

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation to adopt with modifications, the Walden and Sherman Streets Rezoning Petition.
2. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of Neil S. MacInnes-Barker as the Director of Veterans' Services effective Oct 20, 2015.
3. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of revenue in the amount of \$25,137 from the sale of police vehicles to the General Fund Police Department Extraordinary Expenditures account which will be used to purchase a hybrid vehicle.
4. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Port Security Grant from the Department of Homeland Security for \$130,066 to the Public Investment Fund Fire Extraordinary Expenditures account which will be used to purchase an underwater remote operated vehicle with video and sonar, which meets the requirements of a FEMA Type 1 Dive Team; a dive computer for the team's surface supplied breathing air system; specialized diving equipment; and blue force tracking system.
5. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to an appropriation of \$43,355 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Fire Extraordinary Expenditures account which is required as matching funds for the Port Security Grant.
6. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$665,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Fire Extraordinary Expenditures account to fund the replacement of Engine 6 at the River Street Fire Station.
7. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to an appropriation of \$155,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Fire Extraordinary Expenditures account which will fund the replacement of the five overhead bay doors at Fire Headquarters.
8. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Agenda for Children's Talk and Read grant in the amount of \$3,689 received from the Cambridge Public Health Department to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$3,149) and to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$540) which will fund staff salary costs and workshop supplies for outreach worker parenting workshops.
9. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Children's Trust Fund grant for the Center for Families program in the amount of \$62,400 to the Grant Fund Department of Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$62,000) and to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$400) and will be used by the Center for Families to support family programs.
10. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation from an agreement with 402 Rindge Corporation in the amount of \$1,773.71 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account which will provide funding for the Community Learning Center will be providing one English class onsite at 402 Rindge Apartments.
11. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Let's Move donation from the Cambridge Public Health Commission in the amount of \$500 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account which has been awarded to the Haggerty Preschool and will be used to purchase athletic equipment and games.
12. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance grant funded by the Department of Housing & Community Development in the amount of \$92,837.66 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$87,556.50) and to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$5,281.16) which will be used for costs related to the Carey Men's Transitional Program operated by the Multi-Service Center.
13. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency (MassHousing) funds in the amount of \$3,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to provide services in relation to hoarding related activities.
14. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to a transfer of \$25,000 from the General Fund Reserve Other Ordinary Maintenance account to the General Fund Community Development Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will fund the 2015/2016 Glocal Challenge.
15. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the new Parental Leave Policy for City Employees.
16. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-17, regarding a report on the feasibility of renaming Area IV.
17. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report 15-31, regarding an update on the reconstruction of the Longfellow Bridge including a timeline for completion of the project
18. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to an appropriation of \$10,466.25 from an insurance payment to the General Fund Police Extraordinary Expenditures account to cover the estimated cost of replacing a police motorcycle that was involved in an accident in which the other motorist was at fault.
19. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-96, relative to the future relationship between the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority and Boston Properties.
20. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-113, regarding a report on solutions to wrong way traffic from South Street in Somerville.

21. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Council Order Number 3, dated June 15, 2015, which requested a draft beekeeping ordinance.
22. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Policy Order No. 12 of 9/15/14, regarding the request for a legal opinion on the proposed amendment to the Municipal Code entitled "Prohibiting the Use of Wild and Exotic Animals in Traveling Shows and Circuses; and Awaiting Report Item Number 14-98, regarding the request for information related to the proposed ordinance entitled "Prohibiting the Use of Wild and Exotic Animals in Traveling Shows and Circuses" ("Proposed Ordinance").
23. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to a vote to approve an exception to Cambridge Municipal Code §2.110.010 ("Disposition of City Property") and authorize the City Manager to enter into an amendment to the Ground Lease between the City of Cambridge and the Cambridge Housing Authority ("CHA") for the Manning Apartments.

Agenda Item No. 23A Oct 19, 2015

ORDERED: That pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.121B §23 authorizing the City to "establish exceptions to existing ordinances and bylaws regulating the design, construction and use of buildings" in order to work cooperatively with the Cambridge Housing Authority in the planning, construction and operation of any project, and further authorizing the City to "sell, convey or lease any of its interests in any property, or grant easements, licenses or any other rights or privileges therein to such agency" the City Council hereby establishes an exception to §2.110.010 of the Cambridge Municipal Code, to the extent that said Section may be applicable hereto, and orders that said Section shall not apply to the Ground Lease and/or redevelopment of City property at the Manning Apartments or adjacent Martin Luther King Plaza, or adjacent parking garage, and hereby authorizes the City Manager to negotiate the terms and conditions of an Amended and Restated Ground Lease with the Cambridge Housing Authority on such terms as he deems necessary and appropriate for the Ground Lease and/or redevelopment of this property, as set forth in the City Manager's Oct 19, 2015 letter to the City Council.

24. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the proposed Community Benefits Ordinance.
25. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the establishment of the following two stabilization funds: Mitigation Revenue Stabilization Fund and the Community Benefits Stabilization Fund.

Agenda Item No. 25A Oct 19, 2015

ORDERED: That pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, the City Council go on record establishing the Mitigation Revenue Stabilization Fund for the purpose of accepting, maintaining, and administering the receipt of any funds received by the City in connection with the enactment of an amendment to the City's Zoning Ordinance or other agreements entered into with the City or conditions of a special permit which require the provision of funds to the

City and which are held by the City to be expended on specific capital/infrastructure projects or for the provision of programs and services that directly benefit Cambridge residents.

Agenda Item No. 25B Oct 19, 2015

ORDERED: That pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, the City Council go on record establishing the Community Benefits Stabilization Fund for the purpose of accepting, maintaining, and administering the receipt of any funds received by the City in connection with the enactment of an amendment to the City's Zoning Ordinance or other agreements entered into with the City or conditions of a special permit which require the provision of funds to the City and which are held by the City to be expended for the provision of programs and services that directly benefit Cambridge residents including but not limited to human services, the arts, cultural enrichment, sustainability measures, public health, housing, educational program focused on Science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics ("STEAM") and other areas of community enrichment or other related purposes.

26. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$16,630,990 to the Mitigation Revenue Stabilization Fund from Free Cash.
27. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$3,300,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Community Development Department Extraordinary Expenditure Account for the Citywide Planning process.
28. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to proposed amendment to the Living Wage Ordinance.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to a request from Urban-SRP 1971 Mass Ave, LLC ("Urban"), for an aerial license for two structural canopies and two structural cornices to be constructed, installed, repaired, replaced and maintained over portions of the City-owned sidewalk on Massachusetts Avenue and Allen Street which is located alongside Urban's property located at 1971 Massachusetts Avenue. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on City Manager Agenda Number Five of Sept 28, 2015.]
2. An application was received from NGIN Workplace, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 210 Broadway. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Mazen on Applications and Petitions Number One of Sept 28, 2015.]

ON THE TABLE

3. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on the status and next steps for the Beekeeping ordinance. [Order Number Ten of Mar 30, 2015 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Kelley on Mar 30, 2015.]
4. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-60, regarding a report on restaurant employee parking. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Toomey on City Manager

Agenda Number Twenty-five of Sept 21, 2015. Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Toomey on Sept 28, 2015.]

5. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 15-107 and Council Order Number 54, dated 9/21/15, regarding the minimum wage. [City Manager Agenda Number Six of Sept 28, 2015 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Mazen.]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. That the proposed amendments to Chapter 6.04 entitled "Animal Control Regulations" be passed to a second reading; said amendments relate to adding the Park Ranger to the definitions, an increase in dog license fees, confinement fees and complaint disposition and penalty violations. Order Number Ten of June 22, 2015 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Kelley on June 22, 2015. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Oct 12, 2015.
7. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Dennis A. Benzan and Councillor Dennis J. Carlone, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on Aug 6, 2015 to discuss a proposed amendment to the Municipal Code by adding a new Chapter 8.70 entitled "Prohibition on the Use of Polystyrene Based Disposable Food Containers." The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Oct 5, 2015.
8. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone and Vice Mayor Dennis A. Benzan, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on Aug 18, 2015 to discuss amendments to the Zoning Map and Zoning Ordinance for the area along Walden Street near the intersection of Garden Street and extending through the intersection of Sherman Street currently zoned Business A be rezoned to a newly created zoning district entitled Business A-4 and to add a new Business A-4 line to Section 5.33. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Oct 12, 2015. Planning Board Hearing held Aug 11, 2015. Petition expires Nov 16, 2015.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Harvard Square Eyecare, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 15 Belmont Street.
2. An application was received from Harvard Square Eyecare, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 198 Elm Street.
3. An application was received from Harvard Square Eyecare, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 19 Dunster Street.
4. An application was received from Harvard Square Eyecare, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 495 Massachusetts Avenue.
5. An application was received from KH Foods LLC d/b/a Kimchi Kitchen, requesting permission for an awning at the premises numbered 847 Cambridge Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutters.

6. A petition was received from urban beekeepers and small business owners, regarding honey bees becoming legal in Cambridge.
7. A zoning petition has been received from Kiril Stefan and Catherine Alexandrov, et al. to amend the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance to extend the Business BA-3 zone on Western Avenue currently in existence from Howard to Jay Streets onto the even number side of Western Avenue from #s 158-168 which is three houses from the corner of Kinnaird Street to Jay Street.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Saul Tannenbaum, 16 Cottage Street, regarding raising taxes.
2. A communication was received from Andy Zucker, 35 Winslow Street, transmitting support for the rezoning Walden/Sherman area.
3. A communication was received from Gail Marsh, transmitting support for the Stern Petition.
4. A communication was received from Bob and Mary Woodbury, transmitting support of the extension of BA-3 zoning to 158 Western Avenue.
5. A communication was received from Andrew E. Farrar, 4 Lawrence Street, in support of the petition initiated to extend for 1 block a BA-3 Commercial zone by Kiril and Catherine Alexandrov who own 158 Western Avenue.
6. A communication was received from Joyce B. Patterson, 162 Western Avenue, in support of the extension of BA-3 commercial zoning.
7. A communication was received from Ethan D. Corey, 18 Kinnaird Street, in support of the extension of BA-3 commercial zoning.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to Debby Irving for being named one of the YWCA Cambridge's Outstanding Women of 2015. Councillor Simmons
2. Congratulations to Debra Wise for being named one of the YWCA Cambridge's Outstanding Women of 2015. Councillor Simmons
3. Congratulations to Erinn Pearson for being named one of the YWCA Cambridge's Outstanding Women of 2015. Councillor Simmons
4. Congratulations to Linda O'Callahan for being named one of the YWCA Cambridge's Outstanding Women of 2015. Councillor Simmons
5. Congratulations to Maisha Moses for being named one of the YWCA Cambridge's Outstanding Women of 2015. Councillor Simmons
6. Congratulations to Myrline Thomson for being named one of the YWCA Cambridge's Outstanding Women of 2015. Councillor Simmons
7. Congratulations to Renee McLeod for being named one of the YWCA Cambridge's Outstanding Women of 2015. Councillor Simmons
8. Congratulations to Reverend Virginia Ward for being named the 2015 Ruth Barron Award Recipient at the YWCA Cambridge's Outstanding Women of 2015 Ceremony. Councillor Simmons

9. Congratulations to Matthew Desmond on receiving a MacArthur genius grant. Councillor Cheung
10. Congratulations to Jim Wooster on his appointment as Executive Director of Passim. Councillor Cheung
11. Congratulations to Heidi Williams on receiving a MacArthur genius grant. Councillor Cheung
12. Congratulations to TEAM IMPCT for being awarded the Hult Prize. Councillor Toomey
13. Declare Nov 8-14, 2015 as "Cambridge Local Economy Week." Councillor Cheung
14. Welcoming Elle Hearns to Cambridge as she participates in the Honk! Festival on Oct 11, 2015. Councillor Simmons
15. Congratulations to Curt Rogers on receiving Eastern Bank's 2015 Community Advocacy Award. Councillor Toomey
16. Best wishes to Margaret "Mardi" Moran and Simon Shapiro on their retirement. Councillor Cheung
17. Resolution on the death of Gina (Coca) Viglione. Councillor Toomey
18. Resolution on the death of Robert L. "Bergie" Berg. Councillor Toomey
19. Resolution on the death of Mary "The Twin" (Delorie) Johnson. Councillor Toomey
20. Condolences to the Lynch Family on the loss of Carolyn Lynch. Councillor Toomey
21. Congratulations to Daren Renna on receiving the USA Gymnastics Robert Miller Spirit of the Flame Award. Councillor Toomey
22. Resolution on the death of Joseph Squires. Mayor Maher
23. Congratulations to Neil MacInnes-Barker on the occasion of being named Director of Veterans' Services for the City of Cambridge. Councillor Simmons
24. Speedy recovery wishes to Athanasios Boulukos. Councillor Simmons
25. Resolution on the death of Paul Meyvaert. Mayor Maher
26. Reesolution on the death of Rudolph "Rudy" Williams, Jr. Councillor Simmons
27. Resolution on the death of Kenneth Simmons. Councillor Toomey
28. Thanks to Shady Hill School for 25 years of service to the community. Mayor Maher
29. Happy Birthday wishes to Toni Preston. Councillor Simmons
30. Congratulations to the Union Baptist Church on its 137th Anniversary. Councillor Simmons
31. Congratulations to St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church on the occasion of its Annual Homecoming on Oct 18, 2015. Councillor Simmons
32. Happy 83rd Birthday wishes to Ethel Rose Ampey. Councillor Simmons
33. Resolution on the death of Michael R. Bruno. Mayor Maher
34. Recognize The Superior Nut Company, Inc. for its bold steps to curb climate change by planting large amounts of trees in order to reforest the tropics. Councillor Carlone
35. Commend Minister Fred Small on his work to mobilize people of faith as a political force for climate change. Councillor Carlone
36. Support in Lawrence Lessig's right to debate. Councillor Carlone
37. Acknowledging Manuel Fernandez's commitment to our City's youth. Vice Mayor Benzan

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the relevant City departments and the City of Cambridge Retirement Board and report back on the feasibility of allowing employees to opt in to a program that would see a percentage of their mandatory retirement deduction instead be directed towards payment of student loans. Councillor Cheung
2. That the City Manager is requested to confer with relevant City departments to draft a Home Rule petition that would allow Cambridge to establish a Job Creation and Training linkage fee to be managed by a Cambridge Jobs Trust. Councillor Cheung and Vice Mayor Benzan
3. That the City Manager is requested to consider expanding the hose distribution program indefinitely for all new trees planted in sidewalk wells or behind sidewalks and explore establishing a credit to be applied to the water bills of participants, not to exceed \$50 per year. Councillor Kelley, Vice Mayor Benzan, Councillor Cheung and Councillor McGovern
4. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate City Departments about the feasibility of a redesign contest of Carl Barron Plaza. Vice Mayor Benzan
5. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner to place a crossing guard at the Kinnaird and River Street intersection. Councillor McGovern
6. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Department of Public Works in order to place recycling bins alongside the trash bins on Cambridge Street, outside Harvard Market and Darwins, and along Broadway outside Broadway Market. Councillor McGovern
7. That the City Council go on record commending the Divest Harvard Alumni on their demonstrative efforts encouraging divestment from fossil fuels. Councillor Cheung
8. That the City Council go on record naming the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Pleasant Street as Justice Ismail Laher Square. Mayor Maher
9. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads to review the planning work done thus far on the Alewife bridge/platform project and to review the next steps the City can take to see the bridge constructed. Councillor Cheung
10. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments as to the feasibility of extending the 15% discount to condominium accounts where a meter serves one or more units and where all owners are seniors who pay their own water bills into the water and sewer discount program. Councillor Cheung
11. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Community Development Department to expedite their efforts on crafting an amendment that would not treat reasonably sized shipping container and rooftop farms as

- agricultural uses when they are being used as an accessory to the principal use of a business. Councillor Cheung
12. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on the progress of contract negotiations with the Police and Fire Unions. Councillor Cheung, Councillor McGovern and Councillor Simmons
 13. That the City Manager is requested to review pedestrian and bicycle path plans for the Cambridge Common in consultation with the Community Development Department, with the intent of clarifying rules for use and minimizing potential hazards to and conflicts between cyclists and pedestrians. Councillor Kelley
 14. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate City personnel to address the concerns of residents utilizing the intersection of Putnam Avenue and Western Avenue by establishing a walk signal for this intersection and assessing whether other measures must be taken. Councillor Simmons
 15. That the Council go on the record to state that the second Monday of October henceforth be commemorated as Indigenous Peoples' Day in Cambridge, in recognition of the indigenous people of America's position as native to these lands, and the suffering they faced following European conquest of their land. Councillor Mazen and Vice Mayor Benzan
 16. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and the Department of Public Works regarding the feasibility of installing a speed bump in a suitable location on River Street in order to slow down cars racing over the bridge as they enter Cambridge. Councillor McGovern
 17. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager or Community Development and appropriate shuttle operators about operating smaller shuttle service vehicles during off-peak hours. Councillor Toomey
 18. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Community Development Department and other relevant departments to draft a zoning ordinance that would see the installation of solar panels be as of right in all zoning districts in the City. Councillor Cheung
 19. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works to assess all the catch basins along Cambridge Street to be certain vents and traps are functioning correctly and determine if any need to be replaced or repaired and consider long-term fixes to the foul odor issues. Councillor Toomey
 20. That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Bonislowski family to find a suitable corner for a dedication sign for former Cambridge Election Commissioner, the late Darlene Bonislowski. Mayor Maher
 21. That the City Manager coordinate with the appropriate departments to record, broadcast, and live-stream the scheduled Oct 26th roundtable meeting to discuss city-wide planning. Councillor Mazen and Councillor Carlone
 22. That the City Manager confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to determine if Cambridge can improve pedestrian safety at problematic intersection by incorporating illuminated pedestrian crossing signs similar

to recently installed signage in the Union Square area of Somerville and to report back to the City Council.

Councillor Toomey

23. That the Manager form a working group with representation from Harvard, MIT, the city, residents and other interested parties to determine the feasibility of a "Light Cambridge" initiative. Mayor Maher

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor E. Denise Simmons and Vice Mayor Dennis A. Benzan, Co-Chairs of the Economic Development and University Relations Committee for a public hearing held on Sept 24, 2015 to discuss the need for Cambridge to establish a wage theft ordinance.
2. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Dennis A. Benzan and Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Co-Chairs of the Economic Development and University Relations Committee for a public hearing held on Sept 16, 2015 to discuss the establishment of a Cambridge Taxi Industry Working Group.
3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk transmitting a report from Councillor Leland Cheung, Chair of the Health and Environment Committee for a public hearing held on Sept 16, 2015 to discuss the referred report on tree grates, empty tree wells, and stumps in the tree wells and the role that the Committee on Public Planting should take in advising the City Council, City Manager and the Department of Public Works concerning future public planting and maintenance issues.
4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone and Vice Mayor Dennis A. Benzan, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on Sept 23, 2015 to discuss the petition filed by the CRA to amend the Zoning Ordinance in the Kendall Square Urban Renewal Plan area (KSURP) and to amend the current zoning for the MXD District in Kendall Square to reflect the proposed changes to the Plan.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk transmitting a response to an Open Meeting Law Complaint filed by Ilan Levy on Sept 28, 2015 and the response on said complaint.
2. A communication was received from Thomas L. Evans, Executive Director, Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, transmitting notification that the CRA Board will meet on Oct 21, 2015 to consider document revisions to the Kendall Square Urban Renewal Plan and Mixed Use District (MXD) zoning petition based on comments at the Ordinance Committee and Planning Board hearings.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Oct 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Oct 20

3:30pm The Transportation and Public Utilities Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss Sustainable

Transportation and the Cambridge Bike Plan. [Click here to view the agenda.](#) (Sullivan Chamber)
6:00pm The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss coordinating local resources to provide housing and services for incoming refugees from the Syrian Civil War. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Oct 21

3:00pm The Human Services and Veterans Committee will conduct a public hearing to receive a report from the Department of Human Services regarding the plan to move forward with the recommendations brought forth by the Charrette on Homelessness. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Oct 26

5:30pm Roundtable/Working Meeting to discuss City-Wide Planning. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Nov 12

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a petition by the Planning Board to amend Section 13.10 of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance so as to change the development controls applicable in the Planned Unit Development at Kendall Square (PUD-KS) Overlay Zoning District. The majority of the PUD-KS District is occupied by the Volpe Transportation Systems Research Center operated by the U.S. Department of Transportation. [Click here to view the petition.](#) This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 16

5:30pm Roundtable/Working Meeting between the School Committee and the City Council. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Nov 17

5:30pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the rodent problem. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Nov 18

10:00am Economic Development and University Relations Committee (Sullivan Chamber)
5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to amend Article 6.000 to create a new Section 6.24 Carsharing Provisions that will create a definition and general provisions for Carsharing and will allow the limited use of parking spaces. [Click here to view the petition.](#) This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Nov 19

2:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a petition filed by Patrick W. Barrett III, et al. to amend the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance by amending Article 2.000 (“Definitions”) and Article 4.000, Section 4.22 (“Accessory Apartments”). [Click here to view the petition.](#) This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
MEETING CANCELLED.

Mon, Dec 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 14

5:30pm Roundtable/Working Meeting to discuss Transportation Issues. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 21

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 28

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
MEETING CANCELLED.

Mon, Jan 4

10:00am CITY COUNCIL INAUGURAL MEETING
(Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 1

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 29

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Oct 19, 2015

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge operates a retirement system for its municipal employees and mandates employee contributions; and

WHEREAS: While savings for retirement are very important to many employees, many younger employees of the City face a more immediate need to pay off student loan debt, and required retirement savings hamper their ability to put money towards their student loan payments; and

WHEREAS: In addition to savings programs, private sector companies have begun piloting student loan contributory systems, which allow for employees carrying student debt to use funds that would otherwise be directed towards retirement accounts to paying off pressing student loans; and

WHEREAS: Boston area startup, Gradifi, is implementing a program with PricewaterhouseCoopers to help young employees help pay off their student loans, this program helps employees to establish better financial security than putting that same money into a retirement account; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the relevant City departments and the City of Cambridge Retirement Board and report back on the feasibility of allowing employees to opt in to a program that would see a percentage of their mandatory retirement deduction instead be directed towards payment of student loans.

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COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

VICE MAYOR BENZAN

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has a linkage fee that was most recently amended following a 2015 nexus study; and

WHEREAS: The linkage fee is triggered by projects exceeding 30,000 gross square feet and imposes a fee of \$12 per square foot; and

WHEREAS: All funds generated by the linkage fee are dedicated to housing for low and moderate income households with the goal of creating and maintaining more affordable units in the City of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Other communities in the Commonwealth have found that there exists an additional nexus between new development in their cities and the need for job training for low and moderate income residents, and these communities have implemented Home Rule Petitions to institute Job Creation and Training linkage fees as well as Jobs Trusts; and

WHEREAS: Such jobs linkage fees are warranted to address employment barriers and occupational skill gaps in Cambridge's labor force and ensure that low and moderate income residents can fully benefit from the many job opportunities created by development projects; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with relevant City departments to draft a Home Rule petition that would allow Cambridge to establish a Job Creation and Training linkage fee to be managed by a Cambridge Jobs Trust.

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COUNCILLOR KELLEY

VICE MAYOR BENZAN

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: Numerous studies now collaborate what our naturalists and poets have always said-trees are immensely beneficial to our urban environment and wellbeing; and

WHEREAS: The City plants hundreds of trees around Cambridge each year; and

WHEREAS: For multiple reasons, many of these trees die within the first year, often from a lack of sufficient watering; and

WHEREAS: The City actively plants trees, but long term maintenance of new plantings is difficult, giving the appearance that it is easier to dig up and replace failed trees than to properly care for existing trees, all at significant cost to citizens; and

WHEREAS: During the pilot Participatory Budgeting process, citizens demonstrated their desire to share in the maintenance of Cambridge's living infrastructure by establishing a program to plant 100 new trees and distribute watering hoses to abutters; and

WHEREAS: The City should welcome and encourage residents to become partners in keeping their street's trees in good condition; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to consider expanding the hose distribution program indefinitely for all new trees planted in sidewalk wells or behind sidewalks; and be it further

ORDERED: That to improve the efficacy of the hose distribution program, and provide an incentive for residents to actively care for the wellbeing of trees planted near their home or business, the city should explore establishing a credit to be applied to the water bills of participants, not to exceed \$50 per year; and be it further

ORDERED: That participants should be eligible to receive this credit as long as the tree stays alive, for a period to be determined by the city, between 3 and 5 years; and be it further

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

O-4 Oct 19, 2015

VICE MAYOR BENZAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City Departments about the feasibility of a redesign contest of Carl Barron Plaza; and further be it

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

O-5 Oct 19, 2015

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: More and more of our public school students are walking or riding bikes to school; and

WHEREAS: Crossing busy streets can be dangerous; and

WHEREAS: While in prior years, the City provided a crossing guard at the intersection of Kinnaird and River Streets, that position is no longer staffed; and

WHEREAS: Many parents have inquired about having a crossing guard at that intersection; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Police Commissioner to place a crossing guard at the Kinnaird and River Street intersection.

O-6 Oct 19, 2015

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: The City has a long history of supporting recycling in our community; and

WHEREAS: Many students at Cambridge Rindge and Latin School frequent offsite eating establishments; and

WHEREAS: The City wishes to promote recycling with our young people; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Department of Public Works in order to place recycling bins alongside the trash bins on Cambridge Street, outside Harvard Market and Darwins, and along Broadway outside Broadway Market.

O-7 Oct 19, 2015

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council has a long history of supporting and encouraging local leaders who take bold steps to enrich the communities of which they are a part; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has long been committed to greater environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council the Harvard Alumni Divestment group is demonstrating to encourage President Faust to divest Harvard from fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS: This bold public demonstration by the Divest Harvard Alumni will hopefully see Harvard divest its endowment from fossil fuels in the near future; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record commending the Divest Harvard Alumni on their demonstrative efforts encouraging divestment; and be it further

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

O-8 Oct 19, 2015

MAYOR MAHER

WHEREAS: Throughout the history of the City of Cambridge, many citizens have woven the fabric of our community into one that celebrates social justice, equality, and opportunity for all; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has always been a city that encourages its citizens to engage in a thoughtful and positive dialogue and welcomes residents from all backgrounds to be involved in their community; and

WHEREAS: One of these respected thought leaders, advocates, and social justice champions is longtime Cambridge resident Justice Ismail Laher; and

WHEREAS: Justice Ismail Y. Laher was born in India and raised in Zambia, then known as Northern Rhodesia, both were under British rule when Ismail came of age and instilled in him the need to advocate for peace, social justice, and an inclusive human family; and

WHEREAS: Justice Laher came to the United States in the early 1970's and came to call Cambridge home in the early 1990's; and

WHEREAS: Since coming to Cambridge, Justice Laher and his wife, Zuleikha, have been deeply engaged in the community and committed advocates for seniors; and

WHEREAS: Justice Laher served on the Advisory Board of Somerville-Cambridge Elder Services and the Cambridge Council on Aging where he was board Secretary and he has also served on the board of SCM Transportation; and

WHEREAS: Justice Laher in many languages including Arabic, Farsi, Hindi, and Dutch and he uses these skills to volunteer his time regularly to translate legal and medical documents for the many immigrant communities in Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Justice Laher and his wife were instrumental in the formation of the Interfaith Women's Council, which works to foster relationships between women of various religious faiths; and

WHEREAS: Justice Laher and his wife are widely known and respected in their North Cambridge community for their ability to bring people of various ethnicities, religions, and backgrounds together to improve the broader Cambridge community; and

WHEREAS: In 2012, Justice Laher was presented with the City of Cambridge Peace and Justice Award reflecting his longstanding commitment to peace, social justice, and conflict resolution; and

WHEREAS: Even at age 94, Justice Laher continues to work harder than ever on the issues he is passionate about and serves as an inspiration to younger generations, especially our newest citizens who have just arrived in Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Justice Laher once said, "No matter your color or creed, you must help people in need" and these words call us all to work to build a better community and a better world, just as Justice Ismail Laher has done all his life; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council does hereby go on record naming the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Pleasant Street as Justice Ismail Laher Square; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and is hereby requested to prepare a suitably engrossed copy of this Order to Justice Ismail Laher at the dedication ceremony on Oct 24, 2015.

O-9 Oct 19, 2015

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The Alewife Quadrangle and the neighboring Cambridge Highlands are separated from the Alewife Triangle by MBTA operated commuter rail tracks; and

WHEREAS: The Alewife Triangle houses the Alewife MBTA station, which acts as a hub for both the commuter rail and the MBTA's red line; and

WHEREAS: Without any crossings over the MBTA tracks, pedestrians and bicyclists are forced to access the Quadrangle and Cambridge Highlands via roundabout routes using Alewife Brook Parkway and Concord Avenue; and

WHEREAS: In 2013, the City awarded \$375,000 for a feasibility study of a bridge/platform across the MBTA tracks, which could greatly improve access to Alewife station; and

WHEREAS: The area is undergoing rapid development, making pedestrian and bicycle access an increasingly important priority; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate department heads to review the planning work done thus far on the Alewife bridge/platform project and to review the next steps the City can take to see the bridge constructed; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide an update on the City's work with property owners in the area with regard to the Alewife bridge/platform project; and be it further

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

O-10 Oct 19, 2015

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has long recognized the importance of mitigating the effects of water and sewer increases on local residents; and

WHEREAS: At present, the City offers a 15% discount, not to exceed \$90, of water and sewer costs to residents 65 years of age or older who own and occupy one, two, or three family homes; and

WHEREAS: However, such a discount does not extend to seniors who own condominium units and directly pay their water bills; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate departments as to the feasibility of extending the 15% discount to condominium accounts where a meter serves one or more units and where all owners are seniors who pay their own water bills into the

water and sewer discount program and report back to the City Council.

O-11 Oct 19, 2015
COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has a track record of supporting sustainability initiatives in the City; and
WHEREAS: Urban gardening has been gaining popularity in recent years, and takes place in many forms, from rooftop gardens to small farms located in shipping containers; and
WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that outdated zoning restrictions place unnecessary limitations on some forms of urban gardening, most notably with gardens located in shipping containers; and
WHEREAS: Under the current Zoning Ordinance rooftop and container farms are considered separate agricultural uses which are not allowed in business districts, where many restaurants and businesses who would make use of the farms are located; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Community Development Department to review zoning regulations for urban gardening with an aim towards encouraging farm uses in the City; and be it further
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Community Development Department to expedite their efforts on crafting an amendment that would not treat reasonably sized shipping container and rooftop farms as agricultural uses when they are being used as an accessory to the principal use of a business.

O-12 Oct 19, 2015
COUNCILLOR CHEUNG
COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Both the Cambridge Police and Fire Department are regularly recognized on the local, state, and national stages as leading examples of professionalism, compassion, and competence in the performance of their duties; and
WHEREAS: The unions representing these exemplary departments have been engaged in contract negotiations with the City of Cambridge for some time; and
WHEREAS: Support has been voiced for a more expedient negotiation process, recognizing that the City should honor the service of those who put their lives on the line for the City; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the progress of contract negotiations with the Police and Fire Unions.

O-13 Oct 19, 2015
COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Common provides for recreational space that serves as a frequently traveled thoroughfare for pedestrians and cyclists alike; and
WHEREAS: Mixed-use patterns of the Common can be reasonably anticipated and should be planned for to improve the safety of all users; and
WHEREAS: The Cambridge Common should serve as the City's public face of urban park planning and design, drawing upon the best practices used throughout our park system; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to review pedestrian and bicycle path plans for the

Cambridge Common in consultation with the Community Development Department, with the intent of clarifying rules for use and minimizing potential hazards to and conflicts between cyclists and pedestrians; and be it further
ORDERED: That the Community Development Department include in its review a consideration of the effectiveness of using arrows and stripping on the paths and appropriate signage; and be it further
ORDERED: That the City Manager is to report back to the City Council on this matter.

O-14 Oct 19, 2015
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Completion of the Western Avenue reconstruction project has created changes to traffic signals at the intersection of Putnam Avenue and Western Avenue, no longer providing a "walk signal" for pedestrians to safely cross Western at Putnam; and
WHEREAS: That intersection is a major pedestrian thoroughfare for residents of 217-229 Putnam Ave, which house 33 families, Putnam Gardens residents, users of Hoyt Field, and surrounding playgrounds, and it will become even more heavily utilized by the future residents of the development upon the former Western Front; and
WHEREAS: Families with children, the elderly, and everyone crossing at this intersection have been forced into the position of trying to cross while cars are simultaneously being given permission to turn into this intersection; and
WHEREAS: This is daunting at best, dangerous, and it is potentially disastrous if no further actions are taken by the City; and
WHEREAS: Area residents report that they have sent multiple requests to representatives from the DPW and the Department of Traffic, Parking, and Transportation to address this matter, yet these residents have seen no improvement and are fearful for their safety; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City personnel to address the concerns of residents utilizing the intersection of Putnam Avenue and Western Avenue by establishing a walk signal for this intersection and assessing whether other measures must be taken, and to report back to the City Council and the community on this matter in a timely manner.

O-15 Oct 19, 2015
COUNCILLOR MAZEN
VICE MAYOR BENZAN

WHEREAS: Columbus Day has been celebrated unofficially since the early 18th century, and was officially made a Federal Holiday in 1937 to be celebrated on the second Monday of October, with M.G.L Part I, Title I, Ch. 4, section 7, clause 18 setting aside the second Monday of October as a State Legal Holiday, and M.G.L Part I, Title II, Ch. 6, Section 12V designating that the Governor declare that day to be Columbus Day; and
WHEREAS: The day commemorates Christopher Columbus' landing in the Americas, on Oct 12, 1492, which initiated the first lasting contact between the Americas and Europe; and
WHEREAS: Columbus' First Voyage to the Americas also initiated the transatlantic slave trade, journal entries from

Columbus show his desire to enslave the native populations of the Caribbean, and he imprisoned and transported many people of differing races and ethnicities to this end; and
WHEREAS: Columbus' Second Voyage of 1493 was one of conquest, wherein seventeen ships were led by him to the New World, and his governorship of the Caribbean instituted systematic policies of slavery and extermination of native populations, especially the Taino people whose population was reduced from approximately 8 million to 100,000 during Columbus' reign, being further reduced by the continuation of his policies until extinction in 1542; and
WHEREAS: The example of the Taino people is merely indicative of the policies of Columbus and his people and all told some historians estimate that more than 15 million indigenous persons were exterminated in the Caribbean Basin alone; and
WHEREAS: Though the introduction of European diseases may account for some of these deaths, starvation and extermination policies are mostly to blame, and thus this atrocity cannot be reasonably attributed to forces outside of the control of European colonialists; and
WHEREAS: Other localities have adopted Indigenous Peoples' Day as a counter-celebration to Columbus Day, to promote Native American culture and commemorate the history of Native American Peoples; and
WHEREAS: Cambridge believes that the culture of Native American people is one to be promoted, the history is rich, diverse, and worthy of celebration, and that the actions and policies of European colonizers of the Americas destroyed a part of that culture, and inhibited the promulgation of it for generations to come; and
WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge recognizes that civilization as we know it would not be possible in the Americas without Columbus' voyages, but must also hold to the moral imperative of condemnation of these actions, as we now know them to be violations of justice in the eyes of international, domestic, and moral laws; now therefore be it
RESOLVED: That the Council go on the record to state that the second Monday of October henceforth be commemorated as Indigenous Peoples' Day in Cambridge, in recognition of the indigenous people of America's position as native to these lands, and the suffering they faced following European conquest of their land; and be it further
RESOLVED: That the Council recommends that Indigenous Peoples' Day be observed by the people, with appropriate exercises in the schools and otherwise, to the end that the culture, history and diversity of Native American Peoples be celebrated and perpetuated; and be it further
RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward suitably engrossed copies of this resolution to the North American Indian Centre of Boston, the Nipmuc Nation, the Mashpee Wampanoag Indian Tribal Council, the Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head, The Praying Indian Tribes of Natick and Ponkapoag, and the Massachuset at Ponkapoag Tribe, being descendants of those people indigenous to this area, on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-16 Oct 19, 2015
COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: 808 and 812 Memorial Drive are home to over 800 residents, many of them young children; and

WHEREAS: 808 and 812 Memorial Drive are located at one of the busiest intersections in Cambridge; and
WHEREAS: 808 and 812 Memorial Drive are across the street from the heavily used Riverside Press Park; and
WHEREAS: Over the years there have been many near-misses between cars and pedestrians crossing River Street; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consult with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and the Department of Public Works regarding the feasibility of installing a speed bump in a suitable location on River Street in order to slow down cars racing over the bridge as they enter Cambridge; and be it further
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to reach out to the 808-812 Tenant Council for additional information needed in planning and to report back to the City Council with recommendations.

O-17 Oct 19, 2015
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge encourages our universities, and large employers to offer transportation alternatives to their students and employees to help reduce car trips in Cambridge; and
WHEREAS: Many full-sized shuttle busses have been observed at off peak hours carrying as few as one rider at a time; and
WHEREAS: Smaller shuttle options during off-peak hours could help move the necessary amount of students and reduce the bus congestion on city streets; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager or Community Development and appropriate shuttle operators about operating smaller shuttle service vehicles during off-peak hours and report back to the City Council.

O-18 Oct 19, 2015
COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is concerned with both improving the quality of its residents' lives and environmental sustainability; and
WHEREAS: The City Council recently adopted a "Net Zero" action plan, part of which included the City's goal to reduce wasteful energy use in the pursuit of lower carbon emissions; and
WHEREAS: Installing solar panels provides an alternative source of energy that does not contribute to increasing levels of carbon in the atmosphere and falls in line with the City's "Net Zero" goals; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Community Development Department and other relevant departments to draft a zoning ordinance that would see the installation of solar panels be as of right in all zoning districts in the City.

O-19 Oct 19, 2015
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Catch basins along Cambridge Street continue to emit foul odors; and
WHEREAS: These odors typically occur during extended dry spells; and
WHEREAS: Recent heavy rains have not improved the problem, and in some cases the odor has become worse; and

WHEREAS: The problem is most pronounced between Berkshire Street and Eighth Street and also at the intersection of Bristol and Cardinal Medeiros; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works to assess all the catch basins along Cambridge Street to be certain vents and traps are functioning correctly and determine if any need to be replaced or repaired; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Department of Public Works consider long-term fixes to this issue that will either maintain proper water levels or a solution that does not rely on maintaining water levels and report back to the City Council on these matters.

O-20 Oct 19, 2015

MAYOR MAHER

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council be and is hereby requested to confer with the Bonislawski family to find a suitable corner for a dedication sign for former Cambridge Election Commissioner, the late Darlene Bonislawski; and be it further

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

O-21 Oct 19, 2015

COUNCILLOR MAZEN

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: It is regular practice that roundtable meetings of the City Council are not televised or recorded; and

WHEREAS: Many members of the public are unable to make these important meetings due to work schedule, lack of childcare, or other factors out of their control; and

WHEREAS: Residents have made repeated inquiries, requesting that roundtable meetings be televised; and

WHEREAS: While minutes are taken at these roundtable meeting meetings, they are not available publicly until weeks after the meeting has occurred; and

WHEREAS: Video recordings of future roundtable meetings would ensure both transparency and accurate accounting for posterity; now therefore be it

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to coordinate with the appropriate departments to record, broadcast, and live-stream the scheduled Oct 26th roundtable meeting to discuss city-wide planning; and be it further

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to coordinate with the appropriate departments to record, broadcast, and live-stream all future roundtable meetings.

O-22 Oct 19, 2015

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to determine if Cambridge can improve pedestrian safety at problematic intersection by incorporating illuminated pedestrian crossing signs similar to recently installed signage in the Union Square area of Somerville and to report back to the City Council.

O-23 Oct 19, 2015

MAYOR MAHER

WHEREAS: Cambridge is home to many notable historic buildings and architecturally significant sites; and

WHEREAS: Many of these iconic sites could benefit from thoughtful directed accent lighting which would highlight both historic significance and architectural detail; and

WHEREAS: Local resident and architect, Ken Taylor, has done preliminary work on this issue; and

WHEREAS: The City of Boston initiated a successful effort several years ago called "Light Boston" that operates today as a non-profit "citizen's advocacy group" formed to enhance Boston's urban environment by promoting, planning and implementing appropriate exterior lighting of the city's significant buildings, monuments, public spaces and streetscapes"; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to explore the steps required to kick off a similar initiative in Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Manager form a working group with representation from Harvard, MIT, the city, residents and other interested parties to determine the feasibility of a "Light Cambridge" initiative.