## CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constables for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 1998:

Without Power Kenneth Bailey 25 Lee Street

Cambridge, MA 02139 Carlo A. Maradiaga 15 Walnut Street Medford, MA 02155 Tyrone Campbell 19 Messinger Street Boston, MA 02126 With Power John Wilson 20 Norris Street

Cambridge, MA 02140

- 2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the Disposition of 63 Cedar Street to the Cambridge Affordable Housing Trust.
- 3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Thirty, regarding a report on the current financial status of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
- 4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-nine, regarding a report on the City's official policy on the implementation of bike lanes and whether bike lanes are a condition of any federal or state funding.
- 5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-six, regarding a report on what procedures the City is taking to prepare for the year 2000 concerning computer technology.
- 6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Nine, regarding a report on a new football/track facility.
- 7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Forty-one, regarding a report on the recent telephone scam.
- Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to appointments to the Avon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District Commission.
- 9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-four, regarding a report on the progress of the goals as recommended in the Civil and Human Rights Committee report.
- 10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Thirty-seven, regarding a report on the plan to improve safety at the Huron Avenue intersection with Chilton and Gurney Streets.
- 11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$14,000 to the Inspectional Services Travel & Training (Judgement & Damages) Account \$9,000, and Other Ordinary Maintenance Account

\$5,000 to provide funds for additional costs of transcription services for the Board of Zoning Appeals and to cover the expenses of arbitration in a compensation case.

# CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS

- A communication was received from Modern Continental Enterprises, 2448-2450 Massachusetts Avenue and 2464R Massachusetts Avenue, transmitting written protest on the petition to rezone the classification from Industry A-1 to a new Special District 2, (Frankleton 2).
- 2. A communication was received from Modern Continental Enterprises, 2500 Massachusetts Avenue, transmitting written protest on the petition to rezone the classification from Industry A-1 to a new Special District 2, (Frankelton 2).
- A communication was received from Paul J. Keplin and Rhonda Massie, transmitting written protest on the petition to downzone ComEnergy Site to "Open Space."
- 4. A communication was received from Marie D'Aoust on behalf of 23 tenants at 47 Inman Street and 279-281 Harvard Street, transmitting the notification of a newly formed tenant association, due to the astronomical rent increases.
- 5. A communication was received from Pat Sullivan, transmitting grateful appreciation to the City Council for the flowers sent of behalf of Robert Sullivan.
- 6. A communication was received from Paul P. Ozarowski, Vice President, Haley & Aldrich, transmitting a legal notice of an Initial Site Investigation and Tier II Classification Property at 47 Erie Street.
- 7. A communication was received from Paul P. Ozarowski, Vice President, Haley & Aldrich, transmitting notification of availability of report on Phase I of the Initial Site Investigation and Tier Classification Property located at 47 Erie Street.
- 8. A communication was received from Carl F. Barron, transmitting support for the proposed ordinance regulating newspaper boxes on city streets.
- 9. A communication was received from Michael P. Sullivan, Vice President, ComEnergy, One Main Street, on behalf of Commonwealth Energy System, Cambridge Electric Light Company, Cambridge Gas Company and Darvel Realty Trust, transmitting written protest on the petition to downzone ComEnergy Site to "Open Space."
- 10. A communication was received from Peter Valentine, transmitting thanks for placing his writing at the entrance to the council chamber.
- 11. A communication was received from Dimitri Hadzi, 111 Charles Street, transmitting support for the petition to downzone ComEnergy Site to "Open Space."
- 12. A communication was received from Lucy and John McClymont, 69 Gore Street, transmitting support for the petition to downzone ComEnergy Site to "Open Space."
- 13. A communication was received from Richard A. Cody, 50 Spring Street, transmitting support for the petition to downzone ComEnergy Site to "Open Space."

- 14. A petition was received from Barbara Shaw requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 2525 Massachusetts Avenue; approval was received from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission, Public Works Department and abutters. No response has been received from neighborhood associations.
- 15. A petition was received from Boston Philharmonic requesting permission to erect a bench in front of the premises numbered 360 Huron Avenue daily from 12:00am to 12:00pm.
- 16. Sundry communications were received in support for the Vendetti petition to downzone the so-called "ComEnergy site" to open space.
- 17. A communication was received from Craig A. Kelley, transmitting safety flaws in the North Massachusetts Avenue redesign.
- 18. A communication was received from Robert Power and Elizabeth A. Tammer, transmitting opposition to the development of the ComEnergy Site.
- 19. A communication was received from The Clinton & Prospect Tenants' Association, transmitting concern for the dire situation of low and moderate-income citizens in their fight to preserve their homes in the City of Cambridge.
- 20. A communication was received from Robert H. Bird, LSP, Principal Hydrogeologist, Resource Controls, transmitting notice of availability of response action outcome (RAO) for the subject site submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.
- 21. A communication was received from the Co-Chairs of the Cambridgeport Neighborhood Initiative, regarding Spaulding & Slye's application for two new curb cuts for 784 Memorial Drive, 600-car garage, made conditional upon Right Turn Only restriction from one garage exit.

### CONSENT ORDERS

- 1. Remind residents that the Holiday Tree Lighting at the Charles Hotel will be held on Friday,November 27th from 4:00 to 6:00pm. Councillor Sullivan
- 2. Urge residents to take part in the First Ever Harvard Square Holiday Stroll, which will take place all day Sunday, December 13th. Councillor Sullivan
- 3. Resolution on Mo Vaughn. Councillor Reeves
- 4. Thanks to Star Market for reducing the parking and delivery fees. Councillor Davis
- Report on whether burying wires can become a subject of negotiation with cable companies. Councillor Davis
- 6. Report on any work that had been done on creating additional commuter rail stops in Cambridge. Councillor Davis
- 7. Congratulations to Marlene Booth on her very successful opening of her new film "Yidl in the Middle." Councillor Davis
- 8. Thanks to Jimmy Tingle for his remembrance of Cambridge as a kinder, more thoughtful and funnier place in his performances. Councillor Davis
- Remove the sand in the tot lot adjacent to the Kennedy School and replace it with the rubberized material. Councillor Russell

- 10. Urge citizens to be cognizant of the new "Hearing Aid" Bill and check with the Consumer Council to see if their rights are being protected before investing in a new hearing device. Councillor Russell
- 11. Arrange for the Council on Aging Board to set up a meeting with the State President of the Massachusetts Silver Haired legislature and encourage senior representation on this board. Councillor Russell
- 12. Set up a meeting with representatives of the HMO's and the Council on Aging to discuss the ramifications of Medicare HMO's cap on prescription drug benefits. Councillor Russell
- 13. Possibility of allowing NOCA to utilize the building at 2103 Massachusetts Avenue, the former site of the North Cambridge VFW. Councillor Russell
- 14. Provide the North Cambridge Senior Center with a City Of Cambridge flag. Councillor Russell
- 15. Include evening hours for the scheduled time for East Cambridge and Area Four residents to pick up Visitor parking permits. Councillor Toomey
- 16. Increase foot and police car patrols in East Cambridge area due to the increase in residential and commercial break-ins. Councillor Toomey
- 17. Resolution on the death of Marie C. Dunphy. Councillor Russell and entire membership
- 18. Urge the members of the Massachusetts House of Representative and the House Leadership to re-open Negotiations with the New England Patriots. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 19. Welcome Buck-a-Book to Central Square. Councillor Davis
- 20. More traffic enforcement at the corner of Putnam Avenue and Western Avenue. Councillor Davis
- 21. Resolution on the death of Linda Clarke Wallace. Councillor Russell and entire membership
- 22. Report on the staffing levels, turnover and overtime at the Emergency Communication Department. Councillor Sullivan
- 23. Investigate the air quality at the Emergency Communication Center. Councillor Sullivan
- 24. Report on the status of the Computer Aided Dispatch System. Councillor Sullivan
- 25. Planning Board's efforts to establish criteria to determine "substantial adverse impact" on traffic. Councillor Sullivan
- 26. Happy 35th Wedding Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Calutti on December 7, 1998 Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 27. Congratulations to Kevin Tierney on passing the Massachusetts Bar Exam. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 28. Best wishes to Enamullah Khan as he leaves the Cambridge Racquet and Fitness Club and moves to Boca Raton, Florida. Councillor Toomey
- 29. Congratulations to Dennis Dottin and Manny Jeudy of the Cambridge CRLS football team on being named "Stars of the Week" by the Boston Globe. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 30. Iron Workers Local #7 are looking for apprentices from January 11-22, 1999 Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 31. Congratulation to Joseph Hernon on the re-opening of the Kirkland Café. Vice Mayor Galluccio

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- 32. Increase the number of outside water meters on Cambridge homes. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 33. Congratulations to the CRLS football team and cheerleaders on their first back-to-back winning season in twenty-five years and wish them luck in the Thanksgiving Day game against Everett. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 34. Congratulations to Jay Weiss and the Harvard Wrestling team for winning the Ivy League Classic. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 35. Update on the preparation for outdoor ice skating and a report on expanding outdoor ice skating to North Cambridge and East Cambridge. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 36. Congratulations to Cambridge Pop Warner A and C team for advancing to the New England Final Four Championship. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- Congratulations to CRLS Girls Volleyball team for winning the Greater Boston League. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- Congratulations to CRLS Boys Cross Country Track team and Scott Coady for winning the State Division I title. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 39. Congratulations to James, Thomas and Robert Bailey on their outstanding swimming performance in the 1998 swimming season for the Mass Bay Marlins. Vice Mayor Galluccio
- 40. Reaffirm policy of "no net loss of open space" to require land swap or earmarking of proceeds from disposition of Engine Seven for open space. Councillor Born
- 41. Update on the Human Rights Commission's plan to assure a speedy resolution to the case backlog. Councillor Reeves
- 42. Urge Cantabrigians to attend this weekend's performances of The Effect of Gamma Rays on Manin-the-Moon Marigolds at the Community Center, 5 Calendar Street, Friday and Saturday, November 20 and 21 at 8:00pm and Sunday, November 22 at 4:00pm. Councillor Reeves
- 43. Review the emerging arts landscape in Cambridge and determine what support the city can provide for neighborhood arts including determining if Neighborhood Art Centers should be added to the city's agenda for the future. Councillor Reeves

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 1. Communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on October 20, 1998 for the purpose of considering two zoning petitions affecting land in the IC Districts (the "W.R. Grace Site") in the Alewife area of the city.
- 2. Communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Chair of the Finance Committee, for a meeting held on October 27, 1998 for the purpose of discussion of the issue of the eminent domain taking of property for open space, especially in East Cambridge, including the proposal for the ComEnergy site, and also in other areas of Cambridge in need of more open space.

# CHARTER RIGHT

1. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Davis relative to Awaiting Report Number Nine of November 16, 1998, regarding a report on publicity and changes to Lafayette Square.

### ON THE TABLE

- 2. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twentyeight regarding a report on what notification was given concerning the development of a hotel at 19 Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington.
- 3. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-one regarding a report on the procedures if a building alarm goes off for more than ten minutes.
- 4. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twentyfour of February 23, 1998 regarding a report on the status of the Public Library Bookmobile for elderly residents.
- 5. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twentynine of February 23, 1998 regarding a report on how many positions in the City are being filled with employees from temporary agencies.
- 6. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Eleven of June 16, 1997 regarding the possibility of reducing the costs of legal advertising.
- Relative to Consent Order Number Twenty-six of September 22, 1997 regarding the request to prepare appropriate language for a non-binding referendum petition for the upcoming municipal election relative to the use of free-cash to reduce the tax levy on homeowners and businesses.
- Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Fourteen of May 11, 1998, on the removal of street trees on Pemberton Street.
- 9. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Seventeen of July 27, 1998 regarding a report on the current status of State funding to the schools and what steps will be taken to remedy any deficiencies within the School Department Special Education Services.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinances to rezone the ComEnergy site in East Cambridge. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after November 23, 1998. The completion date for this petition is January 18, 1999.

### HEARING SCHEDULE

- Mon, Nov 23 5:30pm Regular City Council meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
- **Tues, Nov 24** 5:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to discuss a proposed amendment to the Municipal Ordinances to require published notice of hearings on proposed amendments to the Municipal Code. (Sullivan Chamber)
- 5:30pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public meeting to consider a proposed amendment to the Municipal Ordinance regarding condominium conversion. (Sullivan Chamber)
- **Tues, Dec 1** 5:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public meeting for further consideration of the Planning Board's proposal to amend the Zoning for the area around Linear Park (Frankelton, II). (Sullivan Chamber)

6:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will conduct a public hearing to consider a petition filed by Peter Jelley, et al to rezone land in the area bounded by Putnam Avenue, Blackstone Street, Western Avenue, and River Street from O-3 to C-1. (Sullivan Chamber)

6:30pm The **City Council** will conduct a public meeting to discuss the Living Wage Ordinance. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Dec 2 5:30pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss Awaiting Report Item #4 of October 19, 1998 on the status of an ordinance requiring exterior lighting on rental properties. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 7 5:30pm Regular City Council meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Dec 9 10:30am The Human Services and Youth Committee will conduct a round table discussion on the policy issues relating to youth programming. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, Dec 14 5:30pm Regular City Council meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Tues, Dec 15** 6:30pm **The Traffic and Transportation Committee** will conduct a public meeting to discuss pedestrian crossings. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 21 5:30pm Regular City Council meeting (Sullivan Chamber)