

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-86, regarding a report on exploring the funding sources for community planning.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-84, regarding a report on the feasibility of closing a portion of Lopez Avenue and extending Costa Park.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-82, regarding a report on safety issues presented by the daily truck volume on Gore Street.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-116, regarding a report on removing the dead tree on Arlington Street and when a tree will be planted at 6 Walnut Street.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-109, regarding a report deploying walking patrols in the Riverside neighborhood.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-104, regarding a report on the MBTA route 72 bus service.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-117, regarding a report on the air quality issues at the construction project at 364 Third Street.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-81, regarding a report on the potential ending of the Parking Freeze.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-108, regarding a report on the incident of October 31st where a group of persons engaged in a melee in the Riverside area.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the transfer of \$20,000 in the General Fund from the Human Services Salary & Wages Account to the Travel & Training (Judgement & Damages) Account to cover current and anticipated expenses for workplace injuries.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$450 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages from private donations to allow the Cambridge Prevention Coalition to use funds to offset salary costs of staff.
12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$13,451 in the General Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages Account from Just-A-Start Program through ERI to reimburse Human Services for expenses incurred for serving 28 additional income eligible participants of the Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program.
13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$5,000 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages Account (\$3,878) and Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$1,122) from the Friends of the Community Learning Center to allow for one English as a Second Language class in the Adult Career Pathways Program.
14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$85,000 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages Account (\$68,937), Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$11,593), and Travel & Training Account (\$4,470) from the Mass Dept. of Education to the CLC to support a portion of the salaries of five teachers and one administrative support person and provide funds for training materials and workshop and seminar expenses.
15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$1,052,405 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages Account (\$153,124), Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$884,305), and Travel & Training Account (\$14,976) from the Mass Dept. of Housing & Community Development for the Low Income Heating Assistance Program which services Cambridge and Somerville.
16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-113, regarding a report on developing an instructional tennis program.
17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-95, regarding a report on effects on residential taxes and City finances of certain taxation and budget strategies.
18. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-114, regarding a report on what actions are being taken to maximize the employment opportunities for Cambridge residents.
19. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-111, regarding a report on existing ordinances which govern the obstruction of sidewalks by private property owners.

20. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 00-122, regarding a report on efforts to obtain approval to provide COBRA benefits for the families of employees who will lose health care benefits as a result of the recent Court ruling.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. Charter right exercised by Councillor Decker on an application received from GAP & GAP KIDS, requesting permission to erect two projecting signs in front of the premises numbered 625 Massachusetts Avenue.
2. Charter right exercised by Councillor Decker on an application received from GAP & GAP KIDS, requesting permission to erect three awnings in front of the premises numbered 625 Massachusetts Avenue.

ON THE TABLE

3. Consent Agenda #14 of 9/11/2000, relative to the Final Study Report for designating the Park House Hotel, 1-5 Cedar Square/39 Cedar Street/ 1-3 McLean Place, as a protected landmark.
4. Consent Agenda #17, relative to a Preservation Easement for 2 Holyoke Place (Fly Club).
5. Order submitted by Councillor Davis to draft new rezoning proposal for Riverside Neighborhood adjacent to Western Avenue.
6. Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square, 1-11 Shady Hill Sq. and 36 Holden St.
7. An order introduced by Councillor Toomey requesting a report on providing a web site area where municipal office candidates can submit material for publication on the City's web site.
8. An order introduced by Councillor Reeves regarding an allocation for a planning study for Riverside.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. Relative to considering an amendment to the Municipal Code of the City of Cambridge entitled "Historical Buildings and Landmarks" by inserting a subsection at the end of Section 2.78.050. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Dec 20, 1999.
10. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinances to enable creation of a neighborhood preservation district in Harvard Square. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Nov 6, 2000. The deadline for this petition is Jan 2, 2001.
11. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinances in the Alewife area. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Nov 6, 2000. The deadline for this petition is Jan 2, 2001.
12. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$3,500,000 to fund the completion of the Fresh Pond Water Purification Plant. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after Dec 11, 2000.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Amelia's Trattoria, requesting permission to erect a sign in front of the premises numbered 111 Harvard Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development and abutters.

CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from the Flynn Family, transmitting appreciation for the resolution adopted by the City Council on behalf of their brother Reverend Joseph D. Flynn.
2. A communication was received from Martin T. Meehan, transmitting grateful appreciation for the resolution adopted by the City Council on behalf of his father, Martin T. Meehan.
3. A communication was received from the Saks family, transmitting thanks for the resolution adopted by the City Council on behalf of Louis Saks.
4. A communication was received from Bridget Rodriguez and the Morse School, transmitting grateful appreciation for the resolution adopted by the City Council highlighting their UN Day International Potluck Dinner.
5. A communication was received from Michael Astrue, Esq., Senior Vice President, Administration and General Counsel Transkaryotic Therapies, Inc., transmitting his pleasure to receive the resolution congratulating him on becoming Chairman of the Council.
6. A communication was received from Bonnie D. Rubin, General Manager Genomics Collaborative, Inc., transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 99 Erie Street.
7. A communication was received from John P. DiGiovanni, President, as agent for Kennedy and Eliot Realty Trust, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 65 John F. Kennedy Street.
8. A communication was received from Daniel Calano, Managing Member of 625 Mount Auburn Street, LLC, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 60 Aberdeen Avenue and 629 Mount Auburn Street.
9. A communication was received from Norman B. Kaufman, General Partner of Soldanor Realty Company, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 110 Second Street.
10. A communication was received from John P. DiGiovanni, President, as agent for Trinity Realty Limited Partnership I, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 81-93 Mount Auburn Street.

11. A communication was received from William G. Coughlin, Trustee, Central Square Realty Trust, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 736-750 Massachusetts Avenue.
 12. A communication was received from Tucker R. Miller, Trustee of Clifford V. Miller Trust, transmitting written opposition to the Citywide Rezoning Petition as owner of 757 Massachusetts Avenue.
 13. A communication was received from Hedwig E. Pocius, transmitting her concern regarding the VFW as a community space and disregard of citizen input.
 14. A communication was received from Jonathan S. Myers, Executive Director of Training Innovations, Inc., transmitting gratitude for the City's participation in Career Awareness Days.
 15. A communication was received from Mary Hudson, transmitting her opposition to lowering the voting age to 16.
 16. A communication was received from Vladimir Skaletsky, Jr. transmitting his support of lowering the voting age in City Council and School Committee elections.
 17. A communication was received from the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, transmitting notice of a public hearing on Dec 6, 2000, at 10:00am on Verizon's revisions to its tariff.
 18. A communication was received from Arnold B. Goldstein, Vice President of the Central Square Business Association, transmitting their support for the siting of the new library in Central Square at the Prospect Street location (corner of Bishop Allen Drive).
 19. A petition was received signed by the residents of Cottage Park Avenue, transmitting concern of illegal commercial traffic on Cottage Park Avenue.
- RESOLUTIONS**
1. Congratulations to the Cambridge Community Chorus on their 11th Annual production of G.F. Handel's Oratorio "Messiah" on Sun, Dec 10, 2000. Councillor Reeves, Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Davis and entire membership
 2. Congratulations to Arnold Sapenter and Joseph Reed as they celebrate their 30th Anniversary. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
 3. Congratulations to Amedea Maryam Abuwi on achieving academic distinction and excellence in being recognized as a Dean's List Student for two years at Northeastern University. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
 4. Special Wedding congratulations to Margaret Mary Hayes and William Holland Walsh who were united in matrimony on Nov 15, 2000. Councillor Reeves and entire membership
 5. Warm welcome to the Armenian participants and applaud the initiative of the Cambridge-Yerevan Sister City Association (CYSCA) and its many volunteers for developing this exchange program. Mayor Galluccio
 6. Forest City Enterprises will hold a Groundbreaking Ceremony for 35 Landsdowne Street in University Park at MIT on Tues, Dec 5, 2000. Councillor Sullivan
 7. Wishing happy retirement to Charles Austin, former Channel 4 newscaster. Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
 8. Congratulations to Peter Sturges, new Executive Director of the Massachusetts State Ethics Commission. Councillor Sullivan, Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
 9. Best wishes to the Cambridge Public Schools Science Department on their Open House at the New Science Center at 456 Broadway. Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
 10. Resolution on the death of Richard W. Kane. Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
 11. Resolution on the death of Adolphus S. Kinney. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
 12. Resolution on the death of Evamarie Louis. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
 13. Resolution on the death of Harold H. McGrath. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
 14. Resolution on the death of Jessie M. Leahy. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
 15. Resolution on the death of Eileen E. McElarney. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
 16. Best wishes to the CRLS students, cast and crew and to the Drama, Dance, and Music Departments. Mayor Galluccio
 17. Congratulations to the Cambridge Rindge and Latin Football Team and coaches for their accomplishments this season. Mayor Galluccio
 18. Congratulations to the Boy's Soccer Team and coaches for their accomplishments this season. Mayor Galluccio
 19. Best wishes to the Dante Alighieri Society for a successful event and thank them for the great work that they continue to do. Mayor Galluccio
 20. Congratulations to the Girl's Cross Country Team and coaches for their accomplishments. Mayor Galluccio
 21. Congratulations to the Cambridge Rindge and Latin Girl's Soccer Team and coaches for their accomplishments this season. Mayor Galluccio
 22. Thanks to the Mark Sandman Music Education Fund for their support of teaching music to the children of Cambridge. Mayor Galluccio

23. 2nd Annual Jeffrey Curley Jamboree on Sat, Dec 9, 2000 from 5:00pm to 10:00pm. Mayor Galluccio and Councillor Sullivan
24. Thanks to the dentists who now take women and children patients who are on free care programs and encourage all dentists to take these patients. Councillor Born
25. Best wishes to Justice Ruth I. Abrams on her birthday and her retirement from judicial service on Dec 26, 2000. Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
26. Resolution on the death of Wanda Kajunski. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
27. Resolution on the death of Frances E. Brennick Councillor Toomey and entire membership
28. Resolution to be prepared on the death of Cecelia DeAngelis. Councillor Toomey and entire membership
29. Resolution on the death of Robert Sanford. Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
30. Resolution declaring the week of Dec 10-16, 2000 as "Falun Dafa Week." Councillor Sullivan
31. Resolution extending congratulations to Julia Bowdoin, Director of the Conservation Commission on her recent marriage. Councillor Davis
32. Resolution thanking the Adbar Ethiopian Women's Alliance for their good work. Mayor Galluccio
33. Resolution extending congratulations to Benjamin Bruckner on receiving the Eagle Scout Award. Mayor Galluccio
34. Resolution welcoming the delegates to the National League of Cities to Cambridge. Councillor Reeves

ORDERS

1. Repair street lights and increase foot patrols and police patrols at Magazine, Hamilton and Prince Streets. Councillor Sullivan
2. Repair and pave Aberdeen Avenue. Councillor Sullivan
3. Proposed amendment to the Responsible Employer section of the Cambridge Employment Plan. Councillors Sullivan, Decker and Toomey
4. Why Harvard Cooperative will not honor WIC vouchers. Councillor Born
5. Putnam Avenue residents' concern for removal of barbed wire from Blackstone Street/Putnam Avenue steam-generating plant. Mayor Galluccio and Councillor Sullivan
6. Compliance of Middlesex Superior Court order that the Fawcett Oil Company could not use Cottage Park Avenue as a means of access for commercial vehicles. Vice Mayor Maher
7. Traffic study of Essex Street. Councillor Decker
8. Report on police response to residents of 2 Mt. Auburn Street calling about the loud noise (music)

- emanating from the Flag/Banks Street area on the day of the Harvard-Yale Game. Councillor Reeves
9. Facades improving the streetscape in Central Square from Sidney Street to Hancock Street and Bishop Allen Drive from Main Street to Inman Street. Councillor Reeves
10. Funding for the renovation of the War Memorial and whether it is tied to funding to building the new main library. Councillor Davis
11. Permits for a new main public library. Councillor Davis
12. Progress of plans for open space at North Point. Councillor Born
13. Alternative coverage when First Security ends its coverage in Cambridge. Councillor Reeves
14. New location of bus stops on Massachusetts Avenue, Barron Plaza and Garden Street. Councillor Reeves
15. Disappointment of the Cambridge Veterans' Organization at the lack of coverage by the Cambridge Cable TV of veteran events. Councillor Reeves

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Marjorie Decker, Chair of the Civic Unity Committee for a meeting held on Oct 25, 2000 to continue the discussions on Civic Unity in the City and any other related issues to Civic Unity.
2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kathleen L. Born, Chair of the Public Facilities, Art and Celebrations Committee for a meeting held on Oct 25, 2000 to receive an overview of municipal office space, needs and goals and an update on the City Hall and 57 Inman Street renovations.
3. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kathleen L. Born and Vice Mayor David P. Maher, Co- Chairs of the Ordinance Committee for a meeting held on Nov 1, 2000 to consider a Planning Board petition to amend the zoning relating to lodging houses in Residence C and C-1 districts.
4. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Chair of the Finance Committee for a meeting held on Nov 8, 2000 to continue previous discussion and to receive and update on open space in East Cambridge.

5. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kathleen L. Born and Vice Mayor David P. Maher, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee for a meeting held on Nov 14, 2000 to consider the Citywide Rezoning Petition submitted by the Planning Board.
6. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kathleen L. Born and Vice Mayor David P. Maher, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee for a meeting held on Nov 14, 2000 to consider a petition by John Moot et al. to extend the Interim Parking Overlay Permit (IPOP) provision.
7. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Jim Braude, Chair of the Housing Committee for a meeting held on Oct 12, 2000 to receive an update on the work of the trust and the state of affordable housing in Cambridge.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., transmitting two communications regarding the use of City resources to provide local candidates with access to the City's Web site.
2. A communication was received from Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., transmitting a communication pertaining to a new federal reporting requirement for many political candidate committees, PACs, and people's committees.

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Dec 4

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

Wed, Dec 6

3:30pm The Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee will conduct a public hearing to consider claims filed against the City. (Ackermann Room)

4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to consider the Planning Board's Citywide Rezoning Petition. Meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Dec 7

4:30pm **Special City Council Meeting** to evaluate the performance of the City Manager and to consider what, if any, action the City Council shall take on the City Manager's contract. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Dec 11

5:30pm **Special City Council Meeting** to discuss the site for a new main public library. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tues, Dec 12

12:30pm The Economic Development, Training & Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting at Career Source, 185 Alewife Brook Parkway, to discuss services offered by Career Source. (185 Alewife Brook Parkway)

Wed, Dec 13

4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to consider the Planning Board's Citywide Rezoning Petition. Meeting to be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

Fri, Dec 15

1:00pm The Veterans' Committee will conduct a public meeting to review the Veterans statutory abatement and any and all business which may come before the committee. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, Dec 18

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

Wed, Dec 20

4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing, if necessary. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Dec 21

6:00pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the issues of homelessness, public intoxication and nuisance behaviors. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 8

5:30pm Regular City Council Meeting

Wed, Jan 10

4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing, if necessary. (Sullivan Chamber)

Thurs, Jan 11

6:00pm The Public Safety Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussions on issues concerning NSTAR, Com Gas and Electric. (Sullivan Chamber)

Wed, Jan 17

6:00pm The Finance Committee will hold a public meeting for discussion of issues relating to the Fiscal Year 02 Operating and Capital Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Mon, Jan 22

5:30pm Regular City Council Meeting

Wed, Jan 24

4:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing, if necessary. (Sullivan Chamber)

5:30pm The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussions on civic unity related issues in the City. (Ackermann Room)

Mon, Jan 29

5:30pm Regular City Council Meeting