

## **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a donation received from the Taste of Cambridge in the amount of \$10,000.00 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will benefit the DHSP Special Olympics and will be used to purchase uniforms and equipment.

## **CHARTER RIGHT**

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-03, regarding a report on allowing homeowners alternatives to alter flat roof structures to create better rain water runoff collection. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Seidel on City Manager Agenda Item Number Seven of Oct 31, 2011.]
2. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Department of Public Works to look into the proper waste disposal issues in the Area IV area, specifically in the vicinity of Washington Street, and the possibility of installing additional trash receptacles. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Reeves on Order Number Seven of Oct 31, 2011.]
3. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the City Solicitor to obtain and forward to the City Council the legal opinion detailing the City Council's regulatory authority to grant curb cuts and the issue of providing the property owner access to their property. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Toomey on Order Number Sixteen of Oct 31, 2011.]

## **ON THE TABLE**

4. 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. Councillor Kelley made motions to take from table on May 10, 2010 failed 2-7-0, Sept 13, 2010 failed 4-4-1, Sept 27, 2010 failed 3-5-1, Dec 13, 2010 failed 3-6-0. Remains on Table.]
5. 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.]
6. 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.]
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-189, regarding a report on the legitimacy of the tax exempt claim of Education First. [Charter Right exercised on City

Manager Agenda Item Number Nineteen of Jan 24, 2011. Placed on Table Jan 31, 2011.]

8. That the City Manager is requested to have the Community Development Department convene a meeting with neighbors in the vicinity of Grove Street and Blanchard Road, the Fresh Pond Master Plan Committee and other relevant parties to review the zoning along the golf course and the Fresh Pond Reservation in that area. [Charter Right exercised on Order Number Five of Jan 24, 2011. Placed on Table Jan 31, 2011.]
9. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council with a complete and comprehensive list of all concessions made to the City and broader Cambridge community by developers and the universities in exchange for zoning relief, special permits, or Council approval. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Reeves on Order Number Eleven of Apr 25, 2011. Tabled on Motion of Councillor Cheung on May 2, 2011.]
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 11-94, regarding a report on fireworks at Corcoran Park on July 4th. [City Manager Agenda Item Number Nineteen of Sept 12, 2011 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Kelley.]
11. An application was received from Eric Griffith, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 9 Wyman Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation and Public Works. No neighborhood association for that area. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Applications and Petitions Number Three of Oct 24, 2011. Placed on Table Oct 31, 2011 by Councillor Cheung on roll call vote 6-3-0.]

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

12. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public meeting held on Sept 7, 2011 to consider a petition filed by Julia Bishop et al., to amend Section 17.20 of the Zoning Ordinance - Regulations for Special District 2, located in North Cambridge along Linear Park. [Order #26 adopted on Oct 17, 2011 to discharge from committee. Report placed on Unfinished Business on Oct 17, 2011.] The question comes on passing to a Second Reading. Planning Board hearing held Sept 13, 2011. Petition expires Dec 6, 2011.
13. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public meeting held on Sept 7, 2011 to consider a petition to amend the Zoning Ordinance filed by Elizabeth deRham et al. The petition proposes an amendment to Section 9.16 of the Zoning which currently provides for a \$100 per violation per day fine upon conviction of said violation. The amendment would provide for a fine not to exceed the maximum specified in M.G.L. Ch 40A sec.7, currently \$300 per violation per day and would allow the fine to be levied at the discretion of the Superintendent of Buildings. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Oct 31, 2011. Planning Board hearing held Sept 13, 2011. Petition expires Dec 6, 2011.

14. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public meeting held on Oct 13, 2011 to consider a petition filed by Laura Runkel et al. to rezone 41 Bellis Circle, an area abutting the northern block of Bellis Circle, bordered on the north by the commuter rail tracks, on the south by Bellis Circle and on the east side by Sherman Street, from Residence C-1A to Residence C. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Nov 14, 2011. Planning Board hearing held Sept 13, 2011. Petition expires Dec 13, 2011.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

1. A communication was received from Beibei Su, Architectural Historian, The Ottery Group, transmitting an invitation to participate as a consulting party to the Section 106 review of the proposed modification of the existing AT&T Mobility “MIT Dorrance Building #16 #2267 Telecommunications Facility” at 77 Massachusetts Avenue.
2. A communication was received from Irv Cummings, transmitting thanks for the lovely tribute to his pastoral work in Cambridge.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution on the death of Georgia (Ravanis) Fennessy. Mayor Maher
2. Congratulations to Roger Frymire and Squizzle Plekavich on receiving the 2011 Fresh Pond Stewardship Award. Vice Mayor Davis, Mayor Maher
3. Thanks to Weight Watchers At Work program leader Heather Federico for the encouragement she shared with City of Cambridge employees as they worked toward the goal of living a healthier lifestyle. Vice Mayor Davis
4. Congratulations to the Early Childhood Education and Care Provider/Educators for their twenty years of incredible service to the Cambridge community. Councillor Decker
5. Acknowledge the month of November as National Lung Cancer Awareness Month. Councillor Simmons
6. Best wishes to the Cambridge High and Latin Class of 1971 as they celebrate their 40th class reunion. Councillor Simmons
7. Congratulations to Helen Hobbs on receiving an Outstanding Woman Award from the YWCA. Councillor Simmons
8. Congratulations to Bryn Mawr Bookstore on the occasion of its 40th anniversary. Vice Mayor Davis

**ORDERS**

1. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department, the Department of Public Works and the Police Department to determine any and all appropriate measures that can be taken to enforce that heavy trucks do not use Rindge Avenue. Mayor Maher
2. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Inspectional Services Department to work with Nauset Construction, the developer of 7 Cameron Avenue, and with Dick’s Auto Body to ascertain the source of the odor and its potential impact on the health of residents. Councillor Simmons

3. That the City Council hereby discharges the Ordinance Committee of the Matthew Bagedonow petition to amend the Zoning Ordinance and that the City Council hereby passes the Bagedonow petition to a second reading. Councillor Seidel

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing held on Sept 14, 2011 and a follow-up public meeting on Oct 25, 2011 to consider a re-filed petition to amend the zoning ordinance filed by Chestnut Hill Realty. The petition would allow creation by special permit of rental apartment units in basement units of existing multifamily residential buildings in Residence C Districts which meet the special permit criteria.
2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Sam Seidel, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing held on Sept 14, 2011 to consider a petition by Matthew Bagedonow et al. to amend Section 5.24.4 Paragraph(4) of the Zoning Ordinance as follows: “For Residence Zoning District C-1, in no case shall side yards be less than 7’-6”. This shall apply to any plane or projection from the plane of the building.”

**HEARING SCHEDULE**

**Mon, Nov 7**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 14**

5:30pm Roundtable Meeting with Commissioner Carole Cornelison, Massachusetts Department of Capital Asset Management, and her staff, to discuss plans for the East Cambridge Courthouse site. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. Sullivan Chamber)

**Tues, Nov 15**

4:00pm Ordinance Committee Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 21**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

5:30pm Special Presentation - Mayor’s Red Ribbon Commission on Central Square. Sullivan Chamber)

**Tues, Nov 22**

10:00am The Community Health Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss Domestic Violence and Technology: Dangers and Opportunities. Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm The Environment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss goal setting for the Cambridge environment for the coming year. Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Nov 28**

5:30pm Roundtable Meeting to receive an update on the United States Census. No public comment. No votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. Sullivan Chamber)

**Wed, Nov 30**

10:00am The Community Health Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss Domestic Violence, Housing and Homelessness. Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Dec 5**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Dec 12**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Wed, Dec 14**

10:00am The Community Health Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss Domestic Violence and Youth. Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Dec 19**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Jan 2**

10:00am CITY COUNCIL INAUGURAL MEETING Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Jan 9**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Jan 23**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Jan 30**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Feb 6**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Feb 13**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Feb 27**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Mar 5**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Mar 12**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Mar 19**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, Mar 26**

5:30pm City Council Meeting Sullivan Chamber)

**TEXT OF ORDERS**

O-1 Nov 7, 2011

MAYOR MAHER

WHEREAS: Residents have expressed concerns that increased heavy truck traffic on Rindge Avenue, particularly between Massachusetts Avenue and Sherman Street, has impacted the quality of life for the neighborhood and raised safety concerns, especially near the Peabody School; and

WHEREAS: The signage on Massachusetts Avenue at the intersection of Rindge Avenue appears to be inadequate in notifying truck drivers that certain trucks are prohibited on Rindge Avenue; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department, the Department of Public Works and the Police Department to determine any and all appropriate measures that can be taken to enforce that heavy trucks do not use Rindge Avenue.

O-2 Nov 7, 2011

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Neighbors in the vicinity of Cameron Avenue and Elmwood Street have expressed concern about the potential health impacts of a pungent odor which they suspect emanates from the construction site at 7 Cameron Avenue or from Dick's Auto Body located at 95-99 Elmwood Street; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Inspectional Services Department to work with Nauset Construction, the developer of 7 Cameron Avenue, and with Dick's Auto Body to ascertain the source of the odor and its potential impact on the health of residents; and be it further

ORDERED: That once the source of the odor has been identified, the Inspectional Services Department should work to ensure that remediation is undertaken at no cost to the City of Cambridge.

O-3 Nov 7, 2011

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL

WHEREAS: The Ordinance Committee report on the Matthew Bagedonow petition to amend the Zoning Ordinance is on the City Council agenda for the Nov 7, 2011 Council meeting as Committee Report # 2; and

WHEREAS: The Ordinance Committee held a public hearing on the petition on Sept 14, 2011 and the Planning Board held a public hearing on the petition on Sept 13, 2011; now therefore it

ORDERED: That the City Council hereby discharges the Ordinance Committee of the Matthew Bagedonow petition to amend the Zoning Ordinance; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council hereby passes the Bagedonow petition to a Second Reading.