

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to appointments of the following citizens to the Planning Board effective Dec 1, 2014: Mary T. Flynn, Louis J. Bacci Jr., and Thacher Tiffany (Associate Member), and I have reappointed H. Theodore Cohen, and Catherine Preston Connolly.

Nov 3, 2014

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I am pleased to inform you that I have appointed the following citizens to the Planning Board effective Dec 1, 2014: Mary T. Flynn, Louis J. Bacci Jr., and Thacher Tiffany (Associate Member), and I have reappointed H. Theodore Cohen, and Catherine Preston Connolly. They will be serving on the Board with continuing members Steven Cohen, Tom Sieniewicz, Hugh Russell, and Ahmed Nur (Associate Member).

Very truly yours, Richard C. Rossi, City Manager

2. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to appointments of members to the Police Review & Advisory Board effective Oct 23, 2014: Mertin Betts, reappointment to a 5-year term; and Beverly C. Sealey, appointment to a 5-year term.
3. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appointment of Ivria Glass Fried as a member of the Conservation Commission for a term of 3-years effective Nov 1, 2014.
4. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Early Childhood Resource Center grant received from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care in the amount of \$7,000 to the Grant Fund Library Salary and Wages account (\$1,600) and to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$5,400) which will support parent/provider workshops, library materials and staff time to provide on-site services.
5. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to a recommendation to change the street name "Rumeal Robinson Place" to Norfolk Place.
6. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 14-19, regarding an update on the Concord-Alewife Plan.
7. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 14-100, regarding a report on the feasibility of conducting a walking tour of the Alewife area.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. That the City Manager is requested to work with the relevant City Departments to explore the feasibility of installing a speed bump at the corner of Upton Street and Magazine Street to reduce the speed at which cars travel on the street, and to make the street safer for residents and pedestrians. [Charter Right exercised by Mayor Maher on Order Number Eleven of Oct 27, 2014.]

ON THE TABLE

2. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Cambridge Arts Council to determine the types of spaces that are most needed within the local arts community with the view of using the Foundry to fill those needs and to

allocate appropriate funds to make appropriate upgrades for the purpose of creating a community arts center. (Order Amended by Substitution.) [Order Number Ten of Jan 27, 2014 Placed on Table on motion of Mayor Maher on Jan 27, 2014.]

3. An application was received from Ting-hsu Chen requesting permission to widen the existing curb cut at the premises numbered 14 Soden Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association. [Applications and Petitions Number Six of Feb 24, 2014 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Simmons on Feb 24, 2014.]
4. That the City Council go on the record in opposition to any type of casino project in the Greater Boston area whether constructed and managed by Mohegan Sun or Wynn Resorts. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Simmons on Order Number Five of June 16, 2014. Placed on the Table on the motion of Councillor Cheung on June 30, 2014.]
5. 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 June 18, 2014 to discuss revisions to the Cambridge Municipal Code Section 9.04.050 (A) Defacing public property of Chapter 9.04 entitled "Offenses Against Property". [Committee Report Number Five of June 30, 2014 Placed on Table on motion of Vice Mayor Benzan on June 30, 2014.]
6. That as we undertake the Cambridge Conversations and the Master Planning Process, the City Manager is requested to direct the Community Development Department to study emerging business types in Cambridge and how they are affected by the use regulations in the Zoning Ordinance, and to recommend changes to the Zoning Ordinance that will help classify such businesses in a clear, rational way that supports the long-term interests of the community and instruct the Community Development Department to evaluate appropriate ways to facilitate home-based businesses above and beyond what is currently allowed. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor McGovern on Order Number Five of Sept 22, 2014. Placed on the Table on the motion of Councillor McGovern on Sept 29, 2014.]
7. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Community Development Department and the Planning Board to begin testing strategies to enhance such engagement at the earliest opportunity by methods such as requiring developers to hold a public meeting in the neighborhood and provide a report along with the permit application describing public input and changes to the project as a result of such input and to suggest changes to the Planning Board rules, which could be adopted by the Planning Board and/or Zoning Ordinance, which could be enacted by the City Council to codify successful community engagement strategies. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor McGovern on Order Number Six of Sept 22, 2014. Placed on the Table on the motion of Councillor McGovern on Sept 29, 2014.]
8. Congratulations to Bill O'Connell on being inducted into the Special Olympics Hall of Fame. [Resolution Number

Twenty-Five of Oct 20, 2014 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Toomey on Oct 20, 2014.]

9. Congratulations to David Tynes on being inducted into the Special Olympics Hall of Fame. [Resolution Number Twenty-Six of Oct 20, 2014 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Toomey on Oct 20, 2014.]
10. An application was received from Tango Properties, LLC requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 60-62 Magoun Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association with a time extension request. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Applications and Petitions Number One of Oct 20, 2014.]
11. Congratulations to Marvin Gilmore on the release of his biography Crusader for Freedom. [Charter Right exercised by Mayor Maher on Resolution Number Twenty-seven of Oct 20, 2014.]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing held on Nov 22, 2013 to conduct a public hearing on an amendment to the Municipal Code by adding a new Chapter 8.68 entitled "Concussion Prevention and Management in Youth Activities at City Facilities." The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Dec 23, 2013.
13. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing held on Dec 19, 2013 to conduct a public hearing on an amendment to the Municipal Code in Chapter 8.67 entitled relating to Plastic Bag Reduction. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Feb 24, 2014.
14. 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 Oct 15, 2014 to discuss a zoning petition filed by CJUF III Northpoint LLC to amend certain provisions of the City of Cambridge Zoning Ordinance that governs the Planned Unit Development in the North Point Residence District to allow limited amounts of off-street retail parking. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Nov 10, 2014. Planning Board Hearing held Oct 21, 2014. Petition expires Jan 19, 2015.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Michael Hawley regarding Planning Board Reform.
2. A communication was received from James and Judith Robertson, 45 Magoun Street, transmitting opposition to the Magoun Street curb cut.
3. A communication was received from Stephen J. Kaiser, Hamilton Street, regarding Planning Board Reform.
4. A communication was received from Jan Devereux, 255 Lakeview Avenue, regarding public input on improvements to the Planning Board's process and procedures.

5. A communication was received from Peter Valentine regarding technology.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Adelia Furtado Lopes. Councillor Toomey
2. Resolution on the death of Mary Krupkowski. Councillor Toomey
3. Resolution on the death of former Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Toomey, Mayor Maher and Councillor Cheung
4. Congratulations to Estelle Disch on the opening of her photography exhibit at CCTV on Nov 6, 2014. Councillor Simmons
5. Congratulations to Reva Stein on being awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award by the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Massachusetts. Vice Mayor Benzan
6. Congratulations to Dr. Walter Willet, Professor at Harvard School of Public Health, on being awarded the Bertram A. Yaffe Prevention Advocacy Award from the Massachusetts Health Council. Vice Mayor Benzan

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Affordable Housing Trust and the Law Department on whether preference points can legally be allotted to teachers and Public Safety employees such as police officers and firefighters for affordable housing units. Councillor Cheung and Vice Mayor Benzan
2. The City Manager is requested to confer with the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, the Department of Public Works and Boston Properties BXP to determine the financial feasibility of the repair needed to the Galaxy: Earth Sphere sculpture and fountain. Councillor Mazen
3. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Managing Director of Water Department and report back to the City Council on whether the department is monitoring aged pipelines to prevent unexpected breaks and if information on the age of pipes is readily available. Councillor Toomey
4. That the City Manager is requested to provide the City Council with a listing of all available land and buildings currently on the market or potentially for sale in order to initiate a discussion about land purchase and subsequent development of 100% mixed-income housing. Councillor McGovern, Vice Mayor Benzan, Councillor Kelley and Councillor Simmons

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Nov 3

- 5:00pm Special Presentation in recognition of Special Olympics Hall of Fame Inductees (Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, 459 Broadway)
- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, 459 Broadway)

Wed, Nov 5

- 4:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a proposed amendment to the Municipal Code in Article V by adding a new Chapter 5.50 entitled "Civilian Fingerprinting and Criminal History Records Checks for Certain Licenses." (831 Massachusetts Avenue, Basement Conference Room)

Mon, Nov 10

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

Wed, Nov 12

3:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss proposed amendments to Chapter 6.04 of the Municipal Code entitled "Animal Control Regulations" to establish fines for failure to remove dog waste, failing to license a dog, violations to dogs off leash, changing the required time a dog can be kept in a kennel to be consistent with state law and park rangers be given authority to enforce animal regulations at Fresh Pond Reservoir. (831 Massachusetts Avenue, Basement Conference Room)

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a zoning petition filed by Charles D. Teague, et al. to amend the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance to clarify the existing ordinance so that said ordinance can be enforced: align the zoning amendment expiration date in the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance to be the same as state law, align the Special Permit criteria with adjudicated state law and require that the master plan be followed whereas following the master plan is optional under state law. This hearing to be televised. (Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, 459 Broadway)

Mon, Nov 24

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

Tues, Nov 25

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Timothy R. Flaherty, et al. II zoning petition requesting the City Council to amend the Zoning Map of the City of Cambridge to expand the Medical Marijuana Overlay District, MMD-1 to encompass 61 Mooney Street. This hearing to be televised. (Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, 459 Broadway)

Mon, Dec 1

5:30pm Roundtable/Working Meeting to discuss city-wide planning, including discussions with the Planning Board. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, 459 Broadway)

Tues, Dec 2

4:00pm The Human Services and Veterans Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss poverty and issues related to the experience of organizations working with those living in poverty. (831 Massachusetts Avenue, Basement Conference Room)

Wed, Dec 3

3:00pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss fire safety, including a review of Cambridge Fire Department operations, what happens to people after a fire, trends in fire safety and how possible fire safety hazards such as abandoned buildings are reviewed. (831 Massachusetts Avenue, Basement Conference Room)

Mon, Dec 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Dec 9

5:30pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss what can be done about double utility poles and underground wires. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, Dec 15

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Dec 16

5:30pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public hearing to review the City's Emergency Response/Preparations when dignitaries visit the city or when there is a major event occurring in Cambridge. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, Dec 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 12

5:30pm Roundtable/Working Meeting to discuss city-wide planning, including discussions with the Planning Board. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 16

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Nov 3, 2014

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

VICE MAYOR BENZAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Affordable Housing Trust and the Law Department on whether preference points can legally be allotted to teachers and Public Safety employees such as police officers and firefighters for affordable housing units; 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-2 Nov 3, 2014

COUNCILLOR MAZEN

WHEREAS: The Galaxy: Earth Sphere sculpture and fountain at the intersection of Main and Broadway has been a landmark in Kendall Square since its construction in 1989, when it was commissioned by the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority (CRA), MIT, MBTA, U.S. Dept. of Transportation, and the City of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: The current property owners of the Galaxy: Earth Sphere are the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, who have assigned oversight to Boston Properties BXP; and

WHEREAS: The Galaxy: Earth Sphere, despite its prominent location, has fallen into neglect over the last 20-plus years; and

WHEREAS: Local artist Joe David designed and produced the sculpture, and oversaw final installation at the current Kendall Square location in Cambridge in 1989; and

WHEREAS: The Galaxy: Earth Sphere sculpture and fountain was produced with the guidance of the late Otto Piene, Professor Emeritus of Visual Design at MIT; and

WHEREAS: There has been a lack of vital maintenance performed by the CRA and Boston Properties BXP creating a number of problems that now mar the sculpture and fountain; and

WHEREAS: While other sculptures and artistic pieces around the city have received significant refurbishment from the city, the Galaxy: Earth Sphere sculpture and fountain has received the bare minimum, and is thus in dire need of significant repair; now therefore be it

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with Joe David on the exact processes and repairs that would be necessary to restore the Galaxy: Earth Sphere sculpture and fountain to its original condition; and be it further

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the CRA, the Department of Public Works and Boston Properties BXP to determine the financial feasibility of the repair needed to the Galaxy: Earth Sphere sculpture and fountain; and be it further

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with Mr. David, the CRA, the Department of Public Works, and Boston Properties BXP and any relevant abutters or interested philanthropists to determine the best plan to restore the Galaxy: Earth Sphere sculpture and fountain to its original condition; and be it further

ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter.

O-3 Nov 3, 2014

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Recent water main breaks have raised awareness about the age of some water main infrastructure; and

WHEREAS: Water Main breaks are disruptive and predicting them may or may not be possible; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Managing Director of Water Department and report back to the City Council on whether the department is monitoring aged pipelines to prevent unexpected breaks and if information on the age of pipes is readily available.

O-4 Nov 3, 2014

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

VICE MAYOR BENZAN

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Cambridge is experiencing a housing crisis, particularly in low, middle, and moderate income affordable housing; and

WHEREAS: To begin to resolve this crisis, Cambridge must look at a variety of options, including preserving current affordable housing, increasing inclusionary zoning, building

on city owned land, and acquiring land and buildings that are for sale for the purpose of building housing; and

WHEREAS: This City Council has recently seen a number of private lots sold to other private entities, thus the City is losing opportunities to purchase that land for affordable housing; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide the City Council with a listing of all available land and buildings currently on the market or potentially for sale in order to initiate a discussion about land purchase and subsequent development of 100% mixed-income housing; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council as to the process in which the City engages to identify potential land or building acquisition and what obstacles the City faces in purchasing identified properties.