

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-123, regarding pedestrian safety at the intersection of Lambert & Cambridge Streets.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-124, regarding a report on installing a four-way stop at Fifth & Otis Streets.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-125, regarding a report on pedestrian safety improvements at Sixth & Hurley Streets.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-142, regarding a report on removing the "no parking" sign in front of the old North Cambridge Catholic high school on Norris Street and replacing them with resident permit parking.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-146, regarding a report on improving pedestrian safety at the intersection of Magee Street and Putnam Avenue.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-149, regarding safety issues at the intersection of Green & Hancock Streets.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-156, regarding a report on safety issues at the intersection of Cedar & Harvey Streets.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-157, regarding a report on whether there is an agreement by the Museum of Science to build a walkway behind the museum for pedestrians to use to traverse along the Charles River towards the Craigie Dam.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-160, regarding a report on the feasibility of installing additional speed bumps on Buckingham Street and declaring the entire street a school zone.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-164, regarding a report on outlining the ordinance changes to the Zoning Ordinance as it pertains to signs and the impact of repealing Paragraph D3 and E of Ordinance #1335.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a recommendation from the Planning Board on the McKinnon Petition to amend Section 13.70 - Planned Unit Development in the North Point Residence District to allow approval through the PUD special permit process of an exclusively non-residential development in that portion of the district south and east of Charlestown Avenue/Gilmore Bridge. [The Planning Board recommends adoption of the Petition as filed with amendments that would limited the effect of the proposed changes to property south and east of Charlestown Avenue/Gilmore Bridge.]

CHARTER RIGHT

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-128, regarding an update on the Broadway project.

ON THE TABLE

2. 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.]
3. 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. Sept 13, 2010 - Councillor Kelley made a motion to take from the table motion; failed 4-4-1 - remains on Table. Sept 27, 2010 - Councillor Kelley made a motion to take from the table; motion failed 3-5-1 - remains on Table.]
4. 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.]
5. 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

6. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel and Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on Sept 14, 2010 to consider a petition filed by Richard McKinnon, et al. to amend the Zoning Ordinance and Map in the North Point PUD-6 District. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Nov 1, 2010. Planning Board hearing held Sept 21, 2010. Petition expires Dec 13, 2010.
7. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting notification of the certification of 11,461 signatures of registered voters by the Election Commission of a referendum petition entitled "SAVE OUR SKYLINE" filed with the Election Commission on Oct 15, 2010. The petition protests Paragraph D.3 of Section 7.16.22, Building Identification Signs, and Paragraph E of Section 7.16.22, General Waiver of Sign Limitations, part of Ordinance No. 1335 amending Section 7 of the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Cambridge (the Sign Ordinance).

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to Simran Dhillon and Jason Tang, CRLS students, who participated in a summer internship at Draper Labs. Councillor Cheung
2. Congratulations to Professor Susan Lindquist on being awarded the National Medal of Science by President Obama. Councillor Cheung
3. Congratulations to Danielle M. Gram on receiving the Founder's Youth Award. Councillor Cheung
4. Congratulations to Thomas B. Milnes on his graduation from the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps Leader's Training Course. Councillor Cheung
5. Resolution on the death of Theresa (Boudreau) Briand. Councillor Toomey
6. Resolution on the death of Anthony K. Teebagy Sr. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Maher
7. Resolution on the death of William Ruane Jr. Councillor Reeves
8. Congratulations to Captain Mary Jo (O'Dwyer) Majors on being awarded the Outstanding Woman Veteran Award in Massachusetts for 2010. Mayor Maher, Councillor Toomey, Councillor Decker, Councillor Simmons
9. Congratulations to the East Cambridge Business Association on its first anniversary. Councillor Toomey
10. Congratulations to Chez Henri, Harvest, Rialto Restaurant, Upstairs on the Square, Craigie on Main, Oleana, Rendezvous, Salts Restaurant, The Blue Room, Dante, Hungry Mother, Ten Tables Cambridge, Tupelo and T. W. Food, the fourteen Cambridge restaurants who have been named to the Boston Magazine "50 Best Restaurants List." Councillor Cheung
11. Speedy recovery wishes to Billy Russell. Mayor Maher
12. Thanks to Bonnie Randall for her volunteerism with parents of children with long-term or life-threatening illnesses. Councillor Cheung, Councillor Seidel
13. Congratulations to Jeannie Suk who has recently become the first tenured Asian-American woman at Harvard Law School. Councillor Cheung
14. Best wishes to Rodney's Bookstore on its continued success in Central Square. Vice Mayor Davis
15. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Dylan T. Reid. Councillor Decker
16. Resolution on the death of Private First Class David R. Jones Jr. Councillor Decker
17. Retirement of Len Thomas from the Multi Service Center. Councillor Decker
18. Congratulations to Roger Sutton on their recently released book "How Do I Find the Right Book for My Child or Teen?." Councillor Reeves
19. Congratulations to the local companies that received the Cambridge Public Health Department's Cambridge Healthy Workplace Award. Mayor Maher

ORDERS

1. That the City Council meeting of Mon, Dec 27, 2010 be and hereby is cancelled. Mayor Maher
2. The City Council supports the mission of the Massachusetts Product Stewardship Council working with other Massachusetts municipalities and other states to move EPR

policy forward, and supports the Framework Principles for Product Stewardship Policy. Vice Mayor Davis

3. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct City staff to investigate ways in which the City can work with the Metropolitan Area Planning Council on opportunities in Cambridge related to the grant which will support the implementation of MetroFuture. Councillor Seidel
4. That the City Council go on record acknowledging that the shared planning challenges of the Boston Metro area need to be addressed regionally, and appreciating that the grant from HUD will allow this important work to happen. Councillor Seidel
5. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to review the facade improvement program as part of the FY 2011/2012 budget programs for reorganization and increase the funding if possible. Councillor Reeves
6. That the City Manager is requested to communicate the Human Resources Department regarding the plans of the department of Human Resources to increase public use at the War Memorial Athletic Complex and report back to the City Council. Councillor Reeves

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Nov 1

5:00pm Special Presentation of the Cambridge Healthy Workplace Awards (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Nov 9

6:00pm World Cafe Public Discussion on the future of Cambridge (Senior Center, 806 Mass. Ave.)

Mon, Nov 15

5:30pm Roundtable Meeting with the School Committee. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Nov 16

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Nov 18

4:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a zoning petition submitted by William A. Fox, et al. to amend the Zoning Ordinance and Map by rezoning an area accessed via Cottage Park Avenue in North Cambridge from its current designation of Business A-2 to a new designation of Residence B. This hearing to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Nov 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Dec 7

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Dec 14

6:00pm School Committee Budget Retreat (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 20

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Dec 21

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Jan 4

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Jan 11

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

Tues, Jan 18

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 31

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Feb 1

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Feb 8

6:00pm School Committee Budget Retreat (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 14

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Feb 15

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 28

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 1

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 8

6:00pm School Committee Budget Hearing (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 14

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 15

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 21

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 28

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Nov 1, 2010

MAYOR MAHER

ORDERED: That the City Council meeting of Mon, Dec 27, 2010 be and hereby is cancelled.

O-2 Nov 1, 2010

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: Manufactured goods and packaging constitute approximately 75% of the materials managed by U.S municipalities at considerable costs; and

WHEREAS: There are significant environmental and human health impacts associated with improper management of hazardous products; and

WHEREAS: Products and packaging are often toxic or disposable by design, and local governments have no input into the design or marketing of products, make no profit from the products, and do not have the resources to adequately address the rising volume of discarded products and associated packaging; and

WHEREAS: Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR, also called Product Stewardship) is an environmental policy approach in which producers (brand owners or first importers into the state) accept responsibility for management of their discarded products, so that those who produce and use products bear the costs of recycling and responsible disposal; and

WHEREAS: When producers are responsible for ensuring that their products are reused or recycled responsibly, and when health and environmental costs are included in the product price, there is an incentive to design products that are more durable, easier to repair and recycle, and less toxic; and

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Draft Solid Waste Master Plan, 'Pathway to Zero Waste, 2010-20,' includes producer responsibility as one of five major components of the Plan; and

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts legislature has enacted producer responsibility programs for certain mercury-containing products; and

WHEREAS: More than half the states in the US have EPR laws; and

WHEREAS: Jobs in disassembly, reuse, repair and recycling are generated by EPR, offering significant local economic development opportunities; and

WHEREAS: Framework EPR codifies the EPR principle and gives the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection the authority to address multiple products over time; and

WHEREAS: The City Council supports the mission of the Massachusetts Product Stewardship Council working with other Massachusetts municipalities and other states to move EPR policy forward, and supports the Framework Principles for Product Stewardship Policy adopted by seven Product Stewardship Councils in North America, including the Massachusetts, Vermont, and New York Councils; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council the urges the Massachusetts legislature to enact EPR legislation for discarded electronic waste this year; and be it further
ORDERED: That the City Council urges the Massachusetts legislature to enact comprehensive EPR legislation based on the Framework Principles for Product Stewardship Policy; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City of Cambridge work with the Massachusetts Product Stewardship Council and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to enact EPR legislation and regulation.

O-3 Nov 1, 2010

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: On Oct 15, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development announced a \$4 million grant award to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council on behalf of the Metro Boston Consortium for Sustainable Communities; and

WHEREAS: This grant will support the implementation of MetroFuture, a planning process whose framework coordinates many local and regional initiatives in the Boston area for sustainable and long-term growth and reinvestment; and

WHEREAS: The implementation activities will include local planning efforts, state and regional policy work, development of tools and data, and capacity building for local residents and leaders; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is a member of the Metro Boston Consortium for Sustainable Communities; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct City staff to investigate ways in which the City can work with the Metropolitan Area Planning Council on opportunities in Cambridge related to the grant; 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-4 Nov 1, 2010

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is overseeing a \$100 million grant program, whose aim is to support initiatives that will promote more livable and sustainable communities across the country; and

WHEREAS: Hundreds of grant applications were submitted to HUD, with 45 regions across the country eventually receiving funding; and

WHEREAS: The Metro Boston area was one of these 45 regions to receive a grant, and was one of only 12 awards in the amount of \$4 million or more; and

WHEREAS: The grant award made to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council on behalf of the Metro Boston Consortium for Sustainable Communities; and

WHEREAS: The grant will support implementation of the Consortium's MetroFuture program; and

WHEREAS: MetroFuture will promote "strategies to confront long-lasting barriers to integration and opportunity and to create a more livable, sustainable and prosperous region"; and

WHEREAS: The Metro Boston Consortium for Sustainable Communities currently includes 55 municipalities representing 71% of the region's 3.1 million residents; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is a member of the Metro Boston Consortium for Sustainable Communities; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record acknowledging that the shared planning challenges of the Boston Metro area need to be addressed regionally, and appreciating that this grant from HUD will allow this important work to happen; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council also go on record expressing its congratulations to the Metropolitan Area

Planning Council on behalf of the Metro Boston Consortium for Sustainable Communities for its recent grant award of \$4 million from HUD to carry out the implementation of MetroFuture; 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 Metropolitan Area Planning Council on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-5 Nov 1, 2010

COUNCILLOR REEVES

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge Community

Development department for some time has sponsored a façade improvement program; and

WHEREAS: This program has effectively served various businesses in improving store and restaurant facades. The program at its beginning offered a dollar match up to \$35,00. The program later evolved as a citywide program which has a total project cost limit of \$15,000 (City Match Maximum &7500); and

WHEREAS: In a recent presentation to the Mayor's Red Ribbon Commission on the Delights and Challenges of Central Square, attention was called the weakness of the facades in Central Square; and

WHEREAS: It is important to determine if the current façade improvement program could be reorganized to focus on improving the historic presence of facades in targeted areas throughout the city; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to review said programs as part of the FY2011/2012 budget programs for reorganization and increase the funding if possible.

O-6 Nov 1, 2010

COUNCILLOR REEVES

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has expended significant resources to renovate and expand the capacity and activities at the War Memorial Athletic Complex; and

WHEREAS: It does not appear that usage of the facility by the general public does not appear to be at a high level. Is this an accurate assessment of the usage?; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to communicate with the Assistant City Manager for Human Services regarding the average number of members of the public who use this facility and the plans of the Department of Human Services Programs to increase public use at the War Memorial Athletic Complex and report back to the City Council.