

## CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to appointments and reappointments of the following persons as members of the Cambridge Peace Commission effective June 22, 2015:

### Reappointments

Frank Connelly - term ending Oct 19, 2017

Larry Kim - term ending Oct 19, 2017

### New Appointments:

George Atallah - 2 year term

Aboma Dirbaba - 3 year term

Jame Eliscar - 1 year term

Gladys Friedler - 1 year term

Ellechi Kadete - 1 year term

Lijun Li - 3 year term

Johanne Méléance - 2 year term

John Ratliff - 2 year term

Regina Yang - 3 year term

2. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of William G. Barry, Jr. as a member of the Harvard Square Advisory Committee for a term of three years, effective June 10, 2015.

3. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment and reappointments of members to the Cambridge Historical Commission:

### New Appointment

Shary Berg, Member, three year term, effective 6/22/15

### Reappointments

William King, Member, term expiring on 9/30/16

Robert Crocker, Member, term expiring on 2/8/17

Chandra Harrington, Member, term expiring on 6/26/17

Jo M Solet, Member, term expiring on 6/22/16

Joseph V. Ferrara, Alternate, term expiring on 6/10/18

Susannah Tobin, Alternate, term expiring on 6/10/18

4. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as members of the Mid Cambridge Neighborhood Conservation District Commission, effective June 22, 2015:

Sue Myers, Member - 3 year term

Monika Pauli, Member - 3 year term

Nancy Goodwin, Alternate - 2 year term

Charles Redmon, Alternate - 2 year term

5. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as members of the Avon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District Commission:

### Reappointments

Theresa Hamacher, Alternate, term to expire on 11/1/17

Arthur Bardige, Alternate, term to expire on 11/1/18

### New Appointment- 3 year term, effective 6/22/15

John Sanzone, Member

6. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointments and reappointment of the following persons as member of the Half Crown-Marsh Neighborhood Conservation District Commission:

### New Appointments- effective 6/22/15

James VanSickle, Alternate, 2 year term

Judith Dortz, Alternate, 2 year term

Charles Smith, Member, 3 year term

Marie P. Dillenseger, Member, 3 year term

Dr. Peter Schur, Member, 3 year term

### Reappointment

William King, Member, term to expire on 6/25/16

7. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointments and reappointments of the following persons as members of the Board of Trustees of the Cambridge Health Alliance, effective June 11, 2015:

### Reappointments

Maren Batalden, MD, Medical Staff member (1-year term)

William Hart, Everett (3-year term)

Madge Kaplan, Cambridge (3-year term)

Katharine Kosinski, MD, Cambridge (3-year term)

### As Officers for a one-year terms

Carol Van Deusen Lukas, Chair

Joshua Posner, Vice-Chair

### Reappointment

Robina Bhasin, EdM, (Somerville seat, 2-year term)

Danna Mauch, Ph.D., (Cambridge seat, 2-year term)

Barbara Anthony, (Cambridge, 3-year term)

8. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a Public Weigher for the remainder of the calendar year 2015 at Boston Sand & Gravel Co., 500 Front Street: Dean Francis Boylan

9. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$10,000 from the Water Fund Other Ordinary Maintenance account to the Water Fund Travel and Training account (Judgment and Damages account) to cover current and anticipated medical services/prescription costs for employees injured during the performance of their work duties.

10. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$150,000 from the General Fund Employee Benefits Salary and Wages account (Insurance) to the General Fund Fire Travel and Training account (Judgments and Damages account) to cover medical services and/or prescription reimbursement costs for fire personnel injured in performance of their duties.

11. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-56, regarding the feasibility of designating an emergency vehicle parking space in front of the Lyndon B. Johnson (LBJ) Apartments.

12. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$30,000 from the Cambridge Community Foundation to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account which will support the ongoing programming for families who are participating in, or have participated in, the Baby University program.

13. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program (EFSP) grant in the amount of \$15,000 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to supplement fuel assistance payments.

14. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriate of the Summer Food Program grant funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the Massachusetts Department of Education for \$218,610 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to provide nutritious meals to Cambridge youth at 26 sites throughout the City during the summer months when schools are closed.
15. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointments of the following persons as member of the Commission for Persons with Disabilities Advisory Board, for a term of three years, effective June 22, 2015:  
Maria Fontellio  
Zarha Kanji  
Alicia Zeh-Dean
16. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$4,800 from the General Fund License Travel and Training account to the General Fund License Other Ordinary Maintenance account to cover expenditures related to transcription services for additional License Commission hearings and Pole and Conduit hearings held this year.
17. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-30 and 15-41, [regarding License Commission Fees and Cap Areas](#).
18. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-55, regarding a report on airplane noise issues.
19. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 14-118, regarding a report on street-narrowing initiatives.
20. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-46, regarding a report on installing Hubway stations in West Cambridge and on having all Hubway stations situated for year round use.
21. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-44, regarding a report on steps needed to opt in to the new Earned Sick Time law.

#### **CHARTER RIGHT**

1. Congratulations to the Cambridge Synchronized Swans for qualifying for the synchronized Swimming Junior Olympics and best wishes for continued success. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Resolution Number Thirteen of June 15, 2015.]

#### **ON THE TABLE**

2. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on the status and next steps for the Beekeeping ordinance. [Order Number Ten of Mar 30, 2015 Placed on the Table on the motion of Councillor Kelley on Mar 30, 2015.]

#### **APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

1. An application was received from the Cambridge Housing Authority, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 1 Jackson Place; said petition has

received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association.

2. An application was received from Beat Hotel requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 13 Brattle Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department, Historical Commission and abutter.
3. An application was received from City of Cambridge Budget Office, requesting permission for three temporary banners across Massachusetts Avenue at City Hall, Massachusetts Avenue at Pearl and Norfolk Streets and JFK at Mount Auburn Street announcing idea collection for participatory budgeting.
4. A zoning petition has been received from Elizabeth M. Stern, et al. to amend the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map by changing the current zoning designation of Lot 84 (2551 Massachusetts Avenue) and Lot 65 (7 Richard Avenue) on Assessing Block Map 186 from Business A-2 to Residence B and remove both from the MAOD and the NMAS, redraw the zoning district boundary lines so the two lots are in the Residence B zone and not in the MAOD or the NMAS and revise Article 20, Sections 100-111. [\[Petition text\]](#)
5. An application was received from Fitlab Pilates LLC requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 1305 Cambridge Street.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

1. A communication was received from Carol O'Hare, 172 Magazine Street, regarding the Volpe Development.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. Congratulations to Geeta Pradhan on her appointment as President of the Cambridge Community Foundation. Councillor Cheung
2. Congratulations to Ruth Ryals on being honored for her efforts as one of the 86 Unsung Heroines of 2015 by the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women. Councillor McGovern and Councillor Cheung
3. Congratulations to Marieke Van Damme on being named the Executive Director of the Cambridge Historical Society. Mayor Maher
4. Congratulations to Brianna Duncan on being named Gatorade's Massachusetts 2015 Track and Field Athlete of the Year. Councillor Cheung
5. Resolution on the death of Sonny Reale. Councillor Toomey and Mayor Maher
6. Retirement of Eric Derman from the Cambridge Police Department. Mayor Maher
7. Commend the Freemasons of Massachusetts on their dedication top preserving the history of the Commonwealth. Councillor Cheung
8. Commend Art Levine and the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation on the formation of their graduate program. Councillor Cheung
9. Congratulations to Whetlab on their acquisition by Twitter. Councillor Cheung

10. Commend MIT's Presidential Advisory Committee on Climate Change for their bod endorsement of divestment from fossil fuels. Councillor Cheung
11. Commend the work and goals of Environment Massachusetts. Councillor Cheung
12. Commend the organizers of MassChallenge on their commitment to improving diversity in the innovation economy. Councillor Cheung

#### ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the School Committee with the view in mind to request the Superintendent of Schools to provide data regarding Charter Schools. Councillor Kelley, Councillor Cheung, Councillor McGovern and Councillor Simmons
2. That the City Council go on record adopting the Net Zero Action Plan which includes key actions to reduce emissions and the process that engages stakeholders. Councillor Cheung
3. That the City Manager is requested to sign the White House and Small Business Administration's "Startup in a Day" pledge. Councillor Cheung
4. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads to determine the feasibility of the City getting involved with the President's TechHire initiative. Councillor Cheung
5. That the City Manager is requested to write a letter to the Department of Public Health indicating the City of Cambridge's non-opposition for Commonwealth Alternative Care's application to operate a RMD at 135 Fawcett Street, Cambridge, MA. Councillor Cheung, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Simmons and Councillor Mazen
6. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to install ADA compliant sidewalks, create protected bike lanes, and consider additional features to guarantee the safety of young students and all other users in the Huron Avenue area. Councillor Mazen
7. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Police Department and Assistant City Manager for Human Services to be sure residents, especially seniors are aware of steps they should take if they find they have been impacted by ATM card skimming schemes, and be sure Senior Center staff, Cambridge Housing Authority staff, and other appropriate departments are knowledgeable enough to advise those impacted on how to remedy their financial situation. Councillor Toomey
8. That the Executive Assistant is hereby requested to confer with the McCarthy Family to find a suitable location at the corner of Gold Star Road and Seven Pines Avenue for a street corner dedication sign for retired Cambridge Police Officer Dennis McCarthy. Mayor Maher
9. That the City Council go on record condemning the actions taken by the Government of the Dominican Republic, as the City of Cambridge stands by the International Human Rights and urges the Government of the Dominican Republic to respect the liberty and universal human rights of all of its citizens. Vice Mayor Benzan, Councillor Simmons and Councillor McGovern

10. That the proposed amendments to Chapter 6.04 entitled "Animal Control Regulations" be passed to a second reading; said amendments relate to adding the Park Ranger to the definitions, an increase in dog license fees, confinement fees and complaint disposition and penalty violations. Councillor Carlone and Vice Mayor Benzan

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Paula M. Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Housing Committee for a public hearing held on June 10, 2015 to discuss and explore possible ways in which the City could pilot an LGBT housing program.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk transmitting a report from Councillor Leland Cheung, Chair of the Health and Environment Committee for a public hearing held on June 9, 2015 to discuss a proposed framework for the goal of setting Cambridge on the trajectory to becoming a "net zero community."
3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk transmitting a report from Councillor Leland Cheung, Chair of the Health and Environment Committee for a public hearing held on June 2, 2015 to discuss Urban Agriculture initiatives in the City of Cambridge and the creation of a regulatory environment that can foster the safe expansion of Urban Agriculture within the City limits.

#### HEARING SCHEDULE

##### Mon, June 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, June 29

- 1:00pm The **Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee** and the **Economic Development and University Relations Committee** will conduct a joint public hearing to bring the STEAM working group together to develop strategies and timelines for summer research. Click here to view the agenda. (Community Room, Main Library, Level 2)
- 6:00pm The **Ordinance Committee and the Planning Board** will conduct a joint public hearing on a petition by the Planning Board to amend Section 13.10 of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance so as to change the development controls applicable in the Planned Unit Development at Kendall Square (PUD-KS) Overlay Zoning District. The majority of the PUD-KS District is occupied by the Volpe Transportation Systems Research Center operated by the U.S. Department of Transportation. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Tues, June 30

5:30pm The **Public Safety Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss with the License Commission how it works, the permitting and shared economy. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Wed, July 1

5:30pm The **Public Safety Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss policing and public safety, community policing and police training. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Tues, July 7

5:30pm The **Ordinance Committee** will meet. (Sullivan Chamber)

**Thurs, July 9**

3:00pm The **Housing Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss whether there are measures the City and local housing agencies and advocates can take to assist the soon to be displaced tenants of 295 Harvard Street. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm The **Public Safety Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss police equipment, including electronics, and planning for non-traditional police work. (Sullivan Chamber)

**Tues, July 14**

5:30pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss proposed amendments to Section 11.200 entitled Incentive Zoning Provisions and Inclusionary Housing Provisions. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

**Wed, July 15**

3:00pm The **Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss how emergent out of school time programs recruit underserved youth in innovative ways, how programs engage youth in advanced research or professional skills building, and how these programs may present exciting models for other organizations seeking to impact socio-economic and educational equity in Cambridge. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm The **Ordinance Committee** will meet. (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Aug 10**

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

**Mon, Sept 21**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Sept 28**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Oct 5**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Oct 19**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Oct 26**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 2**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 9**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 16**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 23**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 30**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Dec 7**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Dec 14**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Dec 21**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Dec 28**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**TEXT OF ORDERS**

O-1 June 22, 2015

COUNCILLOR KELLEY  
COUNCILLOR CHEUNG  
COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN  
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Cambridge spends approximately \$10,500,000 annually on Charter School tuition; and

WHEREAS: Charter Schools such as the Community Charter School of Cambridge face an attrition rate of up to 59% of their students between grades 9 and 12, which is much greater than CRLS' average 10% class size reduction during grades between grades 9 and 12; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge does not have readily available information about what Charter Schools its residents are attending, during what grades they attend Charter Schools, how successful their Charter School experience has been and how the cap on Charter School enrollment, and possible changes to it, impact both the City's budget and residents' educational options; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the School Committee with the view in mind to request the Superintendent of Schools to provide data, broken down by each relevant Charter School, about Cambridge students attending Charter Schools, to include demographic information, graduation rates, transfer rates into and out of each Charter school by grade, disciplinary actions if available by donating district, college attendance and graduation rates and any other information that might help the Council better understand the role of Charter Schools as an option for Cambridge residents, as part of the annual City budget presentation to the City Council; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on how this information might be structured; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with an enrollment report styled as requested for the School Year 2014-2015.

O-2 June 22, 2015

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record adopting the Net Zero Action Plan which includes key actions to reduce emissions as follows:

- Retrofits to existing buildings
- Net Zero new construction
- Energy supply
- Local carbon fund
- Engagement and capacity building and endorsing the recommended process that engages stakeholders.

O-3 June 22, 2015

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The White House and Small Business Administration in conjunction with eleven cities have announced the launch of their "Startup in a Day" initiative, a partnership that will see the eleven cities develop online tools that will help entrepreneurs apply for the necessary local, state, and federal requirements needed to start a business in less than a day; and

WHEREAS: Starting a business often requires the navigation of considerable red tape, from navigating legal structure to deciphering zoning and permitting; and

WHEREAS: There are many simple technological solutions already in place to streamline the permitting process for a new business, and the City of Cambridge has previously demonstrated its commitment to easy-to-use technological solutions; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to sign the White House and Small Business

Administration's "Startup in a Day" pledge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with a report on the next steps the Council needs to take to successfully see the City adhere to the pledge.

O-4 June 22, 2015

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has gained a reputation as a hotbed for innovative startup companies that are leading the way in powering America's future; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has long been known as a hub of innovation, ideas, and most importantly action; and

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that the President has announced a new "TechHire" initiative that will see federal grants, public/private partnerships, and educational programs work towards supporting new tech jobs in communities; and

WHEREAS: As a leading innovative tech community, the City of Cambridge should look to be a leader in the TechHire movement, both by taking advantage of new opportunities and by sharing how the City supports its tech community; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads to determine the feasibility of the City getting involved with the President's TechHire initiative; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council in a timely fashion.

O-5 June 22, 2015

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR MAZEN

WHEREAS: In 2012, residents of the City of Cambridge voted overwhelmingly in favor of legalizing marijuana for medical use in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS: In response to the legalization of medical marijuana, the Cambridge City Council passed comprehensive zoning regulations in 2013 to ensure that patients residing in and around the City have access to critical palliative care treatments; and

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that Commonwealth Alternative Care will be applying for licensure to operate a RMD in Cambridge, Massachusetts at 135 Fawcett Street; and

WHEREAS: Commonwealth Alternative Care is a palliative, patient-centered health care facility that will provide medical marijuana to patients in the form of non-euphoric balms, salves, pills and transdermal patches; and

WHEREAS: The proposed location for their RMD is located within the City's MMD-1 zone in the midst of an industrial area and meets all of the requirements set forth by the City of Cambridge and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS: Commonwealth Alternative Care's team has canvassed the surrounding area on multiple locations to introduce themselves, share their plan, and address any concerns residents may have; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to write a letter to the Department of Public Health indicating the City of Cambridge's non-opposition for Commonwealth Alternative Care's application to operate a RMD in the City of Cambridge, Massachusetts; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to send this letter prior to the Department of Public Health deadline of June 29, 2015.

O-6 June 22, 2015

COUNCILLOR MAZEN

WHEREAS: Huron Avenue is a significantly traveled route for people in cars, people on bicycles, and people walking; and

WHEREAS: Many residents, including senior citizens and young students, use Huron Avenue to get to and from Fresh Pond Reservation, the Fresh Pond Golf Course, Glacken Field & Playground, the Russell Youth & Community Center, the Collins Branch library, schools (including the Daniel Haggerty School), shopping, and recreational sporting events; and

WHEREAS: Student and pedestrian safety is paramount to the City of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: At present, several significant sections of Huron Avenue lack the necessary infrastructure to ensure safe travel for all users; and

WHEREAS: There is, specifically, no sidewalk, cycle track, or protected bicycle lane on the north side of Huron Avenue between Fresh Pond Parkway and Aberdeen Avenue (679 ft. in length), between Aberdeen Avenue and Glacken Field (903 ft.), or between Glacken Field and the Russell Youth & Community Center (502 ft.); and

WHEREAS: Continuous concrete sidewalks are significantly easier to keep cleared of snow and ice, the lack of which resulted in pedestrians at this location being forced to walk dangerously in the street for most of the past Winter; and

WHEREAS: ADA compliant sidewalks also ensure safe and equal access to persons with disabilities and greatly encourage sidewalk use by all residents, thus limiting non-motorist road usage; and

WHEREAS: Protected bike lanes are inexpensive and see 28% fewer injuries per mile; and

WHEREAS: 96% of protected bike lane users notice an increase in personal safety, a priority for families with students who commute to school; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to install ADA compliant sidewalks, create protected bike lanes, and consider additional features to guarantee the safety of young students and all other users; 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-7 June 22, 2015

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that a number of Cambridge residents have fallen victim to a recent ATM card skimming scheme; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Police Department has issued alerts to raise awareness and help residents recognize potential threats to their ATM card security; and

WHEREAS: Some people impacted by this scheme had their information stolen many weeks ago and may not be aware they are potentially compromised; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Department and Assistant City Manager for Human Services to be sure residents, especially seniors are aware of steps they should take if they find they have already been impacted, and be sure Senior Center staff, Cambridge Housing Authority staff, and other appropriate departments are knowledgeable enough to advise those impacted on how to remedy their financial situation.

O-8 June 22, 2015

MAYOR MAHER

RESOLVED: That the Executive Assistant be and is hereby requested to confer with the McCarthy Family to find a suitable location at the corner of Gold Star Road and Seven Pines Avenue for a street corner dedication sign for retired Cambridge Police Officer Dennis McCarthy; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and is hereby requested to forward this order to the Dedication Committee for review.

O-9 June 22, 2015

VICE MAYOR BENZAN

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: In 1492, the island formerly known as Hispaniola became the site of Christopher Columbus's first European settlement in the Americas; through the establishment of French and Spanish colonies, natives of this land faced battles, deathly illnesses, and slavery; today this island's territory is shared by two sovereign nations: the Dominican Republic and Haiti; and

WHEREAS: Despite their shared history and geographical proximity, these two nations have often been divided by a bloody history of tense relations and conflicts; and

WHEREAS: In 1937, antagonism between these two nations was heightened during the Parsley Massacre, a genocide organized by Dictator of the Dominican Republic, Rafael Trujillo, targeted against Haitians, Haitian-Dominicans, Dominicans who were dark enough to pass as Haitians as well as those who could not pronounce the "r" in perejil, the Spanish word for parsley; and

WHEREAS: It has been almost 8 decades since this bloody massacre, and tensions between Haitians and Dominicans appear unchanged; on Sept 23, 2013 the Dominican Republic's Constitutional Court passed "La Sentencia," a law stating that automatic citizenship be denied to people born in the country after 1929 to noncitizens, the majority of which are of Haitian descent; this law retroactively strips people from their citizenship and forcibly removes them from their lifelong homes; and

WHEREAS: In 2014, the Dominican Government passed a law requiring all foreign born workers to register and apply for residency before Wed June 17, 2015 at 7:00 pm or face deportation to Haiti; and

WHEREAS: During this time, many Dominican employers failed to provide their foreign worker with the proper documentation proving how long they have been living in the country; and

WHEREAS: Many of those at the risk of deportation will become stateless if sent to Haiti as they have lived in the Dominican Republic their entire lives, do not have any family or relations in Haiti nor do they speak Creole; and

WHEREAS: Over the past six months, arbitrary deportations have taken place in the Dominican Republic; and Government officials have randomly stopped people on the streets asking for proper documentation based on the color of their skin, creating fear and uncertainty in the community; and

WHEREAS: These actions taken by the Government of the Dominican Republic go against Article 15 of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which states, "(1) Everyone has the right to a nationality; (2) no one shall be arbitrarily deprived of his nationality nor denied the right to change his nationality"; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record condemning the actions taken by the Government of the Dominican Republic, as the City of Cambridge stands by the

International Human Rights and urges the Government of the Dominican Republic to respect the liberty and universal human rights of all of its citizens; and it be further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copies of this resolution to the U.S. Ambassador to the Dominican Republic James Brewster, the Dominican embassy, and the Haitian embassy in Washington D.C., and the Boston area on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-10 June 22, 2015

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

VICE MAYOR BENZAN

WHEREAS: A proposed Municipal Code amendment to Chapter 6.04 regarding "Animal Control Regulations" was submitted by the City Manager on July 28, 2014 as Agenda Item #41, as attached; said proposed amendment was referred to the Ordinance Committee which conducted a public hearing on Nov 12, 2014 and an Ordinance Committee Report was transmitted to the City Council on Dec 14, 2014 and said proposed amendment remained in committee; and

WHEREAS: Recommendations from the Cambridge Off Leash Working Group for off leash dogs have been transmitted as Agenda Item #19 of June 15, 2015; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the proposed amendments to Chapter 6.04 entitled "Animal Control Regulations" be passed to a second reading; said amendments relate to adding the Park Ranger to the definitions, an increase in dog license fees, confinement fees and complaint disposition and penalty violations.