

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Fair Housing Assistance Program Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of \$37,200 to the Grant Fund Human Rights Salary and Wages Account (\$27,200) and the Grant Fund Human Rights Travel and Training Account (\$10,000) and will be used to cover a portion of the salary of an Attorney-Investigator, who works on cases from the Fair Housing Assistance Program (FHAP).
2. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, 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) and will be used to support staff professional development, the purchase of supplies to improve classroom instruction, and parent outreach efforts including food and childcare.
3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the recommendation to reappointment of Victoria Bergland as a member of the Cambridge Housing Authority (CHA) Board of Commissioners as the Tenant Representative for a term of 5-years.
4. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-65, regarding an update on improvements in Porter Square.
5. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 17-55 and 17-64, regarding an update on Bicycle Lane Implementation and Outreach.
6. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-58, regarding steps that will be taken to comply with the federal rule titled "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing" that was issued in July 2015 and requires the completion of the Fair Housing Assessment.
7. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-62, regarding the status of the Harvard Square Improvement Fund.
8. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-66, regarding a report on the Grand Junction Overlay District and MIT's role in planning for the Grand Junction Path.
9. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as a members of the Pedestrian Committee for a term of two years, effective Sept 25, 2017: Fatima Akter, Samuel Almon, Andrea Marquardt Duchesneau, Steven Gniadzowski, Emily Holzman, Kevin Robert Hunter, Helina Mekonnen, Johanna Pittman, Olivia Turner, Stacey King,

Debby Galef, Jodie Cohen-Tanugi, Magda McCormick, Sean Pierce, Helen Rose, Joseph Rose and Sam Stern.

10. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as a members of the Bicycle Committee for a term of two years, effective Sept 25, 2017: Corby Bacco, Rebeca Simonson, Mark Boswell, John Ellersick, Dien Ho, Charles James, Patrick Michael Lynch, Stacey King, Melissa Shakro, Jonathan Adams, Ann Marie Biernacki, Amy Flax, Caroline Jaffe, Michael Proscia, Ruthann Rudel, Randy Stern, Peter Stokes and Andrea Williams
11. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as a members of the Transit Committee: Chantal Eide, Mark Jensen, Neil Rodriguez, Miles Markarian Taylor, Joe Beggan, Kelley Brown, Devin Chausse, Jim Gascoigne, Michael Monestime, Katherine Rafferty, Daniel Andrew Schofield-Bodt, Stacy Thompson, Melissa Zampitella, John Attanucci, Charlie Fineman, Robert Fitzgerald, Robert Ricchi, Arthur Strang, Saul Tannenbaum and Alexander Taylor
12. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-83, regarding re-hanging the portrait of Father O'Callahan in the War Memorial.
13. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-30, regarding a report on partnering with DCR and the Cambridgeport Neighborhood Association to revitalize Magazine Beach.
14. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an amendment to the Foundry Demonstration Project Plan. [[Attachments](#)]
15. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the Community Preservation Act (CPA) recommendations for FY2018. [[Attachments](#)]

ON THE TABLE

1. The City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to organize regular suppers on the second Saturday of each month, starting on the 13th of August, with free food for the Cambridge community in open public spaces throughout the various Cambridge neighborhoods. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Mazon on June 20, 2016. Tabled on a motion by Councillor Mazon on June 27, 2016.]
2. The City Manager coordinate with the Finance Department, Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, and community stakeholders to outline a proposed system of governance, management, and stakeholder engagement for the Foundry, to be discussed in a public forum with the Council and community. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Toomey on Oct 31, 2016. Placed On The Table on voice vote of six members on motion of Councillor Toomey.]
3. An application was received from Mundo/Lux, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 2 Bow Street. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Cheung on Dec 19, 2016. Placed On Table on a voice vote of 8 on motion of Councillor Cheung on Jan 9, 2017.]

4. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and any other relevant City department to survey of city residents, work, and visitors to determine who is interested in parking in the City. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Jan 30, 2017. Placed On Table on a motion by Councillor Cheung on Feb 6, 2017.]
5. That the City Manager is requested to establish the requirement that all appointments to the City's commissions, advisory committees, and task forces reflect the City's diversity and that the Civic Unity Committee is asked to sign off on all such appointments going forward. [Charter Right exercised by Mayor Simmons on Feb 27, 2017. Tabled on a motion by Councillor Cheung on a voice vote of 8 members on Mar 6, 2017.]
6. That the City Manager is requested to create a permanent office or public-private initiative for the purpose of fostering charitable giving in Cambridge and to work with non-profits to study the local charitable giving landscape, measuring the estimated maximum charitable carrying capacity of the city. [Tabled as amended by substitution on a motion of Councillor Mazen on May 8, 2017.]

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from CVS Pharmacy Minute Clinic, requesting permission for a projecting blade sign at the premises numbered 6 JFK Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department, Historical Commission and abutter.
2. An application was received from Agenda for Children Literacy Initiative requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue at City Hall announcing the 21st Annual Family Literacy Fun Day at City Hall on Saturday, Nov 4th from 10:30am to 2:30pm.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Matthew Longo, regarding the Lighting Ordinance.
2. A communication was received from Sarah Goodman, President, Graduate Student Council, regarding MIT Graduate Student Council Statement on Graduate Student Housing.
3. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, Individually, and as Chair, Friends of the White Geese, regarding the City Council Order 4, Sept 11, 2016 meeting, City Playing Fields, Sponsor Councilor Devereux.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulating Transatomic Power Corporation on being awarded a second voucher by the U.S. Department of Energy to complete their work with Argonne National Laboratory on verifying the physical properties of the fuel salt of their molten salt reactor technology. Councillor Cheung
2. Congratulations to the Cambridge Historical Society for receiving the American Association for State and Local History's 2017 Award of Merit. Councillor Devereux
3. Congratulations to the Annals of Improbable Research, the Harvard-Radcliffe Society of Physics Students and the Harvard-Radcliffe Science Fiction Association on

successfully hosting the 27th Annual Ig Nobel Prize ceremony. Councillor Cheung

4. Congratulations to Pammy's for being included in Eater Boston's September 2017 Hottest Restaurants in Boston Right Now list. Councillor Cheung
5. Congratulations to Café Du Pays for being included in Eater Boston's September 2017 Hottest Restaurants in Boston Right Now list. Councillor Cheung
6. Congratulations to Sumiao Hunan Kitchen for being included in Eater Boston's September 2017 Hottest Restaurants in Boston Right Now list. Councillor Cheung
7. Resolution on the death of Wilhelmina Williams. Mayor Simmons
8. Resolution on the death of Joseph J. "Joe" Carceo. Councillor Maher, Councillor Toomey
9. Best Wishes to John O'Neil on his retirement as Executive Director of Somerville Cambridge Elder Services. Mayor Simmons, Councillor Toomey
10. Resolution on the death of Aaron S. Hahn. Mayor Simmons
11. Congratulations to Claire (MacKinnon) Burke on the occasion of her 80th birthday. Councillor Toomey
12. Thanks to Keisha Greaves for her incredible role and contribution to our community and supporting the 3rd Annual Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Day on Sept 30th, 2017. Vice Mayor McGovern
13. Congratulations to Practice Space as they celebrating the one year anniversary of its opening. Councillor Toomey
14. Welcoming Reverend Kevin D. Coakley and Mrs. Lashundra Clay-Coakley to Cambridge. Mayor Simmons

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager work with the appropriate City personnel to find a suitable location for a Cambridge Peace Garden. Mayor Simmons
2. City Council support of H. 1195, "An Act protecting children from harmful diet pills and muscle-building supplements." Councillor Devereux
3. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the Law Department, the Community Development Department, and any other appropriate City departments to update the City Council on what is being done to address the Council's request for actions on vacant and abandoned buildings. Councillor Devereux
4. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Director of the Traffic, Parking, and Transportation Department to review and recommend traffic calming measures for the area near the intersection of Thorndike Street and Eighth Street. Mayor Simmons
5. That the City Manager is requested to confer with Assistant City Manager for Community Development to review, recommend and implement any necessary modifications to Eighth Street as it relates to street repairs. Mayor Simmons
6. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the Department of Public Works, the License Commission, and any other City department to report back to the City Council on the status of the all-electric park pilot, the effectiveness of the battery-operated equipment, the potential for expanding the all-electric park program, and steps being

taken on enforcement and training and to inquire of the feasibility of requiring or advising landscape companies to provide or require safety masks for workers. Councillor Devereux, Councillor Carlone

7. That the Mayor be and hereby ss requested to confer with the Superintendent of Schools to direct the appropriate School Department staff to televise the Early Childhood Roundtable that is scheduled to be held on Oct 10, 2017 at 459 Broadway. Mayor Simmons
8. That the City Council formally go on record in urging Cambridge residents to participate in the Massachusetts Vision Zero Coalition's Day of Actions Events on Nov 19, 2017. Mayor Simmons
9. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner and the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department regarding increased traffic enforcement and increased signage of speed limits throughout the city. Councillor Toomey
10. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the Information Technology Department and other appropriate City personnel and report back to the City Council on the effectiveness of the SeeFixClick system. Mayor Simmons, Vice Mayor McGovern

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Sept 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Sept 26

3:00pm The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a public hearing as a follow up to Policy Order #2 of June 20, 2016 to discuss the City's Tree Ordinance and possible ways to improve this ordinance to protect the tree canopy while protecting individual property rights. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Sept 27

3:30pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss with universities seamless communication about appropriate preparations for University events that may have an impact on outside University campuses. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 2

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)

Tues, Oct 3

2:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a third public hearing to continue discussion on a zoning petition by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to create a new Planned Unit Development Overlay District (PUD-7) over the area known as the Volpe National Transportation Systems Center site in Kendall Square; said discussion to include the Planning Board and Community Development's response to the petition and staff recommendations as to changes and remaining issues to resolve. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Oct 5

3:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a proposed zoning amendment on

Beekeeping. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Oct 10

10:00am The Transportation and Public Utilities Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss implementing a program that would provide instant notification via email to individuals that their vehicle has been towed and the location of where the vehicle has been towed. (Sullivan Chamber)

4:30pm The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss and receive feedback on bike safety related issues, and to plan for future bike safety measures in the City of Cambridge. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Oct 12

2:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a Zoning Petition by Christopher D. Smith, et al., to create a new Section 13.913 Graduate Student Housing Production Requirement. This would require new graduate housing be built in conjunction with the development of commercial uses in the proposed Planned Unit Development 7 District as well as a phasing plan to implement graduate housing development. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 16

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 20

5:30pm City Council Roundtable/Working Meeting to receive an update on Envision Cambridge. No public comment. No votes will be taken. This meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 29

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Sept 25, 2017

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: There have been a number of shootings, stabbings, and other incidents of violence erupting across Cambridge in recent weeks, and in these times of strife and distress, it is incumbent upon a community to take actions that remind us of our commonalities and that urge peace and restraint toward one another; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the appropriate City personnel to find a suitable location for a Cambridge Peace Garden.

O-2 Sept 25, 2017

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts State Legislature is considering H. 1195, “An Act protecting children from harmful diet pills and muscle-building supplements”; and

WHEREAS: This bill would prohibit dietary supplements for weight loss or muscle building and dietary pills from being sold over-the-counter to individuals under the age of 18; and

WHEREAS: These supplements often include thermogens, which produce heat in the body and promote increased caloric burning and compounds which break down fat during the normal metabolic process and also include added hormones, hormone mimetics, and appetite suppressants; and

WHEREAS: The supplements can cause gastrointestinal problems, tachycardia, hypertension, stroke, liver damage, and organ failure when misused; and

WHEREAS: This bill would require any retail establishment that sells these over-the-counter diet pills or supplements to limit access to prevent misuse and abuse; and

WHEREAS: Retail establishments would be required to ensure that these products are not directly accessible to customers, and are only accessible by a manager, assistant manager, or be placed behind the pharmacy counter, as is the case with many other medical products; and

WHEREAS: Retail establishments would also be required to post a notice produced by the Department of Public Health communicating the potential dangers of these products; and

WHEREAS: The products that require this added layer of security will be determined by the Department of Public Health, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, in consultation with stakeholders including the eating disorders community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record supporting H. 1195, “An Act protecting children from harmful diet pills and muscle-building supplements”; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this order to the Cambridge State Delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-3 Sept 25, 2017

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX

WHEREAS: In [February 2017](#), the City Council discussed a zoning petition to create a new Section, “Section 11.900—Registration of Vacant/Abandoned Buildings; Maintenance and Security Requirements”; and

WHEREAS: This matter was heard at the Ordinance Committee in [April 2017](#), where it remained in Committee and staff were requested to report back on several questions and concerns; and

WHEREAS: This matter was heard at the Planning Board in [June 2017](#), at which time the Board had no recommendation because the matter was being further refined by staff; and

WHEREAS: Since that time, the Council has heard no updates on the status of this matter; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the Law Department, the Community Development Department, and any other appropriate City departments to update the City Council on what is being done to address the Council’s request for actions on vacant and abandoned buildings by Oct 2, 2017.

O-4 Sept 25, 2017

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Residents living near the intersection of Thorndike and Eighth Street have voiced concerns about the frequency of speeding vehicles in this area, noting that many seniors live in this area and are wary of the dangers posed by reckless motorists; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Director of the Traffic, Parking, and Transportation Department to review and recommend traffic calming measures for the area near the intersection of Thorndike Street and Eighth Street, and to report back to the City Council in a timely manner.

O-5 Sept 25, 2017

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Residents living on Eighth Street have noted that the curbs in front of 25 Eighth Street are particularly steep, forcing many seniors and those with limited mobility to walk out of their way to use the driveway at the Truman Apartments as a means of getting to and from the sidewalk; and

WHEREAS: Residents in this area have also noted that the street in front of the Truman Apartments building tends to flood after rain storms, and that this water pooling has caused great difficulties for those with mobility issues; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with Assistant City Manager for Community Development to review the above concerns, to recommend and implement any necessary modifications to resolve these concerns, and to report back to the City Council in a timely manner.

O-6 Sept 25, 2017
COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX
COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: The City Council's Health & Environment Committee has held two public hearings this term ([June 2016](#) and [March 2017](#)) to discuss the City's policy on and use of leaf blowers; and

WHEREAS: Since those hearings, city staff have taken significant steps towards a healthy and more environmentally-friendly landscaping policy, conducting trainings on best practices, using battery-operated equipment, piloting an all-electric park, and enhancing enforcement efforts; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the Department of Public Works, the License Commission, and any other City department to report back to the City Council on the status of the all-electric park pilot, the effectiveness of the battery-operated equipment, the potential for expanding the all-electric park program, and steps being taken on enforcement and training; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the Department of Public Works, the License Commission, and any other City department to report back to the City Council on the feasibility of requiring or strongly advising landscape companies to provide and require masks that filter out particulate matter for landscape employees who inhale dangerous fumes for hours each day and ear protection to protect against hearing damage.

O-7 Sept 25, 2017
MAYOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That Her Honor, the Mayor, be and hereby is requested to confer with the Superintendent of Schools to direct the appropriate School Department staff to televise the Early Childhood Roundtable that is scheduled to be held on Oct 10, 2017 at 459 Broadway.

O-8 Sept 25, 2017
MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: On Sunday, Nov 19, 2017 the Massachusetts Vision Zero Coalition is organizing a [Day of Action](#), including a Ride for Remembrance and a Memorial Walk and Vigil, to remember all those who have been injured or lost to traffic violence, and to demand safe streets for all in our communities; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council formally go on record in urging Cambridge residents to participate in the Massachusetts Vision Zero Coalition's Day of Actions Events on Nov 19, 2017.

O-9 Sept 25, 2017
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that residents are concerned about the speed in which vehicles are traveling on city roads; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has a maximum speed limit of 25 mph; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner and the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department regarding increased traffic enforcement and increased signage of speed limits throughout the city and report back to the City Council.

O-10 Sept 25, 2017
MAYOR SIMMONS
VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: A number of residents have reached out to City representatives seeking clarity about how the City has utilized the SeeClickFix system, how effective this system is, how the City ensures that the system is working as it should be, and how the City judges the system's effectiveness; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the Information Technology Department and other appropriate City personnel and report back to the City Council on the effectiveness of the SeeFixClick system, how oversight for this system is implemented, how long it typically takes for an issue to be resolved once it has been entered into this system, and how many users the system typically has per month.