

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-31, regarding a report on the status of the Community Garden program.
2. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Massachusetts Office on Disabilities (MOD) in the amount of \$43,630 to the Public Investment Fund Public Works Extraordinary Expenditures account which will fund ADA improvements at the Senior Center, City Hall Annex and the Lombardi buildings.
3. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER) Green Communities Division in the amount of \$250,000 to the Public Investment Fund Public Works Extraordinary Expenditures account which will support Lombardi Building air handling unit replacement and expanded building management system controls and retrofits for three DPW vehicles and a DHSP shuttle bus to hybrid technologies.
4. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a member of the Family Policy Council as a Specific Area Representative for a term of 1-year, effective Sept 1, 2017: Michael Johnston, Executive Director, Cambridge Housing Authority.
5. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-6, regarding an analysis and evaluation of "pop up" bicycle lanes.
6. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-14, regarding possible conversion to one-way operations on Windsor Street.
7. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the Street Performers Ordinance as well as Arts Council staffing and programming.
City Manager's Order June 26, 2017
WHEREAS: Chapter 12.16, Section 12.16.170 (the "Street Performers Ordinance") of the Cambridge Municipal Code (the "Municipal Code") as revised by the Cambridge City Council on Apr 22, 1996 sets forth regulations for street performing or busking in the City of Cambridge (the "City"); and
WHEREAS: The City Council has requested that the City Manager confer with the Arts Council and the City Solicitor with the view in mind of reviewing the Street Performers Ordinance and to consider certain amendments thereto; and
WHEREAS: The City Manager has conferred with the Arts Council and City Solicitor to review the Street Performers Ordinance and identify appropriate amendments; now therefore, be it
ORDERED: That Chapter 12.16, Section 12.16.170 of the Municipal Code be amended by replacing Section 12.16.170 with the attached document containing several amendments thereto.

8. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 17-46, 17-47, 17-48 and 17-49, short term rentals.
9. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an amendment to the City's previous submission of a Home Rule Petition to the Legislature whereby I requested authorization to include in the planned reconstruction (the "Project") of the King Open / Cambridge Street Upper School and Community Complex ("KOCUS") the area that is presently occupied by the public swimming pool known as the Gold Star Pool (the "Pool Site") and to construct subsurface geothermal wells in a portion of Donnelly Field that lies directly along and adjacent to the current southerly boundary of the KOCUS site.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Affordable Housing Trust with the view in mind of immediately contacting the Episcopal Divinity School to begin negotiations for the purchase of 8-acre Episcopal Divinity School site for construction of critically needed affordable housing units including single occupancy spaces and middle income housing, particularly housing for eligible Cambridge residents, families, starter apartments for young adults, veterans, homeless and seniors who have been displaced. [Charter Right exercised by Vice Mayor McGovern on June 19, 2017.]

ON THE TABLE

2. The City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to organize regular suppers on the second Saturday of each month, starting on the 13th of August, with free food for the Cambridge community in open public spaces throughout the various Cambridge neighborhoods. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Mazon on June 20, 2016. Tabled on a motion by Councillor Mazon on June 27, 2016.]
3. The City Manager coordinate with the Finance Department, Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, and community stakeholders to outline a proposed system of governance, management, and stakeholder engagement for the Foundry, to be discussed in a public forum with the Council and community. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Toomey On Oct 31, 2016. Placed On The Table on voice vote of six members on motion of Councillor Toomey.]
4. An application was received from Mundo/Lux, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 2 Bow Street. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Cheung on Dec 19, 2016. Placed On Table on a voice vote of 8 on motion of Councillor Cheung on Jan 9, 2017.]
5. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and any other relevant City department to survey of city residents, work, and visitors to determine who is interested in parking in the City. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Jan 30, 2017. Placed On Table on a motion by Councillor Cheung on Feb 6, 2017.]
6. That the City Manager is requested to establish the requirement that all appointments to the City's commissions, advisory committees, and task forces reflect the City's

diversity and that the Civic Unity Committee is asked to sign off on all such appointments going forward. [Charter Right exercised by Mayor Simmons on Feb 27, 2017.

Tabled On a motion by Councillor Cheung on a voice vote of 8 members on Mar 6, 2017.]

7. That the City Manager is requested to create a permanent office or public-private initiative for the purpose of fostering charitable giving in Cambridge and to work with non-profits to study the local charitable giving landscape, measuring the estimated maximum charitable carrying capacity of the city. [Tabled as amended by substitution on a motion of Councillor Mazen on May 8, 2017.]
8. An application was received from Cambridge License Advisory Board, requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue at Pearl and Norfolk Streets announcing the 15th annual Taste of Cambridge on Tues, July 11th, 2017. [Tabled on June 12, 2017.]
9. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone and Councillor Leland Cheung, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on May 24, 2017 to discuss the zoning petition filed by Latoyea Hawkins Cockrill, et al. to regulate short-term rental uses throughout the City. [Tabled on June 12, 2017.]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. An amendment to the Municipal Code Ordinance that Title 8 entitled "Health and Safety" be amended by adding a new Chapter 8.69 entitled "Running Bamboo Ordinance." The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after June 26, 2017.
11. An amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge to create a new Chapter 4.60 – to regulate Short-Term Rentals (STR). The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after June 26, 2017. Planning Board Hearing held May 23, 2017. Petition expires Aug 29, 2017.
12. An amendment to the Municipal Code in Title 6 entitled "Animals" to insert a new Chapter 6.20 entitled "Restrictions on the sale of animals in Pet Shops." The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after July 10, 2017.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Camberville Coffee Roasters, requesting permission for five tables and thirteen chairs for outdoor seating in front of the premises numbered 100 Kirkland Street.
2. A rezoning petition has been received from MIT/GSA Volpe to amend the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance by adding a new Section 13.90 to Article 13.000 and amend the Zoning Map to add new PUD-7 District.
3. An application was received from ImprovBoston requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue in front of City Hall, to promote the Boston Comedy Arts Festival that will take place at ImprovBoston, 40 Prospect Street, Sept 6th thru Sept 10th.
4. An application was received from Amelia Todd, requesting permission to widen an existing curb cut at the premises numbered 29 Highland Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works.

Response has been received from the neighborhood association.

5. An application was received from The Harvard Shop, requesting permission for a projecting sign at the premises numbered 52 JFK Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department, Historical Commission and abutter.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Mike Bober, President & CEO, Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council, 1615 Duke Street, Suite 100, Alexandria, VA, regarding the proposed prohibition on the retail sale of animals in pet shops.
2. A communication was received from Barbara Piette and family, 156 Brattle Street, regarding a traffic light on Brattle Street.
3. A communication was received from Carol O'Hare, 172 Magazine Street, regarding air conditioning in the Sullivan Chamber.
4. A communication was received from P. Matthieu Cornillon, Brooklyn, NY, regarding US HR38/S446 ("Concealed Carry Reciprocity").
5. A communication was received from Carol O'Hare, 172 Magazine Street, regarding CSBA's sixty temporary banners.
6. A communication was received from Saul Tannenbaum, 16 Cottage Street, regarding questions for Branville Bard.
7. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, Individually, and as Chair, Friends of the White Geese, regarding the beginning of destruction of 54 mostly excellent trees at Magazine Beach, communication 10 in a series.
8. A communication was received from Jerry O'Leary and Rosemary Booth, 303 Third Street, regarding Volpe open space.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to HubSpot for being listed as one of America's Most Pet Friendly Companies by Wellness Natural Pet Food for its dog friendly pet headquarters. Councillor Cheung
2. Congratulations to Armando's for being listed on Boston.com's "Where to find Boston's cheesiest, chewiest, sauciest pizzas" list. Councillor Cheung
3. Congratulations to Otto for being listed on Boston.com's "Where to find Boston's cheesiest, chewiest, sauciest pizzas" list. Councillor Cheung
4. Congratulations to City Girl Cafe on being listed on Boston.com's "Where to find Boston's cheesiest, chewiest, sauciest pizzas" list. Councillor Cheung
5. Congratulations to Clara founder Sol Chen on being named into the 2017 class of the Thiel Fellows. Councillor Cheung
6. Resolution on the death of Mary Samp. Councillor Maher
7. Best wishes to David N. Barry on his retirement from Middlesex Superior Court. Mayor Simmons
8. Thanks to Cambridge's sister city of San Jose las Flores for their partnership, friendship, and hospitality. Vice Mayor McGovern

9. Resolution on the death of Mary Rita (Fennelly) Ramsey.
Councillor Toomey

10. Congratulations to Natasha Toomey on her graduation.
Councillor Toomey

ORDERS

1. City Council support of Massachusetts House of Representatives bill H.3542, legislation to establish a Massachusetts Infrastructure Bank designed to encourage borrowing and facilitate growth for municipalities.
Councillor Carlone, Councillor Mazen, Councillor Devereux

2. That the City Manager is requested work with the Department of Public Works and the Cambridge Arts Council to formally review the use of the Fern Street path as currently designed and consider options to ensure that the path functions as a safe, shared bicycle and pedestrian path and to work with the Department of Public Works to consider whether it is appropriate and feasible for a skateboarding feature to be included at Danehy Park.
Councillor Devereux

3. That the City Manager confer with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and any other relative City Departments regarding the installation of "School Zone" blinking lights, as well as any other relative signage, facing both directions on Magazine Street near the corner of Magazine and Upton Streets. Vice Mayor McGovern

4. That the City Manager is requested to urge the Cambridge Retirement Board of Trustees to review Cambridge's investment portfolio and consider divesting from all fossil fuel companies. Councillor Devereux, Councillor Cheung, Councillor Carlone

5. City Council support of the Temporary Protective Status (TPS) Visa program calling on the Department of Homeland Security to continue the TPS program and support Refugees escaping war, natural disasters and crime. Vice Mayor McGovern, Mayor Simmons, Councillor Mazen

6. That the City Council celebrates and memorializes the heroic actions of Taliesin Myrddin NamkaiMeche, Ricky John Best, and Micah David-Cole Fletcher with a Day of Commemoration on July 15, 2017, to be officially declared by the City Council. Councillor Mazen, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Devereux

7. That the City Manager is requested to confer with Department of Public Works and Cambridge Fire Department (CFD) staff and other relevant City officials to determine if new facilities are needed by either DPW or CFD to best carry out their respective missions in the future and, if so, what type of facilities they would need and how much space that would require and where they might possibly be located. Councillor Kelley, Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor McGovern

8. That the Public Safety Committee hold at least one hearing over the summer with representatives from Harvard, Lesley, and MIT, as well as any other relevant parties, to explore ways to ensure seamless communications about and appropriate preparations for any University events that are likely to have impacts outside the University campuses.
Councillor Kelley, Mayor Simmons, Councillor Devereux, Vice Mayor McGovern

9. That the City Manager is requested to confer with relevant City and other staff and report back to the City Council on the status of any discussions about and plans to redesign the "highways in the sky" to more equitably distribute Logan Airport's airplane traffic and communicate with the FAA and Logan Airport to express Cambridge's continued concerns. Councillor Kelley

10. That the City Manager is requested to work with the appropriate City departments to accelerate the planning and installation of two or more protected bike lanes by September, to produce a plan by October 2017 for the roll-out of protected bike lanes on all major city thoroughfares, to ensure that the Bike Plan recommendations are fully implemented on all road projects, and that additional infrastructure changes to provide for safety are implemented when possible. Councillor Devereux, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Cheung, Vice Mayor McGovern

11. That the City Manager is requested to monitor the conduct of any individuals who exhibit aggressive and hostile behavior towards City employees in the workplace, and that if such behavior does occur, that the City Manager take action immediately to ensure the safety of City employees, particularly female employees. Councillor Toomey

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Nadeem Mazen, Chair of the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee, for a public hearing held on June 7, 2017 to discuss the reappointment of Kathleen L. Born to the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority (CRA) for a term of five years.

2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone and Councillor Leland Cheung, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on June 7, 2017 to have a general discussion to receive an update on the planning that has been going on for the Volpe Project.

3. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Jan Devereux, Chair of the Economic Development and University Relations Committee, for a public hearing held on May 17, 2017 to discuss updates and data collected thus far for the Retail Strategic Plan, and other matters pertaining to the Study.

4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report on behalf of Councillor Craig Kelley, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a public hearing held on June 13, 2017 to discuss various forms and mediums of communication between residents and the City, to include Commonwealth Connects, and how the City Council may prioritize critical issues for data collection and reporting, also the Committee will discuss Order # 11 of Oct 31, 2106 regarding the creation of a Commonwealth Connects category for residents negatively impacted by short-term rental activity; Order # 8 of Apr 24, 2017 regarding creating a report system for mosquito harborage; and also bicycle-safety related incidents that would not generate a crash report.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a communication from Councillor Craig A. Kelley, regarding the changes of uses and users of our city streets as it relates to transportation.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, June 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, July 5

4:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct an additional hearing to continue the discussion on the City Council petition on short-term rentals and will potentially discuss the feasibility of grandfathering non-conforming uses related to STR, breakdown of owner adjacent full unit STR statistics, clarification of whether a small two family can be treated as an operator occupied single STR unit and implementation by Inspectional Services Department. (Ackermann Room)

Wed, July 26

5:30pm The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the next steps for the Foundry Building including: financing, community benefit, non-profit ecosystem, and community engagement. (Dr. Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, CRLS, 459 Broadway)

Wed, Aug 2

3:30pm Ordinance Committee (Dr. Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, CRLS, 459 Broadway)

Mon, Aug 7

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

Mon, Sept 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 16

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 20

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 29

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 June 26, 2017

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

COUNCILLOR MAZEN

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: Since the repeal of sections 20 and 32 of the Glass-Steagall Act in 1999 and the subsequent financial crisis of 2007-2010, our country has been beholden to a financial regulatory system that places an undue level of risk upon local government; and

WHEREAS: Multinational financial service conglomerates that lack internal risk controls and reward short term profit making, and that operate within an interconnected banking system, pose a serious threat to the economy; and

WHEREAS In addition to financial risks, these “too big to fail” banks often invest in companies that profit from weapons and firearms manufacturing, fossil fuels, and tobacco production, and are at odds with our city’s own value system; and

WHEREAS One option, successfully executed in North Dakota and now seriously being explored in Oakland, CA, Santa Fe, NM, Philadelphia, PA, and Manchester, NH, is the formation of a public bank; and

WHEREAS A public bank operates in the public interest and is owned by citizens through their representative government; and

WHEREAS Public banks partner with existing community banks, credit unions, financial institutions and development agencies to provide affordable credit for low and moderate income housing, investment in infrastructure and public transportation, and for spurring overall economic growth; and

WHEREAS A public bank can finance capital projects that serve the general public including schools, public services such as police, fire and health, public buildings, water facilities and waste management, climate change mitigation and adaptation, local roadways, bike paths, and pedestrian walkways; and

WHEREAS The state of North Dakota, which created a state publicly-owned bank, The Bank of North Dakota (BND), in 1919, and which maintains relationships with local community banks throughout the state has experienced tremendous success; and

WHEREAS The Bank of North Dakota, during the 2007-2010 financial crisis maintained budget surpluses with zero public debt, had the lowest foreclosure and unemployment rates in

the nation, the lowest amount of credit default swaps, zero bank failures, experienced an increase of total assets seven fold over the last two decades, returned \$385 million to that state's General Fund over the same period, and avoided costly fees and unnecessary risks associated with other outsized banking institutions; and

WHEREAS Recently, in Santa Fe, NM a comprehensive feasibility study found that a public bank is viable and would provide enhanced fiscal management, a more robust local lending climate, and would increase the currently available sources of infrastructure bond and loan financing to meet the economic development needs of the city by offering stable, competitive financing and improved transparency, thereby improving long term city planning; and

WHEREAS Currently under consideration in the Massachusetts House of Representatives is bill H.3542, legislation to establish a Massachusetts Infrastructure Bank designed to encourage borrowing and facilitate growth for municipalities; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council enthusiastically support passage of state bill H.3542; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Massachusetts House of Representatives on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-2 June 26, 2017

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: Numerous residents have expressed concern over the design and use of the recently completed Fern Street public artscape; and

WHEREAS: This project was presented to the public in 2014 as a colorful multi-use path to be constructed and funded as part of the ongoing Concord Avenue sewer separation and street construction project; and

WHEREAS: The project page on the Cambridge Arts Council's website describes that project as, "a distinctive public art project for a shared bicycle and pedestrian path between Concord Avenue and Field Street, near Fresh Pond. The artwork shimmers with bold colors, glass pieces embedded in the concrete, wiggling lines, and playful topography"; and

WHEREAS: Fern street was selected as a priority "safe-passage link" between the Tobin/Vassal Lane Upper School, Danehy Park, and the neighborhood intended for use by all ages; and

WHEREAS: The path has recently been completed, and neighbors have notified the City Council of frequent use by skateboarders, which was not the original, stated intention of the path; and

WHEREAS: Frequent use of the path by skateboarders has already damaged and scuffed the topographical features of the project, intended for "touch-and-go" use for young children; and

WHEREAS: Other users of the path and surrounding streets, including motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists, have expressed concern over their safety and access to using the path since it is frequently used by skateboards weaving at quick speeds and sometimes out onto Fern Street and Concord Avenue; and

WHEREAS: The path was not intended to function as a skateboard park, and its proximity to busy Concord Avenue may be unsafe for that use; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested work with the Department of Public Works and the Cambridge Arts Council to formally review the use of the Fern Street path as currently designed and consider options to ensure that the path functions as a safe shared bicycle and pedestrian path, as it was intended; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Department of Public Works to consider whether it is appropriate and feasible for a skateboarding feature to be included at Danehy Park, as the Fern Street project has demonstrated that there is a desire for such a use; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on these matters in a timely manner.

O-3 June 26, 2017

VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: Magazine Street is a heavily traveled street by cars and trucks; and

WHEREAS: The Amigos School is located on Upton St. which runs between Magazine Street and Pleasant Street; and

WHEREAS: Many children who attend the Amigos School cross Magazine Street on their way to and from school; and

WHEREAS: Many parents have raised concerns that motor vehicles speed on Magazine Street making it dangerous for children; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and any other relative City Departments regarding the installation of "School Zone" blinking lights, as well as any other relative signage, facing both directions on Magazine Street near the corner of Magazine and Upton Streets.

O-4 June 26, 2017

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: On June 24, 2013, the City Council unanimously passed a policy order requesting that the Cambridge Retirement Board of Trustees review Cambridge's investment portfolio and consider divesting from fossil fuel companies; and

WHEREAS: The City Council has not received any updates on this matter; and

WHEREAS: Especially now, as Cambridge stands at odds with a federal administration intent on reversing all progress made in recent years to protect the environment, we must stand up to the major fossil fuel companies to protect our environment for generations to come; and

WHEREAS: By divesting Cambridge's retirement pension fund from fossil fuel companies, the City will be taking yet another step to combat pollution and commit to fighting climate change; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to urge the Cambridge Retirement Board of Trustees to

review Cambridge's investment portfolio and consider divesting from all fossil fuel companies; and be it further ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back on this matter to the City Council by the City Council meeting on Sept 11, 2017.

O-5 June 26, 2017
VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN
MAYOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR MAZEN

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has historically been a proud supporter of Immigrants, Undocumented Immigrants and Refugees escaping war and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS: Temporary Protective Status (TPS) is a form of immigration status that provides employment authorization and protection from deportation for foreign nationals who cannot be safely returned to their home countries; and

WHEREAS: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), will consider whether to extend designations of Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for all nationals that currently hold TPS; and

WHEREAS: The Trump Administration is currently deciding whether to terminate the Temporary Protective status of over 300,000 immigrants from El Salvador, Honduras, and, most imminently, Haiti; and

WHEREAS: In light of this Administration's radical increase of interior and exterior enforcement through executive orders, funding requests, and policy guidance, the continued existence of TPS for these three countries is very much at risk; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council go on record in support of the Temporary Protective Status (TPS) Visa program and is calling on the Department of Homeland Security to continue the TPS program and support Refugees escaping war, natural disasters and crime; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Cambridge Delegation Members of Congress, Katherine Clark and Michael Capuano on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-6 June 26, 2017
COUNCILLOR MAZEN
COUNCILLOR CARLONE
COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: On May 26, 2017, Taliesin Myrddin Namkai-Meche, Ricky John Best, and Micah David-Cole Fletcher took a stand against racism, xenophobia, and islamophobia by confronting a man yelling racial and ethnic insults at two women on a commuter train; and

WHEREAS: Taliesin Myrddin Namkai-Meche, 23, a recent Reed College graduate, was hailed by friends and family as a loving and caring person, and reportedly spoke the dying words, "I want everyone on the train to know, I love them"; and WHEREAS: Ricky John Best, 53, was a US Army veteran and father of three teenage sons and one 12-year-old daughter; and

WHEREAS: Micah David-Cole Fletcher, 21, is a poet taking courses at Portland State University, notably winning a poetry competition in 2013 for a work condemning the prejudices that Muslims in America face; and

WHEREAS: Taliesin Myrddin Namkai-Meche and Ricky John Best were murdered, and Micah David-Cole Fletcher was seriously injured in their efforts to defend the two women being verbally assaulted; and

WHEREAS: The attacker was motivated by white supremacy and anti-Muslim sentiment, which is counter to the morals and values of Cambridge, and the whole of the United States; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge stands with Portland as a leader in honoring progressive ideals and upholding stories of courage and love, particularly at this time in history; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Cambridge celebrates and memorializes the heroic actions of these men, Taliesin Myrddin Namkai-Meche, Ricky John Best, and Micah David-Cole Fletcher with a Day of Commemoration on July 15, 2017, to be officially declared by the City Council; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Refuse Fascism New England organization, to the families of Taliesin Myrddin Namkai-Meche and Ricky John Best, and to Micah David-Cole Fletcher on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-7 June 26, 2017
COUNCILLOR KELLEY
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: Departments of Public Works (DPW) are taking an increasingly important role as first responders in terms of climate change, terrorist attacks, and other emerging public safety challenges; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge DPW already manages multiple construction projects, trash collection, recycling, snow plowing, urban forestry, and many more important City programs; and

WHEREAS: The current DPW site of less than two acres is relatively small and may make it challenging for DPW to most successfully carry out its current and future responsibilities; and

WHEREAS: All residents, workers, businesses, institutions, and visitors have a vested interest in having the most capable and best supported DPW possible; and

WHEREAS: There are multiple construction projects going on or being planned that may provide the opportunity to build a new DPW yard in Cambridge and possibly even a new fire safety training facilities if these options are explored early enough in the various project processes; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with Department of Public Works and Cambridge Fire Department (CFD) staff and other relevant City officials to determine if new facilities are needed by either DPW or CFD to best carry out their respective missions in the future and, if so, what type of facilities they would need and how much space that would require and where they might possibly be located; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this issue in a timely manner to allow the Council to consider any new infrastructure needs before opportunities to develop that infrastructure in conjunction with other ongoing or future projects disappear.

O-8 June 26, 2017
COUNCILLOR KELLEY
MAYOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX
VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: It is important for municipal, institutional, and regional public safety staff, as well as the general public, to know what events are coming to Cambridge and abutting areas that might require special preparations; and

WHEREAS: The recent Boston Calling concert was an example of imperfect communication between University staff and Cambridge officials and residents; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Public Safety Committee hold at least one hearing over the summer with representatives from Harvard, Lesley, and MIT, as well as any other relevant parties, to explore ways to ensure seamless communications about and appropriate preparations for any University events that are likely to have impacts outside the University campuses.

O-9 June 26, 2017
COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: Recent changes in airplane guidance technology and runway setup, combined with an overall increase in airplane traffic, have led to airplane flights being concentrated in certain segments of the sky near airports, so called “highways in the sky;” and

WHEREAS: In the case of Boston Logan Airport, one well used route directs airplanes over North and West Cambridge in what is often a steady stream of air traffic throughout the day, lasting late into the night and starting again in the very early morning; and

WHEREAS: These planes are low enough and loud enough, with nighttime noise being measured as high as 65 decibels inside homes (far above what the Cambridge noise ordinance sets as an acceptable level for noise from stationary equipment at a property line) that they can cause sleep disruptions as well as just presenting a general noise nuisance; and

WHEREAS: The City has a representative on the Massport Community Advisory Committee and has dedicated City resources to working with Logan Airport and the Federal Aviation Administration to get airplane noise redistributed in a more equitable manner throughout the region; and

WHEREAS: While ongoing runway work at Logan may be exacerbating the issue of noisy overflights, they have continued to be problematic since the Council expressed concerns about them in June, 2015; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That that City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant City and other staff and report back to the City Council on the status of any discussions about and plans to redesign the “highways in the sky” to more equitably distribute Logan Airport’s airplane traffic; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to communicate directly with relevant staff at the FAA and at Logan Airport to once again express Cambridge’s continued concern that current airport operations, including but not restricted to the impacts of ongoing runway work that is causing detrimental noise impacts on Cambridge residents, and further requesting that the timing, frequency,

and direction of the flights be altered to mitigate those impacts.

O-10 June 26, 2017
COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX
COUNCILLOR CARLONE
COUNCILLOR CHEUNG
VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: Riding a bicycle is the one of the most affordable transportation options in the flat, dense city of Cambridge and therefore should be made safer for vulnerable communities who rely on bicycles as well as for those who would like to bicycle but are discouraged by unsafe conditions; and

WHEREAS: The 1992 Vehicle Trip Reduction Ordinance (VTRO) requires the city to “make more efficient use of mass transit, bicycling, walking, and other alternatives to drive-alone trips”; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has adopted a Complete Streets policy and has formally committed to Vision Zero, with goals of eliminating transportation fatalities and serious injuries, as well as continuing to reduce the crash rates for all modes; and

WHEREAS: It has been one year since the death of 27-year-old Amanda Phillips, killed as she was cycling on Cambridge Street just outside of Inman Square; and

WHEREAS: In October of 2016, a petition with over 3,000 signatures was submitted to the City Council calling for protected bicycle infrastructure on all major city thoroughfares and the Council has unanimously passed more than 15 policy orders calling for a protected network of protected bike lanes to be installed across major arterials; and

WHEREAS: The City has put in short pop-up demonstrations of protected bike lanes on Massachusetts Avenue and the public response has been overwhelmingly positive; and

WHEREAS: A protected bike lane on the western segment of Cambridge Street will be installed within the next month and was ushered in with overwhelming public support; and

WHEREAS: The City is installing two more short sections of protected bike lane demonstrations on Brattle Street and Massachusetts Avenue after winning public support via the Participatory Budgeting process; and

WHEREAS: The City has gained experience in installing protected bike lanes from both the Massachusetts Avenue and Cambridge Street projects, including plowing during the winter months; and

WHEREAS: Pavement markings can only be done until November, and thousands of students will be returning to the City’s universities in September; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department, Fire Department, Police Department, Budget Department, and other relevant City departments to accelerate the planning and installation of two or more protected bike lanes of significant length, similar to the current project on Cambridge Street, by September; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the aforementioned departments to produce a plan and timeline by October 2017 for the roll-out on an

expedited basis of protected bike lanes on all major city thoroughfares; and be it further

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the aforementioned departments to ensure that Bike Plan recommendations are fully implemented on all road reconstruction and paving projects, and additional infrastructure changes not included in the Plan are implemented where they could ensure bicyclists are provide safe, convenient connections to a city-wide network; and be it further

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

O-11 June 26, 2017

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that the City Manager informed an individual by letter that he was subject to a NO TRESPASS ORDER limiting his access to City Hall for three months; and

WHEREAS: The reasons cited in the NO TRESPASS ORDER included the facts that the City Manager had been notified by certain City employees that they felt “uncomfortable in their workplace” due to the individual’s behavior including confronting them in City Hall in an “aggressive and hostile manner” and that “some of these employees feel particularly threatened by [this individual’s] behavior as women”; and

WHEREAS: The City Manager had taken this action because the individual was put on notice by a previous City Manager that the individual would be subject to a NO TRESPASS ORDER if similar behavior reported to the City Manager against City employees continued to occur, which it did, necessitating the NO TRESPASS ORDER against the individual; and

WHEREAS: The individual was notified by the City Solicitor on May 1, 2017 that the three-month NO TRESPASS ORDER had expired; and

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that City employees are concerned that they not be subject to aggressive and hostile behavior in the workplace and that some City employees are concerned for their safety; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to monitor the conduct of any individuals who exhibit aggressive and hostile behavior towards City employees in the workplace, and that if such behavior does occur, that the City Manager take action immediately to ensure the safety of City employees, particularly female employees, and that the City Manager report to the City Council the actions he has taken to address such behavior.