

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the re-appointment and appointment of the following person as members of the Commission on Immigrant Rights and Citizenship; Re-appointment **Karin Lin**. Appointments: **Shubhan Nagendra** and **Vanessa Ruget**. (CM23#291)
2. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant, in the amount of \$100,000, received from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), Adult and Community Learning Services, to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$43,478) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$56,522). This grant provides funding for 2 CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) training programs for second language learners. The programs are for immigrant adults who are interested in becoming certified nursing assistants and home health aides (CNA/HHA). (CM23#292)
3. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Friends of the Community Learning Center (CLC) grant, in the amount of \$30,000, to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$25,367), to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$3,633), and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Travel and Training account (\$1,000). These funds will be used to support the coordination of the Bridge to College Program and the teaching of PT teachers. (CM23#293)
4. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$11,000, received from the 1111 Foundation, to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$11,000). (CM23#294)
5. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of I am hereby requesting an appropriation of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program grant in the amount of \$788,279 funded by the Federal Department of Health and Human Services and administered in Massachusetts by the Commonwealth's Department of Community and Development, to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$145,645), to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$639,634), and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Travel and Training account (\$3,000). (CM23#295)
6. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item 23-57, regarding rodent control measures. (CM23#296) [[text of report](#)]
7. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the Cambridge Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. (CM23#297) [[Cover Letter](#)] [[NHMP presentation](#)] [[NHMP 2023 Update](#)]

8. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to an update on the City of the Cambridge and Harvard University memorandum of agreement regarding Payment-in-Lieu-of-Taxes (PILOT). (CM23#298)

ON THE TABLE

1. An application from Nina Quinlan, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 63 Sixth 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. [Charter Right – Nolan, Oct 30, 2023; Tabled Nov 6, 2023] (AP23#55)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. ORD23-8B: Ordinance 2023 #8B Amend Chapter 14.04 – Fair Housing. [Passed to 2nd Reading Oct 2, 2023; Amended Nov 6, 2023; To remain on Unfinished Business pending action of State Legislature] (ORD23-8B)
3. An Ordinance 2023 #12 has been received from City Clerk, relative to BUEDO the Municipal Code of the City of Cambridge be amended in Chapter 8.67.100 entitled "Emission Reduction Requirements". [Passed to 2nd Reading Dec 4, 2023; Eligible to be ordained on or after Dec 18, 2023] (ORD23#12)

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application from Stuart Pitchel representing The Painted Burro, requesting permission for two (2) projecting blade signs at the premises numbered 32 Church Street approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutter has been provided along with proof of mailing. (AP23#60)
2. An application from Fereydoun Safizadeh, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 18 Channing 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 associations. (AP23#61)

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication from Amelia Joselow, regarding American Freedman Commission.
2. A communication from Ali Bey, regarding Support Ordinance 2023 #11 to create an American Freedmen's Commission for Transitional Justice in Cambridge Massachusetts.
3. A communication from Amy Waltz, regarding CM23 #268 In Support of Leaf Blower Ban ASAP_ Include Education_ Remove Municipal Exceptions.
4. A communication from Antonia Edwards, regarding In Total Support of Ordinance 2023 #11 for an American Freedmen Commission.
5. A communication from Aretha Harrison-McMillan, regarding Bill 3922.
6. A communication from Carolyn Magid, regarding about a city contract for Cambridge HEART.
7. A communication from Cynthia Hibbard Green, regarding Cambridge Support for BEUDO Amendment.

8. A communication from David Buck, regarding Please finish BEUDO amendments.
9. A communication from Deonta Davis, regarding American Freedmen Commission.
10. A communication from Elena Fagotto, regarding Please complete pioneering BEUDO work.
11. A communication from Elizabeth McNerney, regarding BEUDO amendment (2).
12. A communication from Ernest Russell, regarding Support Ordinance #11.
13. A communication from Ethan Frank, regarding 12_6 Committee Meeting Comment amending parking fees and regulations.
14. A communication from Ethan Frank, regarding Exercise caution in allowing self-driving vehicles.
15. A communication from Haden Smiley, regarding Cambridge HEART.
16. A communication from Hannah Mahoney, regarding Urging you to support the BEUDO amendment for new construction.
17. A communication from Hope Turner, regarding Comment on Committee Report #3 (Dec 4).
18. A communication from Hubert Murray, regarding Dear Councillors - please reflect.
19. A communication from Jesse Baer, regarding HEART negotiations.
20. A communication from John Hawkinson, regarding Concerns with Manager evaluation confidentiality (Law Dept memo).
21. A communication from Jonathan Bryant, regarding support Ordinance 2023#11.
22. A communication from Judy Hikes, regarding BEUDO Amendment (1).
23. A communication from Kimberlee Gonsalves, regarding Gratitude for Ordinance 2023 #11 American Freedmen Commission.
24. A communication from Kimberlee Gonsalves, regarding Support for the American Freedmen Commission.
25. A communication from Lauren Gibbs, regarding Support this American Freedmen Commission.
26. A communication from Laura McMurry, regarding Leaf Blower ordinance 2023-10_Better enforcement.
27. A communication from Lois Markham, regarding BEUDO amendment re new construction.
28. A communication from Lois Markham, regarding support for a contract with HEART.
29. A communication from Lowry Hemphill, regarding compromises in moving new labs to net zero.
30. A communication from Michael Jordan, regarding AMERICAN FREEDMEN COMMISSION.
31. A communication from Nette Johns, regarding Ordinance 2023 #11.
32. A communication from Nyhiem Way, regarding Support Transitional Justice for American Freedmen.
33. A communication from Paula Paris, regarding Ordinance 2023 #11 American Freedmen Commission.
34. A communication from Pina Morganti, regarding Support the Proposed BEUDO Amendment for New Construction.
35. A communication from Rachel Wyon, regarding Support the Proposed BEUDO Amendment for New Buildings.

36. A communication from Sharon DeVos, regarding Support The BEUDO Amendment.
37. A communication from Stanley Crawford, regarding Support Ordinance #11 to establish American Freedmen commission.
38. A communication from Stephanie Beukema, regarding Charter Review Committee.
39. A communication from Stephen Cellucci, regarding HEART.
40. A communication from Steven Miller, regarding Comments on BEUDO Amendments.
41. A communication from Susan Redlich, regarding BEUDO Amendment language for labs and research facilities.
42. A communication from The Freedmen Agenda League of Michigan, regarding Ordinance #11 American Freedmen Commission.
43. A communication from Virginia Wallace, regarding BEUDO Amendment.

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Cambridge Police Department to fundamentally change how it responds to situations that could lead to violence and death. Councillor Zondervan (PO23#215)
2. Transferring Items from the 2022-2023 Legislative Session. Mayor Siddiqui (PO23#216)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Transportation and Public Utilities Committee** held a public meeting on Nov 21, 2023, to discuss bicycle ridership and bike lane usage. [[text of report](#)]
2. The **Health and Environment Committee** held a public hearing on Tues, Nov 21, 2023 to get an update on plans and timeline for the distribution of electric power by Eversource in the city including the substation in East Cambridge to all accounts and discuss ways the city can accelerate expansion of the grid capacity and ensure that electrification efforts which are critical to meet the city's climate commitments, will be feasible and not delayed. [[text of report](#)]

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication from Diane LeBlanc, City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity. (COF23#227)
2. A communication from City Clerk Diane P. LeBlanc, transmitting [legal opinion regarding Carry Over Procedures for City Council Business](#). (COF23#228)
3. A communication from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee. (COF23#229)
4. A communication from the Cambridge Charter Review Committee Chair, Kathleen Leahy Born, transmitting a memorandum with a request for an extension through Jan 31, 2024. (COF23#230)

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Dec 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Dec 12

1:00pm The **Finance Committee** will hold a public hearing from 12:00pm-2:00pm to have an update and discussion on Public Investment Planning.

Wed, Dec 13

3:00pm The **Neighborhood and Long-Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee** will hold a public hearing from 3:00pm-5:00pm to continue the discussion from the recessed meeting on Sept 27, 2023, which was on the future treatment of Jerry's Pond, specifically the Rindge Avenue edge as it effects the community.

6:00pm The **Public Safety Committee** will hold a public hearing from 6:00pm-8:00pm to discuss the results of the inquest regarding the Police shooting of Arif Sayed Faisal.

Mon, Dec 18

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Dec 19

5:30pm The **Charter Review Committee** (Zoom only)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Dec 11, 2023

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: In response to a 911 call about a man self-harming with a knife, and after a subsequent foot chase by multiple officers, Sayed Arif Faisal was [killed](#) by Cambridge Police Department (CPD) Officer Liam McMahon on January 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS: As expected, the officer and CPD have been [cleared](#) of any criminal wrongdoing, with the judicial inquest into the matter concluding that "Officer McMahon's decision to fire his weapon was objectively reasonable"; and

WHEREAS: CPD has yet to present any substantial modifications to its practices or procedures that would reduce the chances of similar outcomes in the future; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with CPD to fundamentally change how it responds to situations that could lead to violence and death, including but not limited to:

- Eliminating the Department's [military weapons arsenal](#), including the Lenco Bearcat armored vehicle
- Limiting or eliminating [situations](#) in which responding officers are lethally armed
- Reducing the number of officers who carry a firearm
- Avoiding foot pursuits as [recommended](#) by the [Stanford Center for Racial Justice](#)

O-2 Dec 11, 2023

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

ORDERED: That all Municipal Ordinances passed to a second reading and listed on the City Council Calendar under Unfinished Business shall be forwarded to the next City Council for their consideration, and that all Zoning Ordinances shall be carried over to the next City Council pursuant to G.L. c. 40A, §5 and all other applicable state laws; and be it further

ORDERED: That at the Dec 18, 2023, City Council meeting, matters pending in Committee may be discharged and a motion made to carry them forward to their next respective City Council Committees; and be it further

ORDERED: That any final report received from the Charter Review Committee shall be forwarded to the next City Council for their consideration; and be it further

ORDERED: That at the Dec 18, 2023, City Council meeting, the City Council shall vote to approve a list of pending Awaiting Reports, with associated policy orders, that it wishes to be carried forward for the newly elected City Council's consideration in the next legislative term; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk shall transmit to the newly elected City Council, via a Communication from Other City Officers, this listing of pending Awaiting Reports with associated policy orders for their consideration at the first regular meeting in January 2024, following the Inauguration, to determine by favorable majority vote which pending items will remain on the Awaiting Reports List; and be it further

ORDERED: That all remaining pending items not acted upon by the end of the 2022-2023 Legislative Session shall be placed on file by the City Clerk without prejudice.