

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$350,000 in surplus sewer revenues to the Public Investment Fund Public Works Extraordinary Expenditures account to provide funds for remedial reconstruction and emergency repairs to the sewer system.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Substance Abuse Services for \$100,000 to the Grant Fund FY04 Human Services Salaries and Wages account (\$57,220), Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$39,450), and Travel and Training account (\$3,330) to provide funds to enable the Cambridge Prevention Coalition to implement its Cambridge Community Mobilizing for Change Around Alcohol Project.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a Constable Without Power for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2003:
Teresa Maiocchi, 14 Brownlea Rd., Framingham, MA 01701
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a request for an easement to install permanent decorative elements along the front entrance of the Hotel Marlowe, 25-27 Edwin Land Boulevard.

ON THE TABLE

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square. 1-11 Shady Hill Square, 36 Holden Street.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the Landmark Designation Study Report for designating as a protected landmark the Tulip Tree at 1436 and 1446 Cambridge Street.
3. Request the City Manager to direct the Community Development Department to make maximum use of CPA funds to develop affordable housing that is permanently affordable, such as limited equity cooperatives and condos.
4. Requesting the City Manager to appoint someone to speak with Neighbors for a Better Community to explore possible collaboration.
5. Requesting the City Manager to direct the City Solicitor to draft a home rule petition to enable the City Manager to approve curb cuts.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. Petition from Harvard University requesting a sub-surface easement located between 1720 and 1737 Cambridge Street for the purpose of constructing an underground pedestrian and service tunnel beneath Cambridge Street.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Eric and Laura Chung, regarding the construction project at 217 Western Avenue by the Cambridge Housing Authority.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Broadway Marketplace, requesting permission for three tables and nine chairs for restaurant seating at the premises numbered 468 Broadway.
2. An application was received from Alan V. Oppenheim, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 25-27 Gary Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. Four neighborhood association letters were sent. Two neighborhood responses received approving the curb cut.
3. An application was received from Harry Katis, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 349-357 Green Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. Two neighborhood association letters were sent. One neighborhood response received.
4. An application was received from Discover Boston Multi-lingual Trolley Tours, Inc., requesting permission for a sandwich board sign and a table to display information on trolley tours in Harvard Square next to the MBTA stop near the news stand.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Timothy Belleza. Jr. Mayor Sullivan
2. Resolution on the death of Viviane P. Collins. Mayor Sullivan
3. Resolution on the death of Hugh J. McCann. Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Maher
4. Resolution on the death of John J. Poisson. Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Toomey
5. Resolution on the death of Alice M. (Slonina) Marshalsea. Mayor Sullivan
6. Thanking and congratulating Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves for organizing an exciting and highly productive meeting of the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee on June 18, 2003 to discuss Cambridge and its new economy and how the education system should respond to it. Vice Mayor Davis, Councillor Decker, Councillor Galluccio, Councillor Maher, Councillor Murphy, Councillor Simmons, Mayor Sullivan and Councillor Toomey
7. Thanking Emily Savickas for her 18 years of dedicated service to the women of the City of Cambridge and wish her well in her retirement. Mayor Sullivan
8. Resolution on the death of James A. Hourihan. Councillor Toomey

9. Congratulating Historic Cambridge Collaborative on Cambridge Discovery Walks program of day-long free walking tours on July 5, 2003. Councillor Murphy
10. Congratulating Harvard, MIT, and the Whitehead Institute on the announcement of the Broad Institute, an unprecedented collaboration to use the Human Genome Project information for development of cures for disease. Councillor Murphy
11. Resolution on the death of Margaret L. Mahoney. Councillor Galluccio
12. Resolution on the death of Helen Lesses. Councillor Galluccio
13. Resolution on the death of Eleanor (Zamparelli) Cataldo. Mayor Sullivan
14. Commending the Cambridge Police Department and the Massachusetts State Police on their swift action in apprehending the suspect in the shooting incident at River Street and Putnam Avenue. Mayor Sullivan
15. Commending the Cambridge Police Department and the Massachusetts State Police on their swift action in securing a warrant for the arrest of the suspect in the Walden Street shooting. Mayor Sullivan
16. Requesting the City Council to be cognizant of a memorial service for the late Chief Justice of the Appeals Court, Joseph Warner, to be held at the Appeals Court on Tuesday, June 24, 2003, beginning at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 1006. Mayor Sullivan
17. Extending the wish for a very successful fundraiser to the Matthew Nagle Foundation as it holds its 2nd Annual Golf Tournament. Mayor Sullivan
18. Thanking Maryellen Carvello and all City departments for all their hard work to make the Dance Party of June 20, 2003 a success. Councillor Decker
5. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the City Solicitor to determine the legal ability of the City to establish procedures by which the City could fine NSTAR for failing to respond to City requests for repair of streetlights. Councillor Galluccio and Mayor Sullivan
6. Requesting the City Manager to convene a traffic safety planning meeting for Blanchard Road. Councillor Galluccio
7. Requesting the City Manager to direct the City Solicitor to draft a home rule petition providing for legal "safe havens" for abandoned newborns and infants in the City of Cambridge. Mayor Sullivan and Vice Mayor Davis
8. Requesting the City Manager to report back to the City Council on the City of Cambridge becoming a sponsor for the 2003 Race to Stop Global Warming. Vice Mayor Davis
9. Requesting the City Manager to report back to the City Council on potential collaboration with the YWCA to provide human service programs in Central Square, since the Longfellow and Graham and Parks Schools will no longer be available as sites. Vice Mayor Davis
10. Requesting the City Council to dedicate an appropriate site in the memory of Florence Souza. Mayor Sullivan
11. Requesting the Community Development Department to attend the June 25, 2003 pre-bid meeting for MBTA proposals for lease of land and air rights at Porter Square Station and express expected neighborhood concerns. Councillor Murphy

CHARTER RIGHT - Councillor Reeves

ORDERS

1. Requesting the City Manager to provide the City Council with a brief description of the legal proceeding and decision that prohibited Cambridge from providing health benefits to domestic partners, and to inform the City Council what would be required to enable Cambridge to offer these benefits. Councillor Simmons
2. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the Police Commissioner to report back to the City Council on street crime in Cambridgeport. Councillor Simmons
3. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the state and the MDC to negotiate to purchase property. Councillor Toomey and Councillor Galluccio
4. Requesting the City Manager to investigate whether there has been a sale or preliminary action regarding a sale of Our Lady of Pity Church. Councillor Simmons and Mayor Sullivan
12. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the Department of Public Works and the Community Development Department for proper maintenance of the area around Lafayette Square and to report back to the City Council on the status of the Lafayette Square construction project. Mayor Sullivan
13. Requesting the City Council to dedicate an appropriate site in the vicinity of Massachusetts Avenue and Temple Street in honor of Teddy Arvinitis. Councillor Maher, Mayor Sullivan
14. Requesting the City Manager to report on changes to the MDC for the August meeting including implications for MDC resources in the City. Vice Mayor Davis, Mayor Sullivan
15. Requesting the City Council to dedicate the corner of Fenno and Sherman Streets as Arthur Kilfoyle Square. Councillor Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan
16. Requesting the City Manager to investigate security issues at the Pit in Harvard Square. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Sullivan

CHARTER RIGHT - Councillor Reeves

17. Requesting the City Manager to look into the problem of blackouts in the Riverside neighborhood, and the capacity for NSTAR to provide services to the additional service to the new development at Pleasant Street. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Sullivan
18. Requesting the City Manager to ask the Community Development Department to obtain a copy of the Boston Plan for Allston Landing and report back to the City Council at the summer's meeting on any implications for Cambridge/Harvard relations and Harvard development in Cambridge. Councillor Murphy, Mayor Sullivan
19. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the Police Commissioner and the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department on issues related to traffic calming and speed limit enforcement on Reservoir Street. Mayor Sullivan

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the University Relations Committee, for a meeting held on May 30, 2003 for the purpose of discussing with the School Committee, university and Museum of Science representatives how the universities and other educational institutions can contribute to the improvement of public pre-K-12 education.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, June 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, June 24

8:30am The Human Services Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss out-of-school time programs and Community Schools programs. (Ackermann Room)

Wed, June 25

3:00pm The Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussing the Democratic National Convention Workshop and the "Buy Cambridge Initiative." (Ackermann Room)

Thurs, June 26

3:00pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss: (Sullivan Chamber)

3:00pm the issue of a new position entitled "Assistant City Manager for Public Safety."

3:30pm investigating additional public buildings and entertainment complexes to house Semi-Automated External Defibrillators (SAED) and SAED trained and certified personnel.

4:00pm night club safety issues.

Mon, June 30

4:00pm Roundtable Meeting (Special Meeting) - Informal discussion with members of the Affordable Housing Trust with no public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, July 30

4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Planning Board petition (re-filed June 27, 2003) to amend the zoning in the Riverside area. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Robert S. Carlson et al. petition (re-filed June 27, 2003) to amend the zoning in the Riverside area. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Aug 4

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

Mon, Sept 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 15

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 29

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 20

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 17

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 1

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 8

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TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 June 23, 2003

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide the City Council with a brief description of the legal proceeding and decision that prohibited Cambridge from providing health benefits to domestic partners; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager inform the City Council as to what changes would be required in the law or otherwise to enable Cambridge to offer said benefits and as to whether health benefits for domestic partners are offered in any other states or localities.

O-2 June 23, 2003

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner to report back to the City Council on street crime in Cambridgeport.

O-3 June 23, 2003

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the state and the MDC to negotiate to purchase property.

O-4 June 23, 2003

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is directed to investigate whether there has been a sale or preliminary action regarding a sale of Our Lady of Pity Church.

O-5 June 23, 2003

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

MAYOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: There are large numbers of streetlights out all over the City of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: NSTAR has been far less responsive to requests for repair than reasonable persons would expect; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the City Solicitor with the view in mind of determining the legal ability of the City to establish procedures through which the City could fine NSTAR for failing to respond to City requests for repair; and be it further

ORDERED: That if research establishes the City's authority to take such action, the City Solicitor prepare for the City Council's consideration an ordinance providing for daily fines for each day that a streetlight has not been repaired after a reasonable and specified time period for making the repair has elapsed.

O-6 June 23, 2003

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to convene a traffic safety planning meeting for Blanchard Road.

O-7 June 23, 2003

MAYOR SULLIVAN

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the City Solicitor to draft a home rule petition providing for legal "safe havens" for abandoned newborns and infants in the City of Cambridge.

O-8 June 23, 2003

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The Green House Network has announced that the City of Cambridge will serve as the host community for the 2003 Boston-area Race to Stop Global Warming on Sept 14, 2003; and

WHEREAS: It is an established community value that all City policies and their implementation must reflect and integrate a healthy environment; and

WHEREAS: Host cities for the Race to Stop Global Warming typically sponsor the event; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back to the City Council on the City of Cambridge becoming a sponsor for the 2003 Race to Stop Global Warming.

O-9 June 23, 2003

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on potential collaboration with the YWCA to provide human service programs in Central Square, since the Longfellow and Graham and Parks Schools will no longer be available as sites.

O-10 June 23, 2003

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate an appropriate site in the memory of Florence Souza; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Chief of Staff to the Mayor be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

O-11 June 23, 2003
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council request the Community Development Department to attend the June 25, 2003 pre-bid meeting for MBTA proposals for lease of land and air rights at Porter Square Station and express the following expected neighborhood concerns itemized by the Porter Square Neighbors Association and the Agassiz Neighborhood Council:

- A safe T plaza that attracts pedestrian traffic from morning to mid-evening/resurface the plaza/upgrade access from the west side of Mass. Ave.
- Ongoing funding for cleaning and maintenance of the Porter Square T station
- Make the new building an addition to the neighborhood in appropriate scale
- No bars or chain stores as part of retail development
- Address parking and traffic concerns
- Maintain cell phone coverage on commuter rail platform, for safety
- Address open space concepts
- Construction mitigation
- Meaningful community process

O-12 June 23, 2003
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Department of Public Works and the Community Development Department for proper maintenance of the area around Lafayette Square, specifically around the site of the former gas station; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the status of the Lafayette Square construction project.

O-13 June 23, 2003
COUNCILLOR MAHER
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate an appropriate site in the vicinity of Massachusetts Avenue and Temple Street in honor of Teddy Arvinitis, a 52-year employee of Cambridgeport Bank and valued member of the Cambridge Community; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council arrange such dedication.

O-14 June 23, 2003
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report on changes to the MDC for the August meeting including implications for MDC resources in the City.

O-15 June 23, 2003
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
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O-16 June 23, 2003
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to investigate security issues at the Pit in Harvard Square.

O-17 AMENDED ORDER June 23, 2003
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN

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O-18 AMENDED ORDER June 23, 2003
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MAYOR SULLIVAN

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O-19 June 23, 2003
MAYOR SULLIVAN

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