

## CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$55,580 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Emergency Communication/Ordinary Maintenance Account to procure Universal Power Supply (UPS) for the Robert W. Healy Public Safety Facility and the Fire Department facilities.
2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointments and reappointments of the following persons as a members of the Cambridge Peace Commission: New Appointments: 1-year terms - Kazimiera Fraley, Elka Kuhlman; 2-year terms - April Crehan, David Seeman; 3-year terms - Margot Cronin-Furman, Amelia Joselow. Reappointments: 1- year - John Ratliff; 2-year terms - Georges Atallah, Gladys Friedler; 3-year term - Larry Kim
3. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Cambridge Public Health Department to the Moore Youth Center for \$1,760.00 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account which will be used to create a Teen Intern Program at the Moore Youth Center.
4. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$37,500.00 from Free Cash to the General Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account to support Youth on Fire/Fenway Health in the continued operation of the Youth on Fire drop-in service for young adults experiencing homelessness.
5. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-99, regarding a report on the feasibility of hiring more students for the various youth employment programs in the City with a goal of having them assist City staff with community engagement programs.
6. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation to adopt the Beekeeping Zoning Petition with proposed amendments to the petition.
7. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the reappointment of the following persons as members of the Citizens Committee on Civic Unity for a term of three years, effective Nov 1, 2017: Susie Flug-Silva, Danielle Ring Boudrow, Kenny Likis, Steven Lee, Betsy Bard, M. Chanta Bhan and Eva Martin Blythe.
8. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-118, regarding a report on an update on the City's plan to expand the curbside composting program citywide.
9. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-57, regarding Fern Street.
10. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 17-81, regarding speeding on Field Street and Awaiting Report Item Number 17-106, regarding West Cambridge (Alewife) Sewer Separation.

11. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 17-27, regarding the feasibility of a Homelessness Trust Fund.

## ON THE TABLE

1. The City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to organize regular suppers on the second Saturday of each month, starting on the 13th of August, with free food for the Cambridge community in open public spaces throughout the various Cambridge neighborhoods. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Mazen on June 20, 2016. Tabled on a motion by Councillor Mazen on June 27, 2016.]
2. The City Manager coordinate with the Finance Department, Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, and community stakeholders to outline a proposed system of governance, management, and stakeholder engagement for the Foundry, to be discussed in a public forum with the Council and community. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Toomey on Oct 31, 2016. Placed On The Table on voice vote of six members on motion of Councillor Toomey.]
3. An application was received from Mundo/Lux, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 2 Bow Street. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Cheung on Dec 19, 2016. Placed On Table on a voice vote of 8 on motion of Councillor Cheung on Jan 9, 2017.]
4. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and any other relevant City department to survey of city residents, work, and visitors to determine who is interested in parking in the City. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Jan 30, 2017. Placed On Table on a motion by Councillor Cheung on Feb 6, 2017.]
5. That the City Manager is requested to establish the requirement that all appointments to the City's commissions, advisory committees, and task forces reflect the City's diversity and that the Civic Unity Committee is asked to sign off on all such appointments going forward. [Charter Right exercised by Mayor Simmons on Feb 27, 2017. Tabled on a motion by Councillor Cheung on a voice vote of 8 members on Mar 6, 2017.]
6. That the City Manager is requested to create a permanent office or public-private initiative for the purpose of fostering charitable giving in Cambridge and to work with non-profits to study the local charitable giving landscape, measuring the estimated maximum charitable carrying capacity of the city. [Tabled as amended by substitution on a motion of Councillor Mazen on May 8, 2017.]
7. That the City Manager is requested to appoint a Transportation Task Force to develop a large and comprehensive street safety and education plan that speaks to the needs of bicyclist, motorists, and pedestrians, and that can be easily disseminated and understood by all citizens. [Charter Right exercised by Mayor Simmons on Oct 30, 2017. Placed On The Table on motion of Mayor Simmons on Nov 13, 2017.]

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. An amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge on Beekeeping. The Question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Nov 6, 2017. Planning Board hearing held on Oct 3, 2017. Petition expires Jan 3, 2018.

## APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Good Vibrations, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 52 JFK Street.
2. An application was received from HR Block, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 674 Massachusetts Avenue.
3. An application was received from Hunt's Photo, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 99 Mount Auburn Street.
4. An application was received from Zambrero, requesting permission for an internally illuminated projecting blade sign at the premises numbered 71 Mount Auburn Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and Historical Commission. No abutters approval received.
5. An application was received from Mark Lechmere, LLC, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 227 Cambridge Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. Response has been received from the neighborhood association.

## COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from David Mancuso, 303 3rd Street, regarding Recind the pet ban/make it right.
2. A communication was received from Virginia Payson, 63 Magazine Street, regarding speed limit on Magazine Street.
3. A communication was received from Barrie Gleason, 109 Summer Street Somerville, regarding closing of Petco.
4. A communication was received from Mo Noorae, 769 Concord Avenue, regarding work on the Sufi Service Center.
5. A communication was received from Amanda Dausman, Somerville resident, regarding Petco and pet ban.
6. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, Individually and as Chair, Friends of the White Geese, regarding Harvard Square "Conservation" District.
7. A communication was received from Joseph E. Connerton Executive Director PERAC, regarding Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2019.
8. A communication was received from Peter Wallace, regarding Unfair to ban the sale of small animals/PETCO.
9. A communication was received from Alicia Prentice, regarding keep PETCO open.
10. A communication was received from Hasson Rashid, regarding the Participatory Budgeting.
11. A communication was received from John Roberts, 321 Huron Avenue, regarding explosive Alewife development, the sewer project, and the fragile environment in the Alewife Floodplain.
12. A communication was received from Nancy Wolfe, regarding new regulations regarding Outlaw of pet stores selling small pets.

13. A communication was received from Peter Valentine, regarding developing an education system for the homeless.
14. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, Individually, and as Chair, Friends of the White Geese, regarding recent history of the three manager Cambridge City Manager Machine.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Kathleen P. (Tracy) Carlisle. Councillor Maher, Councillor Toomey
2. Resolution on the death of Robert Bejoian. Councillor Maher
3. That the City Council go on record proclaiming the 30th Jose Mateo production of The Nutcracker a phenomenal gift to the community this holiday season. Mayor Simmons
4. Resolution on the death of William F. Brennan. Councillor Maher
5. Congratulations to Education First for being named by Boston Globe as the #1 Top Place to Work on its list of largest employers in Massachusetts. Councillor Toomey
6. Resolution on the death of Kathleen P. (Tracy) Carlisle. Councillor Toomey
7. Resolution on the death of Meta K. Williams. Mayor Simmons
8. Congratulations to Vivian Poey on being named Higher Education Art Educator of the Year by the Massachusetts Arts Educators Association. Councillor Toomey
9. Resolution on the death of Martim de Arruda. Councillor Toomey
10. Resolution on the death of Maria A. (Torres) Andrade. Councillor Toomey
11. Resolution on the death of Luisa Couto. Councillor Toomey

## ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to mail the "Street Code" Booklet to all households in Cambridge as an educational outreach measure for road safety. Councillor Devereux, Vice Mayor McGovern, Mayor Simmons
2. That the City Manager is requested to meet with the Superintendent of Schools, the head of the Finance Department, and any other pertinent City personnel to determine how to best combine their separate budgetary pamphlet mailings into a single, easy-to-read pamphlet that can then be posted on the City's website, the Cambridge Public Schools' website, and mailed to all Cambridge households. Mayor Simmons
3. That the City Manager request an investigation by the State Department of Public Utilities into the maintenance of the district energy system and ask appropriate officials from the State Department of Public Utilities to appear before the City Council to report on the state of repair of the district energy system in Cambridge and to discuss why there are no state regulations governing steam energy systems in Massachusetts when it is widely known that these operations create potential serious public health hazards and risks. Councillor Maher, Councillor Toomey, Mayor Simmons
4. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Cambridge Immigrant Rights and Citizenship Commission

and area non-profits to set up legal clinics that will be available on a regular basis to provide legal advice and assistance to those impacted by the repeal of Temporary Protected Status. Vice Mayor McGovern, Mayor Simmons

5. Dedication in honor of Dominic De Francisco. Councillor Toomey

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Paula M. Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Nadeem Mazen, Chair of the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebration Committee, for a public hearing held on Oct 10, 2017 to discuss feedback on bike safety related issues, and to plan for future bike safety measures in the City of Cambridge.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone and Councillor Leland Cheung, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on Nov 15, 2017 to discuss Zoning Petition by Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc.
3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Craig Kelley, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a public hearing held on Oct 18, 2017, to discuss recommendation on a surveillance ordinance broadly, and to evaluate proposed surveillance ordinance first submitted in November 2016, as well as decisions passed in other cities since this time.
4. A communication was received from Paula M. Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Mayor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Housing Committee for a public hearing held on Oct 25, 2017 to review the City Manager's selection of Victoria Bergland as the tenant representative on the Cambridge Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners and will also begin reviewing the Comprehensive Housing Policy that was referred to this committee by the City Council at the Sept 18, 2017 meeting.
5. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Timothy J. Toomey, Chair of the Transportation & Public Utilities Committee, for a public hearing held on Oct 10, 2017 to discuss implementing a program that would provide instant notification via email to individuals that their motor vehicle has been towed and the location of where the vehicle has been towed pursuant to Policy Order # 20.

#### COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Vice Mayor Marc McGovern, transmitting Opioid Working Group Report.
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a response to an Open Meeting Law Complaint filed by Patrick Higgins against the City Council alleging that the Chair of the City Council violated the Open Meeting Law because it was not announced at the beginning of the City Council meeting of Nov 13, 2017 that the meeting was being recorded.
3. A communication was received from Councillor Craig A. Kelley, transmitting a review of Cambridge bicycle citation and collision data as they impact bicycle and general street safety planning.

4. A communication was received from Tanya L. Ford, Executive Director, Cambridge Election Commission, transmitting the Final Official Results from the Municipal Election held on Tues, Nov 7, 2017 for City Council.
5. A communication was received from Tanya L. Ford, Executive Director, Cambridge Election Commission, transmitting the Final Official Results from the Municipal Election held on Tues, Nov 7, 2017 for School Committee.
6. A communication was received from Councillor Jan Devereux, transmitting information regarding Climate Change Preparedness and Resilience Plan.
7. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk transmitting a letter from Joseph Maguire with amended language to the Alexandria Real Estate Petition per the motion made at the Ordinance Committee hearing held on Nov 15, 2017 together with a correction to a scrivener error.

#### HEARING SCHEDULE

##### Mon, Dec 4

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Dec 11

5:00pm *Special Presentation* for the Mayor's Luminary Awards. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Dec 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Jan 1

10:00am City Council Inaugural Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Jan 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Jan 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Jan 29

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Feb 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Feb 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Feb 26

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)

##### Mon, Apr 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Apr 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Apr 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### Mon, Apr 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, May 7**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, May 14**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, May 21**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, June 4**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, June 11**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, June 18**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**Mon, June 25**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

**TEXT OF ORDERS**

O-1 Dec 4, 2017

COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX  
VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN  
MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: In 2016, the City of Cambridge published “Street Code: Rules and Etiquette for Getting There Together,” available online and in booklet form; and

WHEREAS: This guide defines itself as “a resource for everyone and whether you walk, bike, drive, or use public transportation, you play an active role in the transportation system and in order for this system to function well, each person must follow the rules, pay attention, and be patient and courteous”; and

WHEREAS: The guide explains rules and best practices for people driving, walking, biking and taking public transportation; and

WHEREAS: The rules and best practices outlined in the guide include written information and diagrams for vehicles, bicycles, buses, and pedestrians regarding separated bike lanes, dooring, moving safely around buses, truck blind spots and turning dangers, intersection safety, shared paths, and bike box etiquette; and

WHEREAS: The “Street Code” booklet also has a resource page, with MBTA contact information, Cambridge emergency and non-emergency contact information, Commonwealth Connect reporting information, and links to state and local bicycle and traffic regulations; and

WHEREAS: With an emphasis on education, respect, predictability, and responsibility, this guide is an excellent resource for all road users, and should be more widely available beyond just online and in print form in City buildings; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to mail the “Street Code” Booklet to all households in Cambridge as an educational outreach measure for road safety.

O-2 Dec 4, 2017

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Each year, both the City administration and the School administration mail out pamphlets to Cambridge households to help explain the yearly City budget and how residents’ tax dollars are being spent; and

WHEREAS: The City and the School administrations mail these pamphlets independently of one another, despite the

fact that much of the information and much of the mailing universe is overlapping; and

WHEREAS: In order to create less clutter, to streamline the mailings that are sent to Cambridge residents, and to ensure that important budget information is actually being delivered, viewed, and understood by as many Cambridge residents as possible, it would be sensible for the City administration and the School administration to collaborate and combine their separate budgetary pamphlet mailings into a single, easy-to-read pamphlet that can then be posted on the City’s website, the Cambridge Public Schools’ website, and mailed to all Cambridge households; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to meet with the Superintendent of Schools, the head of the Finance Department, and any other pertinent City personnel to determine how to best achieve the above-stated goals, and to report back to the City Council in a timely manner.

O-3 Dec 4, 2017

COUNCILLOR MAHER  
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY  
MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge continually seeks to promote public safety as well as a healthy community and environment to advance Cambridge as a leader in public health and environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is home to Veolia Energy’s Combined Heat and Power (CHP) operations at Kendall Cogeneration Station in Cambridge and a district energy system that supplies recycled steam heat from the station to customers in East Cambridge and MIT over acres of land; and

WHEREAS: Cogeneration energy supplied through district energy systems requires steam temperatures in excess of 200 degrees Fahrenheit; and

WHEREAS: A recent steam energy explosion in Baltimore Maryland that occurred underground in June of 2017, injuring five people near Camden Yards baseball stadium an hour before an Orioles’ game while showering a city block with debris, asphalt and contaminants, buckling the roadway, damaging cars and creating enough scorching heats that Baltimore firefighters were forced to hose water onto a nearby hotel to prevent the facade from melting; and

WHEREAS: There have been numerous incidents in the City of Boston over the past decade according to media reports, including a September 2007 explosion in the Financial District that injured four people and a 2010 explosion on Harrison Ave. caused by a malfunctioning steam system pipe; and

WHEREAS: There have been least two other large explosions associated with faulty district energy system networks over the past 18 months in New York and Philadelphia that caused significant injuries to innocent bystanders and energy system workers as well as substantial damage to buildings and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS: Numerous problems with the Boston-Cambridge steam network have been widely reported over the years by system operator Veolia Energy and predecessor Trigen, including incidents where people and pets were burned by overheated manhole covers and steam vapors that result from poorly maintained steam pipes; and

WHEREAS: There are currently no state regulations governing steam energy districts and systems in Massachusetts, including mandatory reporting of release of excess steam on roadways that can impair the visibility of motorists or studies regarding the potential public health implications associated with steam energy system explosions that occur when superheated steam interacts with another material, resulting in a rapid spraying at great force of boiling water or steam and other dangerous materials such as asbestos; and

WHEREAS: The late Mayor Thomas M. Menino secured assurances from the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities in 2007 that regulations would be forthcoming to assure safe operation of steam energy districts and systems in Massachusetts, including mandatory reporting of potential public health hazards; and

WHEREAS: Ongoing litigation in various state and federal courts have alleged that the Boston-Cambridge steam energy network, operated by Veolia Energy has been neglected and according to the lawsuits, has led to significant injuries, endangered public safety and harmed underground infrastructure with damages estimated in the millions of dollars; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby immediately request an investigation by the State Department of Public Utilities into the maintenance of the district energy system here in Cambridge, including the measurement of high-temperature manhole covers and other public infrastructure in excess of 130 degrees Fahrenheit, reporting of all known releases of excess steam onto Cambridge roadways; and potential public health implications associated with steam energy system explosions; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to immediately ask appropriate officials from the State Department of Public Utilities to appear before the City Council to report on the state of repair of the district energy system in Cambridge and to discuss why there are no state regulations governing steam energy systems in Massachusetts when it is widely known that these operations create potential serious public health hazards and risks; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to immediately forward a copy of this City Council Order to the State Department of Public Utilities, attention to Commissioners Angela M. O'Connor, Robert Hayden, and Cecile M. Fraser, as well as Matthew Campbell, Chief of Staff, and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record urging the DPU to initiate any a public safety review of district energy systems in Massachusetts to ensure public and environmental safety; and be it further

ORDERED That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward suitably engrossed copies of this resolution to the Cambridge State legislative and Congressional Legislative Delegations.

O-4 Dec 4, 2017

VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN

MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has historically been a proud supporter of immigrants, including undocumented immigrants and refugees; and

WHEREAS: On Jan 15, 2010, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) granted Temporary Protected Status (TPS) to Haitian nationals who were in the United States as of Jan 12, 2010, the date of a devastating earthquake in Haiti; and

WHEREAS: TPS is a form of immigration status that provides employment authorization and protection from deportation for foreign nationals who cannot be safely returned to their home countries; and

WHEREAS: The TPS designation allows eligible Haitian nationals to temporarily continue living and working in the United States, and TPS was made available to Haitian nationals from Jan 12, 2010 to the present; and

WHEREAS: Haiti has not yet recovered from the 2010 earthquake; the nation suffers from economic and political crises, rampant Zika. The effects of a devastating cholera epidemic which has killed 10,000 and sickened 900,000, and most recently, the destructive effects of Hurricane Matthew, which cost Haiti \$2.7 billion or 32% of its GDP per a March, 2017 United Nations report; and

WHEREAS: There continues to be extraordinary conditions that prevent Haitian nationals from safely returning to Haiti; and

WHEREAS: President Donald Trump and his administration has decided to end, Temporary Protected Status for Haitian Refugees effective July 2019; and

WHEREAS: Many of those impacted will require legal advice and assistance; and

WHEREAS: It is unclear if the White House is going to rescind the TPS of other countries, but those residents are also being threatened; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Cambridge Immigrant Rights and Citizenship Commission and area non-profits to set up legal clinics that will be available on a regular basis to provide legal advice and assistance to those impacted by the repeal of TPS.

O-5 Dec 4, 2017

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the Dedication Committee be and hereby is requested to consider a request from Councillor Toomey for a dedication in honor of Dominic De Francisco in the vicinity of Elm and Hampshire Streets.