

## CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of donations received by the Peace Commission in the amount of \$742 to the Grant Fund Peace Commission Other Ordinary Maintenance account from the annual Peace and Justice Awards Dinner which will be used to offset the cost of the dinner.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$6,171 within the ARRA Title IID Technology Competitive grant from the U.S. Department of Education from the School Department Grant Fund Salary & Wages account (\$4,471) and from the School Department Grant Fund Travel and Training account (\$1,700) to the School Department Grant Fund Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$6,171) which will allow for the purchase of a smartboard.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$75,000 from General Fund Cable Television Salary and Wages account to the General Fund School Salary and Wages account from Municipal Access fees paid to the City from Comcast and will be used to cover the costs of an Educational Access Program Manager position.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Public Safety Answering Point Emergency Communications Center Support (PSAP Support) Grant funded from the State 911 Department for \$301,330 to the Grant Fund Emergency Communications Salaries and Wages account (\$177,330) and to the Grant Fund Emergency Communications Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$124,000) which will continue to support three dispatch positions and the purchase and maintenance of dispatch equipment.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$30,000 from the General Fund Employee Benefits (Insurance) Salary and Wages account to the General Fund Employee Benefits Travel and Training (Judgment and Damages) account to cover current and anticipated medical services and/or prescription reimbursement costs for personnel injured in performance of their duties for various departments based on current and anticipated costs for the remainder of the fiscal year.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a reimbursement in the amount of \$879,198 from Sprint Nextel to the Grant Fund Fire Salary and Wages account (\$179,198) the Grant Fund Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$150,000) and to the Grant Fund Fire Extraordinary Equipment account (\$550,000) to support the rebanding of city radios.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$75,524 from Urban Development Action Grant (UDAG) Program Income to the Grant Fund Community Development Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account to fund a two-year contract with the Area Four Neighborhood Coordinator.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 10-173, 10-176, 10-180, 10-181 and 10-183, regarding zoning mitigation.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Temporary Emergency Shelter grant received from the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) in the amount of \$102,425.20 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be subcontracted to the Cambridge YWCA to be used to operate its family shelter for three months, including the provision of case management for ten homeless families at a time as referred by the DHCD and to hire a staff person to provide housing search and stabilization services to families at the shelter.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Civic Education Grant for \$137,643 funded by the Adult and Community Learning Services through the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$120,279), the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$17,144), and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Travel and Training account (\$220) which will support ESOL/Civic Education classes provided by the Community Learning Center (CLC).
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Adult Basic Education (ABE) grant received from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) in the amount of \$652,931 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$558,173) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$93,178) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Travel and Training account (\$1,580) which will provide funds for Community Learning Center (CLC) classes to adults who wish to improve their computer, reading, writing and math skills and/or to obtain a GED or Cambridge Adult Diploma as well as English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes for immigrants who need to improve their language skills.
12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Cambridge Prevention Coalition Massachusetts Department of Public Health Bureau of Substance Abuse Services (BSAS) grant received from the U.S. Department of Public Health and Human Services in the amount of \$80,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$66,881.63), the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$11,868.37), and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Travel and Training account for (\$1,250) which will be used to support the Cambridge Prevention Coalition's work to continue addressing the issue of underage drinking through its programs such as its 21 Proof server/seller training, working with the License Commission, and youth programs.
13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Cambridge

Prevention Coalition Massachusetts Department of Public Health Bureau of Substance Abuse Services (BSAS) grant received from the U.S. Department of Public Health and Human Services in the amount of \$30,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$28,083.75) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$1,916.25) which will be used to support the Cambridge Prevention Coalition's work to implement programs and projects to reduce opioid overdoses in collaboration with the coalition's partners.

14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Cambridge Housing Authority Computer grant received from the Cambridge Housing Authority in the amount of \$74,865 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$72,894) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$1,971) which will allow for the Community Learning Center (CLC) to provide computer classes for Cambridge Housing Authority residents at the Roosevelt Towers, Jefferson Park and at 119 Windsor Street.
15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$62,000 for the Center for Families program funded by the Children's Trust Fund to the Department of Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$54,800) and to the Department of Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$7,200) and will be used by the Center for Families to support family programs targeting parents of children up to six years, which include a variety of family support and parent education programs and resources.
16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) from the Office of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for \$137,256 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$6,862.80) and to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$130,393.20) and will be used to contract with local shelter providers to support operating costs or rehabilitation costs of shelter facilities and other essential services.
17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Pathways grant in the amount of \$70,000 received from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), Adult and Community Learning Services to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$16,695) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$53,305) which will support case management and educational services for twelve families and involves collaboration between the Community Learning Center, Agenda for Children, Center for Families, and the Childcare Resource Center. Parents attend ESOL classes, as well as participate in parenting education sessions and employability workshops.
18. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of funds for the Cambridge Employment Program (CEP) from the Cambridge Housing Authority for \$62,863 to the Grant Fund Human Service Department Programs Salary and Wages account which will be used to maintain the capacity of the Cambridge Employment Program (CEP) by continuing to fund a Vocational Case Manager to provide career counseling and case management services to Cambridge residents seeking employment, particularly those residing in public housing.
19. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Cambridge Food Pantry grant received from the Cambridge Health Alliance for \$15,000 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to enter into a contract with the Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee (CEOC) to purchase nutritional foods to be distributed to eligible Cambridge residents through the Food Pantry Network.
20. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from First Literacy in the amount of \$14,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$12,064.27) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$1,935.73) which will provide funds for a student leadership class on presentation skills and pronunciation for Community Learning Center students.
21. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$30,000 for the Cabot grant funded by the Cabot Family Charitable Trust to the Department of Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$22,500) and to the Department of Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$7,500) and will support Baby U alumni programming which takes place after the 16 week core program funded by the City of Cambridge.
22. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Child Care Resource Center (CCRC) in the amount of \$3,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$2,904) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$96) which will allow for the development of two courses for childcare workers that integrate early education content with English language skills.
23. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Cambridge Housing Authority (CHA) Bridge to College Program grant in the amount of \$15,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$14,872) and to the Department of Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$128) and will provide classes and counseling for CHA residents in the Cambridge Learning Center Bridge to College program, which assists residents in making the transition to post secondary education.
24. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a \$1,000 Grant from the Microsoft Corporation to the Grant Fund of Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account received in connection with the Community Learning Center's participation in the Microsoft Day of

Service Program and will support Community Learning Center programming.

25. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the MetroNorth Regional Employment Board for \$15,338 to the Grant Fund Department of Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$13,532) and to the Grant Fund Department of Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$1,806) and will be used to support a six hour per week morning GED preparation class at the Community Learning Center through the funding of a math teacher, reading/writing teacher and program assistant.
26. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation from the Friends of the Community Learning Center (CLC) in the amount of \$10,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account to fund a portion of ESOL teacher salaries for ESOL classes at Community Learning Center.
27. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Adult Basic Education Integrated Distance Learning Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) in the amount of \$5,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account which will be used to support salary related expenses for distance learning for ten CLC students, five from the waiting list and five who are currently enrolled in classes.
28. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Friends of the Community Learning Center (CLC) grant in the amount of \$10,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$9,746) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$254) and will support the Bridge to College Program which consists of one class that meets two evenings per week for a total of six hours of instruction per week from September 2011 through May 2012.
29. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a supplemental FY12 allocation from the Office of the Attorney General, Local Consumer Aid Fund for \$6,000 to the Grant Fund License Commission (Consumer's Council) Salaries and Wages account (\$5,000), to the Grant Fund License Commission Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$500) and to the Grant Fund License Commission Travel and Training account (\$500) provided in recognition of the Cambridge Consumer Council's ability to provide mediation services for the Waltham consumer office and will be used to cover Cambridge Consumer Council staff costs.
30. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-66, regarding a report on the feasibility of allowing off-leash dog hours at Longfellow Park.
31. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the Planning Board recommendation on the zoning petition regarding the definition and regulation of a Public Bicycle-Sharing Service and Public Bicycle-Sharing Stations. [The Planning Board recommends the adoption of the proposed amendments to

the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the language presented to the Board on July 26, 2011.]

32. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the City entering into a ten year Cable Television Renewal License with Comcast, from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2021.

Aug 1, 2011

To the Honorable, the City Council:

After an extensive public process, involving six focus groups, telephone and online surveys, financial and technical compliance reviews and a public hearing in February 2010, followed by a lengthy negotiation process, the City has entered into a ten year Cable Television Renewal License with Comcast, from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2021. The 2011 Renewal License features annual payments of 5% of Comcast's Annual Gross Revenues derived from the services it provides to Cambridge subscribers, which currently generates an annual revenue stream of approximately \$1,400,000, a capital grant of \$1,772,000 paid out over the ten year license term and equipment upgrades to the cable system. The City has also negotiated a ten year agreement with Comcast for a 10% Senior Citizen Discount on Basic Service and on Digital Starter Service for eligible seniors. A copy of the 2011 Renewal License is on file with the City Clerk's office.

Very truly yours, Robert W. Healy, City Manager

#### **ON THE TABLE**

1. That the City Manager is requested to restore funding for School Department clerical positions until a proper and negotiated process can be achieved with the Cambridge School Department and Unions representing the employees, and to report back to the City Council on the progress. [Order Number Fourteen of Apr 26, 2010 Placed on Table. Councillor Kelley made motions to take from table on May 10, 2010 failed 2-7-0, Sept 13, 2010 failed 4-4-1, Sept 27, 2010 failed 3-5-1, Dec 13, 2010 failed 3-6-0. Remains on Table.]
  2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-32, regarding a report on issues with the development of the former St. John's property site. [Charter Right exercised on City Manager Agenda Item Number Eighteen of May 24, 2010. Placed on Table June 7, 2010.]
  3. An application was received from Tony LaVita, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 68 Middlesex Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association. [Applications and Petitions Number Ten of June 7, 2010 Placed on Table.]
  4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-189, regarding a report on the legitimacy of the tax exempt claim of Education First. [Charter Right exercised on City Manager Agenda Item Number Nineteen of Jan 24, 2011. Placed on Table Jan 31, 2011.]
  5. That the City Manager is requested to have the Community Development Department convene a meeting with
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neighbors in the vicinity of Grove Street and Blanchard Road, the Fresh Pond Master Plan Committee and other relevant parties to review the zoning along the golf course and the Fresh Pond Reservation in that area. [Charter Right exercised on Order Number Five of Jan 24, 2011. Placed on Table Jan 31, 2011.]

6. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council with a complete and comprehensive list of all concessions made to the City and broader Cambridge community by developers and the universities in exchange for zoning relief, special permits, or Council approval. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Reeves on Order Number Eleven of Apr 25, 2011. Tabled on Motion of Councillor Cheung on May 2, 2011.]

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

7. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing on May 5, 2011 for the purpose of considering proposed amendments submitted in response to City Council Order No.11 of Jan 24, 2011, in which the Council requested that Community Development Department (CDD) staff engage in a comprehensive review of Section 5.28.2, including the history of the use of the section for special permit applications for conversion of commercial and institutional uses to residential building, and the recent public conversations on this section of the Zoning Ordinance. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after June 20, 2011. Planning Board hearing held May 10, 2011. Petition expires Aug 3, 2011.

#### **APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

1. An application was received from Daniel Sullivan, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 12 Milton Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association.
2. An application was received from The Fullbridge Program, requesting permission for two signs at the premises numbered 25 Mount Auburn Street and 12 Arrow Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development, Historical Commission and abutters.
3. A zoning petition has been received from Laura Runkel, et al., requesting the City Council to amend the Zoning Map by rezoning an area on the southern border to North Cambridge from its C1-A designation to residential C.
4. A zoning petition has been received from Chestnut Hill Realty, requesting the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance by creating a new section that would allow for the creation of rental apartment units in the basement levels of existing multifamily residential buildings in Residence C Districts within two tenths of a mile from Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge Street or a Red Line station and must be within 1200 feet of a shared car or rental car location.
5. A zoning petition has been received from Matthew Bagedonow, et al., requesting the City Council to amend section 5.24 Yards for Zoning District C-1 by adding 5.24.(4).

6. An application was received from Dwelltime, requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 364 Broadway. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development and abutters.
7. A zoning petition has been received from Julia Bishop, et al., requesting the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance by rezoning Special District 2 in North Cambridge to more closely reflect its Residence B base zoning .
8. An application was received from Work Out World, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of premises numbered Concord Avenue and Smith Place.
9. An application was received from Harvard Square Business Association, requesting permission for two temporary banners across Massachusetts Avenue at City Hall and JFK Street at Mount Auburn Street announcing Oktoberfest.
10. A zoning petition has been received from Charles D. Teague, et al., requesting the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance by enabling enforcement of the already existing lighting restrictions
11. A zoning petition has been received from Linda G. Andrews, et al., requesting the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance by restating the Inclusionary Housing Provisions.
12. A zoning petition has been received from Elizabeth M. de Rham, et al., requesting the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance by adjusting the existing ability of the Superintendent of Buildings to issue fines for violations of the Zoning Ordinance.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

1. A communication was received from the family of Antonio Martins, transmitting thanks for your thoughtfulness during this time of sorrow.
2. Two communications were received from Peter Valentine, transmitting information on "A Precise Constitution" and "You Are the Final Frontier".
3. A communication was received from Renata von Tscharnar, President, Charles River Conservancy, regarding EF Development in North Point Park.
4. A communication was received Travis McCready, Executive Director, Kendall Square Association, transmitting Kendall Square Development and Transportation Principles Adopted by the Kendall Square Association.
5. A communication was received from Robert Winters, 366 Broadway, regarding proposed signage for 364 Broadway over the public way. (Applications and Petitions #6)
6. A communication was received from James M. Williamson, 1000 Jackson Place, regarding the proposed new bike rental program, with zoning changes.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution on the death of Clyde D. Dottin Sr. Mayor Maher
2. Resolution on the death of John J. Serpa. Councillor Toomey
3. Resolution on the death of Joseph C. Drake. Mayor Maher

4. Resolution on the death of George W. Simmons.  
Councillor Toomey, Mayor Maher
5. Resolution on the death of Paul V. Conley. Mayor Maher
6. Resolution on the death of Jean M. (Wright) Fopiano.  
Mayor Maher
7. Resolution on the death of James W. Harrison. Councillor Toomey
8. Resolution on the death of Sandra Pressley. Councillor Simmons
9. Resolution on the death of Kay A. (Plona) Grossi. Mayor Maher
10. Resolution on the death of Jean A. (Sorrentino) Presho.  
Councillor Toomey
11. Resolution on the death of Virginia M. (Moran) Hurley.  
Councillor Toomey, Mayor Maher
12. Resolution on the death of Katherine Bachrach. Mayor Maher
13. Resolution on the death of Herman T. Andrade.  
Councillor Toomey
14. Resolution on the death of Antonio O. Figueiredo.  
Councillor Toomey, Councillor Seidel
15. Resolution on the death of Blandina (Sutton) Arsenault.  
Mayor Maher
16. Resolution on the death of Beatrice G. (Taylor) Karp.  
Councillor Toomey
17. Resolution on the death of Elizabeth M. Senecal. Mayor Maher, Councillor Toomey
18. Resolution on the death of James L. Carbone. Councillor Toomey, Councillor Simmons
19. Resolution on the death of Constantina Comnenou.  
Mayor Maher
20. Resolution on the death of Scott Ryan Daley. Mayor Maher
21. Resolution on the death of Giovanna (Rinaldo) Falcucci.  
Councillor Toomey
22. Resolution on the death of Mary (Voto) DiPietro.  
Councillor Toomey, Mayor Maher
23. Congratulations to Laurance Vernon Kimbrough and Meredith Blake Hubbell on their recent marriage. Vice Mayor Davis
24. Resolution on the death of Edna (Murphy) Dasilva.  
Councillor Toomey, Mayor Maher
25. Resolution on the death of Myra (Hiatt) Kraft. Councillor Toomey, Councillor Simmons
26. Happy 80th Birthday wishes to Addie Mae Laycox.  
Councillor Toomey
27. Resolution on the death of Jean K. (Langley) Caddigan.  
Mayor Maher
28. Resolution on the death of Irene A. Frongillo. Mayor Maher
29. Resolution on the death of Jean (Saltonstall) Haussermann.  
Councillor Toomey
30. Retirement of Earl Green from the Cambridge Housing Authority. Mayor Maher
31. Retirement of Karen Ebbitt from the Human Services Department. Mayor Maher
32. Retirement of Lawrence Mitza from the Electrical Department. Mayor Maher
33. Retirement of Laura Stone from the Human Services Department. Mayor Maher
34. Congratulations to Andrew Pace on his graduation from the Massachusetts Maritime Academy. Councillor Toomey
35. Thanks to Robert W. Healy, City Manager, and Brian Murphy, Assistant City Manager for Community Development, for their efforts in returning Biogen Idec Inc. to the City of Cambridge and welcome Biogen Idec Inc. back to Cambridge. Councillor Toomey
36. Congratulations to the City of Somerville for being the inaugural winner in the Let's Move Cities and Towns category of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Healthy Living Innovation Awards. Councillor Toomey
37. Resolution on the death of Dorothy F. (Arcana) Costello.  
Mayor Maher
38. Acknowledge the 50th anniversary of the designation of the Cape Cod national seashore as a national park.  
Councillor Simmons
39. Congratulations to Darnell Williams, Director of the Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts, for a great annual conference. Councillor Simmons
40. Congratulations to Brian Corr on his appointment as Executive Secretary of the Police Review and Advisory Board. Councillor Simmons
41. Congratulations to Colleen Johnston on being appointed Executive Director of the Cambridge Human Rights Commission. Councillor Simmons
42. Congratulations to Sean and Janelle Bradshaw on the birth of their daughter Simeon. Councillor Simmons
43. Congratulations to Sheila Keady Rawson on being appointed Acting Director of Personnel and Labor Relations. Councillor Simmons
44. Congratulations to Trudy Morris and George Physic on their upcoming marriage. Councillor Simmons
45. Happy Birthday wishes to Maria Jobin-Leeds. Councillor Simmons
46. Congratulations to the newly independent Republic of South Sudan. Councillor Simmons
47. Resolution on the death of Staff Sergeant Russell Jeremiah Proctor. Councillor Decker
48. Resolution on the death of Specialist Matthew Ryan Gallagher. Councillor Decker
49. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Dylan Jeffrey Johnson. Councillor Decker
50. Resolution on the death of Specialist Robert Gregory Tenney Jr. Councillor Decker
51. Resolution on the death of Captain David Edward Van Camp. Councillor Decker
52. Resolution on the death of Captain Matthew Gunnar Nielson. Councillor Decker
53. Resolution on the death of Specialist Nathan Ryan Beyers. Councillor Decker
54. Resolution on the death of Specialist Nicholas Wayne Newby. Councillor Decker
55. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Steven Luna. Councillor Decker
56. Resolution on the death of Specialist Daniel L. Elliott. Councillor Decker
57. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Mark A. Cofield. Councillor Decker
58. Welcome the second annual BuildEthiopia Conference to Cambridge on Oct 21-22, 2011. Mayor Maher, Councillor Toomey

59. Congratulations to Wendy Jacob on winning the Museum of Fine Art's 2011 Maud Morgan Prize. Mayor Maher, Councillor Toomey
60. Speedy recovery wishes to Rocco DiBiase. Mayor Maher
61. Thanks to Jessica Hedges for her participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
62. Thanks to Hector Pineiro for his participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
63. Thanks to Lawyer Johnson for his participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
64. Thanks to Natasha Tidwell for her participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
65. Thanks to David Milton for his participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
66. Thanks to Professor Charles Ogletree for his participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
67. Thanks to MIT for its participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
68. Thanks to the Cambridge Community Center for its participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
69. Thanks to CCTV for its participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
70. Thanks to the Massasoit Elks Club Lodge #129 for its participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
71. Thanks to the Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House for its participation in the Not Guilty Community Conversation on July 20, 2011. Councillor Reeves
72. Congratulations to the Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee (CEOC) on their 45th anniversary. Councillor Toomey
73. Congratulations to the National Association of Asian American Professionals (NAAAP) for twenty-five years of service. Councillor Cheung
74. Congratulations to Brian Halligan and Craig Wheeler on receiving the Entrepreneur of the Year New England award from Ernst & Young. Councillor Cheung
75. Congratulations to Sarah Bennett and Andrew Whitehill on their recent marriage. Councillor Toomey
76. Resolution on the death of Olga (Kondell) Pettiglio. Councillor Toomey
77. Congratulations to Steven Stites and Angela Verardo on their engagement. Councillor Seidel
78. Appreciation to anonymous donor to Healthworks at St. Mary's in Dorchester. Councillor Seidel
79. Resolution on the death of Sister Julia Breheny, CSJ. Councillor Toomey
80. Congratulations to Evans Auguste on being named the 2011 Taxi Driver of the Year. Mayor Maher
81. Congratulations to Mark and Nancy Bonassera on the birth of their daughter Gabriella. Mayor Maher
82. Congratulations to Julien Buck and Sophia Guthrie on completion of their cross-country biking odyssey. Councillor Seidel
83. Resolution on the death of Oswald N. Harding. Councillor Reeves
84. Congratulations to the Cambridge Main Public Library on checking out more than one million items in a single year. Councillor Decker
85. Retirement of Brenda Boyd from the City Clerk's Office. Mayor Maher
86. Resolution on the death of John J. "Jack" Dowd. Councillor Toomey
87. Welcome Boomerangs to Central Square. Councillor Reeves
88. Resolution on the birth of Tristan Peter Bairos. Councillor Toomey

#### **ORDERS**

1. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council and the Finance Committee on a Technology Plan for the city. Councillor Decker
2. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on what would be the advantage of creating a research and development office for technology and to provide a timeline for creation of this office, similar to the Urban Mechanics Department in Boston. Councillor Decker
3. That the City Manager is requested to review SeeClickfix or any other innovative technology that would connect the city to social media and interactive technology that would engage the public in government. Councillor Decker
4. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on the plans for Cambridge's participation in the BIO 2012 Convention. Councillor Toomey
5. That the City Manager is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to ensure that the City applies for the Rooftop Solar Challenge program. Councillor Cheung
6. That the City Manager is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to ascertain the best method for slowing traffic on Tremont Street and report back to the City Council with a course of action. Councillor Cheung
7. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to ascertain the best method for slowing traffic on Linnaean Street and report back to the City Council with a course of action. Councillor Cheung
8. That the City Manager is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to look into the need for a bamboo ordinance that either bans the planting of bamboo outright or somehow holds the owner of the bamboo accountable if a bamboo infestation were to occur. Councillor Cheung
9. That the City Manager is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to look into the feasibility and possible benefits of Cambridge participating in the UN Global

- Compact Cities program and report back to the City Council with a course of action. Councillor Cheung
10. That the City Council go on record opposing the selling of naming rights for MBTA Stations. Councillor Toomey
  11. That the City Council go on record opposing the MassDOT plans to use the Grand Junction for Commuter Rail traffic. Councillor Toomey
  12. That the City Manager is requested to designate the appropriate parties to set up a system to offer Cambridge tap water to drink at city events such as Danehy Park Day. Vice Mayor Davis
  13. That the City Council go on record as urging the Governor, the Cambridge Legislative Delegation and the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to establish appropriate administrative procedures to back up police officers who write tickets to bicyclists committing moving violations, Vice Mayor Davis
  14. That the City Manager is requested to direct the City Solicitor to provide the City Council with suggested rule changes that would, if possible, create a set of Council rules that would preclude the current perceived need to waive the rules so consistently to conduct Council business. Councillor Kelley
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  31. That the City Manager is requested to communicate to the Cambridge Human Services Department about the Cambridge Office of College Success Initiative Working Group Draft and to attempt to initiate it this fall. Councillor Reeves
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  33. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to investigate Styrofoam recycling options and report back to the City Council with recommendations. Councillor Cheung

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marjorie C. Decker, Chair of the Community Health Committee for a public meeting held on Mar 31, 2011 for the purpose of

receiving a presentation from the Cambridge Health Alliance on the patient-centered model of care.

2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Civic Unity Committee for a public meeting held on May 3, 2011 for the purpose of continuing discussion with the Civic Unity Advisory Committee of the recommendations of the Cambridge Review Committee report.
3. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Leland Cheung, Chair of the University Relations Committee for a public meeting held on Sept 28, 2010 to discuss campus safety in Cambridge.
4. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marjorie C. Decker, Chair of the Housing Committee for a public meeting held on May 24, 2011 to discuss the availability of and need for single room occupancy housing.
5. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public meeting held on July 18, 2011 for the purpose of considering a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to enable the City's regional bike-share program to site bike-share stations on municipal and private property.
6. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Public Safety Committee for a public meeting held on May 10, 2011 to receive an update on marijuana use and whether a Municipal Code amendment to prohibit smoking marijuana in public places is needed and plans for maintaining and enhancing public safety during the upcoming summer months.
7. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public meeting held on July 18, 2011 to continue to consider proposed amendments to Section 5.28.2 Conversion of Nonresidential Structures to Residential Use and Section 4.29 clarifying the allowance of additional uses as permissible under Section 5.28.2.
8. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Leland Cheung, Chair of the Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee for a public meeting held on June 28, 2011 for the purpose of discussing the creation of the city's economic development goals.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS**

1. A communication was received from Mayor David P. Maher, transmitting a copy of a letter sent to Attorney General Martha Coakley regarding Neighbors for a Better Community, Inc.
2. A communication was received from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, informing the City Council that S1955 An Act Relative to Economic Development in the Northpoint Area in the City of Cambridge was enacted by the House of

Representatives and the Senate and sent to Governor Deval Patrick for his signature.

#### **HEARING SCHEDULE**

##### **Mon, Aug 1**

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

##### **Tues, Aug 2**

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Sept 12**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Sept 19**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Sept 26**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Tues, Sept 27**

2:00pm The University Relations Committee will conduct a public meeting to choose goals to recommend to the City Council for FY 13. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Oct 3**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Oct 17**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Oct 24**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Oct 31**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Nov 7**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Nov 14**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Nov 21**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Nov 28**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Dec 5**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Dec 12**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Dec 19**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

#### **TEXT OF ORDERS**

O-1 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council and the Finance Committee on the following:

Technology Plan for the city;

Identifying the use of social media tools such as Gov 2.0; and

Identifying projects that would benefit using Gov 2.0 Initiative.

O-2 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on what would be the advantage of creating a research and development office for technology and to provide a timeline for creation of this office, similar to the Urban Mechanics Department in Boston.

O-3 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to review SeeClickfix or any other innovative technology that would connect the city to social media and interactive technology that would engage the public in government.

O-4 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: The BIO International Convention is returning to Boston in 2012; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge's Kendall Square has long been the ideal place for Biotech and Life Science to locate in Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS: There are efforts in Kendall Square to brand the area as the innovation center of the world; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge is facing increasing competition by other cities and towns and Cambridge must make an aggressive effort to maintain our standing in the Biotech and Life Science field; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge had a great presence at the BIO 2007

International Convention, the last time Boston hosted, and we should expand on our presence in 2012; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the plans for Cambridge's participation in the BIO 2012 Convention and to report back to the City Council.

O-5 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that the Department of Energy is seeking applicants for the Rooftop Solar Challenge; and

WHEREAS: This national competition will engage diverse teams of local and state governments along with utilities, installers, NGOs, and others to make solar energy more accessible and affordable for residents and businesses. These teams will compete for funds to implement their plan to reduce administrative barriers to residential and small commercial photovoltaic (PV) solar installations by streamlining, standardizing, and digitizing administrative processes; and

WHEREAS: Complex and lengthy permitting and grid connection processes increase the cost of solar energy systems and limit the growth of the solar industry. The objective of the Challenge is to make the process of going solar simpler, faster, and more cost effective for residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS: The Rooftop Solar Challenge will make available up to a total of \$12.5 million in funding to as many as 25 teams in the first year. The Challenge is part of DOE's SunShot Initiative, which aims to make solar energy cost-competitive with traditional forms of electricity by reducing the total installed cost of solar energy systems by 75 percent within the decade; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge would greatly benefit from participation in this program. Applications for this project are due by Aug 31, 2011, with Letters of Intent due July 29, 2011; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to ensure that the City applies for the before mentioned program and report back to the City Council.

O-6 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that motorists are speeding on Tremont Street, near the intersection with Gardner Road, putting pedestrians and fellow motorists at risk; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to ascertain the best method for slowing traffic at this location and report back to the City Council with a course of action.

O-7 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that motorists are speeding on Linnaean Street, in front of Graham and Parks School, putting pedestrians at risk, particularly young students; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to ascertain the best method for slowing traffic and report back to the City Council with a course of action.

O-8 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that some residents have chosen to plant bamboo in their backyard; and

WHEREAS: Bamboo is not native to the United States and generally is not grown in urban or residential areas; and

WHEREAS: There have been concerns raised by the neighbors of those who planted the bamboo that said bamboo is beginning to spread beyond the parameters of the property and is causing damage to a neighbor's garage and devaluing the surrounding properties; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge currently does not have any ordinances or policies that regulate the planting of and maintenance of bamboo on private property; and

WHEREAS: Every effort should be made to ensure that a bamboo infestation does not occur. Because bamboo is so aggressive, it can re-establish rapidly if any small section is left untouched. The planting of bamboo of a single bamboo stalk can easily cause an infestation that can take several years to rectify; and

WHEREAS: It is absolutely critical that residents wanting to raise bamboo understand the risks and that a process is put in place by the City that protects neighbors in case an infestation occurs; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to direct the appropriate department heads to develop a process that distributes information about proper bamboo maintenance to interested residents; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to direct the appropriate department heads to look into the need for a bamboo ordinance that either bans the planting of bamboo outright or somehow holds the owner of the bamboo accountable if a bamboo infestation were to occur and report back to the City Council on this matter.

O-9 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The UN Global Compact Cities Programme is an urban-focused component of the UN Global Compact. Based on the premise that any city, anywhere, contains the capacity to resolve the issues it faces, the Global Cities program offers a framework for building constructive, all-sector task forces among business, government and civil society, to produce practical responses in areas where single-sector initiatives have previously failed; and

WHEREAS: The development of new, progressive methodologies such as the Global Cities program has become increasingly critical in the twenty-first century as urban populations outnumber rural growth for the first time and new, complex challenges emerge. Combining the ideas, knowledge, experience and resources inherent within all three sectors offers a powerful, unique and unlimited capacity to effect change and address these challenges in areas such as waste management, water and sanitation, poverty alleviation, traffic safety and housing re-developments; and

WHEREAS: The Global Cities program provides new perspective to city leaders who are tackling a complexity of urban issues. Supported by the research work derived from Global Cities Research Institute at RMIT University, the Global Cities program offers cities opportunity to adopt a holistic approach that includes a self assessment which identifies a city's awareness and understanding of the issue overtime; and

WHEREAS: Participants in the Global Cities program enjoy access to a broad range of benefits, including:

- A city-focused forum to publicly register commitment to the principles of the UN Global Compact and to recognize the initiatives undertaken within cities in support of these principles;
- City and urban networks, both locally and internationally, to promote projects, share knowledge and facilitate collaboration;
- Tools to assist in reporting on progress in implementing the UN Global Compact principles;
- A comprehensive framework to facilitate engagement and collaboration across all levels of government, with business and civil society, in addressing complex or seemingly intractable urban challenges;
- A detailed methodology, known as the Melbourne Model, to assist in development, monitoring and assessment of collaborative projects that seek to address such challenges; and
- Researchers who can offer advice on particular issues and assist in project implementation and evaluation; and

WHEREAS: The cities of San Francisco, Milwaukee and Cleveland are already members, and it would greatly benefit Cambridge to also become involved; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate department heads to look into the feasibility and possible benefits of Cambridge participating in the before mentioned program and report back to the City Council with a course of action.

O-10 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: The MBTA is currently exploring the possibility of selling the naming rights of MBTA Stations; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge is the home of six MBTA Stations that could potentially be affected; and

WHEREAS: The names of these stations have both historical and geographical meaning; and

WHEREAS: A re-branding of these stations could negatively impact the historical and geographical value of the current names; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record opposing the selling of naming rights for MBTA Stations; and be it further

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

O-11 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts Department of Transportation's (MassDOT) plan to use the Grand Junction Railroad to carry Commuter Rail Trains could have a serious impact on the resident of Cambridge and Somerville; and

WHEREAS: MassDOT is engaged in public outreach in order to keep residents informed of the potential use of the Grand Junction; and

WHEREAS: Most feedback being received at these public meetings is in opposition to this concept; and

WHEREAS: MassDOT is currently working on a ridership study that will help to understand the feasibility of this project and its potential of becoming a reality; and

WHEREAS: Among the biggest concerns are traffic, public safety, and environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS: The ability to create a multi use path along this corridor that will connect neighborhoods will also be greatly compromised; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record opposing the MassDOT plans to use the Grand Junction for Commuter Rail traffic; 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 Department of Transportation on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-12 Aug 1, 2011

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The City has adopted a policy to restrict the use of bottled water at city events; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to designate the appropriate parties to set up a system to offer Cambridge tap water to drink at city events such as Danehy Park Day.

O-13 Aug 1, 2011

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: Cambridge will soon participate in a metro regional bike-sharing program; and

WHEREAS: The bike-share program will offer a healthy and environmentally friendly option for getting around the city; and

WHEREAS: The bike-share program will invite residents and visitors-some of whom do not know the rules of the road for bicyclists-to use bikes to get around rather than cars; and

WHEREAS: Education and enforcement will be important elements for the bike-share program to be successful; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the entire City Council on what information campaign will be established to go along with the bike-share program to orient bicyclists and motorists to the roles of the road relating to bikes; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record as urging the Governor, the Cambridge Legislative Delegation and the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to establish appropriate administrative procedures to back up police officers who write tickets to bicyclists committing moving violations such as running red lights and failing to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Governor Deval Patrick, the Cambridge legislative delegation, and the Registrar of Motor Vehicles on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-14 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council often suspends its rules to allow for late Orders, late Resolutions and immediate Reconsiderations; and

WHEREAS: Such rule suspension limits public participation in Council affairs; and

WHEREAS: Such rule suspension happens so often as to bring into question the purpose of these particular rules in the first place; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the City Solicitor to provide the City Council with suggested rule changes that would, if possible, create a set of Council rules that would preclude the current perceived need to waive the rules so consistently to conduct Council business; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the City Solicitor to give the City Council guidance, should he be unable to draft such language, on the legality of the Council's constant suspending its rules for late Orders, late Resolutions and immediate Reconsiderations.

O-15 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: There is a variety of information available on the City's website for most individual pieces of property; and

WHEREAS: This information is available in disparate pieces which makes it difficult for someone to find out what sort of permits and applications and related plans exist for any property; and

WHEREAS: The Community Development Department has an example of what sort of information might reasonably be expected to be available for all properties and projects, not just for projects subject to a Special Permit; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the relevant City agencies and report back to the City Council on the feasibility of the City being able to create a system where all official documents such as building permits, variance applications, License Commission inspection results and other similar information could be tied to a unique property identifier, such as an address, and be available to the general public when searched by that unique identifier.

O-16 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: There has recently been much concern about bedbugs in Cambridge, whether in individual buildings, in furniture left on the street or in response to the importance of trained hotel workers; and

WHEREAS: Bedbug infestations are likely to increase in frequency; and

WHEREAS: It is not easy for the general public to find out how Cambridge handles bedbug threats (in fact, a recent search for "bedbug" on the City's website only turned up two results, neither of which included any sort of instructions on how citizens should work with the City to address bedbug concerns); and

WHEREAS: An Oct 26, 2009 City Council Order states: "That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Cambridge Public Health Department to work with the Cambridge Housing Authority, the Department of Human Services and the Multi-Service Center to address bedbug extermination protocol and the associated costs for residents"; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to ensure that there is sufficient information on the City's website available through a search for "bedbug" for members of the public to quickly determine who they should contact from the City to help them alleviate bedbug threats and to ascertain what the City's role in alleviating bedbug threats in Cambridge is; 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-17 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The 150th Anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation signed by president Abraham Lincoln on Jan 1, 1863, will be celebrated in 2013; and

WHEREAS: Although the Emancipation Proclamation applied only to areas under confederate control, and failed to end the institution of slavery in the US, the Emancipation Proclamation signaled a turning point in the effort to abolish slavery in the United States; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to establish a committee to determine an appropriate commemoration in the City of Cambridge of the 150th Anniversary of the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Committee should include representatives from the Historical Commission, the Cambridge Public Schools District, the African American community in Cambridge, and Cambridge residents who are interested in participating.

O-18 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Weight restrictions on Cambridge roadways are intended to minimize wear and tear on these roads; and

WHEREAS: Weight restrictions are also meant to increase the safety of other motorists operating on Cambridge roadways; and

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that heavy trucks have been seen driving down Rindge Avenue in violation of the weight restriction on Rindge Avenue; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the relevant departments to increase enforcement of

weight restrictions on Cambridge roadways as well as improve signage alerting motorists to weight restrictions on roadways where such restrictions are in place.

O-19 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that there are plans to close 43 Post Office branches within Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS: The Inman Square Post Office is once again being reviewed as a possible closure; and

WHEREAS: The Inman Square Post Office branch serves a great number of Cambridge residents and businesses and serves an elderly population that relies on a walkable location; and

WHEREAS: This location is a valuable resource that should be maintained for our residents; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record in opposition to closing the Inman Square Post Office or any other Post Office in the City of Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Postmaster and the Inman Square Business Association on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-20 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: On July 4, 2011 there were complaints of a massive amount of fireworks were set off at the Corcoran Park Housing Development; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge Housing Authority and Cambridge Police Department staff were unable to explain what had happened or respond to the complaints in a timely fashion; and

WHEREAS: Private use of fireworks poses a variety of dangers to people and property; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Cambridge Housing Authority and the Cambridge Police Department staff and report back to the City Council on any issues with fireworks at Corcoran Park and how such issues will be proactively addressed in the future.

O-21 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that there have been reports of deteriorating road conditions on Antrim Street and that residents feel that the roads should be repaved in order to improve the situation, not simply repaired as has been done; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confirm with the appropriate departments and report back to the City Council on the feasibility of repaving Antrim Street to rectify the before-mentioned issue.

O-22 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that residents have inquired about the possibility of individually purchasing bike racks found in commercial areas of the city for installation by the city in residential areas; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to look into the feasibility of allowing residents to pay for the requisition and installation of bike racks in residential areas and report back to the City Council with a recommendations for such a program if appropriate.

O-23 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that residents are concerned about the lack of a bike lane and the unsafe car traffic on Blanchard Road as a result of commuters avoiding Route 2; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested confer with the appropriate departments to investigate the before-mentioned issue and report back to the City Council with recommendations.

O-24 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that residents are concerned about speeding on Tremont Street; and

WHEREAS: It has been reported that motorists drive so quickly that pedestrians and residents living on Tremont Street feel unsafe parking, walking and getting out of their vehicle; and

WHEREAS: Some residents feel that a speed bump would alleviate speeding and improve the quality of public safety; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate departments and report back on the feasibility of installing a speed bump on Tremont Street to rectify the before-mentioned issue.

O-25 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: New Balance Hubway, the City of Boston's regional bike share program is currently being implemented; and

WHEREAS: This program will initially bring approximately 610 bicycles to about 60 rental kiosks in and around the area; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge is working towards facilitating the implementation of the program across the City; and

WHEREAS: Boston has also developed a new enforcement and education campaign to promote safe behavior among cyclists and drivers in preparation for the City's launch of the new bike-share program; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has a number of programs which focus on bike safety, including TROMP; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to incorporate information regarding safe bicycling in the City with the dissemination of information related to, and implementation of, the Hubway bike share program.

O-26 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: There has been a productive planning process concerning the area on Massachusetts Avenue between Harvard and Porter Squares; and

WHEREAS: This planning process which was begun by representatives from the Agassiz Neighborhood and Neighborhood 9, now includes not only residents but staff from the Community Development Department, local business owners and representatives from Harvard and Lesley Universities; and

WHEREAS: During recent meetings of this planning group business owners commented on the condition of utility and other poles along this section of Massachusetts Avenue, many of which are covered with outdated flyers, notices and advertisements; and

WHEREAS: The Council appreciates the good work of this planning group in working to improve the stretch of Massachusetts Avenue between Harvard and Porter Squares; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to ask the relevant City departments to examine all street poles on this section of Massachusetts Avenue and clean and remove from these poles all outdated flyers, graffiti and other debris.

O-27 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts Institute of Technology has recently issued a plan to develop approximately one million square feet in Kendall Square for business, retail and housing use; and

WHEREAS: When land is being developed on such a large scale for different uses it therefore has potentially multiple impacts; and

WHEREAS: In the course of discussions in the Ordinance Committee, the question of the relationship between job creation and housing creation was raised; and

WHEREAS: As jobs are created in Cambridge, the location, proximity and cost of housing is a relevant concern; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has seen development proposals, particularly in the Kendall Square area over the past two decades, that will add millions of square feet of commercial space and offer many employment opportunities in the City; and

WHEREAS: The MIT proposal will create additional square feet of commercial space in Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Residential development has also been identified as a key component in developing "24 hour" neighborhoods; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Community Development Department and other relevant City staff to examine the relationship between job creation in the City and available housing stock in Cambridge over the past two decades; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested, in consultation with relevant departments, to propose a framework(s) for a policy on the relationship between job creation and housing creation in the City of Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back to the City Council on this matter.

O-28 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Council be and hereby requests an update by its relevant members as to the status of a committee hearing on security cameras.

O-29 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of this City Council that encouraging bicycle safety is a major concern amongst residents and the Cambridge City Council; and

WHEREAS: The city is in the process of trying to expand the utilization of bicycling as an alternative to cars and driving; and

WHEREAS: There is the potential of utilizing new technology to assist in the safety of cyclists and the awareness of drivers; and

WHEREAS: A tool to help increase bike safety might be found in BLAZE, a device invented by Emily Brooke, a final-year Product Design student at the University of Brighton; and

WHEREAS: The device alerts drivers to the presence of bikers by projecting a laser image onto the road in front of the bicycle; and

WHEREAS: To make bikers more visible, the handlebar-mounted device projects a bright green, diamond-shaped shared lane symbol on the pavement, several feet in front of the cyclist. The symbol, even visible in daylight, can be made to flash on and off; and

WHEREAS: The idea is that motorists will notice the green image on the road and take precaution, even if they don't see the cyclist in their blind spot; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested look further into the use of this technology and its practical implementation in the City of Cambridge and any other options to further guarantee the safety of bicyclists; 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-30 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of this City Council that the elevator in the City Hall has malfunctioned and has become stuck in between floors more than once in recent months; and

WHEREAS: City employees have been trapped inside of the elevator on more than one occasion; and

WHEREAS: It is important for the well-being and safety of employees and visitors to the City Hall that the elevator be in proper working order; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works to evaluate the safety of the elevator in the City Hall and resolve any issues it may have; 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-31 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR REEVES

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Human Services Department has initiated the Cambridge Office of College Success Initiative Working Group Draft; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Human Services Department has created a draft budget for the Cambridge Office of College Success Initiative Working Group Draft; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to communicate to the Cambridge Human Services Department about the Cambridge Office of College Success Initiative Working Group Draft and to attempt to initiate it this fall and to report back to the Council on the progress of the project.

O-32 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that there are "No Turn on Red" signs at many intersections that some residents feel would not be marked as such in other cities; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report on the rationale behind why there are so many "No Turn on Red" signs in the city at intersections where residents would otherwise feel safe to turn right on red.

O-33 Aug 1, 2011

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that residents are looking for ways to recycle Styrofoam in order to cut down on waste; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to investigate Styrofoam recycling options and report back to the City Council with recommendations.