

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Traffic Enforcement Grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security in the amount of \$28,000 to the Grant Fund Police Department Salary and Wages account which will be used to support high-visibility enforcement of motor vehicle laws, including but not limited to, speeding and aggressive driving, impaired driving and occupant protection.
2. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of an Underage Alcohol Enforcement grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's Highway Safety Division in the amount of \$15,000 to the Grant Fund Police Department Salary and Wages account which will be used for enforcement to reduce underage drinking by limiting access to alcohol, reducing opportunities for youth to drink, and curbing impaired driving.
3. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) under the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program for \$40,056 to the Grant Fund Police Department Extraordinary Expenditures account which will be used to enhance computer and MIS capabilities around mobile computing and laptops for marked cruisers.
4. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a grant from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's Highway Safety Division in the amount of \$7,500 to the Grant Fund Police Department Salary and Wages account which will be used to enhance effective pedestrian, bicycle and/or moped enforcement efforts, and reduce fatalities and injuries.
5. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of revenue in the amount of \$39,948 from the sale of police vehicles to the General Fund Police Department Extraordinary Expenditures account which will be used to purchase hybrid vehicles in compliance with the City's Green Policy.
6. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to a \$4,000 transfer of the Metropolitan Area Planning Council's FY13 Shannon Grant from the Grant Fund Police Department Salary and Wages account to the Grant Fund Police Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be allocated to the Boys and Girls Club to support the Selvin Chambers Area IV Late Night Basketball League in collaboration with the department in preventing youth violence.
7. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Juvenile Accountability Block Grant from the Juvenile Justice and Advisory Committee and the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security in the amount of \$61,335 to the Grant Fund Police Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account and will be used to continue to improve the program by focusing on data collection and evaluation.
8. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$485,000 from Free Cash to the General Fund Police Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account for the Tactical Operation's Special Response Team, Tactical Patrol Force and a newly created Explosive Ordinance Unit.
9. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to a recommendation from the License Commission to approve the jitney permit application of Diaspora Investment Association, Inc., d/b/a Horizon bus line to pick up and drop off passengers at Alewife Station.
10. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 13-59, regarding a report on evaluating the traffic patterns and accidents on Third Street and consider reversing the director of the one way on Spring Street between Second and Third Streets
11. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 13-57, regarding a report on evaluating the traffic backups at the intersection of Binney Street and Broadway.
12. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item 13-61, regarding a report on the feasibility of installing a crosswalk and a sign warning motorists to slow down at the corner of Norfolk and Suffolk Streets.
13. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$50,000 of additional golf course revenue to the Public Investment Fund Human Service Programs Extraordinary Expenditures Account which will pay for design fees associated with bunker improvements and related work at the Fresh Pond Golf Course.
14. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$225,000 from the General Fund Employee Benefits (Insurance) Salary and Wages account to the General Fund Public Works Travel and Training (Judgment and Damages) account to cover current and anticipated medical services and/or prescription reimbursement costs for the remainder of the fiscal year for personnel injured in the performance of their duties.
15. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 13-55, regarding pooling water at Reed Street Court.
16. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 13-60, regarding the Exemption Program for placement of trash and recycling curbside before 6:00 pm.
17. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$210,000 from the Barr Foundation to the Grant Fund Community Development Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to pay for a two year pilot project to develop an EcoDistrict in Kendall Square and accelerate the pace of sustainability initiatives in that part of the city.
18. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to possible revisions to the Medical Marijuana Zoning Petition text in response to issues and

questions raised at the Planning Board and Ordinance Committee hearings.

19. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to appointments to the Net Zero Task Force which is charged with advancing the goal of setting Cambridge on the trajectory to becoming a "net zero community".

ON THE TABLE

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 12-09, regarding a report on the use of coal and on Cambridge becoming coal-free. City Manager Agenda Number One of Mar 5, 2012 Placed on Table on motion of Vice Mayor Simmons on Mar 5, 2012.
2. Urge greater cooperation from the Cambridge Housing Authority to better serve the people of Cambridge. Order Number Two of Apr 9, 2012 Placed on Table on motion of Vice Mayor Simmons on Apr 9, 2012.
3. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Community Development Department and other relevant departments in order to present to the City Council a map of Cambridge that shows, by location and by date, all of the areas where construction is and will be taking place over the coming decade. Order Number Four of Apr 9, 2012 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Toomey on Apr 9, 2012.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item No. 12-28, regarding temporary ramps and obstructions in construction zones. City Manager Agenda Number Eight of Apr 23, 2012 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Kelley on Apr 23, 2012.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 12-35, which requests a report on whether there were any public safety officers that falsified their emergency medical training re-certification while employed by the City of Cambridge. Charter Right exercised by Councillor Toomey on City Manager Agenda Number Two of May 21, 2012. Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Toomey on June 4, 2012.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 12-63 regarding a report on safety issues at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Vassar Street. City Manager Number Twenty-three of July 30, 2012 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Kelley on July 30, 2012.
7. That the City Manager is requested to work together with the appropriate city officials including the City Solicitor and report back to the City Council regarding modification of the ordinance (10.12.030) that links the awarding of a one yearlong Visitor Parking Permit per household to the purchase of a \$25 Cambridge Resident Parking Permit. Charter Right exercised by Councillor Decker on Order Number Eight of Jan 28, 2013. Order Number Eight of Jan 28, 2013 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor vanBeuzekom on Feb 11, 2013.
8. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to determine the feasibility of implementing a pay-by-phone parking meter program in Cambridge, and report back to the City

Council with recommendations as soon as possible. Order Number Two of Mar 18, 2013 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Kelley on Mar 18, 2013.

9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 13-29, regarding a report on the feasibility of not allowing residents of new buildings to obtain on-street resident parking stickers. City Manager Agenda Number Two of Apr 1, 2013 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Kelley on Apr 1, 2013.
10. Transmitting communication from Richard C. Rossi, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 13-22, regarding a report on safety issues at the intersection of Cedar Street and Mass Avenue. City Manager Agenda Number Five of Sept 30, 2013 Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Kelley on Sept 30, 2013.
11. 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 meeting held on Sept 4, 2013 to discuss the future of public safety efforts and investments in the City of Cambridge. Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Committee Report Number Two of Oct 21, 2013. Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Kelley on Nov 4, 2012.
12. 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 meeting held on Oct 1, 2013 to discuss safety associated with tour bus parking, traveling and touring through Cambridge. Charter Right exercised by Councillor Kelley on Committee Report Number One of Nov 4, 2013. Placed on Table on motion of Councillor Kelley on Nov 18, 2012.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

13. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on Nov 20, 2013 to discuss a petition by the City Manager to amend the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Cambridge to define and list Registered Marijuana Dispensary, delete Section 11.700 and create a new Section 20.700 entitled Medical Marijuana Overlay Districts. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Dec 16, 2013. Planning Board hearing held Oct 22, 2013. Petition expires Feb 18, 2014.
14. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the Ordinance Committee for a public hearing held on Nov 22, 2013 to conduct a public hearing on an amendment to the Municipal Code by adding a new Chapter 8.68 entitled "Concussion Prevention and Management in Youth Activities at City Facilities." The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Dec 23, 2013.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. A constable bond was received from Philip Sciandra for approval of the surety.
2. An application was received from Axiom Learning requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 25 Mount Auburn Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works,

Historical Commission, Community Development and abutters.

3. An application was received from The Harvard Shop requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 65 Mount Auburn Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Historical Commission, Community Development and abutters.
4. An application was received from Teni Lavoie requesting permission to widen an existing curb cut at the premises numbered 20 Locust Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No neighborhood association for that area.
5. An application was received from Massachusetts Institute of Technology requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 38 Albany Street and discontinuance of an existing curb cut at the premises numbered 50 Albany Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. Response from neighborhood association has been received.
6. An application was received from Workbar, LLC requesting permission for a sign with spotlights at the premises numbered 130 Bishop Allen Drive-Prospect Street entry. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development and abutters.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from the owners of 33 Cottage Park Avenue transmitting written protest to the Walker Zoning Petition.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to Walt Doyle on his new position at Highland Capital Partners. Councillor Cheung
2. Best wishes to Joe Power on his retirement from Carpenters Local 40. Councillor Cheung
3. Appreciation and best wishes to City Councillor Marjorie Decker. Councillor Cheung
4. Resolution on the death of Mary E. (Perry) Cloran. Councillor Maher
5. Congratulations to Reverend Irene Monroe on the occasion of her speaking engagement at the 38th Annual UNIS-UN Student Conference. Vice Mayor Simmons
6. Congratulations to Katherine Clark on her victory in the 5th Congressional District special election. Councillor Cheung
7. Congratulations to HEI Hotels & Resorts, owner of the Meridien Hotel in Cambridge, and UNITE HERE Local 26 on forming a long-term partnership focused on improving labor relations. Councillor Cheung
8. Retirement of Anne Barberian from the School Department. Mayor Davis
9. Retirement of William DiBiase from the School Department. Mayor Davis
10. Retirement of Elba Santiago from the School Department. Mayor Davis
11. Retirement of Catherine Trio from the School Department. Mayor Davis

12. Resolution on the death of Paul F. Doyle, Jr. Mayor Davis
13. Thanks to Boston Chefs for their annual support of key non-profit organizations with their Flavors of Fall event. Mayor Davis
14. Speedy recovery wishes to Nicolai Cauchy. Councillor vanBeuzekom
15. Congratulations to CCTV on its 25th anniversary. Councillor Decker
16. Congratulations and gratitude to Susan Fleischmann for twenty-five years of stewardship at CCTV. Councillor Decker
17. Expressing appreciation and thanks to Henrietta Davis for her years of dedicated service to the city of Cambridge and extending best wishes in all her future endeavors. Councillor Cheung

ORDERS

1. That all items pending before the City Council and not acted upon by the end of the 2012-2013 Legislative Session be placed in the files of the City Clerk, without prejudice provided that those proposed ordinances which have been passed to a second reading, advertised and listed on the Calendar under "Unfinished Business" during the 2012-2013 City Council term, along with any other pending matters on the Calendar listed as "Unfinished Business," shall be forwarded to the next City Council and further provided that any items pending in committee may, at the discretion of the committee, be forwarded to the next City Council. Mayor Davis
2. That the City Manager is requested to instruct the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to report back to the City Council as to the feasibility of applying for a permit from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to restrict truck traffic for the full day on Roberts Road on the basis of severe deterioration of the roadway, residential land use, and frequency of commercial vehicles; and, if that is not an option, alternative measures that can be undertaken to limit truck traffic on the street. Councillor Cheung
3. That the City Clerk is requested to schedule a meeting early in the new year with all nine newly elected City Councillors in order to discuss and review Roberts Rules. Vice Mayor Simmons
4. That the Cambridge City Council go on record urging the members of the Massachusetts Joint Committee on Transportation to report favorably on House Bill 3126, An Act Relative to Transportation Finance and Equity and House Bill 3142, An Act Relative to the Establishment of a Vehicle Mileage User Fee Pilot Program by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Councillor vanBeuzekom
5. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Community Development Department to consider adding a preference for immigrant households that do not meet HUD immigration status requirements from CHA housing for its inclusionary zoning and tax credit housing and that the Community Development Department work with the new City Council and invite various affordable housing and immigrant stakeholders to discuss the feasibility and

- develop an action plan for addressing the Jefferson Park transition Councillor Decker
6. The City Council go on record asking the Massachusetts Congressional Delegation as well as Senator Markey and Senator Warren to intervene of behalf of Dominicans of Haitian descent being stripped of their citizenship. Councillor Decker
 7. That the City Manager is requested to appoint a special committee, to be comprised of City Councillors, City employees, and of Cambridge residents, to take up the work of continuing to hold monthly conversations about the lessons learned from the Malvina Monteiro lawsuit and lessons learned from other, related race and class concerns, and about how the City can improve upon its internal handling of race and class matters as an employer, beginning as of the start of the next calendar year. Vice Mayor Simmons
 8. That the City Manager is requested that the next City Council consider adopting a voluntary tax payer donation to create and support an Early Education and Care Scholarship fund. Councillor Decker
 9. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the School Department to consider fully funding The Cambridge Weekend Backpack Program in all of our schools. Councillor Decker

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Administrative Assistant, City Clerk's Office, transmitting a report from Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Chair of the Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee for a public meeting held on Apr 19, 2012 to discuss old and new festivals and what role the City should play in these festivals.
2. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Administrative Assistant, City Clerk's Office, transmitting a report from Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Chair of the Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee for a public meeting held on May 17, 2012 to hear from invited guests on what makes city events interesting.
3. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Administrative Assistant, City Clerk's Office, transmitting a report from Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Chair of the Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee for a public meeting held on Oct 25, 2012 to discuss urban festivals and the role of festivals in civic life and economic development.
4. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Administrative Assistant, City Clerk's Office, transmitting a report from Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Chair of the Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee for a public meeting held on Nov 28, 2012 for the discussion of nurturing an exciting arts environment in the City of Cambridge.
5. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Administrative Assistant, City Clerk's Office, transmitting a report from Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Chair of the Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee for a public meeting held on Jan 10, 2013 to discuss the future of public use of Cambridge Common for celebrations.

6. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Administrative Assistant, City Clerk's Office, transmitting a report from Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Chair of the Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee for a public meeting held on Oct 17, 2013 to discuss ways in which the City of Cambridge can program public spaces for the enjoyment of the public, including information gleaned by a city delegation which visited New York City to explore summer programming and a discussion of how best to fund public programming in Cambridge.
7. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Administrative Assistant, City Clerk's Office, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Civic Unity Committee for a public meeting held on Sept 23, 2013 to continue discussions on lessons learned as it pertains to the Monteiro case and to discuss how to ensure that the City effectively addresses employee grievances and concerns.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk transmitting a report on the pilot stenographic program for recording the City Council meetings.
2. A communication was received from Councillor Minka vanBeuzekom regarding the Ames Street District rezoning.
3. A communication was received from Councillor Marjorie C. Decker regarding the Final Report of the 21/365 Domestic Violence Campaign.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Dec 16

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
- 5:30pm Special Presentation on Domestic Violence (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Dec 19

- 9:30am The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on an amendment to the Municipal Code in Chapter 8.68 relating to Plastic Bag Reduction. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 6

- 10:00am CITY COUNCIL INAUGURAL MEETING (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 13

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 27

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 3

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 10

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 24

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 3

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 10

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 17

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 24

- 5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 31

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 28

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, May 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 2

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 9

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 16

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 23

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, June 30

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Dec 16, 2013

MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That all items pending before the City Council and not acted upon by the end of the 2012-2013 Legislative Session be placed in the files of the City Clerk, without prejudice provided that those proposed ordinances which have been passed to a second reading, advertised and listed on the Calendar under "Unfinished Business" during the 2012-2013 City Council term, along with any other pending matters on the Calendar listed as "Unfinished Business," shall be forwarded to the next City Council and further provided that any items pending in committee may, at the discretion of the committee, be forwarded to the next City Council.

O-2 Dec 16, 2013

COUNCILLOR CHEUNG

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to report back to the City Council as to the results of a recent truck traffic count that was completed on Roberts Road; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Director of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to report back to the City Council as to the feasibility of applying for a permit from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to restrict truck traffic for the full day on Roberts Road on the basis of severe deterioration of the roadway, residential land use, and frequency of commercial vehicles; and, if that is not an option, alternative measures that can be undertaken to limit truck traffic on the street.

O-3 Dec 16, 2013

VICE MAYOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to schedule a meeting early in the new year with all nine newly

elected City Councillors in order to discuss and review Roberts Rules.

O-4 Dec 16, 2013

COUNCILLOR VANBEUZEKOM

WHEREAS: Goals of the Cambridge City Council are to promote a healthy community and environment in order to advance Cambridge as a leader in public health, environmental sustainability and to address the challenges and opportunities relating to multiple modes of transportation; and

WHEREAS: Two Massachusetts House Bills relating to transportation are coming up for consideration by the Massachusetts Joint Committee on Transportation; and

WHEREAS: The bills up for consideration are:

House Bill 3126, An Act Relative to Transportation Finance and Equity, and

House Bill 3142, An Act Relative to the Establishment of a Vehicle Mileage User Fee Pilot Program by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS: Funding from these two bills will support the extension of the Somerville Community Path which will run parallel to the forthcoming Green Line Extension. The Somerville Community Path is the critical link in the regions network of paths and greenways. It will, for example, connect the 23-mile long Minuteman Bikeway and the 23-mile long Charles River Multi-use Path Network; and

WHEREAS: The level of funding proposed in House Bill 3126, a transportation bond, is required in order to reach the state's climate change goals, specifically supporting the goal of tripling the amount of walking, cycling and transit use through infrastructure creation; and

WHEREAS: Retention of the current language in House Bill 3126 (Section 2A, 6121-1317) establishes the funding support for walk/bike path creation, in that it states that "not less than \$429,755,000 shall be expended for the design, construction and repair of, or improvement to pedestrian, bicycle and multi-use pathways"; and

WHEREAS: The second bill, House Bill 3142, An Act Relative to the Establishment of a Vehicle Mileage User Fee Pilot Program by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation establishes a "pilot program" to assess owners of motor vehicles a user-fee based on the number of miles said vehicles travel on the state's roads is intended to help address the need for the commonwealth to identify short- and long-term alternatives and supplements to the motor vehicle fuel tax that is going to become less and less of a revenue source as more energy-efficient cars are produced; and

WHEREAS: A Massachusetts Joint Committee on Transportation hearing of these bills will occur shortly; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Cambridge City Council go on record urging the members of the Massachusetts Joint Committee on Transportation to report favorably on House Bill 3126, An Act Relative to Transportation Finance and Equity and House Bill 3142, An Act Relative to the Establishment of a Vehicle Mileage User Fee Pilot Program by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation; and be it further

ORDERED: The City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this order to members

of the Massachusetts Joint Committee on Transportation and the Cambridge Legislative Delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-5 Dec 16, 2013

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Housing Authority will soon manage federally funded housing developments exclusively; and

WHEREAS: Jefferson Park is the last state funded property in the CHA's portfolio; it will transition to being fully financed by the federal government; and

WHEREAS: This transition will eliminate many immigrant households who do not meet HUD immigration status requirements from CHA housing; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Community Development Department to consider adding a preference for these immigrant households for its inclusionary zoning and tax credit housing. It is also requested that the Community Development Department work with the new City Council and invite various affordable housing and immigrant stakeholders to discuss the feasibility and develop an action plan for addressing this transition; and be it further

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

O-6 Dec 16, 2013

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: In light of a recent court decision in the Dominican Republic that could strip the citizenship of generations of people of Haitian descent living in the neighboring county; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: The City Council go on record asking the Massachusetts Congressional Delegation as well as Senator Markey and Senator Warren to intervene of behalf of Dominicans of Haitian descent being stripped of their citizenship; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy to the Massachusetts Congressional Delegation as well as Senator Markey and Senator Warren on behalf of the City Council.

O-7 Dec 16, 2013

VICE MAYOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Over the course of the past several months, the Civic Unity Committee has been holding regular meetings, at the rate of about once every six weeks, to discuss the lessons that can be learned not only from the Malvina Monteiro lawsuit and other related matters, but also the ways in which the City can improve upon its internal handling of race and class issues, and the ways in which the City can strive to meet the ideals that we expect of all employers throughout our community; and

WHEREAS: There had long been great demand for these discussions, and the Civic Unity Committee Chair has been receiving a tremendous degree of positive feedback, and encouragement from those who wish to see these discussions continue and for true progress to be achieved; and

WHEREAS: The Chair of the Civic Unity Committee is appointed at the pleasure of the Mayor, as is the case with all committee chairs, and there is no guarantee that the Chair

of the Civic Unity Committee for the 2014-2015 City Council term will be the same as the Chair of the 2012-2013 term. It is hoped that the next Civic Unity Committee Chair, whomever it may be, will continue to hold these most important discussions at regular intervals, but in the interest of ensuring that this matter does not rest at the conclusion of this calendar year, it would be wise for the City to place this specific conversation into a more stable forum; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to appoint a special committee, to be comprised of City Councillors, City employees, and of Cambridge residents, to take up the work of continuing to hold monthly conversations about the lessons learned from the Malvina Monteiro lawsuit and lessons learned from other, related race and class concerns, and about how the City can improve upon its internal handling of race and class matters as an employer, beginning as of the start of the next calendar year.

O-8 Dec 16, 2013

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: All evidence irrefutably states that a child's early years lay the foundation for all that is to come; and

WHEREAS: The cost of early education and care is a daunting and or insurmountable for innumerable families in our community; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested that the next City Council consider adopting a voluntary tax payer donation to create and support an Early Education and Care Scholarship fund; and be it further.

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Department of Human Services Programs to initiate an annual appreciation event for Early Education and Child Care advocates.

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council regarding this request.

O-9 Dec 16, 2013

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Weekend Backpack Program has successfully piloted in four of our public schools; and

WHEREAS: The pilot program (launched in March) sends two lunches, breakfasts, milk and fresh fruit home with participating students on Friday afternoons. This five pounds of nutritious food, none of which requires cooking, is discretely sent home in participating student's backpacks; and

WHEREAS: The results of the pilot program were immediate and gratifying. Fifty percent of the students participating in the program had medium to high absentee rates prior to the launch. By the end of the year, their attendance was up for all days of the week, especially on Fridays - food pickup day; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the School Department to consider fully funding The Cambridge Weekend Backpack Program in all of our schools; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council regarding this request.