

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$25,000 from Free Cash to the General Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account for the support of transportation for Cambridge seniors for grocery shopping and medical appointments through the not for profit agency, Door to Door.
2. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Project Bread Food Pantry grant received from the Project Bread organization for \$2,500 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used by the Cambridge Senior Center Food Pantry pay for purchases at the Greater Boston Food Bank, and for other food purchases for our Senior Food Pantry.
3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the creation of a new municipal Renewable Energy and Greenhouse Gas ("GHG") Reduction Revolving Fund ("Revolving Fund") to serve the City of Cambridge's ("City") municipal energy aggregation, and adoption of the proposed new ordinance, Chapter 3.24, entitled "Departmental Revolving Funds."

CHARTER RIGHT

1. That the City Manager is requested to confer with relevant City staff on determining the most appropriate signage and messaging that would best educate cyclists on the importance of following traffic laws, particularly stopping at red lights, for their own safety and the safety of other cyclists and pedestrians.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to proposed amendments to the following ordinance: and proposed amendments to Chapter 14.04 of the Cambridge Municipal Code (the "Fair Housing Ordinance"). [Fair Housing (passed to a 2nd reading) AWAITING HOME RULE LEGISLATION-BEFORE PROPOSAL CAN BE ORDAINED]
3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 18-108, regarding a report on offering early voting in City Council and School Committee Elections. [PENDING RESPONSE FROM LEGISLATURE]

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Cambridge Trust, requesting permission for two (2) internally illuminating projecting signs at the premises numbered 415 Main Street. approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutters with proof of mailing.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Itmar Turner-Trauring, regarding what should our priorities be for transportation.
2. A communication was received from Alicia Hong, regarding support for bike safety.
3. A communication was received from Thouis Jones, regarding improving bike safety.
4. A communication was received from Janie Katz-Christy, 166A Elm Street N., regarding amend Policy Order #9 and #10.
5. A communication was received from Catherine LeBlanc, regarding Eversource, NO fracked gas lines.
6. A communication was received from Jeff Byrnes, regarding support for PO #10 and with a request for PO #9.
7. A communication was received from Sue Donaldson, regarding policy orders for bicycle safety.
8. A communication was received from Giovanna Parmigiani, regarding safe Porter Square and a safer Cambridge.
9. A communication was received from Allison Burson, regarding support bike safety in Porter Square.
10. A communication was received from Amanda Sindel-Keswick, regarding bike safety.
11. A communication was received from Nate Sharpe, regarding support bicycle safety.
12. A communication was received from Kellan Simpson, regarding bicycle safety issues.
13. A communication was received from George Schneeloch, regarding bicycle safety in Porter Square.
14. A communication was received from Ruthann Rudel, regarding signage about bicycle and red lights is misguided and argumentative.
15. A communication was received from Eric Silva, regarding making the City safer for all.
16. A communication was received from Colin McCarthy, regarding support for Porter Square safety improvements.
17. A communication was received from Kevin Guiney, regarding bike safety for Porter Square and a safer Cambridge.
18. A communication was received from Keiko Petrosky, regarding take action for a safer Porter Square and safer Cambridge.
19. A communication was received from Caroline Jaffe, 28 Ellsworth Avenue, regarding support for bicycle safety.
20. A communication was received from Katie Fortunato, regarding support bicycle safety.
21. A communication was received from Darrah Bowden, regarding support bicycle safety.
22. A communication was received from Andrew Morvay. 11 Ware Street, regarding support bicycle safety.

23. A communication was received from Ryan Frazer, 24 Copley Street, regarding support for bicycle safety.
24. A communication was received from Laura Carey, 23 Ellsworth Avenue, regarding support for bicycle safety.
25. A communication was received from David and Susan Read, regarding making Porter Square safe for cyclists.
26. A communication was received from Nate Kaufman, 56 Gorham Street, regarding support for bicycle safety in Porter Square.
27. A communication was received from Gloria Korsman, 91 Montgomery Street, regarding support for bicycle safety.
28. A communication was received from Robert G. Harwood, 6 Florence Street, regarding bicycle safety.
29. A communication was received from Greg Marra, regarding promoting bicycle safety.
30. A communication was received from Marlee Chong regarding POR 2019 #359 and #360.
31. A communication was received from Brandon Cardley, 255 Pearl Street, regarding support for bicycle safety.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Wishing the Best for Charles and Pam Ogletree. Councillor Simmons
2. Congratulations to Maria and Greg Jobin-Leeds. Councillor Simmons
3. Congratulations to Mothers Out Front. Vice Mayor Devereux
4. Congratulations to Michael Monestime and the Central Square Commercial Property Owners. Councillor Simmons
5. Congratulations to Sekazi K. Mtingwa. Councillor Simmons
6. Congratulations to the Mitchell family on S&S's 100th Anniversary. Councillor Toomey
7. Resolution on the death of William "Billy" Robert Sarchioni Sr. Councillor Toomey

ORDERS

1. That a joint Roundtable/Working Meeting on Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program be scheduled for Dec 2, 2019 in place of the Regular City Council Meeting. Mayor McGovern
2. That this City Council goes on record urging all residents to honor the men and women who have defended our country, as well as those who are serving today by celebrating Veterans' Day on Mon, Nov 11, 2019. Mayor McGovern, Councillor Kelley
3. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the Council by the end of this term on progress toward identifying a source of funding and a timetable for the design and construction of a modern roundabout at the Brattle-Sparks-Craigie intersection, to share the consultant's

2017-18 report on the feasibility of a modern roundabout, and to schedule a community meeting in early 2020 to further discuss this project. Vice Mayor Devereux, Councillor Zondervan, Mayor McGovern, Councillor Carlone

4. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Cambridge Health Alliance and other appropriate City personnel to establish plans designed to mitigate the impact of the closing of Windsor House upon Cambridge seniors, and to report back to the City Council in a timely manner. Councillor Simmons, Mayor McGovern
5. Resolution in support of the Harvard Graduate Students Union-UAW'S demands for a fair contract now. Councillor Siddiqui, Mayor McGovern, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Mallon
6. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with appropriate City staff on the feasibility of providing child care for those interested in becoming temporary census takers whom otherwise may not be able to capitalize on the opportunity. Councillor Kelley

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A report from Councillor Craig A. Kelley, Co-Chair of the Ordinance Committee, of a public hearing held on Oct 22, 2019 at 4:00pm to discuss a proposed amendment to the Demolition Delay Ordinance.
 - A. A petition was received from Stephan Bardige et al, regarding amending the Municipal Code, Title 2, Chapter 2.78.090 subparagraph E and I by changing six months to twelve months twice in each paragraph to permit the Cambridge Historical Commission to delay the issuance of a demolition permit for twelve months.
2. A report from Councillor Quinton Zondervan, Co-Chair of the Health and Environment Committee for a public hearing held on Oct 23, 2019 at 10:00am to discuss the status of the next community-wide greenhouse gas inventory and annual reporting of same going forward.
 - A. That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to produce an annual report of key indicators of community wide emissions, and at least every 4 years conduct a full greenhouse gas inventory as part of this report. Councillor Zondervan

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Councillor Craig A. Kelley, transmitting a memorandum "Cambridge Police Department Traffic Citation Trends: 2010-Q1.2019".

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Nov 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber - televised)

Tues, Nov 12

10:00am The Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss claims against the City. The Committee will enter executive session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation because an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the City. (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

12:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a hearing on a proposed amendment to Article 22 of the Zoning Ordinance - Green Building Requirements. (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

1:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance - Insulation Zoning Proposal. (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

5:00pm The Health and Environment Committee will meet to discuss the findings of the Urban Forest Master Plan task force. (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Wed, Nov 13

12:00pm The Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee will meet to discuss the following policy order: "That the City Manager is requested to instruct the City Solicitor to draft for discussion several ordinances to reduce or prohibit campaign donations from donors seeking to enter into a contract, seeking approval for a special permit or up-zoning, seeking to acquire real estate from the city, or seeking financial assistance from the city." (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

3:00pm The Neighborhood & Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the final Envision Report. (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Mon, Nov 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Wed, Nov 20

11:00am The Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee will meet to discuss Policy Order #7, regarding Open meeting law review and Policy Order #11, regarding Council Budget- Private Attorney. (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

3:00pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss restrictions and opportunities the City has when working with bargaining units to implement new policies. (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Mon, Nov 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Tues, Nov 26

3:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct public hearings on the City Council petition on an amendment to

the Zoning Ordinance entitled "Shared Mobility Zoning". (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

5:00pm The Ordinance Committee will meet to continue discussions on the petition by Stephen R. Karp, Trustee of Cambridgeside Galleria Associates Trust, to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge by adding a Section 13.100 that creates a new PUD-8 District. (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Mon, Dec 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Tues, Dec 3

3:00pm The Transportation and Public Utilities Committee will meet to discuss the City Manager's report on the Parking and Transportation Demand Management (PTDM) Ordinance. (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Wed, Dec 4

2:00pm The Public Safety Committee will meet to discuss snow removal. (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

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Mon, Dec 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Wed, Dec 11

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Harvard Square Zoning Petition View the petition here: Harvard Square Zoning Petition (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Mon, Dec 16

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Mon, Dec 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

Mon, Dec 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber - [televised](#))

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Nov 4, 2019

MAYOR MCGOVERN

ORDERED: That a Joint Roundtable/Working Meeting for members of the City Council and School Committee be held on Mon, Dec 2, 2019, from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in the Sullivan Chamber in place of the Regular City Council Meeting, for the purpose of discussing the "Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program Study;" and

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate City Departments to televise and record the Joint City Council/School Committee Roundtable/Working Meeting.

O-2 Nov 4, 2019

MAYOR MCGOVERN
COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: This year on Veterans' Day, we celebrate the 101st anniversary of the armistice that finally silenced the guns of World War I; millions of brave Americans marched into Europe and into the brutality of trench warfare to fight that war; and

WHEREAS Although President Woodrow Wilson recognized that "it is a fearful thing to lead these great peaceful people into war," he also recognized that it was important to do so "for democracy, for the right of those who submit to authority to have a voice in their own Governments;" and

WHEREAS: Today, there are more than 22 million living veterans who served our Nation in times of peace and war—many of them willingly entered harm's way to fight for our freedoms—these veterans have diverse religious beliefs and come from varying backgrounds and ethnicities; by their service, they kept America strong, and at this moment, men and women of the armed services and reserve components are serving around the world and also here at home; and

WHEREAS: On Veteran's Day, let us pause to reflect on the sacrifices of all of those who have put on the uniform to serve in the United States military; let us honor our veterans who proved their heroism and love of country, time and time again; and

WHEREAS: We shall always be grateful for the noble sacrifices made by these veterans; we can never adequately repay them; but we can honor and respect them for their service and their sacrifice, and we can pledge that we will ask for this sacrifice only through careful, honest, and conscious decisions rooted in our founding principles of justice and human rights; and

WHEREAS: As we consider the sacrifices and efforts of our veterans, we will never forget the men and women of past wars for whom there is still no accounting; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council goes on record urging all residents to honor the men and women who have defended our country, as well as those who are serving today by celebrating Veterans' Day on Mon, Nov 11, 2019.

O-3 Nov 4, 2019

VICE MAYOR DEVEREUX
COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN
MAYOR MCGOVERN
COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: On Nov 11, 2016, the City Council adopted Policy Order #24 "to conduct a traffic safety review of the

Brattle Street, Sparks Street, and Craigie Street intersection and report back its findings with recommendations of any immediate and mid-term actions that can be taken to improve the intersection's safety to the Council," and

WHEREAS: On June 12, 2017, the City Manager responded with CMA #168 (attached), which analyzed crash data between January 2014 and December 2016 and showed that of the 14 reported crashes during that period, 80% of them involved vehicles exiting Sparks Street southbound colliding with vehicles or cyclists on Brattle Street in either direction; and

WHEREAS: Crashes in this pattern have continued in the almost three years since this analysis was performed, most recently two in August and October 2019, in which vehicles exiting Sparks Street crashed with vehicles on Brattle; and

WHEREAS: Speeding and the lack of speed enforcement along Brattle Street, which west of Longfellow Park becomes primarily residential, has been a longstanding concern among residents and regular users, but Brattle Street is not one of the streets designated to become a 20mph safety zone; and

WHEREAS: While the Traffic Department's June 2017 memo asserted that a modern roundabout at this intersection would pose challenges, that assessment was later revised based on a consultant's report in Fall-Winter 2017-18, and a roundabout was the safety intervention recommended and preferred at a well-attended community meeting held on June 13, 2018, at the Armenian Church; and

WHEREAS: The June 2018 presentation cited the City's Vision Zero and Complete Streets policies and noted that "the intersection geometry makes movement from Sparks Street challenging for people in cars and on bikes because it is 105 feet from the Sparks Street stop bar to the far side crosswalk"; and

WHEREAS: This recommendation seemed promising, and staff were exploring sources of capital funding, but it has been almost 18 months since the last community meeting, and there has been no further public update or follow-up meeting with the neighborhood, which remains very concerned about speeding and the steady number of crashes and many unreported near misses along Brattle Street at Sparks and Craigie as well as at the asymmetrical intersection of Brattle with Appleton and Lowell Streets; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the Council by the end of this term on progress toward identifying a source of funding and a timetable for the design and construction of a modern roundabout at the Brattle-Sparks-Craigie intersection, to share the consultant's 2017-18 report on the feasibility of a modern roundabout, and to schedule a community meeting in early 2020 to further discuss this project.

O-4 Nov 4, 2019

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

MAYOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: It has recently come to the City Council's attention that the Windsor House Adult Day Care Center, located at 806 Massachusetts Avenue, intends to cease operations by the end of 2019; and

WHEREAS: This organization has long provided many critical services for Cambridge seniors, and the loss of Windsor House would constitute an enormous hardship to the individuals and their families who rely upon this organization's offerings; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to reach out to Windsor House to determine whether the City might encourage the organization to reverse course and continue operations beyond December 2019; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Cambridge Health Alliance and other appropriate City personnel to establish plans designed to mitigate the impact of the closing of Windsor House upon Cambridge seniors, and to report back to the City Council in a timely manner.

O-5 Nov 4, 2019

COUNCILLOR SIDDIQUI

MAYOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR MALLON

WHEREAS: Harvard University relies upon the labor of student workers to educate its students, assist its faculty, and produce groundbreaking research that increases the global standing of the university; and

WHEREAS: On April 18 and 19, 2018, a majority of student workers who voted at Harvard University voted for their Union, Harvard Graduate Students Union (HGSU-UAW); and

WHEREAS: HGSU-UAW, which represents graduate research assistants and student teaching fellows across Harvard University, entered its second year of negotiations with the Harvard for its first contract; and has not adequately addressed the core issue of the HGSU-UAW; and

WHEREAS: No worker can do their job well without fair compensation, sufficient health and dental insurance, and a fair procedure for adjudicating workplace harassment and discrimination; and

WHEREAS: Eighteen (18) months is more than enough time to negotiate a fair first contract and HGSU-UAW's bargaining committee has stated their goal is to complete an agreement Fall semester 2019; and

WHEREAS: On Friday, Oct 25, Harvard Graduate Students Union-United Automobile Workers (HGSU-UAW) voted by over ninety percent (90%) to authorize a strike; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge supports the right of workers to unionize and bargain with their employer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge stands with the majority of Harvard's student workers' demand for fair pay, increased benefits and a fair process to protect workers from harassment and discrimination; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge calls upon the Harvard University administration to bargain a contract with HGSU-UAW that reflects the values of fairness, equality, and justice the University claims to support; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record urging Harvard University and President Bacow to sign a fair agreement with HGSU-UAW and avoid a strike that would be damaging to the workers, their students and the University.

O-6 Nov 4, 2019

COUNCILLOR KELLEY

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is calling on members of all of Cambridge's various communities to become census takers to assist the U.S. Census Bureau in ensuring everyone is counted for the 2020 Census; and

WHEREAS: This temporary work is very important and a great opportunity for people to earn extra income; and

WHEREAS: Some individuals that want to participate in this opportunity may need assistance with child care while they execute the duties of the job; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with appropriate City staff on the feasibility of providing child care for those interested in becoming temporary census takers whom otherwise may not be able to capitalize on the opportunity; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this issue in a timely fashion.