

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$125,884 from the School General Fund Salary and Wages account to the School General Fund Travel and Training account and the transfer of \$334,000 from the School General Fund Other Ordinary Maintenance account to the School General Fund Extraordinary Expenditures account (\$332,200) and to the School General Fund Travel and Training account (\$1,800) as a result of a process to identify areas where the use of non-recurring expenditures, generated from estimated FY07 unexpended balances, would impact student achievement this year, and assist schools in achieving Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) goals the next cycle.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of \$68,000 from the School General Fund Other Ordinary Maintenance account to the School General Fund Extraordinary Expenditures account to cover the cost of two unanticipated facilities projects.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of Grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau in the amount of \$25,000 to the Grant Fund Police Department Salary and Wages account to be used to support the enforcement of the "Click It or Ticket", "You Drink & Drive You Lose", "Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest" and "Road Respect" campaigns.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-188, regarding a report on cuts in funding for winter beds for the homeless.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item 06-204, regarding a report on resources available to those in need of heating assistance.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-190, regarding a report on a study to incorporate and construct an underpass from the current Lechmere Station to the proposed location for the new Lechmere Station.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-205, regarding safety issues in the area of Elm and Davenport Streets.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-189, regarding a report on stolen parking meters in the East Cambridge area.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-182 and Awaiting Report Item Number 06-180, regarding a report on the current structure of the staffing levels in the Police Department including special units and on requiring a minimum of thirty foot patrols.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-186, regarding a report on costs of police traffic details and traffic management plans associated with the Walden Street bridge closure.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-176, regarding a report on excessive speeding during school hours, poor signage and poorly timed lights at the intersection of Mt. Auburn Street and Fresh Pond Parkway.
12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constable for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2007: Leanders Smith (With Power); Kevin Rhodes (Without Power); Vinroy Paul (Without Power); Jose A. Ayala (Without Power)
13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-193, regarding a report on removing Grand Theft Auto advertisements from MBTA transportation.
14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-196, regarding a report on pedestrian/vehicle conflicts at the intersection of Massachusetts at Rindge Avenues and Massachusetts Ave. and Brookline Street.
15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-159, regarding a report on training of police personnel to understand the legal issues involved with private and Housing Authority properties.
16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the transfer of **\$19,750** from General Fund Employee Benefits (salary adjustment) Salary and Wages account to the General Fund Mayor Travel and Training account to cover additional travel expenses related to the Congressional Black Caucus Conference, National Association of Black School Educators, U.S. Conference of Black Mayors, Gay and Lesbian Elected Officials Conference and visits to School Districts to observe closing the achievement gap initiatives.
17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-202, regarding the City Council's Order and the requests of Ms. Kate Zamparelli's for a public hearing and on the removal of the lighting on the Fresh Pond Reservation perimeter path in the Little Fresh Pond area.
18. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-199, regarding a report on updating information on the Walden Street bridge closure on the City's website.
19. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-203, regarding a report on the status of NSTAR work on the Walden Street bridge.
20. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation and authorization to borrow an additional \$12,570,000 to the Public Investment Police Extraordinary Expenditures account to finance the Public Safety Facility project.

ON THE TABLE

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 06-06 of Feb 27, 2006, regarding a report on the legality of the banners in front of the Dunkin' Donuts at 2480

Massachusetts Avenue and at other location in the City.
[Placed on Table on the motion of Councillor Kelley on Feb 27, 2006.]

2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a recommendation from the License Commission to deny the Jitney License application of Star Shuttle, Inc. [Placed on Table City Manager Agenda Number Six of Nov 6, 2006 on the motion of Councillor Davis on Nov 6, 2006.]
3. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on monies expended to needy veterans and their families. [Placed on Table Order Number Seven of Nov 6, 2006 on the motion of Councillor Kelley on Nov 6, 2006.]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. 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.]
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation and authorization to borrow an additional \$13,075,000 to the Public Investment Fund Library Extraordinary Expenditures account to finance the Main Branch Library renovation project. The question comes on adoption on or after Dec 18, 2006.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation and authorization to borrow an additional \$9,890,000 to the Public Investment Public Works Extraordinary Expenditures account to finance the West Cambridge Youth and Community Center project. The question comes on adoption on or after December 18, 2006.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Chester L. Sprague, Trustee, Chester L. Sprague 1999 Revocable Trust, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 10 Kirkland Road; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical, and Public Works. Approval has been received from neighborhood association.
2. An application was received from Alan Sulikowski, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 40 Huron Avenue; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical, and Public Works with the condition that the tree must be relocated or removed and replaced with a new tree. Applicant must apply for tree hearing and must contact city arborist prior to any construction. Approval has been received from neighborhood association.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Janet Axelrod for the Board of Trustees of the Library, transmitting thanks for the funds for the library project.
2. A communication was received from the family of Mary Regan Norberg, transmitting thanks for the resolution of sympathy.
3. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding Harvard.
4. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding unequal protections.
5. A communication was received from Marilyn Wellons, transmitting a copy of a letter distributed at the Dec 9, 2006 Urban Ring meeting at the Hotel at MIT.
6. A communication was received from Gayle and Phil Okonek and Jason Tomci, transmitting thanks for the resolution of sympathy honoring their son Corporal Joseph A. Tomci.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Charles J. Anastasi. Councillor Sullivan
2. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Ross McGinnis. Councillor Decker
3. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Jesse Tillery. Councillor Decker
4. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Thomas Echols. Councillor Decker
5. Resolution on the death of Specialist Corey Rystad. Councillor Decker
6. Resolution on the death of Private Troy Cooper. Councillor Decker
7. Resolution on the death of Specialist Joshua Madden. Councillor Decker
8. Resolution on the death of Specialist Dustin Adkins. Councillor Decker
9. Resolution on the death of Lance Corporal Brent Beeler. Councillor Decker
10. Resolution on the death of Corporal Dustin Libby. Councillor Decker
11. Resolution on the death of Specialist Bryan McDonough. Councillor Decker
12. Resolution on the death of Specialist Vincent Pomante III. Councillor Decker
13. Resolution on the death of Corporal Jason Huffman. Councillor Decker
14. Resolution on the death of Staff Sergeant Henry Linck. Councillor Decker
15. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Nicholas Turcotte. Councillor Decker
16. Resolution on the death of Hospitalman Christopher Anderson. Councillor Decker
17. Resolution on the death of Private First Class Travis Krege. Councillor Decker
18. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Yevgeniy Ryndych. Councillor Decker
19. Resolution on the death of Specialist Nicholas Gibbs. Councillor Decker

20. Resolution on the death of Staff Sergeant James Ciraso.
Councillor Decker
21. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Jay Gauthreaux.
Councillor Decker
22. Resolution on the death of Sergeant Jordan Hess.
Councillor Decker
23. Resolution on the death of Specialist Yari Mokri.
Councillor Decker
24. Resolution on the death of Specialist Micah Gifford.
Councillor Decker
25. Resolution on the death of Captain Kermit Evans.
Councillor Decker
26. Resolution on the death of Captain Travis Patriquin.
Councillor Decker
27. Resolution on the death of Specialist Marco Miller.
Councillor Decker
28. Congratulations to Kira Gale on her election as Student
Council President for St. Peter School. Councillor Sullivan
29. Congratulations to Sydney Jean on his election as Student
Council Vice President for St. Peter School. Councillor
Sullivan
30. Congratulations to Miguel Carrera on his election as
Student Council Treasurer for St. Peter School. Councillor
Sullivan
31. Congratulations to Katie Mullen on her election as Student
Council Secretary for St. Peter School. Councillor Sullivan
32. Congratulations to Terry DeLancy for her twenty-five
years of service at the Agassiz Neighborhood Council.
Councillor Davis
33. Congratulations to the Cambridge Pop Warner B Team
Cheerleaders on their Third Place finish at the National
Championship in Orlando, Florida. Councillor Galluccio
34. Thanks and appreciation to the Stasiak family for making
Verna's a welcoming North Cambridge icon. Councillor
Galluccio
35. Designate the month of February as Black History Month.
Mayor Reeves
36. Congratulations to Sandy Francis on the opening of his
new store Serene. Mayor Reeves
37. Welcome to Honorable Joyce London Alexander to the
annual Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial
Breakfast on Feb 3, 2007. Mayor Reeves
38. Congratulations to Lenora Jennings on receiving the
Cambridge NAACP Presidents Award at the 22nd Annual
Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Breakfast on
Feb 3, 2007. Mayor Reeves
39. Congratulations to Dr. Howard McClendon on receiving
the Martin Luther King Jr. Award at the 22nd Annual
Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Breakfast on
Feb 3, 2007. Mayor Reeves
40. Congratulations to Reverend Virginia Ward on receiving
the Community Youth and Leadership Award at the 22nd
Annual Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial
Breakfast on Feb 3, 2007. Mayor Reeves
41. Resolution on the death of Isabella Halsted. Councillor
Davis

42. Congratulations to the Cambridge NAACP on their 22nd
year hosting the Annual Reverend Doctor Martin Luther
King Jr. Memorial Breakfast. Mayor Reeves
43. Thanks to the Department of Conservation and Recreation
(DCR), City of Cambridge officials, State Representative
Anne Paulsen and Representative Elect William
Brownsberger for a successful meeting with DCR to create
a safer crossing at the corner of Rindge Avenue and Route
16. Councillor Galluccio

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to
continue to ensure that bus stops are kept totally cleared
during the winter and contact the MBTA authorities to
make sure that buses pull right up to the cleared curbs.
Councillor Davis
2. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the
appropriate Department heads for a status report of the
City's mitigation from the Central Artery Project. Vice
Mayor Toomey
3. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the
City Council regarding plans for the Senior Health Center at
the Citywide Senior Center. Councillor Galluccio
4. That the City Manager is requested to direct the City
Solicitor to draft a Hotel Workers retention ordinance
similar to the ones in the District of Columbia and Hartford,
Connecticut. Councillor Galluccio and Councillor Decker
5. That the City Clerk transmit to the Cambridge legislative
delegation the ideas for legislation which support the City's
Climate Protection Plan. Councillor Davis

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury,
City Clerk transmitting a report from Councillor Michael A.
Sullivan and Vice Mayor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Co-
Chairs of the Government Operations and Rules
Committee, for a meeting held on Dec 4, 2006 for the
purpose of finalizing the language of the priorities
delineated at the Nov 13, 2006 roundtable for submission to
the City Council to set its goals for FY 08-09.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Dec 18

- 5:00pm Special Presentation Cambridge Pop Warner B Team
Cheerleaders and Coaches (Sullivan Chamber)
- 5:30pm Special Presentation Verna's Donut Shop (Sullivan
Chamber)

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 8, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 22, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 29, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 5, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 12, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Feb 26, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 5, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 12, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 19, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Mar 26, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 9, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 23, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Apr 30, 2007

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 December 18, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: It is very difficult for everyone to navigate slippery, snowy streets during the winter, especially seniors and those with disabilities; and

WHEREAS: MBTA buses often do not stop exactly at curbside; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to continue to ensure that bus stops are kept totally cleared during the winter; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to contact the MBTA authorities to make sure that buses pull right up to the cleared curbs during the winter.

O-2 December 18, 2006

VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate Department heads for a status report of the City's mitigation from the Central Artery Project.

O-3 December 18, 2006

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council regarding plans for the Senior Health Center at the Citywide Senior Center.

O-4 December 18, 2006

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO

COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: Hotel worker retention ordinances have been adopted in several cities as a means to ensuring job security and a smooth transition when a business or institution changes to new ownership; and

WHEREAS: A hotel worker retention ordinance would provide existing workers a chance to prove their worth to the new operator and likely reduce the amount of unemployment caused by the transition; and

WHEREAS: Terminations in the hospitality business could also have a disruptive impact on tourism and local business; and

WHEREAS: When ownership or management of City-licensed hotels changes, the City's interest in preserving tourist goodwill calls for the retention of the hotel's employees as a matter of City policy; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the City Solicitor to draft a Hotel Workers

retention ordinance similar to the ones in the District of Columbia and Hartford, Connecticut (attached); and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report his findings to the City Council.

O-5 December 18, 2006

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby requested to transmit to the Cambridge legislative delegation the following ideas for legislation which support the City's Climate Protection Plan.

- 1) Power Plant Pollution: Reverse Gov. Romney's weakening of state regulations on CO2 emissions from the state's six most polluting electric power plants.
- 2) Cape Wind: Attain approval of the Cape Wind project, potentially the largest source of renewable energy in the Northeast (currently under review by the federal Minerals Management Service).
- 3) Renewable Portfolio Standard: Defend and strengthen the state's Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS), which requires that electric utilities obtain a small but increasing share of their power from non-polluting renewable sources: stop attempts to weaken the RPS through allowing "old" or questionable renewables to be eligible; require utilities to meet part of their RPS obligations by signing long-term contracts to purchase renewable power.
- 4) Efficient vehicles: Pass legislation that provides tax incentives for fuel-efficient and alternative fuel vehicles and discourages sales of gas guzzling cars and trucks.
- 5) Auto insurance reform: Change the pricing of auto insurance to provide incentives for reducing vehicle miles traveled, through making available pay-by-the-mile insurance.
- 6) Increase funding for public transit: Provide more funding so that the MBTA and other transit agencies can reduce rates, improve the quality of service, and expand both rail and bus routes.
- 7) Smart growth: Institute policies that encourage new development to take place in locations accessible to mass transit, and where homes, schools, jobs, and shopping are located near each other.
- 8) Expand efficiency programs: Extend the small surcharge that pays for efficiency programs, currently just on electric bills, to natural gas utilities and fuel oil dealers. Change the planning process for meeting energy needs so that efficiency investments are considered equally with building new power plants or other facilities.
- 9) Provide clean power options: Require all the state's electric utilities to offer a clean (green) power option on their bills, as NGRID does currently.
- 10) Green building incentives: Provide incentives on state corporate income taxes for construction of "green" buildings.
- 11) Appoint officials committed to climate protection: appoint Dept. of Telecommunications & Energy commissioners, and heads of the Exec. Office of Environmental Affairs, Dept. of Environmental Protection, and Dept. of Energy Resources who see reducing global warming pollution as a top priority.