

## CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a member of the Human Rights Commission for a term of three years, effective Aug 1, 2016: **Cynthia Orellana**
2. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointments of the following persons as a members of the Family Policy Council: **Helen Bryant**, Community-at-Large Representative **Luba Falk Feigenberg**, Community-at-Large Representative **Rihana Oumer**, Youth Representative
3. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cambridge Health Alliance: **Mark Puleo**
4. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a member of the Council On Aging for a term of three years, effective Aug 1, 2016: **Eva Paddock**
5. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the re-appointments of the following persons as a members of the Cambridge Historical Commission: **William G. Barry, Jr.**, Member; **Bruce Irving**, Member; **William B. King**, Member; **Jo Solet**, Member; And the appointment of the following person as an Alternate: **Kyle Sheffield**, Alternate
6. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the re-appointments of the following persons as a members of the Avon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District Commission: **Robert G. Crocker**, **Mark Golberg**; and the appointment of the following persons as a members: **Levin Campbell**, **John Sanzone**
7. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as an alternate of the Half Crown-Marsh Neighborhood Conservation District Commission: **Adrian Catalano**
8. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$25,000 from the General Fund Reserve Other Ordinary Maintenance account to the General Fund Election Other Ordinary Maintenance account for the state primary election, to cover the cost of sending out voter notification cards to alert voters that the King Open polling location has changed to the Frisoli Youth Center and that the Area IV Youth Center has been renamed the Moses Youth Center.
9. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-43, regarding publishing a Cambridge Voter's Guide to be distributed to each household in Cambridge a month before the 2017 municipal election.
10. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-40, regarding the installation of ADA compliant sidewalks on Huron Avenue and consider additional features to guarantee the safety of all other users.
11. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a \$45,000 grant from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection 604b Water Quality Management Planning Program, to be used to fund conceptual green street design plans for three public rights of ways, as well as guidance on green street implementation in space-constrained residential settings; with a focus on smaller scale reconstruction projects that are not part of larger utility reconstruction projects.
12. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-21, regarding the use of shuttle buses to other pools during the renovations of the Gold Star Mother's Pool.
13. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-61, regarding costs and benefits of potential responses to the feral cat issue.
14. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation on the "Friends of MAPOCO" Zoning Petition.
15. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to authorizing the Purchasing Agent to award a five (5) year, two (2) month contract to the successful proposer on the Metropolitan Area Planning Council Bike Share System RFP.  
Agenda Item 15 Aug 1, 2016  
ORDERED: That the City Council goes on record authorizing the Purchasing Agent to award a five (5) year, two (2) month contract to the successful proposer on the MAPC Bike Share System RFP.
16. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Early Childhood Resource Center grant received from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care in the amount of \$7,000 to the Grant Fund Library Salary and Wages account (\$1,600) and to the Grant Fund Library Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$5,400), to support parent/provider workshops, library materials and staff time to provide on-site services.
17. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Children's Trust Fund grant for the Center for Families program in the amount of \$62,925 to the Department of Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$62,000) and to the Department of Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$925), to be used by the Center for Families to support family programs targeting parents of children up to eight years.
18. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of funds for the College Success Program (CSI) from the Cambridge Housing Authority for \$12,500 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account, to be used to support a portion of the salary costs for a part-time college success coach to work with students attending Bunker Hill Community College.
19. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a donation from Mt. Auburn Hospital to the Council on Aging in the amount of \$1,000 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other

- Ordinary Maintenance account, to be used to educate the senior community in stroke awareness and will fund outreach efforts and printing for literature on stroke warning signs.
20. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, 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 \$689,120 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$660,212), to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$27,108) and to the Grant Fund Human Services Travel and Training account (\$1,800), to be used for volunteer coordination, technology coordination, distance learning for ESOL students, student leadership activities, childcare through the Center for Families for a family literacy class, and outstationing at Career Source to identify and refer potential adult education students.
  21. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Cambridge Housing Authority (CHA) Bridge to College Program grant in the amount of \$13,700 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$13,269) and to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$431), to be used to support the Bridge-to-College Program which prepares adult CHA residents with a high school diploma or equivalency to succeed in college.
  22. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a two year grant from Commonwealth Corporation under the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund in the amount of \$149,133 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$70,211), to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$78,850), and to the Grant Fund Human Services Travel and Training account (\$72), to be used to provide an integrated education and training program for immigrant adults in the Metro North area who are interested in becoming certified nursing assistants or home health aides.
  23. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Summer Food Program grant funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the Massachusetts Department of Education for \$240,467 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$5,000) and to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$235,467), to be used to provide nutritious meals to Cambridge youth at 26 sites throughout the City during the summer months when schools are closed.
  24. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) grant in the amount of \$64,428 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$34,457), to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$29,935) and to the Grant Fund Human Services Travel and Training account (\$36), to be used to provide an integrated education and training program for immigrant adults in the Metro North area who are interested in becoming certified nursing assistants or home health aides.
  25. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Friends of the Community Learning Center (CLC) grant funded by Friends of the Community Learning Center through individual donations and from a family foundation in the amount of \$28,500 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$25,931), and to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$2,569), to be used to support English for Speakers of Other Languages classes at the Community Learning Center.
  26. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Let's Move donation from the Cambridge Public Health Commission in the amount of \$500 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account, to be used to purchase athletic equipment and supplies.
  27. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) grant for the King Open Preschool and the Martin Luther King Jr. Preschool in the amount of \$45,000 received from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care to the Grant Fund Human Services Salaries and Wages account (\$3,185) and to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$41,815), to be used to improve the quality of education for preschool children through professional development, curriculum enrichment, and parent involvement.
  28. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of Louis DePasquale, Assistant City Manager of Fiscal Affairs to the Neville Communities, Inc. Board of Directors.
  29. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to pursuing the planning and development of a multi-use, bicycle and pedestrian pathway along the Grand Junction corridor that links East Cambridge, Kendall Square, MIT, and Cambridgeport, with potential connections into Boston and Somerville.
  30. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Items Number 16-46 and 16-59, regarding the Grand Junction Greenway, including the status of construction, developer contributions, and the zoning overlay.
  31. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-60, regarding a truck ban on Prospect Street.
  32. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-22, regarding the opposition to investment funds from the Retirement System.
  33. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-54, regarding finding a long term solution to adding a dog park in East Cambridge by the end of 2016 and fencing in a temporary location for off leash use by the end of Summer, 2016.
  34. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 16-27, regarding the City's "Adopt-A-Tree" program.

35. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to a request from Port Landing Landlord, LLC (“PLL”), for an aerial license for one structural canopy to be constructed over a portion of the public sidewalk on Harvard Street.
36. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the submission of the attached Home Rule Petition that would authorize the City of Cambridge 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 “Gold Star 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 (the “School Site”).
37. A communication transmitted from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the request that the City Council move to Executive Session.
38. Transmitting Communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$42,655 within statutory accounts of the Public Investment Fund Community Development Extraordinary Expenditure account to complete the purchase of two parcels from the B&M Corporation for the purpose of creating a future multi-use path and greenway.

**CHARTER RIGHT**

1. An application was received from 9 Donnell St Realty Trust, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 9 Donnell 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 associations. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on June 27, 2016]
2. That the City Council go on record expressing its solidarity with Saint Peter’s Episcopal Church’s Resolution of Christian Intent. [Charter Right exercised by Mayor Simmons on June 27, 2016.]

**ON THE TABLE**

3. An application was received from Capital One, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 24 JFK Street. [Placed On The Table on a motion of Councillor Cheung on Jan 25, 2016.]
4. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to coordinate with the Clerk’s Office and the appropriate departments to implement within three months an electronic public comment display in the Sullivan Chamber, listing the speaker’s name and affiliation as well as a timer. [Placed On The Table As Amended by Councillor Mazen on Jan 25, 2016.]
5. An application was received from CareWell Urgent Care, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 601 Concord Avenue. [Tabled on a motion by Councillor Devereux on Apr 25, 2016.]
6. An application was received from Esmeralda, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the

premises numbered 54 Church Street. [Tabled on a motion by Councillor Devereux on Apr 25, 2016.]

7. 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 Mazen on June 20, 2016. Tabled on a motion by Councillor Mazen on June 27, 2016.]

**APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

1. An application was received from the Boston Ballet, 19 Clarendon Street, Boston, requesting permission to hang twenty-three temporary banners on electrical poles in Harvard Square. These banners will promote the Boston Ballet’s The Nutcracker. The temporary banners will be hung from Nov 17 to Jan 3, 2017. Approval has been received from the Electrical Department.
2. An application was received from Drybar, requesting permission for a projecting sign at the premises numbered 1081 Massachusetts Avenue. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutter.
3. An application was received from Pill Hardware, requesting permission for a display of merchandise in front of the premises numbered 748 Massachusetts Avenue.
4. A zoning petition has been received from William Noyes Webster Foundation, Inc. to amend the provisions of the Medical Marijuana District Section 20.700 of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance and Map.
5. An application was received from 125 Brookline Street LLC, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 125 Brookline 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.
6. An application was received from Curio Coffee, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 441 Cambridge Street.
7. An application was received from WU Burger Gourmet, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 1128 Cambridge Street
8. An application was received from Wheelings Brattle, LLC, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 13 Brattle Street.
9. An application was received from The Davis Companies, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 35 Smith Place; 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.
10. An application was received from Lapels Dry Cleaning, requesting permission for a projecting blade sign at the premises numbered 168 Hampshire Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutter.

## COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Hasson Rashid, regarding another Black American historical site to be in disrepair at 17 Story Street at Mount Auburn Street.
2. A communication was received from Katharine Peterson, 15 Harding Street, transmitting support for a policy order from June 27, 2016 regarding bicycle lanes in Inman Square.
3. A communication was received from Nate Sharpe, transmitting support for a policy order from June 27, 2016 regarding bicycle lanes in Inman Square.
4. A communication was received from Ben Ewen-Campen, regarding bike safety in Inman Square and throughout Cambridge.
5. A communication was received from Katherine Kurelja, 454 Windsor Street, regarding Inman Square Traffic.
6. A communication was received from Sarah Chapple-Sokol, in support of improving Inman Square street safety.
7. A communication was received from Lilli Smith, 15 Clifton Street, in support of separated bike lanes.
8. A communication was received from Peter Valentine, 37 Brookline Street, regarding protecting bicyclists from being killed or severely injured by unexpected vehicle door openings.
9. A communication was received from Elena Saporta, regarding protection for bicyclists.
10. A communication was received from Commission for Social Justice, Order Sons of Italy in America, 219 E Street, N.E., Washington, DC, regarding Columbus Day.
11. A communication was received from Ellen Stark, 14 Donnell Street, regarding rescinding her approval on the curb cut application for 9 Donnell Street.
12. A communication was received from Patrick Hunter, regarding limiting light pollution.
13. A communication was received from Kathy Desmond, 146 Third Street, regarding keeping the Zinc roof-top light show off.
14. A communication was received from Heather Wishik, 8 Museum Way, regarding light pollution-Zinc Building.
15. A communication was received from Vijay Rao, 8-12 Museum Way, regarding Zinc light pollution.
16. A communication was received from Elizabeth and Menachem Stern, 20 Cambridge Terrace, continue to control the Zinc roof-top light pollution.
17. A communication was received from Kathy Watkins, 90 Fawcett Street, regarding keeping the Zinc roof-top light show off.
18. A communication was received from Sharon Stichter, 108 Walden Street, regarding keeping the Zinc roof top light show off.
19. A communication was received from W. Lewis Hyde and Patricia A. Vigderman, regarding the curb cut for 9 Donnell Street.
20. A communication was received from Marcia Dworkind and Charles Merzbacher, regarding light pollution.
21. A communication was received from Robert Camacho, 24 Corporal Burns Road, regarding keeping the Zinc roof-top light show off.
22. A communication was received from Richard Morse, 11 Sciarappa Street, regarding Zinc lights.
23. A communication was received from Jamie Porreca, Reservoir Street, regarding keeping the Zinc rooftop light show off.
24. A communication was received from Linda Dove Mochi, regarding keeping the Zinc rooftop light show on.
25. A communication was received from Helen Kobek, 69Rear Gore Street, regarding keeping the Zinc Roof-top light show off.
26. A communication was received from Brendan McCarthy, 49 Gore Street, regarding BZA-010111-2016, the development at 22 Winter Street.
27. A communication was received from Irene and Ted Papadopoulos, advising the Board to vote against having the Zinc lights turned back on.
28. A communication was received from Caroline Boeckman, regarding keeping the Zinc rooftop light show off.
29. A communication was received from Donna Repko, regarding keeping the Zinc rooftop light show off.
30. A communication was received from Robert McHale, R Mchale Law, 9 West Broadway, Suite 422, Boston, regarding the 9 Donnell Street Realty Trust Application for Curb Cut.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Michael D. McMahon. Councillor Maher
2. Resolution on the death of Helen V. (Tabera) Kale. Councillor Maher
3. Congratulations to Tom's Bao Bao on the launch of their new business in Harvard Square and their first location in the United States. Councillor Devereux
4. Congrats to Excelorators' Summer Class of 2016. Councillor Cheung
5. Congrats to Shuping Yao for completing her novel "The Land of Sorrow." Councillor Cheung
6. Congratulations to Patrick and Norma Jean Barrett on the birth of their daughter Gemma Evelyn Barrett. Councillor Toomey
7. Resolution on the death of Jack Reilly. Councillor Devereux
8. Congratulations to Jada Simmons and Toju Ononeme on their nuptials. Councillor Toomey
9. Resolution on the death of James F. "Jimmy" Shannon. Councillor Maher
10. Resolution on the death of William J. "The Duke" DeCarlo. Councillor Maher
11. Resolution on the retirement of James Cullinane from the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department. Mayor Simmons
12. Thanks to Emmanuel "Manny" Lusardi for his continued commitment to being a strong community organizer, advocate and leader in Cambridge. Vice Mayor McGovern, Councillor Toomey

13. Resolution on the death of Palmyra (Chaves) Harnett.  
Councillor Toomey
14. Resolution on the death of Salvatore “Sal” Ruscito.  
Councillor Toomey
15. Resolution on the death of Salvatore “Sal” Spinetti.  
Councillor Toomey
16. Resolution on the death of Emmanuel “Manny” J. Roche.  
Councillor Toomey
17. Resolution on the death of Robert J. (Bob) Remeika.  
Councillor Toomey
18. Resolution on the death of Dorothy J. (Gairachty) Santiago. Councillor Toomey

#### **ORDERS**

1. That the City Manager is requested to work closely with the Personnel Department to ensure that information needed to conduct an internal audit of the salaries of City employees is accessible. Mayor Simmons
2. That the regular City Council meeting scheduled for Oct 24, 2016 be a Roundtable/Working meeting to discuss election issues with the Election Commission. Mayor Simmons
3. That the regular City Council meeting scheduled for DATE TBD be a Roundtable/Working meeting to discuss Charter Schools and early childhood education. Mayor Simmons
4. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the Police Commissioner, the Director of the Cambridge Housing Authority, and all other pertinent individuals to determine the feasibility of piloting a program of assigning additional police officers to work collaboratively with and exclusively within Cambridge Housing Authority premises. Mayor Simmons
5. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on the state of the Cambridge Climate Vulnerability Assessment’s completion date. Councillor Kelley, Councillor Devereux, Councillor Maher
6. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Department of Public Works, the City Arborist, the Water Department and all other appropriate departments to determine what additional measures can be taken to protect trees and other public plantings during declared droughts. Councillor Devereux, Councillor Carlone
7. That the City Council call upon all project owners, public and private, to do their due diligence and work to avoid doing business with Callahan, Inc. and other General Contractors who continually engage in utilizing unscrupulous subcontractors who have been found to engage in wage theft, unsafe employment practices, and the misclassification of their workers. Mayor Simmons, Vice Mayor McGovern, Councillor Cheung
8. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works with the intention of reinstating trash and recycling pick up for small businesses. Councillor Toomey, Councillor Maher
9. City Council support for continued funding to MIT’s Plasma Science & Fusion Center. Councillor Cheung
10. That the City Manager is requested to instruct the appropriate City department to add “Tree in Distress” to the Commonwealth Connect app’s submenu radio button as a

tree-related reporting option. Councillor Cheung, Councillor Devereux

11. City Council support to Commonwealth Alternative Care to operate a Registered Marijuana Dispensary at 61 Mooney Street pursuant to local zoning and permitting. Councillor Cheung
12. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on how traffic laws pertaining to crosswalks are currently enforced throughout the City, whether there are any regions where the City has found motorists tend to ignore crosswalk laws, and whether there are additional methods of reporting violators, raising awareness of applicable laws, and enacting stricter laws to ultimately increase pedestrian safety. Mayor Simmons
13. That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Councillor Timothy Toomey for a street corner dedication in honor of Domenic & Rose DePrimio. Councillor Toomey
14. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Purchasing Department, the Community Development Department and any other appropriate departments to provide the City Council with an update on the status of the Classification of Commercial Land Use and Recommendations Study. Councillor Devereux
15. That the City Manager is requested to coordinate with the Cambridge Arts Council in implementing a nomination based “Artist of the Month” program along with a \$2,000 grant and to remove the long-form application in favor of a nomination-based system. Councillor Mazen
16. That the City Manager is requested to instruct the appropriate City departments to reach out to the three original artists of the Cambridge mural at Rindge Field and work with them to survey, plan, and provide for the necessary resources needed for the restoration of the mural. Councillor Mazen

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. A communication was received from Paula M. Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Mayor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Housing Committee for a public hearing held on May 31, 2016 to continue discussion regarding the recently completed Inclusionary Housing Study with community feedback from the May 18, 2016 hearing being shared and discussed with consultant David Paul Rosen & Associates.
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 22, 2016 to discuss a petition by Peter B. Kroon, et al, also known as Friends of MAPOCO, to expand the requirements of the North Massachusetts Avenue Sub-district (Section 20.110) applicable generally within the portions of the Massachusetts Avenue Overlay District (MAOD) zoned Business A-2 (BA-2).
3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone, Co-Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on June 28, 2016 to discuss the parameters for

- a potential zoning proposal that includes the Volpe Transportation System Center.
4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone, Co-Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on June 29, 2016 to discuss an amendment to the Municipal Code in Chapter 8.28 entitled "Restrictions on Youth Access to Tobacco Products and on Smoking in Workplaces and Public Places by amending Section 8.28.050 entitled "Definitions for Prohibition of Smoking in Workplaces" to expand the definition of "Workplace" to include construction sites.
  5. A communication was received from Paula M. 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 23, 2016 to discuss the formation of a special working group that will be tasked with developing a framework for the continued stewardship, curatorship and oversight of the Out of Town News Kiosk in Harvard Square.
  6. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk transmitting a report from Councillor Jan Devereux, Chair of the Health and Environment Committee for a public hearing held on June 21, 2016 to discuss the City's Leaf Blower Ordinance, new research since its passage and other issues related to leaf blowers.
  7. A communication was received from Paula M. Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Craig Kelley, Chair of the Public Safety Committee and Mayor E. Denise Simmons and Vice Mayor Marc C. McGovern, Co-Chairs of the Housing Committee, for a joint public hearing held on July 19, 2016 to discuss the presence and impact of short-term rental units (Airbnb, FlipKey, VRBO, etc.) in Cambridge, and to hear suggestions from community members and operators on how best to address the challenges of this emerging market.
  8. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the Government Operations, Rules & Claims Committee, for a public hearing held on June 29, 2016 to receive an update regarding the City Manager's Search in the Focus Groups that took place and the development of the draft profile.
  9. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Craig Kelley, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a public hearing held on June 23, 2016 to discuss the proposed changes to the current liquor license regulations and the City Council policy goals on liquor licenses, economic development, the impact on neighborhoods and local businesses.
  10. A communication was received from Paula M. 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 and Councillor Craig Kelley, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a public hearing held on July 19, 2016, to discuss safety issues as it relates to cyclist and pedestrians in Inman Square, and to hear suggestions from community

members and on how best to address the safety challenges of this intersection.

11. A communication was received from Paula M. Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Mayor E. Denise Simmons and Vice Mayor Marc C. McGovern, Co-Chairs of the Housing Committee for a public hearing held on July 11, 2016 to continue the discussion regarding the recently completed Inclusionary Housing Study and the Affordable Housing Trust's recommendations to the City Council.
12. A communication was received from Paula M. Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Mayor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Housing Committee for a public hearing held on May 18, 2016 to discuss the recently completed Inclusionary Housing Study and will focus on receiving feedback from the community.

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

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting Notice of Project change for the KSRP Amendment #10.
2. A communication was received from Mayor E. Denise Simmons, transmitting an announcement from the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation regarding a consumer listening session to be held on Tues, August 2nd to hear from local elected and appointed officials, advocates, business, and consumers on the issues and topics that affect them the most.

#### **HEARING SCHEDULE**

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

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

##### **Wed, Aug 3**

3:00pm The Public Safety Committee and the Housing Committee will hold its second joint public hearing to discuss the operation and prevalence of short-term rental units in Cambridge, and further develop the information and opinions gathered during the initial meeting on July 19, 2016. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Aug 15**

5:30pm The Housing Committee will conduct a public hearing to continue the public discussion regarding the recently completed Inclusionary Housing Study and the Affordable Housing Trust's recommendations to the City Council. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Tues, Aug 23**

3:00pm The Ordinance Committee and the Health and Environment Committee will conduct a joint public hearing on a zoning petition by the City Council to amend Article 22.000 by creating a new Section 22.80 Urban Agriculture, "to establish zoning regulations for the operation and establishment of Urban Agriculture activities and also to provide framework for the siting, upkeep, and any modification of Urban Agriculture activity that address public safety and minimizes impacts on residents in the City of Cambridge." This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Thurs, Aug 25**

6:00pm The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee and the Civic Unity Committee will conduct a joint public hearing to discuss improving voter turnout for municipal elections in Cambridge through voter reward options. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Aug 29**

5:30pm The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss different models for campaign finance reform

and publicly-funded municipal elections in Cambridge. (Sullivan Chamber)

**Tues, Aug 31**

3:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a zoning petition by Healthy Pharms, Inc., to amend Section 20.700 Medical Marijuana Overlay Districts by creating an additional Medical Marijuana Overlay District (MMD-4). The new MMD-4 District would be coterminous with the Business B and Office 3 Districts that are within the Harvard Square Overlay District. The petition would also establish as criteria specific to the MMD-4 District that permissible dispensaries must be retail only (with no cultivation), must be set back from the sidewalk by a minimum of 15 feet and be appropriately shielded from public view, must be less than 10,000 square feet in size, are preferably located in areas with access to pedestrian and public transportation, and may be 250 feet, instead of the standard 500 feet, distant from a school, daycare center, preschool or afterschool facility or any facility in which children commonly congregate, or closer only if it is determined by the Planning Board to be sufficiently buffered such that users will not be adversely impacted by the operation of the dispensary. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Sept 12**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Sept 19**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Wed, Sept 21**

5:30pm Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Sept 26**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

6:30pm The City Council will conduct a public hearing to discuss the property tax rate classification. (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)

**Mon, Jan 9**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Jan 23**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Jan 30**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Feb 6**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Feb 13**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Feb 27**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**TEXT OF ORDERS**

O-1 Aug 1, 2016

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The gender pay gap remains a pressing national issue in which the consequences are felt in many municipalities, including progressive cities like Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: On average, women continue to earn approximately 79 cents for every dollar earned by men, and the wage gap is even worse for women of color, with African-American women making only 63 cents and Hispanic/Latina women making only 54 cents per dollar of what men earn; and

WHEREAS: The City of Boston has taken steps to rectify the wage gap, most recently illustrated in the legislature's unanimous passing of H. 4509, An Act to Establish Pay Equity, which had backing from many local businesses as well as the Associated Industries of Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has long been dedicated to social justice causes and has proudly stood at the forefront of the betterment of women's rights; and

WHEREAS: The Mayor has recently established an ad hoc committee on women's equal pay which brings together various Cambridge and Boston-based academic, business, and political leaders to discuss how Cambridge can proceed in closing its own wage gap by first conducting an internal audit of the salaries of City employees; now therefore be it

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to work closely with the Personnel Department to ensure the information needed to conduct this internal audit is accessible; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to communicate with the City of Boston to help develop a framework for this research and analysis, and provide this information to the City Council in a timely manner.

O-2 Aug 1, 2016

MAYOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the regular City Council meeting scheduled for Oct 24, 2016 be changed to a Roundtable/Working meeting to discuss election issues with the Election Commission.

O-3 Aug 1, 2016

MAYOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the regular City Council meeting scheduled for DATE TBD be changed to a Roundtable/Working meeting to discuss Charter Schools and early childhood education.

O-4 Aug 1, 2016

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: In the wake of several recent violent incidents near Central Square and the Port neighborhood, the Mayor's Office has held public meetings focusing upon ways of bringing community leaders and stakeholders together to proactively curb the increase in violence that has typically been seen in Cambridge and other cities during the summer months; and

WHEREAS: Out of these meetings has come the recognition that the City of Boston, in a similar effort to reduce summertime violence, has hired police officers to focus their efforts and attention on working in and around Boston Housing Authority properties, in close collaboration with the Boston Housing Authority, and the suggestion has been made that Cambridge may wish to explore enacting a similar policy; and

WHEREAS: While the Cambridge Police Department already has many dedicated officers working in and around Central Square and the Port neighborhood every single day, there is a sense that having additional officers who are stationed in and focused exclusively upon building stronger relationships around Cambridge Housing Authority properties could have an appreciable impact upon reducing the opportunities for violent episodes in these areas; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the Police Commissioner, the Director of the

Cambridge Housing Authority, and all other pertinent individuals to determine the feasibility of piloting a program of assigning additional police officers to work collaboratively with and exclusively within Cambridge Housing Authority premises, and to report back to the City Council on this in a timely manner.

O-5 Aug 1, 2016  
COUNCILLOR KELLEY  
COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX  
COUNCILLOR MAHER

WHEREAS: Part I of the Cambridge Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment (CCVA), which focused on increasing temperatures and precipitation related to climate change, has been completed; and

WHEREAS: Part II of the CCVA, focusing on sea level rise and storm surges, was to have been completed in February 2016, but has been delayed until September 2016 without explanation; and

WHEREAS: The importance of both completing the CCVA as it relates to sea level rise and storm surge and of keeping the public up to date with the City's vulnerability assessment and planning efforts cannot be overstated; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the state of the CCVA's completion date and the reasons for this delay, and to put that information on the City's CCVA website.

O-6 Aug 1, 2016  
COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX  
COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: On July 1, 2016, after four months of sustained dry weather, the Massachusetts Secretary for Energy and Environmental Affairs declared a drought watch for most of Massachusetts, including Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's U.S. Drought Monitor declared the Cambridge area in a "moderate drought"; and

WHEREAS: The effects of drought on trees and public plantings can include wilting, defoliation, stunted growth, scorching, reduction in tree canopy, and death of all or parts of a tree; and

WHEREAS: Some drought effects last for multiple seasons and can go unnoticed for several years after a drought has ended; and

WHEREAS: Water-deprived trees are less able to protect themselves from insects and diseases; and

WHEREAS: Young, newly-planted trees are especially vulnerable to drought conditions, and must be watered more frequently; and

WHEREAS: Measures that can be taken to protect trees and plantings during times of drought, some of which should be taken in the early stages of planning for trees, can include: providing greater soil volume to hold more water and nutrients for roots, using healthier soil containing organic matter and microorganisms (which holds more water), planting in groups to help trees shade each other, choosing drought-resistant species of trees when planting new trees, and engaging volunteers to help with increased watering schedules; and

WHEREAS: Especially as our climate continues to warm, precipitation patterns become more erratic, and extreme weather events become more frequent and intense, the City must proactively work to protect trees and public plantings during times of drought; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Department of Public Works, the City Arborist, the Water Department and all other appropriate departments to determine what additional measures can be taken to protect trees and other public plantings during declared droughts and to report back to the Council in a timely manner.

O-7 Aug 1, 2016  
MAYOR SIMMONS  
VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN  
COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: There are a number of [important labor laws](#) in Massachusetts pertaining to the construction industry that are designed to protect workers from being taken advantage of, placed in unsafe working environments, [paid under the table](#), [misclassified and underpaid](#), provided no benefits, and otherwise being forced into a nebulous underground economy in which there is precious little oversight or protections, yet there remain a number of subcontractors who continually seek to skirt these laws; and

WHEREAS: The net effect of engaging in such practices is to make it virtually impossible for honest, law-abiding contractors to compete, to cheat the government out of needed tax revenue, to place a heavy strain upon the community's social service programs and affordable housing stock, and to exploit and endanger the welfare of often vulnerable workers; and

WHEREAS: These [unethical practices](#) are perpetuated by general contractors whose business models are based upon using layers of subcontractors that allow them to distance themselves from any potentially-illegal cost saving measures that may be made, and that allow them to plead plausible deniability whenever a subcontractor on one of their job sites is found to have violated local labor laws; and

WHEREAS: Concerns have [routinely been raised about Callahan Inc.](#) as being one of the general contractors that most notably [hires subcontractors who engage in these kinds of practices](#), and the company's subcontractors have regularly been accused of or have been proven of [paying their employees substandard wages and benefits, engaging in wage theft](#) (often targeting many of their most vulnerable, immigrant workers), illegally [misclassifying their employees](#) as "independent contractors," paying them in cash under the table, or [being fined for serious OSHA violations](#) on their work sites; and

WHEREAS: Just as Callahan and other general contractors support and perpetuate these illegal practices by repeatedly using subcontractors from the underground economy, project owners likewise perpetuate these immoral practices by hiring Callahan and other general contractors that have histories of using these disreputable subcontractors; and

WHEREAS: Increasing numbers of private project owners and municipalities across the Commonwealth are recognizing the corrosive effect of the underground economy on honest businesses, on workers, and on the fabric of the municipalities themselves, and are condemning those general contractors who engage in immoral business practices and who put profits above all else; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record condemning Callahan, Inc. and all other general contractors who regularly turn a blind eye to the role their subcontractors may be playing in supporting the underground economy; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council calls upon all project owners, public and private, to do their due diligence and work to avoid doing business with those general contractors who continually engage in utilizing unscrupulous subcontractors who have been found to engage in wage theft, unsafe employment practices, and the misclassification of their workers.

O-8 Aug 1, 2016

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

COUNCILLOR MAHER

WHEREAS: The City does not currently provide trash and recycling pick up for small business owners even if they operate along existing pick up routes; and

WHEREAS: Small business owners are responsible to contract outside vendors to haul their recycling and trash which can add to congestion along commercial corridors; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge previously provided the service as part of program that businesses could opt into for a small fee; and

WHEREAS: Small locally owned business are desirable in Cambridge but rising commercial rents and regulations present financial obstacles that can hinder ease of operating in Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Small business are responsible for a higher commercial tax rate than residents and should be able to access city services such as trash and recycling removal; and

WHEREAS: Providing trash and recycling services for small businesses can help to reduce congestion, reduce emissions, and reduce operating expenses for small business owners; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works with the intention of reinstating trash and recycling pick up for small businesses and to report back to the City Council.

O-9 Aug 1, 2016

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)'s Plasma Science & Fusion Center is a valuable employer and innovator in the City of Cambridge and is currently in need of new funds to bridge an approximately six month budget gap to help support the number of technicians employed; and

WHEREAS: The center's new five year agreement includes roughly half of the budget the center has previously received, most of which will focus on engineering and design and none of which will fund the approximately \$20 million fusion experiment Alcator C-Mod tokamak, which will now need to rely on outside funds; additionally, only approximately 88 percent of the new budget is anticipated to be for research and none will be for the center's 18 technicians, approximately 13 of which are part of the Alcator group; and

WHEREAS: The Center has reached out to Senator Elizabeth Warren, Congressman Michael Capuano, and the U.S. Department of Energy regarding this funding gap, to no avail despite past DOE financial support for the Alcator; and

WHEREAS: These budget gaps are likely to lead to significant layoffs both to technicians and engineers employed at the Center, who form a world-class team; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record expressing support for MIT's Plasma Science & Fusion Center, and urging the Department of Energy or MIT to help close this budget gap; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to MIT's Office of the President, the Department of Energy, Senator Elizabeth Warren, and Congressman Michael Capuano, on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-10 Aug 1, 2016

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has a longstanding commitment to sustainability and environmental protection through initiatives such as its net-zero action plan and support for the ecological restoration of beneficial natural systems, including the continued

improvement of the planting, protection and care of street trees; and

WHEREAS: The Commonwealth Connect smartphone application directly connects Cambridge residents with the City's responsible department to report issues and resolve requested services; and

WHEREAS: The Commonwealth Connect smartphone app does not currently have a reporting option for trees in distress and as a result, tree-related issues such as need for watering or broken branches are not as easy to report as other issues in the city; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the appropriate City department to add "Tree in Distress" to the Commonwealth Connect app's submenu radio button as a tree-related reporting option.

O-11 Aug 1, 2016

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: In 2012, residents of the City of Cambridge voted overwhelmingly in favor of legalizing marijuana for medical use in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and WHEREAS: In response to the legalization of medical marijuana, the Cambridge City Council passed comprehensive zoning regulations in 2012 to ensure that patients residing in and around the City have access to critical palliative care treatments; and

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

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that Commonwealth Alternative Care is in the final phase of applying for licensure to operate a RMD in Cambridge, Massachusetts at 61 Mooney Street; and

WHEREAS: The City Council previously voted in support of expanding the Medical Marijuana Overlay District to encompass 61 Mooney Street; and

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

WHEREAS: Commonwealth Alternative Care has received the support of numerous residents; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record providing support to Commonwealth Alternative Care to operate a Registered Marijuana Dispensary at 61 Mooney Street pursuant to local zoning and permitting; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to send a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Department of Public Health on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-12 Aug 1, 2016

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Cambridge is regularly cited as one of the most walkable cities in the country, and part of the criteria for this must include the level of safety pedestrians feel as they move about the city's streets; and

WHEREAS: Residents have recently voiced concerns about motorists who routinely drive through crosswalks without regard for the pedestrians who are utilizing these crosswalks, and this creates a dangerous and potentially deadly situation; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on how traffic laws pertaining to crosswalks are currently enforced throughout the City, whether there are any regions where the City has found motorists tend to ignore crosswalk laws, and whether there are additional methods of reporting violators, raising awareness of applicable laws, and enacting stricter laws to ultimately increase pedestrian safety.

O-13 Aug 1, 2016

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Councillor Timothy Toomey for a street corner dedication in honor of Domenic & Rose DePrimio; and be it further

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

O-14 Aug 1, 2016

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: In October of 2014, the City of Cambridge Purchasing Department issued a Request for Proposal for Consultant for Classification of Commercial Land Use Study and Recommendations; and

WHEREAS: The results and recommendations from this study will be critical to several ongoing planning projects in the City, including Envision Cambridge; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Purchasing Department, the Community Development Department and any other appropriate departments to provide the City Council with an update on the status of this study and to report back to the Council in a timely manner.

O-15 Aug 1, 2016

COUNCILLOR MAZEN

WHEREAS: Artists provide an invaluable service to the City of Cambridge and their work contributes to the community's vibrant culture, yields economic gains, and makes the city a more desirable place to live; and

WHEREAS: Artists are struggling in Cambridge due to a lack of support and funding from the city; and

WHEREAS: Because of Cambridge's exceedingly expensive housing market, artists are being forced to move to more affordable cities; and

WHEREAS: Somerville, MA, has implemented an "Artist of the Month" program, where residents nominate resident artists, and the Somerville Arts Council selects their favorite and publishes an article about them on their website; and

WHEREAS: Chicago, IL, donates \$1.7 million to local artists through grants; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge's current grant system is lengthy and intensive compared to the size of grant awards given; and

WHEREAS: In order to keep resident artists in Cambridge, the Cambridge Arts Council should begin an "Artist of the Month" program, similar to that of Somerville's and Chicago's programs; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to coordinate with the Cambridge Arts Council in implementing a nomination based "Artist of the Month" program; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to give the selected artist a \$2,000 grant to be spent on project supplies, housing, or general living expenses; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Cambridge Arts Council to remove the difficult long-form application in favor of this nomination based system, and to report back on these three matters.

O-16 Aug 1, 2016

COUNCILLOR MAZEN

WHEREAS: The 'Cambridge' mural at Rindge Field in the North Cambridge neighborhood was painted by Phil Paré, Ryan Sheparé and Alex Lukas in 2004 as a part of an Eagle Scout Project to beautify the North Cambridge neighborhood; and

WHEREAS: Numerous residents made small donations to help fund Phil Paré, Ryan Sheparé, and Alex Lukas in their project to celebrate the City of Cambridge, thereby investing in the future of the mural and the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS: Key landmarks of Cambridge are recognized on the mural, which captures the entire city in an elongated piece that pictures the city from its Arlington border to its Boston border, and is designed to pay tribute to the environment and experiences Cambridge nurtures for its residents; and

WHEREAS: Murals are an important and widely-appreciated part of public street life and artistic heritage in Cambridge, and have a long history of being preserved throughout the city; and

WHEREAS: Weathering and time have damaged the mural, causing colors to fade and paint to chip, with certain parts of the mural completely stripped of original paint, exposing the unpainted wall behind the mural; and

WHEREAS: Due to the severely deteriorated condition of the mural, many community members have expressed concern about its state of presentation as reducing the cultural significance the mural carries for many who grew up with it; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the appropriate City departments to reach out to the three original artists and work with them to survey, plan, and provide for the necessary resources needed for the restoration of the 'Cambridge' mural at Rindge Field and report back on this matter.