues his law degree. Councillor Decker
33. Congratulations to the Boston Bruins on winning the 2011 Stanley Cup. Councillor Toomey
34. Congratulations to the Cambridge Massachusetts Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on the dedication ceremony for the Longfellow Park Chapel. Councillor Decker

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to direct all department heads to remind their staff to whenever possible and when it is economically feasible to buy local. Councillor Cheung
2. That the City Manager is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to develop a long term strategy that somehow mitigates the actions of the Boston cab companies Councillor Cheung
3. That the City Manager is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to look into the feasibility of amending the Paine Park's fountain's schedule to allow for continued use through Labor Day. Councillor Cheung
4. That the City Manager is requested to submit an order allocating funds from the current budget so that the City Council can hire outside counsel to provide independent advice about the manager's employment contract and his request to amend it. Councillor Kelley
5. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to see if there are any means to address the staff parking issue at Tot Lot. Councillor Seidel
6. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner and to report back on where the police currently conduct foot patrols or park and walks in Cambridge and how these locations are decided. Councillor Toomey
7. That the City Council go on record asking Harvard University to work closely and cooperatively with the City Manager, the Affordable Housing Trust, Homeowner's Rehab, Inc., tenants and others to facilitate the sale of the property to Homeowner's Rehab, Inc to ensure the continued affordability at Craigie Arms for current and future tenants. Councillor Decker
8. That the Mayor appoint a special commission comprised of city officials, community members and members of the O'Neill Family for the purpose of planning events in 2012 to commemorate the Centennial of Thomas Phillip "Tip" O'Neill, Jr.'s birth. Mayor Maher

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 Finance Committee, for public meeting held on May 2, 2011 to discuss creating a program in Cambridge similar to Boston's Department of Urban Mechanics to improve city service delivery and to discuss creating a capital budget for the development of internet and mobile based tools.
2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marjorie C. Decker, Chair of the Housing Committee, for a public meeting held on May 9, 2011 for the purpose of receiving information regarding plans to sell Craigie Arms (also

known as Chapman Arms) and the City's options to preserve affordability.

3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Environment Committee for a public meeting held on Apr 26, 2011 to discuss the future of curbside collection of organic waste and decreasing the use of plastic bags.
4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Co-Chair of the Government Operations and Rules Committee for a public meeting held on June 8, 2011 to discuss clarification/correction to the City Manager's contract.
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 meeting held on June 15, 2011 to continue 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.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, June 20

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
5:30pm Report from Cambridge Climate Emergency Action Group on activities and findings along with any recommendations for future City efforts. (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)

Wed, July 13

5:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a zoning petition from MIT to amend the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Cambridge to create a new section 13.80 to the Zoning Ordinances entitled PUD-5 District and amend the Zoning Map to create a new PUD-5 District in the Kendall Square area; petition rezones a 26-acre parcel in the Kendall Square area. (Sullivan Chamber)

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 20, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: Cambridge's wide range of innovative and customer conscious small businesses are ranked high in what residents cherish most about this city; and
WHEREAS: Cambridge is fortunate to have hundreds of unique and popular locally owned and independent businesses that are critical components to a strong local economy; however, in these hard economic times owning a business has become even more difficult; and
WHEREAS: During this difficult time, it is critical that we continue to fight for every Cambridge job, every Cambridge small business and every chance to boost Cambridge's economy; and
WHEREAS: Nationally, small businesses employ over half of all private sector employees and have generated over 64 percent of net new jobs over the past 15 years; and
WHEREAS: The most readily available action any city can take to diminish the effect of the national economic crisis on its residents is to help strengthen its local economy; and
WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that several city employees ordered flowers from a national floral website in celebration of "Administrative Professionals Day" rather than submit the order to a locally owned business, and ultimately the order was eventually fulfilled by a local store; and
WHEREAS: The afore described scenario is literally taking money out of the hands of local business owners and

sending it to a middleman in Virginia for the same services and flowers; and

WHEREAS: Money spent at locally-owned businesses contributes 57% more to the local economy than does money spent at non-locally owned businesses and keeps valuable services and jobs in the City; and

WHEREAS: The before mentioned example highlights the necessity for a more pro-active approach by the City of Cambridge to support local economic development, especially in these uncertain economic times. It is important to remind residents and employees alike that individual decisions collectively impact the fabric of the community around us; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby is requested to direct all department heads to remind their staff to whenever possible and when it is economically feasible to buy local. This can be accomplished by hanging posters in City buildings similar to those at the Harvard Book Store which say "See it here, buy it here, keep us here" and through regular department meetings stressing the importance of supporting the local economy and report back to the City Council.

O-2 June 20, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that Boston cab companies occasionally attempt to appropriate business from Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: During this difficult time, it is critical that we continue to fight for every Cambridge job, every Cambridge small business and every chance to boost Cambridge's economy; and

WHEREAS: The most readily available action any city can take to diminish the effect of the national economic crisis on its residents it to help strengthen its local economy; and

WHEREAS: It is in the best interest of the City to ensure that our locally owned cab companies are given the best opportunity to succeed in an already tough market; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to develop a long term strategy that somehow mitigates the actions of the Boston cab companies and report back to the City Council with the course of action.

O-3 June 20, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that the fountain in Paine Park is only turned on from May 15 through Aug 15; and

WHEREAS: Under the current provisions, the fountain is turned off for the last two weeks of August, historically one of the hottest periods of the summer; and

WHEREAS: Many school children like to play at Paine Park during summer vacation but are limited by the fountain's timeframe; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to look into the feasibility of amending the Paine Park's fountain's schedule to allow for continued use through Labor Day and report back to the City Council.

O-4 June 20, 2011

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: The current contract between the City Manager and the City Council was voted on with little time for the Council or the general public to review the final contract; and

WHEREAS: The current contract does not, at this point, contain all the items the City Manager would like; and

WHEREAS: Possible changes to the current contract may open the contract to re-negotiation; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to compile and provide to the City Council copies of the contracts of other Massachusetts City Managers for comparison by the City Council; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to submit an order allocating funds from the current budget so that the City Council can hire outside counsel to provide independent advice about the manager's employment contract and his request to amend it; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk is requested to provide the City Council with copies of the signed originals of the last four City Manager contracts.

O-5 June 20, 2011

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: The Cambridgeport Children's Center, also known as "Tot Lot," has been providing nurturing and caring educational and social programming for preschool-aged children and their families since 1971, with a founding mission of providing "a safe place to counter the many forms of persistent discrimination in our society;" and

WHEREAS: Tot Lot is comprised of ethnically, racially, culturally and socio-economically diverse children, families and staff; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge appreciates organizations like Tot Lot who provide valuable services and support to families with young children, recognizing the important impact good childcare and education has on the future development of a child; and

WHEREAS: Tot Lot has no off-street parking to provide staff, some of whom do not live in Cambridge but who do need to drive to work; and

WHEREAS: Staff who park on the street are ticketed because they are not able to obtain a City of Cambridge parking sticker; and

WHEREAS: These parking fines are becoming increasingly burdensome to Tot Lot staff; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to see if there are any means to address the staff parking issue at Tot Lot.

O-6 June 20, 2011

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner and to report back on where the police currently conduct foot patrols or park and walks in Cambridge and how these locations are decided.

O-7 June 20, 2011

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that the buildings at 120-122 Mt. Auburn, 2-4-6 University Road and 6 Bennett Street, also known as Craigie Arms Apartments, are being offered for sale; and

WHEREAS: The building is currently owned by a limited partnership which is controlled by the estate of the developer who purchased the building from Harvard University in 1985; and

WHEREAS: Under terms of the settlement of legal proceedings between the developer, Harvard University and the City in 1985, 25 of the 50 units must be rented to low-income residents for 30 years; and

WHEREAS: Harvard University sold the Craigie Arms building to the developer under a 55-year ground lease, retaining ownership of the underlying land, and will again assume ownership of the building at the expiration of the current ground lease in 2040; and

WHEREAS: Under the requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 40T, the owner of Craigie Arms was required to notify the city, the state and tenants of its intention to offer the building for sale subject to expiring affordability restrictions; and

WHEREAS: Homeowner's Rehab, Inc. has been designated by the state under provisions of Chapter 40T to make efforts on its behalf to purchase the building so that the affordability of these units may be preserved; and

WHEREAS: The Affordable Housing Trust has committed funds necessary to fully assess the feasibility of preserving these units through a purchase by Homeowner's Rehab, Inc.; and

WHEREAS: In order to finance the purchase of the building with state and federal affordable housing funds, Homeowner's Rehab, Inc. will need Harvard University to agree to extend the term of its ground lease; and

WHEREAS: The City Manager has requested that Harvard University extend the term of its ground lease for Homeowner's Rehab, Inc. to assist in its purchase of the building; and

WHEREAS: Harvard University has been presented the opportunity to work with the city and the state designee to explore partnerships in the sale of the building that will preserve the affordability of these units; and

WHEREAS: Current tenants living in the building would like to know whether their homes are secure for more than the remaining 5 years required by the 1985 settlement; and

WHEREAS: The developer and original controlling owner worked very closely with the City, strongly supported the affordable units in this building, and was a leader in the field of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS: In the current economic climate, with more families needing affordable housing while resources for housing are being cut, preservation of existing affordable housing is of critical importance; and

WHEREAS: The City Council recognizes that Craigie Arms is an important affordable resource in an area where there are few housing choices for low-income tenants and would therefore like to find a way to secure the affordability of at least these 25 units of affordable housing for the long-term; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record asking Harvard University to renew its commitment to preserving affordable housing in Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record asking Harvard University to work closely and cooperatively with the City Manager, the Affordable Housing Trust, Homeowner's Rehab, Inc., tenants and others to facilitate the sale of the property to Homeowner's Rehab, Inc to ensure the continued affordability at Craigie Arms for current and future tenants; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record asking Harvard University to amend the term of its ground lease to assist in these preservation efforts; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council ask Harvard University to communicate to the City Council what the University can do to assist in preserving the affordability of these units; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record asking that owners of and investors in the Craigie Arms building work closely with the city, Homeowner's Rehab, Inc. the Affordable Housing Trust, tenants and others to ensure that every effort is made to ensure that Craigie Arms remains the important affordable housing resource it has been for the long-term.

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MAYOR MAHER

WHEREAS: Thomas Phillip "Tip" O'Neill, Jr. was born on Dec 12, 1912 in Cambridge, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS: Thomas Phillip O'Neill Jr. acquired his nickname "Tip" during his childhood while attending Saint John's High School in North Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Thomas Phillip "Tip" O'Neill, Jr.'s unsuccessful bid for the Cambridge City Council in 1932 inspired his famous quote "All Politics Is Local"; and

WHEREAS: Thomas Phillip "Tip" O'Neill, Jr. was elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives in 1936, elected to the Cambridge School Committee in 1946 and elected as the first Democratic Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives in 1949; and

WHEREAS: Thomas Phillip "Tip" O'Neill, Jr. began a thirty-four year career as a member of the United States House of Representatives in 1952 quickly rising to the leadership positions of Majority Whip and Majority Leader before becoming the fifty-fifth Speaker of the House of Representatives in 1977; and

WHEREAS: Thomas Phillip "Tip" O'Neill, Jr. was the second longest serving Speaker in the history of the United States Congress and had an enormous impact on Cambridge, the Commonwealth and the United States of America; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Mayor appoint a special commission comprised of city officials, community members and members of the O'Neill Family for the purpose of planning events in 2012 to commemorate the Centennial of Thomas Phillip "Tip" O'Neill, Jr.'s birth.