

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a public health update. (CM22#242)
2. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the FY23 Cultural Investment Portfolio Program Grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council in the amount of \$15,700 to the Grant Fund Historical Commission Salaries and Wages account (\$13,500) and the Grant Fund Historical Commission Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$2,000) and to the Grant Fund Historical Commission Travel and Training Account (\$200), which will be used to support part-time archives assistants, as well as for the purchase of general supplies. (CM22#243)
3. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program grant in the amount of \$972,060 funded by the Federal Department of Health and Human Services and administered in Massachusetts by the Commonwealth's Department of Housing and Community Development to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$160,888.44), to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$808,171.56), and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Travel and Training account (\$3,000), funds will be used to operate the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) serving Cambridge and Somerville. (CM22#244)
4. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the additional appropriation of the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance (MHSA) grant funded by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) in the amount of \$26,000 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$11,000) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Travel and Training account (\$15,000), funds will be used for costs related to the Carey Men's Permanent Supported Housing Program operated by the Multi-Service Center. (CM22#245)
5. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to approval requested for appointments of new members and reappointments to the Cambridge Library Board of Trustees. (CM22#246)
New Appointments: Elisabeth Werby, Michael Baenan, and Risa Mednick (3-year terms)
Reappointments: Jim Roosevelt and Karen Kosko (3-year terms)
6. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$4,709,473 from the Water Fund Balance, Retained Earnings (\$2,354,737) and from Free Cash (\$2,354,736), to the Water Fund Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$3,392,903) and to Water Public Investment Extraordinary Expenditures account (\$1,316,570) to fund the purchase of water from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA). (CM22#247)
7. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$700,000 from Water Fund Balance (Retained Earnings) account to the Water Public Investment Extraordinary Expenditures account, to fund the purchase of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substance (PFAS) testing equipment. (CM22#248)
8. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation in the amount of \$9,812,215.88 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Capital Projects Control Account (\$7,036,323.82); to the Grant Fund Historical Control Account (\$29,909.04); to the Grant Fund Public Celebrations Control Account (\$78,836.02) and to the Grant Fund Police Control Account (\$92,457), as well (\$2,574,690) to the Capital Receivables account. This is an accounting transaction adjustment requested by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR), Division of Local Service) based on a change in their position and will eliminate negative balances which have been included in our annual Free Cash calculation for several years. (CM22#249)
9. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to changing the name of the City's Climate Plan Action Committee's ("CPAC") to the "Cambridge Climate Committee." (CM22#250)
10. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommending adoption of the BZA Stipends Zoning Petition, with additional comments. (CM22#251)
11. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board report recommending adoption of the Suzanne Blier, et al., Zoning Petition, with additional considerations. (CM22#252)
12. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 22-79, which requested that the Traffic, Parking, and Transportation Department and Department of Public Works meet with and receive input from residents living on the streets in the impacted area to discuss strategies to mitigate and reduce overflow and cut through traffic, including the proposal mentioned in the order, or other traffic calming or traffic diversion methods, and report back to the Council on any short-term recommendations no later than December 19. (CM22#253) [[TPP memorandum](#)]

CHARTER RIGHT

1. That the City Manager is requested to work with the appropriate departments to conduct street cleaning without towing starting with the 2023 season. [Charter Right – Simmons. Dec 5, 2022] (PO22#312)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Cambridge Transportation Decarbonization and Congestion Mitigation Bill, along with definitions Ordinance #2022-13 as Amended. [Expired Sept 27, 2022] (PO22#150)

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Robert J. LaTrémouille, regarding DCR falsely claiming sainthood on the Charles, ONCE AGAIN. (Dec 1)
2. A communication was received from Robert J. LaTrémouille, regarding yet another properly filed document censored from the City Council Agenda. (Dec 6)
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4. A communication was received from Ali Sullo, regarding the Garden Street Safety Improvement Project. (Dec 2)
5. A communication was received from Nicoleta Theodosiou, regarding 931 Mass Ave parking. (Dec 4)
6. A communication was received from Suzanne Blier, regarding On House Doctoring and Decision Making -- CM Agenda #6, CM 90 Day Report + Golden transparency/accountability. (Dec 5)
7. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding City Manager Agenda Item #6 – City Manager’s 90 Day Report, CMA 2022 #240. (Dec 5)
8. A communication was received from Ruth Ryals, regarding City Manager Agenda Item #6 – City Manager’s 90 Day Report., CMA 2022 #240. (Dec 5)
9. A communication was received from Dan Eisner, regarding Policy order 311/the mental health toll of the pandemic. (Dec 5)
10. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding CM Agenda Item #6. (Dec 5)
11. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding Follow-up: City Manager Agenda Item #6 - City Manager’s 90 Day Report, CMA 2022 #240. (Dec 7)
12. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding Follow-up Communication re: City Manager Agenda Item #6, 12/5/2022. (Dec 8)
13. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding Reopening Memorial Drive to cars earlier & requesting action on another DCR parkway. (Dec 10)
14. A communication was received from Ross Moyer, regarding proposed zoning changes. (Dec 11)
15. A communication was received from Paul E. Fallon, regarding ticket and towing policy re: street cleaning. (Dec 11)
16. A communication was received from Natalie Ribeiro, representing Trustees of Cambridge Point Condominiums, regarding Linear Park Redesign - Concerns. (Dec 11)
17. A communication was received from Rabbi Yoni, regarding City Manager Yi-An Huang Inclusionary Housing Resident Experience Survey. (Dec 13)
18. A communication was received from Robert J. LaTrémouille, regarding a follow up to my last communication on the outrages being hidden in the habitat of the Charles River White Geese. (Dec 15)

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Thomas M. Payette. Councillor Toner
 2. Happy 100th Birthday to Mary Ayoub. Councillor Toner
 3. Resolution on the death of John Barnes. Councillor Toner
 4. Resolution on the death of Patrick John Buckley. Councillor Toner
 5. Resolution on the death of Sheila Doyle Russell. Councillor Toner, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Simmons, Councillor McGovern
- R-5 Dec 19, 2022
COUNCILLOR TONER
MAYOR SIDDIQUI
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN
- WHEREAS: The City Council was deeply saddened at learning of the death of Sheila Russell on December 12, 2022; and
- WHEREAS: Sheila was the devoted wife of the late Mayor Leonard Russell and predeceased by her son Billy and sister Marylou; and
- WHEREAS: Sheila’s passing will leave a void in the lives of all her surviving family, her loving children Lenny and his wife Sandy, Eileen and her husband John, Nancy and her husband Ed, Katie and her husband Scott, cherished grandmother of 11 and great-grandmother of 3, nieces and nephews, sister of Nancy and James “Buddy” and her gang fondly nicknamed “The Murphy Chicks”; and
- WHEREAS: Sheila Doyle Russell was a lifelong resident of Cambridge, graduating from St. John’s High School in North Cambridge; and
- WHEREAS: Sheila married Leonard J. Russell at the age of 20, and stayed home to raise their 5 children while serving as an accountant to the family trucking business; and
- WHEREAS: 1967 marked the beginning of Sheila’s indoctrination into the world of Cambridge politics when her husband Leonard campaigned for Cambridge City Council, being elected in 1973, elected mayor in 1984, and served until his death in 1985; and
- WHEREAS: Sheila was elected to the Cambridge City Council in 1985 where she served the residents of Cambridge for 14 years, a strong advocate for the elderly and Cambridge businesses and being described as “the glue that holds the council together”; and
- WHEREAS: Sheila was elected as the 66th Mayor of the City of Cambridge during the 1996-1997 term; and
- WHEREAS: A tireless leader, Sheila’s tenure includes the opening of the Cambridge city-wide Senior Center, the Irish famine monument being brought to the Cambridge Common, and assisting in the creation of the North Cambridge Anti-Crime Task Force; and
- WHEREAS: In 2009, the Mayor Sheila Doyle Russell Youth and Community Center was opened honoring Sheila for her work and dedication to the community that she served; and

WHEREAS: Sheila enjoyed Friday nights at Bickford's with friends listening to Irish music and the beautiful breeze off Hull Bay, her home away from home, spending summers entertaining on the front porch; and

WHEREAS: Sheila will be sorely missed by all she touched and loved; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy for the family of Sheila Doyle Russell at this time of such personal loss; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Russell family on behalf of the entire City Council.

6. Thanks to Mary Chung for her years of serving the Cambridge community from her restaurant, Mary Chung Restaurant. Mayor Siddiqui
7. City Council support for Hildy Martus during a difficult time and appreciation for her years of dedicated service to the animal community. Councillor McGovern

ORDERS

1. That City Manager be requested to direct Legal Department and CDD to review the final language of the emissions accounting zoning petition, and make any recommended adjustments, including to the effective date, to the city council prior to ordination. Councillor Zondervan, Councillor McGovern (PO22#314)
2. That City Manager be requested to direct CDD to work with relevant stakeholders to provide a preliminary estimate of the cost and time burden of compliance with the emissions accounting provision, prior to ordination. Councillor Zondervan, Councillor McGovern (PO22#315)
3. That City Manager be requested to direct CDD to work with relevant stakeholders to inform the design of future regulations associated with accounting for embodied emissions. Councillor Zondervan, Councillor McGovern (PO22#316)
4. That the City Manager is requested to work with relevant City departments to provide an updated tree canopy projection and provide up to date tree data to reflect the effect of the 2022 drought and plans to remedy tree loss as soon as possible. Councillor Nolan, Councillor Zondervan, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Toner (PO22#317)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The **Neighborhood and Long-Term Planning Committee** met on Wed, Oct 19, 2022 to conduct a public meeting to discuss the Cambridge Street Study: Findings and Recommendations Update. [\[text of report\]](#)
2. The **Economic Development and University Relations Committee** met on Tues, Nov 22, 2022 to conduct a public meeting to receive an update on the BEUDO amendments from the Community Development Department and a discussion of the environmental and economic impact of BEUDO on residential, business and academic properties/communities. [\[text of report\]](#)

3. The **Human Services and Veterans Committee** met on Tues, Nov 29, 2022 to conduct a public meeting to discuss the unhoused population in Cambridge and uptick in substance use in Central Square. [\[text of report\]](#)

4. The **Neighborhood & Long-Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts & Celebrations Committee** held a public meeting on Wed, Nov 30, 2022 to receive and update on the latest recommendations from the Alewife Zoning Working. [\[text of report\]](#)

5. The **Ordinance Committee** held a public meeting on Tues, Dec 6, 2022, at 1:00pm to discuss proposed Ordinance #2022-20, Emissions Accounting Zoning. The Committee voted favorably to send three policy orders to the City Council that appear on this agenda in the Policy Order section. Further, the Committee voted to send proposed Ordinance #2022-20, Emissions Accounting Zoning as amended, to the Full Council with a favorable recommendation to Pass to a 2nd Reading. [\[text of report\]](#)

A. An Ordinance has been received from Diane P. LeBlanc City Clerk, relative to Emissions Accounting Zoning Petition - Ordinance #2022-20.

6. The **Ordinance Committee** held a public meeting to continue the discussion of Pregnancy Centers, proposed Ordinance #2022-16 on Dec 6, 2022 @3pm. The Committee voted to send proposed Ordinance #2022-16 as amended, Crisis Pregnancy Centers, to the full Council with a favorable recommendation to Pass to a 2nd Reading. [\[text of report\]](#)

A. An Ordinance has been received from Diane P. LeBlanc City Clerk, relative to Banning Limited Services Pregnancy Centers - Ordinance #2022-16

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee. (COF22#164)
2. A communication was received from Councillor Nolan and Mayor Siddiqui transmitting a Charter Review Committee Status Update. (COF22#165)
3. A communication was received from Diane P. LeBlanc, City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity. (COF22#166)

HEARING SCHEDULE

[Sullivan Chamber & Zoom unless otherwise noted]

Mon, Dec 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Dec 20

12:30pm The **Health and Environment Committee** will hold a public meeting to discuss the zoning language proposed by CDD related to the Climate Resilience Zoning Task Force Report and the broader Resilient Cambridge Plan.

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

Tues, Jan 3

4:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will hold a public hearing on Citizens Zoning Petition from Patrick Barrett et al. North Mass Ave BA-5 Zoning District Petition – AP22#52.

Wed, Jan 4

5:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will hold a public hearing on Citizens Zoning Petition from Duane Callender, et al. Cambridge Lab Regulation Zoning Amendment – AP22#53.

Tues, Jan 10

1:00pm The **Housing Committee** will hold a public meeting on Jan 10, 2023, at 1:00p.m. to get an update from the Community Development Department on planning underway to develop changes in the City's affordable homeownership programs.

Wed, Jan 11

3:00pm The **Government, Operations, Rules, and Claims Committee** will hold a public meeting for the purpose of reviewing recent report of Boards and Commissions from the City Manager which are subject to City Council approval, and to discuss the City Clerks request for a dedicated email address for City Council communications.

Tues, Jan 31

12:00pm The **Finance Committee** will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY24 Capital Budget, and future investment priorities in Cambridge's physical infrastructure ahead of the FY24 budget cycle.

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Dec 19, 2022

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: The Ordinance Committee met on Dec 6, 2022 and voted favorably that the City Manager be requested to direct Legal Department and CDD to review the final language of the emissions accounting zoning petition, and make any recommended adjustments, including to the effective date, to the city council prior to ordination.

ORDERED: That City Manager be requested to direct Legal Department and CDD to review the final language of the emissions accounting zoning petition, and make any recommended adjustments, including to the effective date, to the city council prior to ordination.

O-2 Dec 19, 2022

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: The Ordinance Committee met on Dec 6, 2022 and voted favorably that the City Manager be requested to direct CDD to work with relevant stakeholders to provide a preliminary estimate of the cost and time burden of compliance with the emissions accounting provision, prior to ordination.

ORDERED: That City Manager be requested to direct CDD to work with relevant stakeholders to provide a preliminary

estimate of the cost and time burden of compliance with the emissions accounting provision, prior to ordination.

O-3 Dec 19, 2022

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: The Ordinance Committee met on Dec 6, 2022 and voted favorably that the City Manager be requested to direct CDD to work with relevant stakeholders to inform the design of future regulations associated with accounting for embodied emissions.

ORDERED: That City Manager be requested to direct CDD to work with relevant stakeholders to inform the design of future regulations associated with accounting for embodied emissions.

O-4 Dec 19, 2022

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR TONER

WHEREAS: This year, the City planted a second Miyawaki Forest in conjunction with BioDiversity for a Livable Planet in response to Participatory Budgeting project and met the goal of 1000 new trees planted, and has worked to increase that number; and

WHEREAS: The City is seeking to increase the tree canopy there are still problems as evidenced by the recent accidental [removal](#) of city trees in the IQHQ project, and the [2022 drought](#) led to the loss of many city trees, including several mature trees in Danehy Park; and

WHEREAS: The City is already working on an [update to the UFMP](#), per past council request and an update to the tree canopy report from 2018 which showed dramatic decline in the canopy was expected to be delivered in June 2022; and

WHEREAS: There will be a Finance Committee meeting addressing Capital Budget concerns in January of 2023, during which time tree planting and management will be addressed; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with relevant City departments to provide an updated tree canopy projection and provide up to date tree data to reflect the effect of the 2022 drought and plans to remedy tree loss as soon as possible; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with all relevant departments to ensure that the capital project discussion include long-term plans for trees citywide.