

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constables without power, for a term of three years effective the first day of Jan. 2010: Rachel Graham, Christopher A. Garcia & Craig W. Yearwood, II
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Adult Basic Education grant received from the Mass Dept of Elementary & Secondary Ed. in the amount of \$650,321 to the Human Service Salary & Wages account (\$557,456), Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$91,285) and Travel & Training account (\$1,580) which will supports partial salary costs for benefited direct service staff, contractual hours for student leadership projects employing CLC students as job mentors and health advisors, funds for mileage for in-state DESE meetings and for partial funding of conference expenses as well as providing funding for educational supplies and other operating costs.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of funds to the Baby University program from the Cambridge Housing Authority in the amount of \$25,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary & Wages account which will be used to support salary costs of care workers, playgroup leaders, and childcare workers.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Mass Dept of Public Health Bureau of Substance Abuse Services grant received through the U.S. Dept of Public Health & Human Services in the amount of \$80,000 to the Human Service Salary & Wages account (\$66,881.63), Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$11,868.37), and Travel and Training account (\$1,250.00) which will be used to support the Cambridge Prevention Coalition's work to continue addressing the issue of underage drinking.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Bureau of Substance Abuse Services (BSAS) grant received through the U.S. Department of Public Health and Human Services in the amount of \$125,000.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Salary and Wages account (\$120,631.05), Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$3,118.95), and the Travel and Training account (\$1,250.00) 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.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$62,000.00 for the Center for Families Program Grant funded from the Massachusetts Department of Education through the Children's Trust fund to the Human Service Salary and Wages account (\$55,389.00) and the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$6,611.00) which 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.
7. 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 \$261,820.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Salary and Wages account (\$26,000.00) and the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$235,820.00) which will be used for a partnership between the City's Multi-Service Center and the Cambridge YWCA to fund a Housing Search and Stabilization Worker and provide housing services for six months.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Safe Home Supportive Housing Program grant awarded from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act in the amount of \$162,236.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$3,862.00) and to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$158,374.00) which will be used for costs related to serving homeless persons in Cambridge through HomeStart's new Safe Home Permanent Supportive Housing Program.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Cambridge Housing Authority for \$62,446.00 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.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Massachusetts Formula Grant for \$84,945.00 funded by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs to the Grant Fund Human Service Salary and Wages account (\$38,675.00), Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$44,440.00), and the Travel and Training account (\$1,830.00) which will be used to provide substance abuse prevention services for Cambridge seniors, transportation for Cambridge seniors to medical appointments, and weekly food shopping trips. as well as to support one part-time weekend coordinator position and several instructors who provide services at the Citywide Senior Center.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Friends of the Community Learning Center (CLC) Bridge to College Program grant in the amount of \$33,450.42 to the Grant Fund Human Service Salary and Wages account (\$30,985.42), Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$1,875.00), and Travel and Training account (\$590.00) to support two ESOL classes at the Community Learning Center, a portion of salaries for two part-time ESOL teachers, and to 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.
12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Green Communities Grant from the Massachusetts Department of

- Energy Resources in the amount of \$283,770 to the Public Investment Fund Public Works Extraordinary Expenditures account to fund HVAC improvements at the Haggerty School and the Area 4 and Frisoli Youth Centers, which will support the implementation of the City's Green Community energy reduction plan.
13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-85, regarding a report on traffic issues on Kenway Street.
 14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-95, regarding a report on off-leash use of Paine Park.
 15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-104, regarding a report on signs for Clement Morgan Park.
 16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-105, regarding a report on participating in events related to the 2011 APA conference.
 17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-106, regarding a report on rectifying frequent traffic jams at the intersection of Putnam and Western Avenues.
 18. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-83, regarding a report on the closing of the Main Library on Sundays for the summer months.
 19. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-88, regarding a report on the status of dog use at Norton's Woods. [Excerpt: All gates will reopen on Thurs, July 1 and we invite members of the community, including dogs on leashes, to our grounds. For the enjoyment and safety of all who visit, we are asking the community to assist in ensuring compliance with the Cambridge leash law. We also request that you remove all dog waste and other refuse. Please report any incidents or infractions by calling 617-441-6111 and leaving a message along with your contact information. Our work and full remediation of the water problems in the lower woods are not complete, and a portion of this area is still fenced off. Please be aware that additional work will require intermittent closures and we will post signs accordingly. -- Paul Karoff, American Academy of Arts and Sciences]
 20. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-96, regarding a report on the status of tents of Flagstaff Park. [They vacated in late June after being informed about the prohibition of erected structures on the Cambridge Common, including Flagstaff Park.]
 21. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-103, regarding a report on delivery trucks knocking down wires on Lexington Avenue.
 22. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 10-91 and 10-108, regarding truck restrictions and enforcement on Second Street.
 23. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-102, regarding a report on a forum on forecasting future housing needs for older Cantabrigians.
 24. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 10-86 and 10-99, regarding the status of the building and parking lot formerly occupied by Marino's Restaurant.
 25. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-98, regarding a report on whether wires on Windsor and Seckel Streets were installed correctly.
 26. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-97, regarding a report on extending the Hybrid Cab program.
 27. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 09-147, report on what barriers would prevent residents from raising chickens and what could be done to remove these barriers.
 28. 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 to cover the costs of an Educational Access Program Manager position.
 29. 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 Emergency Communications Salaries and Wages account (\$180,274), Emergency Communications Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$34,056) and to the Emergency Communications Extraordinary Expenditures account (\$87,000) which will support three dispatch positions and the purchase and maintenance of dispatch equipment.
 30. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Public Safety Answering Position (PSAP) Grant funded from the Statewide Emergency Telecommunications Board (SEBT) for \$55,037 to the Emergency Communications Department Salary and Wages account (\$41,500), Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$4,000) and the Travel and Training account (\$9,537) which will support training to dispatch personnel as well as software maintenance costs.
 31. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a donation from the Turner Family Foundation to the Youth Engaged in Life-Long Sports (YELLS) Program in the amount of \$47,000.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Salary and Wages account (\$4,650.00) and to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$42,350.00) which will support the YELLS program held at the Russell Youth and Community Center and is designed to expose young people to sports they can play for the rest of their lives - golf, tennis, cycling, hiking, ultimate Frisbee and more.
 32. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the MetroNorth Regional Employment Board through the

Cambridge Housing Authority and Just-a-Start Corporation in the amount of \$23,437.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account which are funds MetroNorth Regional allocated to be used to reimburse the city for salary costs associated with enrolling twenty-eight additional income-eligible youth in the Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program.

33. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance grant funded by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) in the amount of \$88,979.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Salary and Wages account (\$86,787.00), and the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$2,192.00) which will be used for costs related to the Carey Men's Transitional Program operated by the Multi-Service Center.
34. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from First Literacy in the amount of \$14,000.00 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary & Wages Account (\$12,050.00) and to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$1,950.00) which will provide a student leadership class on presentation skills and pronunciation for Community Learning Center students.
35. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-60, regarding a report on the City's current cell phone tower zoning policy.
36. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a recommendation to increase the residential parking sticker fee. [I am recommending an increase of the residential parking sticker fee which, in addition to helping fund many current positive programs, can also be used to fund the programs to reduce green house gas emissions. The original residential parking sticker fee was \$4 in the mid-70's and increased to \$8 in 1992. The proposed ordinance calls for a 2-phased increase: \$20 for 2011 permits, and \$25 commencing with the 2013 permits and thereafter. In order for this to occur for the calendar year 2011, the ordinance change must be voted by Sept 30, 2010 to coincide with renewal notices.]
37. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-78, regarding a report on allowing residents to purchase permits to barbeque on public land.
38. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-70, regarding a report on the feasibility of updating the website with automatic translation software. [The Information Technology Department will link to Google Translation via the City Homepage. Google Translation is a free application and it has the ability to translate a website into 57 different languages. The City website is in the process of being updated with a potential launch in fall 2010. We will have the ability to add this feature with the new website. There will be some programming involved to create the interface and determine placement design on the new website.]

ON THE TABLE

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a copy of the referral of Order Number 15 of Dec 21, 2009, regarding increasing the amount of public information about elections while the election is in progress, to the 2010-2011 City Council. [Communications and Reports from City Officers #1 of Jan 11, 2010 Placed on Table.]
2. 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. May 10, 2010 Councillor Kelley made a motion to take from the table motion failed 2-7-0 remains on Table.]
3. 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.]
4. 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.]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Co-Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on June 9, 2010 to continue discussion of a proposed amendment to Section 5.28.2 of the Zoning Ordinance to expand the applicability of section 5.28 Conversation of Non Residential Structures to Residential Use to include structures that may have been built for residential use but have been in Institutional Use for at least ten years. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after June 28, 2010. Planning Board hearing held on June 1, 2010. Petition expires Aug 4, 2010.
6. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Co-Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a hearing held on June 9, 2010 to continue discussion of a petition by the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance in accord with the recommendations of the Green Building Task Force to encourage energy efficient buildings. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after June 28, 2010. Planning Board hearing held May 18, 2010. Petition expires Aug 4, 2010.
7. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Co-Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on June 9, 2010 to continue to consider proposed amendments to the Zoning Map and Zoning Ordinance in Article 14 Mixed Use Development

Cambridge Center to create a “Smart Growth Underutilized Area” in the vicinity of Broadway, Main and Ames Street and the site of the West parking garage on Ames Street. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after July 5, 2010. Planning Board hearing held June 1, 2010. Petition expires Aug 9, 2010.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. Revocation of a sign permit for Coca-Cola Bottling Company of New England, a division of Coca-Cola Enterprises, Inc. for the premises numbered 896 Massachusetts Avenue, issued Oct 7, 1975. Inspectional Services inspected the property on July 6, 2010 and the sign is down.
2. Revocation of a sign permit for Coca-Cola Bottling Company of New England, a division of Coca-Cola Enterprises, Inc. for the premises numbered 93 Windsor Street, issued Sept 30, 1975. Inspectional Services inspected the property on July 6, 2010 and the sign is down.
3. Revocation of a sign permit for Coca-Cola Bottling Company of New England, a division of Coca-Cola Enterprises, Inc. for the premises numbered 27 Gore Street, issued Aug 5, 1975. Inspectional Services inspected the property on July 6, 2010 and the sign is down.
4. An application was received from Subway, requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 4 Central Square. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development and abutters.
5. An application was received from VIM, requesting permission for a H framed sign and two planters on Blanche Street.
6. An application was received from Cakewalk Bakers DBA Flour Bakery, requesting permission for ten tables and twenty chairs in front of the premises numbered 190 Massachusetts Avenue.
7. An application was received from Jagdish Singh, Cafe of India, requesting permission for four tables and ten chairs in front of the premises numbered 52A Brattle Street.
8. An application was received from Jean Cunningham, Cambridge Family YMCA, requesting permission for two sandwich board signs in front of the premises numbered 820 Massachusetts Avenue.
9. An application was received from Hassan Ghazli, La Creperie, requesting permission for two tables and four chairs in front of the premises numbered 1154 Massachusetts Avenue.
10. An application was received from American Apparel, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 47 Brattle Street.
11. An application was received from Laura Dugdale, requesting permission for a display of merchandise in the vicinity of Massachusetts Avenue and Vassar Street.
12. An application was received from Eamon Lee, requesting permission to remove an existing curb cut and relocate two smaller curb cuts at the premises numbered 66-76 Harvey Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation,

Historical and Public Works. Approval has been received from the neighborhood association.

13. An application was received from Central Bottle Wine & Provisions, requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 196 Massachusetts Avenue. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development and abutters.
14. An application was received from Tistik, requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 54 Church Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development, Historical Commission and abutter with one condition that the sign not obstruct the view of the clock at 58 Church Street.
15. An application was received from VIM Fitness Corporation, requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 350 Massachusetts Avenue. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development.
16. A zoning petition has been received from Richard McKinnon, et al., requesting the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance and Map relating to the NorthPoint PUD-6 District.
17. An application was received from “From Russia with Art”, requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 1977-1979 Massachusetts Avenue. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development and abutter.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from the family of Peter J. Dolan, transmitting thanks to the City Council for the kind expression of sympathy.
2. A communication was received from Nancy Rappaport, transmitting thanks to the City Council for the kind resolution.
3. A communication was received from Sarah Satterthwaite, 198 Hamilton Street, in opposition of the proposed rule changes for signs on buildings.
4. A communication was received from Peter Valentine, 37 Brookline Street, regarding an internet search of his name.
5. A communication was received from Kevin P. Crane, Esq., transmitting copies of letters from Ronald Axelrod, 26 Shepard Street and Colleen Clark, 21 Williams Street in opposition to the sign ordinance amendments.
6. A communication was received from Mark Chase and Charlie Denison, LivableStreets Alliance, regarding sustainable parking policy.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Thanks to Andala and Sami Herbawi for their contribution to the Hoops ‘n’ Health event. Councillor Reeves
2. Thanks to Highland Kitchen and Mark Romano for their contribution to the Hoops ‘n’ Health event. Councillor Reeves
3. Thanks to Richard Harding for his contribution to the Hoops ‘n’ Health event. Councillor Reeves
4. Thanks to The Asgard and Jacob Zachow for their contribution to the Hoops ‘n’ Health event. Councillor Reeves

5. Thanks to Legal Sea Foods and Jaclyn Plunkett for their contribution to the Hoops 'n' Health event. Councillor Reeves
6. Thanks to Basta Pasta Trattoria and Altin Hoxhallari for their contribution to the Hoops 'n' Health event. Councillor Reeves
7. Thanks to the Men of Color Health Initiative for their contribution to the Hoops 'n' Health event. Councillor Reeves
8. Resolution on the death of William E. "Billy" Frammartino. Councillor Toomey
9. Retirement of Theodora Guthrie from the School Department. Mayor Maher
10. Retirement of Elena James from the School Department. Mayor Maher
11. Resolution on the death of Mary Kearns. Mayor Maher
12. Resolution on the death of Hilda E. (Andrews) Enos. Councillor Toomey
13. Resolution on the death of Edmir "Eddie" de Carvalho. Mayor Maher
14. Congratulations to Penelope Tang and Benjamin Meyer on their recent marriage. Vice Mayor Davis
15. Congratulations to the Cambridge residents who have been chosen to participate in the Crimson Scholars program. Councillor Cheung
16. Congratulations to the graduates of the Community Learning Center. Councillor Cheung
17. Congratulations to Brendon Jean-Baptiste and Mikayla Duncan on receiving new bicycles and helmets on behalf of the CYCLE Kids program. Councillor Cheung
18. Congratulations to Adriana Jacobsen on winning an Honorable Mention in the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority's annual writing contest. Councillor Cheung
19. Congratulations to MAPS for their excellent work spreading information about HIV prevention. Councillor Cheung
20. Congratulation to the participants who joined the Swim Across America to make a splash for pediatric cancer survivorship programs at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Councillor Cheung
21. Resolution on the death of Muriel L. (Fitzgerald) Reynolds. Mayor Maher
22. Resolution on the death of Patrick S. Pizzuto. Mayor Maher, Councillor Toomey
23. Resolution on the death of William H. Frazier. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Maher
24. Congratulations to the twelve students who were certified as student mediators by the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Cheung
25. Resolution on the death of Francis J. Higgins. Councillor Toomey
26. Resolution on the death of Anthony J. Materazzo. Mayor Maher
27. Resolution on the death of Mary E. (Mylon) Sullivan. Mayor Maher
28. Retirement of Stephen Persson from the Cambridge Fire Department. Mayor Maher
29. Resolution on the death of John F. Henning. Councillor Toomey
30. Resolution on the death of Frances P. Collins. Mayor Maher
31. Resolution on the death of John A. "Artie" Harrington. Mayor Maher
32. Resolution on the death of Mary E. (Aylward) Grassia. Councillor Toomey
33. Resolution on the death of Specialist Stanley J. Sokolowski III. Councillor Decker
34. Resolution on the death of Staff Sergeant Amilcar H. Gonzalez. Councillor Decker
35. Resolution on the death of Major Ronald W. Culver Jr. Councillor Decker
36. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Alvaro R. Regalado. Councillor Decker
37. Resolution on the death of Private Francisco J. Guardado-Ramirez. Councillor Decker
38. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Steve M. Theobald. Councillor Decker
39. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Israel P. O'Bryan. Councillor Decker
40. Resolution on the death of Specialist William C. Yauch. Councillor Decker
41. Resolution on the death of Specialist Christopher W. Opat. Councillor Decker
42. Resolution on the death of Captain Michael P. Cassidy. Councillor Decker
43. Resolution on the death of Jacob P. Dohrenwend. Councillor Decker
44. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Bryant J. Haynes. Councillor Decker
45. Resolution on the death of Specialist Morganne M. McBeth. Councillor Decker
46. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Johnny W. Lumpkin. Councillor Decker
47. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Jordan E. Tuttle. Councillor Decker
48. Retirement of Sarah Baker from the School Department. Mayor Maher
49. Retirement of Sharon Kenney from the Human Services Department. Mayor Maher
50. Resolution on the death of Kathryn "Kay" (Moore) Calter. Councillor Toomey
51. Congratulations to Michael Ward and Val Harris-Alleyne on being honored for donating blood. Councillor Cheung
52. Congratulations to the Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House, the Cambridge Health Alliance and the Cambridge Family YMCA for their work on the Cambridge Men's Health Alliance. Councillor Cheung
53. Resolution on the death of Rita (Garvey) Capuano. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Maher, Councillor Simmons
54. Resolution on the death of Jesse J. Souza. Councillor Toomey
55. Welcome to Lyndell's Bakery on their new shop at 74 Prospect Street, Cambridge. Councillor Toomey
56. Congratulations to Linda and William Forry on the birth of their daughter Madeline Casey Forry. Councillor Toomey
57. Resolution on the death of Dolores M. (Tosti) Zappala. Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor Davis
58. Retirement of Sylvia Greene from the Human Services Department. Mayor Maher
59. Retirement of Marsha Lazar from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Maher, Vice Mayor Davis
60. Retirement of Marie Ciampi from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Maher
61. Retirement of Julie Medley from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Maher
62. Retirement of Judith Weiner from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Maher
63. Retirement of Ellen Serino from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Maher

64. Retirement of John O'Connor from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Maher
65. Recognize the sacrifices of the men and women being remembered on the 9th anniversary of the September 11 attacks as the Cambridge Police Department commemorates these heroes as well as deceased members of the Cambridge Police Department who have died in the line of duty with memorial stones at the site of the Robert W. Healy Public Safety Facility. Councillor Toomey
66. Congratulations to Robert Perry on his athletic feat of becoming a Tri-Athlete. Councillor Toomey
67. Congratulations to the East Coast Grill on the occasion of their 25th Anniversary. Councillor Toomey
68. Retirement of Victoria Solomon from the Cambridge Public Library. Mayor Maher
69. Resolution on the death of Charles A. "Chuck" Doran. Mayor Maher
70. Resolution on the death of John R. Mullen. Councillor Toomey
71. Best wishes to Chief Justice Margaret Marshall on her retirement from the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court. Councillor Decker, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Seidel
72. Resolution on the death of First Lieutenant Michael L. Runyan. Councillor Decker
73. Best wishes to the Flour Bakery and Cafe on the opening of their new location at 190 Massachusetts Avenue. Mayor Maher
74. Congratulations to New Profit, Inc. on being awarded a grant from the Social Innovation Fund (SIF) through the Corporation for National and Community Service. Mayor Maher
75. Retirement of Louise Rice from the Cambridge Public Health Department. Vice Mayor Davis
76. Best wishes to the Community Art Center as they begin their capital campaign to raise funds. Councillor Seidel
77. Best wishes to the organizers of the Sharif Moustafa Fundraiser which will take place on Sept 17, 2010 and the rededication of the Sharif Moustafa Basketball Court on Sept 18, 2010. Councillor Toomey
78. Resolution on the death of Olga (Mucci) Sinatra. Councillor Toomey
79. Congratulating Stephanie Kaplan, Windsor Hanger, and Annie Wang for their excellent and successful work. Councillor Cheung
80. Congratulating the students who participated in the Crimson Scholars program. Councillor Cheung
81. Congratulating the AAC and the CCA on their successful merge. Councillor Cheung
82. Congratulating The Boston Area Rape Crisis Center. Councillor Cheung

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to report to the City Council on what safety plans exist to contain a city-wide disaster or to mitigate the impact on Cambridge of natural or man-made disasters occurring elsewhere in the United States or abroad. Councillor Simmons
2. That the City Manager is requested to support the office of the Mayor in appointing a committee of individuals to commence in June of 2011 an annual Bayard Rustin Civil

Rights Rainbow Award, to bestow upon a member of the African American and/or GLBT community who has done outstanding work on behalf of advancing the civil rights of all. Councillor Simmons

3. That the City Manager is requested to direct the IT Department to present a plan within 2 months time for addressing an alternative Common Ground Web Content Management System to all departments currently approved to manage their own web pages. Councillor Simmons
4. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on options to improve the safety of the intersection at Prospect Street and Broadway. Councillor Cheung and Councillor Simmons
5. That the City Manager is requested to direct the appropriate departments to investigate the problems that the heavy rains have caused the city and report to the City Council appropriate remedies. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Toomey and Councillor Cheung
6. City Council supports the DREAM Act, and call upon the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to halt the removal of Eric Balderas and all other young immigrant students who would be eligible to gain legal status under DREAM or other comprehensive immigration reform proposals while such legislation is under consideration in the U.S. Congress. Councillor Toomey, Councillor Seidel and Councillor Simmons
7. That the City Manager is requested to update the City Council as to any measures which can be implemented to address the current traffic and safety concerns associated with the Jersey barriers in front of the property at 5 JFK Street. Councillor Seidel
8. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Department of Public Works on measures for monitoring and detecting any infestation of the Asian longhorned beetle in City trees. Councillor Seidel and Councillor Cheung
9. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Department of Public Works and any other department of the city as deemed appropriate to look into the possibility of starting a tree guardian program in the City of Cambridge. Councillor Simmons and Councillor Cheung
10. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council relative to the ruling in favor of the plaintiffs in the 303 Third Street dispute and the impact this could have on the affordable units within the building. Councillor Toomey
11. That the City Manager is requested to confer with relevant City staff and report back to the City Council on how the decriminalization of possession of small amounts of marijuana has impacted the Cambridge Police Department's actions and how the Cambridge Police Department has responded to this change in state law. Councillor Kelley
12. That the Mayor is requested to convene a special meeting of the City Council in September 2010 to review the findings of the Cambridge Review Commission. Councillor Kelley and Councillor Reeves
13. That the City Manager report back to the City Council on summer rains and flooding, neighborhood stormwater

- systems and the proposed Wetlands Protection Ordinance.
Councillor Kelley
14. That this City Council go on record encouraging funding for the Salvation Army's Our Place day-care center so they may continue to provide this essential service to Cambridge's homeless parents and children. Councillor Decker and Councillor Cheung
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

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HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Aug 2

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

Tues, Aug 3

6:00pm School Committee Summer Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Aug 4

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11:00am The Housing Committee will conduct a public meeting to receive an update on their work and the outlook for the next year from the Housing Authority. (Ackermann Room)

Tues, Aug 10

5:30pm The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss bike facilities including bike lanes, bike tracks and bike parking. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Aug 16

3:00pm The Government Operations and Rules Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the process the City Council

will use to set its FY2013 goals and any other matters properly before the committee. (Ackermann Room)

Tues, Sept 7

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Sept 15

4:00pm The Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the subject of entrepreneurs development. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Sept 16

5:00pm The Claims Committee will conduct a public hearing to consider claims filed against the city. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, Sept 20

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Sept 21

2:00pm The Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss place-making strategies for Kendall Square. (Sullivan Chamber)

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Sept 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Sept 28

4:00pm The University Relations Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss campus safety. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Oct 5

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Oct 19

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Over the past few months Cambridge and other communities around the Boston metropolis have been affected by events as far away as Canada; and

WHEREAS: Brush fires in Canada have had an effect on air quality and visibility in Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: The earthquake in Canada on June 23 was felt as close as Brookline; and

WHEREAS: The safety of our citizens is of paramount to the municipality of Cambridge; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council on what safety plans exist to contain a city-wide disaster or to mitigate the impact on Cambridge of natural or man-made disasters occurring elsewhere in the United States or abroad.

O-2 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Cambridge has long been an open and inclusive community that celebrates the diversity of all who live and work here; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has been at the forefront of acceptance and tolerance for both African Americans and the GLBT community and has resolved, ordered, legislated, and celebrated the gains in the Civil Rights Movement which have been individually and jointly undertaken; and

WHEREAS: Bayard Rustin, a champion of civil rights for all, would no doubt acknowledge the foundational strength of the African

American civil rights struggle upon which the GLBT community has proudly stood and continued to raise local and global consciousness of a movement that will someday provide civil rights to all with utter sameness regardless of any difference; and
WHEREAS: Each year various awards are given at the GLBT Pride Brunch hosted by the GLBT Commission and the Office of the Mayor to acknowledge the activism and actions of individuals and groups that have advanced the GLBT cause; and
WHEREAS: Fundamental reasons remain to bring together African Americans and the GLBT community as they continue to lead our nation toward ultimate civil rights; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to support the Office of the Mayor in appointing a committee of individuals to commence in June of 2011 an annual Bayard Rustin Civil Rights Rainbow Award, to bestow upon a member of the African American and/or GLBT community who has done outstanding work on behalf of advancing the civil rights of all.

O-3 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The City's Common Ground Web Content Management System, which all city departments rely on for posting timely information on departmental web pages, is cumbersome and ineffective as experienced by most city staff; and
WHEREAS: Cambridge city departments and staff have historically gone through extensive training to learn how to use the Web Content Management System, only to be unable to get information on their departmental web pages in a timely manner; and
WHEREAS: Many city departments, including the Department of Public Works, have created web pages using software other than Common Ground Web Content Management System for the purpose of updating content quickly and easily in a visually appealing manner; and
WHEREAS: All city departments with web pages would benefit from having multiple staff trained and authorized on an alternative, user-friendly software; and
WHEREAS: Constituents request and often require access to current website information as they look to the City of Cambridge department pages to provide them critical information; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the IT Department to present a plan within 2 months time to provide an alternative Common Ground Web Content Management System to all departments currently approved to manage their own web pages.

O-4 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on options to improve the safety of the intersection at Prospect Street and Broadway.

O-5 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: On Sat July 10, 2010, Cambridge recorded 3.58" of rain falling between 2:10 p.m. and 3:10 p.m.; and
WHEREAS: This is an unprecedented amount of rain in one hour. To put it in perspective, it would be the equivalent of 42" of snow falling during the same time period; and
WHEREAS: This resulted in substantial street and home flooding in the city - most particularly in East Cambridge and Mid-Cambridge; and
WHEREAS: Many Cambridge residents have called and written complaining of flooded basements, and damaged property; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge Police recorded nineteen reports of cars that stopped working and got stuck in the rain, and three reports of cars damaged by manhole covers that blew off; and
WHEREAS: Think Tank, a new, locally-owned Kendall Square restaurant accumulated twelve inches of water inside the restaurant and six feet of water outside its front door, putting the future of this establishment in jeopardy; and
WHEREAS: TT the Bears, a music club in Central Square is in the process of fixing the sub-ceiling of the building that caved in due to the storm. They found the club flooded with one and a half feet of water, damaging the bar, register and three cases of liquor; and
WHEREAS: There is a lot of misinformation and hearsay circulating amongst the community about the supposed cause of the flooding and many constituents feel the city did not do enough to prevent it from happening; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads and report back to the City Council with a comprehensive study on what mechanisms the city currently has in place to prevent flooding, what we can do further to improve our services and to evaluate in particular the city's response to the July 10, 2010 flooding.

O-6 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR SEIDEL
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge and the United States were founded by immigrants, who have traveled from around the world to seek a better life; and
WHEREAS: Our nation's immigration system should uphold our basic values of family, economic opportunity, and fairness; and
WHEREAS: The U.S. immigration system, which has torn apart families, created long backlogs for legal visas, and produced a undocumented population of twelve million immigrants is broken and is in dire need of comprehensive reform; and
WHEREAS: Among these undocumented immigrants are hundreds of thousands of young people who were brought to the U.S. while they were children to be with their parents; and
WHEREAS: 65,000 undocumented students graduate from high schools throughout the U.S. each year; and
WHEREAS: Many of these youths have excelled in school, worked hard to fund their studies and support their families, and become leaders in their communities; and
WHEREAS: These youths are highly motivated to continue with their education (with many doing so despite being ineligible for federal financial aid) or to serve our nation as members of the U.S. Armed Forces; and
WHEREAS: Despite their excellent academic records and contributions to the community, these youths are in constant peril of being identified, detained, and deported by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security; and
WHEREAS: One such youth, Cambridge-resident Eric Balderas who came to the U.S. when he was four, works full-time to pay for school and support his family, volunteers with several community organizations, and is now enrolled at Harvard College with hopes of becoming a medical researcher, faced removal from the U.S. on June 15, 2010, after being identified while visiting his mother in Texas; and
WHEREAS: 39 U.S. Senators and 124 U.S. Representatives have co-sponsored the Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act, a bipartisan proposal that would enable many of these students, including Eric Balderas, to earn legal status, continue with their educations, and pursue careers that would enable them to further contribute to their new home country; and
WHEREAS: Our city and our country can only benefit if youths like Eric Balderas can become legal, continue with their studies, and further develop as workers and leaders; and

WHEREAS: Students like Eric Balderas should be allowed to remain in the U.S. while the DREAM Act is under consideration, lest they lose their opportunity to ultimately gain legal status and pursue their education in the U.S. if they were deported; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record supporting the DREAM Act, and calling upon the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to halt the removal of Eric Balderas and all other young immigrant students who would be eligible to gain legal status under DREAM or other comprehensive immigration reform proposals while such legislation is under consideration in the U.S. Congress; and

RESOLVED: That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be forwarded to President Barack Obama, Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano, Senator Scott Brown, Senator John Kerry, and Congressman Capuano on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-7 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: The sidewalk in front of the building at 5 JFK Street in Harvard Square is currently blocked by Jersey barriers; and
WHEREAS: These barriers are hampering the flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic in this section of Harvard Square; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to update the City Council as to any measures which can be implemented to address the current traffic and safety concerns associated with the Jersey barriers in front of the property at 5 JFK Street; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council regarding the plan to permanently remove the Jersey barriers out of the roadway and sidewalk area in front of 5 JFK Street.

O-8 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The City of Boston recently found Asian longhorned beetles in six trees on the grounds of Faulkner Hospital in Jamaica Plain; and

WHEREAS: These same beetles were responsible for a major infestation and destruction of trees in Worcester; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has made a major commitment to the maintenance and preservation of its trees through allocation of City resources; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Department of Public Works on measures for monitoring and detecting any infestation of the Asian longhorned beetle in City trees; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to update the City Council of plans to inform the public of the importance of reporting possible sightings of the Asian longhorned beetle in Cambridge; 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-9 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The planting and protection of newly planted trees is a matter of public interest and a goal of the City Council; and

WHEREAS: The city wants to protect the new trees planted; and

WHEREAS: The personnel supports may not be sufficient to properly care for all newly planted trees; and

WHEREAS: On Magazine Street a resident has been the "guardian" of a newly planted tree; and

WHEREAS: A resident has proposed that the city consider a tree guardian program; and

WHEREAS: This type of program can promote a level of civic engagement and community building; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Department of Public Works and any other department of the city as deemed appropriate to look into the possibility of starting this type of endeavor.

O-10 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that the court ruled in favor of the plaintiffs in the 303 Third Street dispute; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this decision and the impact this could have on the affordable units within the building.

O-11 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: Marijuana possession in limited quantities has recently been decriminalized in Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge Police Department staff recently stated in a committee meeting that the use of marijuana has increased; and

WHEREAS: Anecdotally, the public use of marijuana appears to have increased in recent months; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with Police Commissioner Haas to report back to the City Council on how the decriminalization of possession of small amounts to marijuana has impacted the Cambridge Police Department's actions and how the Cambridge Police Department has responded to this change in state law.

O-12 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the Mayor be and hereby is requested to convene a special meeting of the City Council in September 2010 to review the findings of the Cambridge Review Commission.

O-13 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant agencies and staff and report back to the City Council on:

- * The impact of summer rains and resulting floods on Cambridge residents and businesses;
- * The current and planned future capacity of Cambridge neighborhoods' stormwater systems to handle similar rain events in the future; and
- * The status of Cambridge's proposed Wetlands Protection Ordinance and a copy of that document.

O-14 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR DECKER

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: This City Council has learned that The Salvation Army's Our Place day-care center at 402 Massachusetts Avenue in Cambridge is at risk of closing down due to a loss of state funding; and

WHEREAS: The Salvation Army's Our Place day-care center is one of two places in the state where homeless people can bring their children during the day; and

WHEREAS: If the center closes down, both children and parents will suffer as the daycare is heavily relied on by parents who have no other place to care for their children while they are working or taking classes; and

WHEREAS: The day-care is facing a \$160,000 budget cut which would leave the 38 children it cares for without help if closed; and

WHEREAS: It would be devastating to the community if after 23 years of operation the doors of the Salvation Army Our Place Day Care Center were no longer a resource to our homeless and underserved parents and children; and

WHEREAS: The Salvation Army's Our Place daycare center provides kids a safe environment while their parents are working to create a better life for them, and without it, this would not be possible; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That this City Council go on record encouraging that the funding be made available to the Salvation Army's Our Place daycare center so they may continue to provide this essential service to Cambridge's homeless parents and children; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Governor Deval Patrick, the Cambridge Legislative Delegation, and Major Stephen Carroll of the Salvation Army on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-15 Aug 2, 2010

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: Investing in cost-effective energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements to homes and businesses can save energy, cut utility bills, create thousands of local jobs, reduce reliance on fossil fuels, and dramatically reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS: The upfront cost and potentially long payback periods prevent property owners from making otherwise cost-effective clean energy improvements; and

WHEREAS: Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing programs are an innovative local government solution to help property owners finance energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements-such as energy efficient boilers, upgraded insulation, new windows, solar installations-to their homes and businesses; and

WHEREAS: Twenty-two states have passed laws enabling local governments to develop PACE programs; and

WHEREAS: The White House and the U.S. Department of Energy strongly support PACE, have dedicated \$150 million to develop local PACE programs and issued guidelines to ensure that PACE programs meet safety and soundness requirements and adequately protect both bond buyers and property owners; and

WHEREAS: Despite PACE's great promise, the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) on July 6th issued statements that immediately forced existing PACE programs to halt operations and froze the development of dozens of PACE programs nationwide; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record urging the Cambridge Congressional Delegation to support legislation that clearly guarantees local governments the right to assess special taxes for clean energy programs and restore the promise of PACE; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward suitably engrossed copies of this resolution as soon as possible to the Cambridge Congressional Delegation on behalf of the City Council.

O-16 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

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

WHEREAS: The most readily available action any city can take to diminish the effect of the national economic crisis on its residents is to help strengthen its local economy; and

WHEREAS: Examples abound of cities where a grassroots movement committed to leveraging the 'multiplier effect', wherein money spent at locally-owned businesses contributes 57% more to the local economy than does money spent at non-locally owned businesses, has helped give residents more healthy, vibrant, and sustainable communities; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge is fortunate to have hundreds of unique and popular locally owned and independent businesses that are critical

components to a strong local economy; however, In these hard economic times owning a business has become even more difficult; and

WHEREAS: That hardship necessitates a more pro-active approach by municipal governments to support local economic development in order to realize a positive impact for residents in the local economy; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City of Cambridge declares itself a "Local Economy Community" welcoming and supportive of local entrepreneurship; and

ORDERED: That the City of Cambridge declares Sept 26th - Oct 2nd as "Cambridge Local Economy Week" and that the City Manager is hereby requested to confer with appropriate departments to promote the steps residents can take to contribute to localized economic development during that week, including notification on the billboard in front of City Hall, notification on the City Website, and increased distribution of a locally-owned business directory; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager is hereby requested to report back to the Economic Development Committee of the City Council with recommendations for how the City of Cambridge can:

1. Achieve at least 10% municipal procurement from locally owned independent businesses; and
2. Ensure that locally owned and/or regionally owned independent banks are encouraged to participate and given whatever preference is lawfully allowed when bids for the provision of municipal banking services are requested; and
3. Support whatever efforts are made by the School Committee to increase the percentage of locally grown and produced food served to our children; and

ORDERED: That the Economic Development Committee's Local Economy Taskforce continue to identify and develop policies that directly support the growth and development of locally owned and independent businesses in Cambridge; and

O-17 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that Northern Fire Ants or "Myrmica Rubra" have invaded a two yards in Bellis Circle, Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: This is the first time this species has been found in Massachusetts, usually these ants stay away from populated areas and prefer to reside in marshlands, near a water source; and

WHEREAS: The sting of these ants can cause anaphylactic shock in allergic humans; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Public Information Officer to post information on the city's website about this outbreak, including how to detect whether a person is having an allergic reaction and what to do if the situation arises.

O-18 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Election Commission to develop a bi-annual program (once during fall semester, once in spring) that would allow Election Commissioners and staff to visit every student dorm in Cambridge to educate students on their voting rights and encourage them to participate in local government and state elections.

O-19 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: There being a general consensus to address the perennial issue of student engagement in municipal elections, efforts to disseminate information must be made, and in light of the discussion documented in Committee Report #5 of Aug 2, 2010; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Executive Director of the Election Commission to produce a one page flyer that will be distributed to the universities via PDF that will provide information, a summary of how we elect our local government officials and a fact sheet answering common questions about what reregistering in Massachusetts entails, including potential home state implications of declaring Massachusetts residency; and that the Executive Director work with local universities to enable Election Commissioners and staff to conduct in-person outreach disseminating that same information and encouraging participation.

O-20 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: Massachusetts Department of Transportation and the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority proposed the extension of the Green Line beyond Lechmere Station into Somerville and Medford; and

WHEREAS: As part of this proposal, Lechmere Station would relocate to the east side of the Monsignor O'Brien Highway; and

WHEREAS: Although extending the Green Line will increase mobility, encourage public transit usage and improve regional quality, the MassDOT plan does not take into account the effects of this project on Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: The proposed relocation of Lechmere Station is inconvenient and will introduce many riders of both train and bus lines to the dangers of crossing a 6-7 lane highway on a daily basis. It also discourages prospective consumers from shopping at the Cambridgeside Galleria and increasingly alienates East Cambridge residents from public transportation; and

WHEREAS: Additionally, the MassDOT design for the new Lechmere Station does not include an entrance oriented towards the south (i.e. the direction where most of the station's ridership will be headed to and from) nor does it include a proper bus drop-off and queuing area for commuters. In its current form the Lechmere design also does not include an enclosed lobby to protect commuters from inclement weather, a convenience that every other proposed station except ours includes; and

WHEREAS: It is important to remember that the Green Line extension project is not just another public works project, but an opportunity to revitalize the neighborhood of East Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: The way in which MassDOT approaches infrastructure projects needs to be reevaluated. They can not continue to devise massive public works projects without incorporating the potential for community and economic development. There needs to be a shift in focus from simply worrying about traffic mitigation to whether the area around a T station is provided with the opportunity to bloom. T stations are integral parts of a neighborhood and have the potential to become economic hubs as well. The Green Line Extension project offers us the chance to redevelop Lechmere Square as a major gateway to Cambridge; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads to draft our own station plan and to work with the East Cambridge community and neighborhood groups to advocate for the inclusion of Cambridge needs in the final MassDOT Green Line Extension plan.

O-21 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that for several weeks this summer there has not been adequate trash removal in Dana Park; and

WHEREAS: Numerous residents have complained that the rotting trash has attracted rodents and is giving off a strong, unpleasant odor; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads to rectify this issue,

either by installing bins that are impenetrable to rodents and seal in odor or by scheduling more frequent trash pickups.

O-22 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: There being a general consensus on the importance of communicating the history, cultural norms, and expectations of the City of Cambridge to new students in order to encourage civic engagement in the community, and in light of the discussion documented in Committee Report #5 of Aug 2, 2010; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Information Technology to arrange for a portion of the website to be dedicated to information for college students, preferably by changing the main categories on the front page from "Living Working Visiting" to Living Working Studying Visiting", or establishing another prominent home page headline and including in the "studying" area links to information already on the website that is of particular interest to college students in Cambridge, and to work with the Cambridge universities and colleges to provide additional information for the site; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Public Information Officer to develop a one page flyer for distribution by the colleges and universities that advertises student oriented website links and also contains a description of Cambridge and its significance to introduce students to the city as their new home.

O-23 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant City staff and report back to the City Council on issues raised by:

- * Scooters riding to the right of automobile traffic and how their acceleration capacity, mass and ability to drift in and out of traffic presents challenges to cyclists and automobile drivers
- * Scooters parking on sidewalks and in the public way and whether their greater bulk is overly taxing existing bicycle parking facilities
- * Scooters adding to noise levels with their high pitched engines that are not very well muffled; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide the City Council with ideas on any useful changes to City ordinances or regulations on scooter use and parking.

O-24 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: There exists a scarcity of open space in the Area 4 neighborhood; and

WHEREAS: The property at 116 Norfolk Street includes both a large apartment building providing affordable housing and land which is currently owned by the Cambridge Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS: The open space at 116 Norfolk Street provides respite for area neighbors; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to obtain a report from the Cambridge Housing Authority on the long-term plans for the building and associated open space located at 116 Norfolk Street; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with this information.

O-25 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the City Solicitor to examine the feasibility and enforceability of implementing the provisions of House Bill 3371, an act providing cities and towns with the option of increasing certain motor vehicle fines to improve driving, if the city council

enacted them through adoption of the local option in the Bill; 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-26 Aug 2, 2010

MAYOR MAHER

ORDERED: That the Committee on Cable Television, Telecommunications and Public Utilities request NSTAR representatives to attend a committee meeting to discuss NSTAR's policies on replacing residential gas meters in properties which contain asbestos and to discuss whether NSTAR has established programs to assist residential property owners with testing for the presence of asbestos fibers or with the abatement of asbestos in properties with NSTAR gas meters.

O-27 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR DECKER

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

COUNCILLOR REEVES

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of this City Council that conversations have taken place "to ascertain if there is a business model that would allow the Cambridge Health Alliance to continue its long-term Mission of being a quality health care provider"; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA) identifies itself as a "health system that provides high quality care in Cambridge, Somerville, and Boston's metro-north communities," and "manages health programs and leads community coalitions that address issues such as obesity, substance abuse, and childhood asthma programs" that "are part of its Cambridge Public Health Department, which is operated via municipal contract with the City of Cambridge"; and

WHEREAS: The CHA also operates Network Health, a statewide Medicaid managed care and Commonwealth Care provider that offers critical health coverage to low-income individuals; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Health Alliance evolved out of the publicly-run Cambridge City Hospital, which is often called "Cambridge City" by those whose families and communities have depended for generations on a local medical care system that was led by people who understood and provided for the specific needs of its wide range of its linguistic and cultural patient base; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Health Alliance is governed by a 19-member Board of Trustees appointed by the City Manager of Cambridge, MA [and] In accordance with the enabling statute which created Cambridge Health Alliance (Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Chapter 147 of the Acts and Resolves of 1996), at least 2/3 of board membership shall be residents of the City of Cambridge with the remaining membership composed of residents from Somerville, the CEO (ex officio), a representative from the CHA medical staff, and two City of Cambridge officers or employees; and

WHEREAS: The code of ethics of the Cambridge Health Alliance states that "Honest, open communication characterizes all of our interactions with patients, employees, and the community"; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Health Alliance serves a public trust that has been integral to the community life and health of the residents of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: It appears that the City Manager has engaged in discussions about the future of the Cambridge Health Alliance with no notification to the Cambridge City Council; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide this City Council with appropriate notice of considerations, conversations and discussions he and his senior staff have regarding the City's primary health institution; 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-28 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR DECKER

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of this City Council that the Cambridge Health Alliance has closed the Teen Health Center for the summer; and

WHEREAS: The potential for the Teen Health Center to close last summer was of great concern to both the City Council and the community. And with the assistance of the City Council and city administration the Teen Health Center was able to stay open with limited hours; and

WHEREAS: During the city's budget hearings the Finance Committee explicitly asked if the Cambridge Health Alliance would be closing the Teen Health Center for the summer and the answer from Cambridge Health Alliance CEO Dennis Keefe was one of uncertainty; and

WHEREAS: The Finance Committee was concerned that if the Teen Health Center did close that it might be due to budgetary concerns and requested to be informed and additionally offered to consult on the potential financial hardships of the Teen Health Center; and

WHEREAS: Though no word came from the Cambridge Health Alliance, the Teen Health Center has closed its doors for the summer; and

WHEREAS: It is unclear why the Cambridge Health Alliance did not respond to this concern by communicating with the Council before closing the Teen Health Center particularly when additional funds were available; and

WHEREAS: The City Council is entrusted by the community to protect its interests in vital issues, therefore the City Council must have sufficient knowledge to adequately fulfill this responsibility; and

WHEREAS: The closing of the Teen Health Center negatively affects Cambridge youth citywide who utilize the mental health and medical services; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to inquire about the reasons for the closing of the Teen Health Center; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested, as the legal appointer of members of the board of the Cambridge Health Alliance, and a contributor to ongoing talks with the CEO, and as the employee of the City Council, be and hereby is requested to report no less than quarterly to the City Council about the conversations that have taken place about the Cambridge Health Alliance on topics including but not limited to service changes and other matters that impact our community and the future of the Cambridge Health Alliance; and be it further

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

O-29 Aug 2, 2010

COUNCILLOR DECKER

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: This City Council has learned that in November voters will decide to keep or repeal 40B the Affordable Housing Law by voting on ballot question two; and

WHEREAS: In the last ten years 40B has created eighty percent of the affordable housing in Massachusetts outside of its major cities; and

WHEREAS: 40B has led to the creation of 58,000 new homes and of those homes 29,000 are reserved for households earning less than eighty percent of the area median income; and

WHEREAS: The Affordable Housing Law gives communities the opportunity to build new housing and offers the citizens of Massachusetts a choice about where they live; and

WHEREAS: Cities, towns, and municipalities who utilize the Affordable Housing Law are obligated to dedicate ten percent of the new housing built to affordable housing and from 1997 to now under 40B the number of communities that have reached that ten

percent threshold has jumped from 24 to 51, an additional 40 communities above eight percent; and

WHEREAS: In the middle of a recession and a housing crisis restricting access to affordable housing to vulnerable residents of Massachusetts means working families and seniors will be left with even fewer options; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That this City Council go on record urging its residents to vote no on 2 to preserve the affordable housing law; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Governor Deval Patrick and the Cambridge Legislative Delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-30 Aug 2, 2010

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to urge Harvard University to set up a meeting between a representative group of tenants from 9-13A Ware Street and Ed LeFlore, Harvard's Mitigation manager, and other Harvard employees (including the structural engineer) who are knowledgeable about all aspects of the renovations at 9-13A Ware Street, to discuss the proposed renovation and also to discuss relocating tenants during the ten-day renovations.

O-31 Aug 2, 2010

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: Cambridge is a national leader in climate protection and in the effort to reduce carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS: Forty percent of energy use nationally is in buildings subject to international building code and 80% of Cambridge emissions come from buildings; and

WHEREAS: The international building code, including energy code, is set by the International Code Council; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to recommend the appropriate city personnel to attend the International Code Council Conference in October.

O-32 Aug 2, 2010

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to investigate with the MBTA the possibility of installing a long flat tube slide (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W4o0ZVeixYU>) at a Cambridge MBTA station to add a bit of personality to a subway stop.