

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 09-88, regarding a report on the possibility of changing parking regulations around the Court House.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 09-134, regarding a report on how out of town officers are picked for construction details in the City of Cambridge, how they are supervised and how complaints against them are handled.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 09-135, regarding a report on the MBTA's Red Line tunnel between Harvard and Alewife Stations.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 09-118, regarding a report on tree wells and street tree planting efforts.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 09-124, regarding the condition of the rubber panels at the railroad tracks on Cambridge Street
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 09-126, regarding a report on exploring the possibility of requiring multiple trash pick-ups in buildings with over six units, and the rationale for not implementing rodent control programs similar to those in New York City, including requiring metal collectors in larger buildings.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an additional appropriation of the Pathways grant in the amount of \$4,000.00 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 (\$1,248.00) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$2,752.00), which will be used to increase the hours of the CLC Family Literacy Coordinator, to contract with a driver's education instructor for the parents, to provide parenting education through Families First, to provide clinical supervision through the Guidance Center, and to purchase educational materials.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Project Bread Food Pantry grant received from the Project Bread organization for \$7,225.00 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account and will be used to pay for purchases at the Greater Boston Food Bank, other food purchases for our Senior Food Pantry, as well as food for senior activities and events at the Senior Center.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the S-C Management grant in the amount of \$2,245.00 received from the S-C Management Corporation to the Grant Fund Human Services Salary and Wages account (\$1,885.00) and the to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$360.00) and will support one ESOL

class at the 402 Rindge Avenue Apartments from Feb 1 to June 1, 2010.

10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$35,000 from Free Cash to the General Fund Library Extraordinary Expenditures account for the purchase of a replacement van for the Library Department.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 09-104, regarding a report on steps being taken to protect the Albany Street residents from further outbreaks of scabies and similar diseases.

ON THE TABLE

1. Opposition to the closing of the Oliver Farnum Senior Health Center. [Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Maher on Order Number Fourteen of Nov 3, 2008.]
2. That the Cambridge City Council go on record as favoring a ballot initiative during the next local municipal election that shall allow Cambridge voters to have their voices heard on ridding the world of nuclear weapons. [Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Decker on a Roll Call Vote of 6-3-0 on Order Number Two of Sept 21, 2009.]
3. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marjorie Decker, Chair of the Civic Unity Committee, for a meeting held on Oct 6, 2009 for the purpose of initiating a community conversation on strengthening the community for a safer neighborhood. [Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Davis on Committee Report Number Two of Nov 2, 2009.]
4. An application was received from Gulzada Korkmaz, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 133 Pearl 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. [Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Davis on Applications and Petitions Number Five of Dec 7, 2009.]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Co-Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on Nov 18, 2004 for the purpose of considering proposed amendments to Chapter 2.74 of the Cambridge Municipal Code, the Police Review and Advisory Board Ordinance. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Feb 14, 2005. [Four sections of the proposed amendment were passed to be ordained as amended. Ordinance #1284. The remaining proposed amendments to chapter 2.74 remain on Unfinished Business.]
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 06-87, 07-83 and 07-138, regarding the status of putting the City's self-evaluation on the website. [Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on City Manager Agenda Item Number Sixteen of Dec 10, 2007. Dec 17, 2007-Referred to 2008-2009 City Council as Unfinished Business on motion of Councillor Kelley.]

7. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Sam Seidel and Councillor David Maher, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on June 25, 2009 for the purpose of considering the Historical Committee's recommendation with regard to the Avon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District Boundary Report and Revised Recommendations. Committee Report Number One of Sept 21, 2009 was Accepted and Placed on File, Proposed Ordinance Passed to Second Reading and Order remains on Unfinished Business.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to David Chippendale on the occasion of being named Student Director of the Cambridge Science Festival. Councillor Toomey, Councillor Maher
2. Resolution on the death of Margaret M. "Peg" (O'Neill) Sullivan. Councillor Maher
3. Retirement of Abel Marques from the School Department. Mayor Simmons
4. Retirement of Rosa Fonseca from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Simmons
5. Retirement of Carol Ryan from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Simmons
6. Retirement of Gail Shulman from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Simmons
7. Retirement of Maureen Walsh from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Simmons
8. Retirement of Ellen Wiener from the Cambridge Hospital. Mayor Simmons
9. Congratulations to the Austin Preparatory High School Cougars Football Team on being the 2009 Division 3A Superbowl Champions. Councillor Toomey, Councillor Maher, Councillor Ward, Councillor Decker, Councillor Reeves, Vice Mayor Seidel
10. Congratulations to Donald W. Paine on the occasion of his 25th anniversary as organist and music director at St. Mary of the Annunciation Parish. Councillor Toomey
11. Resolution on the death of James Lampassi. Councillor Toomey

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Inspectional Services Department and License Commission to inspect the area of Lakeview Avenue and determine if violations of the Noise Ordinance exist from nearby construction sites and whether added protections and methods are necessary to protect residents, particularly in the context of multiple construction sites. Councillor Maher
2. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments including the Inspectional Services Department and the City Solicitor to report back to the 2010 City Council in January on what barriers would prevent residents from raising chickens and what could be done to remove these barriers. Councillor Davis
3. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Cable Television Department to determine the reason for Comcast to be conducting a poll regarding the City's Cable Channels and CCTV channels. Councillor Toomey

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marjorie Decker, Chair of the Civic Unity Committee, for a meeting held on Oct 1, 2009 to receive information regarding the closing of early childhood education programs in Cambridge, the current need for maintenance and/or expansion of childcare programs in Cambridge and to evaluate the ability to use youth centers as a drop-in play space to expand on the Center for Families model.
2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Sam Seidel and Councillor David Maher, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on Nov 18, 2009 for the purpose of considering a report from the Historical Commission recommending designating the Shell spectacular sign on the property at the corner of Magazine Street and Memorial Drive as a landmark, along with a revised proposed landmark order.
3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a meeting held on Nov 30, 2009 to discuss the hiring or lateral transfers from the Cambridge Police Department.
4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a meeting held on Nov 30, 2009 to discuss the status of the follow-up investigation and communication to residents and businesses regarding the shooting on Cambridge Street.
5. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Craig A. Kelley, Chair of the Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee, for a meeting held on Oct 20, 2009 for the purpose of discussing TROMP (Travel Responsibility Outreach and Mentoring Project), a four-phase program designed to alter the culture of traffic in Cambridge.
6. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Sam Seidel and Councillor David Maher, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on Nov 18, 2009 for the purpose of considering a petition for a zoning amendment filed by Richard D. Fanning et al. to eliminate the Section 5.25.3 exemption of existing parking facilities in the calculation of floor area ratio (FAR) and to delete Sections 20.44.3, which specifies maximum heights for the area between the centerline of the railroad right of way and the centerline of Cardinal Medeiros Avenue in the East Cambridge Housing Overlay District.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Marsha Weinerman, Executive Director, Election Commission, transmitting the final official results of the 2009 Cambridge Municipal Election held on Tues, Nov 3, 2009 for School Committee and the recount conducted on Nov 30 - Dec 5, 2009.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Dec 14

5:00pm Special Presentation honoring Prince Hall as a "Founding Father" (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Dec 15

3:00pm The Human Services Committee will conduct a public meeting to receive an update on the establishment of Cambridge's baby university and to discuss next steps for an office of college success. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:00pm The Claims Committee will conduct a public hearing to consider claims filed against the city. (Ackermann Room)

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 21

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 4

10:00am INAUGURAL MEETING (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Jan 5

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 11

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Jan 19

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 25

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 1

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Feb 2

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 1

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 2

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 15

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Mar 16

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Apr 6

6:00pm School Committee Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Dec 14, 2009

COUNCILLOR MAHER

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge

City Council that residents in the area of Lakeview Avenue are concerned about the level of noise that is emitted from nearby construction sites; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Inspectional Services Department and License Commission to inspect this area and determine if violations of the Noise Ordinance exist and whether added protections and methods are necessary to protect residents, particularly in the context of multiple construction sites; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report his findings to the 2010/2011 City Council during the month of January.

O-2 Dec 14, 2009

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate departments including the Inspectional Services Department and the City Solicitor to report back to the 2010 City Council in January on what barriers would prevent residents from raising chickens and what could be done to remove these barriers.

O-3 Dec 14, 2009

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It was brought to the attention of the City Council that Comcast is conducting a poll regarding the City's Cable Channels and CCTV channels; and

WHEREAS: Citizens are concerned the results of these polls could negatively impact the public access channels; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Cable Television Department to determine the reason for Comcast to be conducting such a poll.