

**HEARING SCHEDULE
CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS BEGINNING MAY 21, 2001**

Monday, May 21, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber) <i>Special Presentation to thank members of Citizens Growth Management Advisory Committee</i>
Tuesday, May 22, 2001	4:00 P.M.	The Housing Committee will conduct a public meeting on condition of housing at Fresh Pond Apartments. (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, May 22, 2001	6:00 P.M.	The Government Operations, Rules and Claims will conduct a public meeting to discuss changing the way the Mayor is selected. (Sullivan Chamber)
Thursday, May 24, 2001	10:30 A.M.	The Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee will conduct a public meeting to receive an update on renovations to City Hall. (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, May 29, 2001	4:30 P.M.	The Ordinance Committee will conduct a second hearing on the Special District 8 zoning petition. (Sullivan Chamber) This hearing is televised.
Wednesday, May 30, 2001	3:00 P.M.	The Human Services Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue to discuss extended day, youth centers and other afterschool programs. (Ackermann Room)

City of Cambridge does not discriminate on the basis of disability. The City Council will provide auxiliary aids and services, written materials in alternative formats, and reasonable modifications in policies and procedures to person with disabilities upon request. Contact the Office of the City Clerk 349-4260, tty/TDD 349-4242.

Monday, June 4, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, June 11, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Roundtable Meeting Discussion with the Election Commission. Informal meeting with no public comment, at which no votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, June 12, 2001	4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.	The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue planning and implementation for a catalogue of existing mediation resources and to receive a presentation on circle justice. (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, June 13, 2001	4:30 P.M.	Ordinance Committee hearing on zoning. (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, June 18, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, June 25, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Friday, June 29, 2001	12:30 P.M.	The Economic Development, Training and Employment will conduct a public meeting with the Superintendent of Schools and the Principal of the high school to discuss the School to Careers Program and to present the survey results entitled "Education and Skill for New Cambridge Economy. Patterns of Employment in New Economic Sectors." (Ackermann Room)
Wednesday, July 18, 2001	4:30 P.M.	The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Special District 4 and 4A (Alewife area) zoning petition. (Sullivan Chamber) This hearing is televised.
Monday, July 30, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Special City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, August 22, 2001	4:30 P.M.	Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, September 10, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, September 12, 2001	4:30 P.M.	Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, September 17, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, September 24, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, September 26, 2001	4:30 P.M.	Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

Monday, October 1, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, October 10, 2001	4:30 P.M.	Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, October 15, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, October 22, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, October 24, 2001	4:30 P.M.	Ordinance Committee (Sullivan Chamber)

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1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to information requested by the Finance Committee during the course of the FY02 budget hearings.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$175,000 to the General Fund Finance Department Assessing Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from Free Cash to provide funds for the tri-annual revaluation certificate expenses for professional services to organize and supervise extensive and detailed field reviews for 9,000 condo units and 1,000 apartment buildings and for a fee appraisal for the electric generation plant.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$45,000 in the General Fund of the Fire Department Other Ordinance Maintenance Account from Free Cash to cover shortfalls in energy for all fire stations, diesel fuel, and equipment maintenance costs.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 01-154**, regarding the status of trash pick-up from condo associations.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 01-183**, regarding a report on the clean-up of the railroad between the Human Avenue and Mt. Auburn Street bridges.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of members of the Fresh Pond Advisory Board effective May 21, 2001.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of members of the Marsh Neighborhood Conservation District Comm. effective 6/1/2001.

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8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 01-173**, regarding a report on all tax-exempt properties.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 01-158**, regarding a report on town-gown agreements in other university cities that deal with long-term planning and payment of in-lieu-of-taxes.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$75,000 to the General Fund Finance Department Treasury Division to the Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from Free Cash to provide funds for the implementation of web-enabled payment transaction services.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 01-168**, regarding a report on the permit and fee requirements for the Street Performer Ordinance.

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to requests made by the Finance Committee during the course of the FY02 budget hearings, attached you will find the following information:

1. An updated organizational chart for the Department of Public Works; and
2. Information relative to issuing two visitor parking permits to senior citizens.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachments

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby requesting the appropriation of \$175,000 to the General Fund Finance Department Assessing Division Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from Free Cash. The additional funds are needed for the tri-annual revaluation certificate expenses for professional services to organize and supervise extensive and detailed field reviews for approximately 9,000 condominium units as well as 1,000 apartment buildings. In addition, a fee appraisal for the electric generation plant (formerly Cambridge Electric) is required by the Department of Revenue. The professional services will also cover the expenses of the consultant in assisting the Department through the Massachusetts Department of Revenue certification review process for all commercial/industrial and personal property accounts. The recent turnover in the Department has required this additional appropriation during a year when values have to be certified by the Department of Revenue.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 01-158, regarding a report on town-gown agreements in other university cities that deal with long-term planning and payment of in-lieu-of-taxes, received from the Board of Assessors.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachement

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 01-173, regarding a report on all tax-exempt properties, received from the Assistant City Manager for Finance James Maloney.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby transmitting notification of the appointment of the following persons as members of the Fresh Pond Advisory Board effective May 21, 2001:

ONE-YEAR TERM

Edmund Hamann, Holworthy Street
Kenneth Kruger, Grozier Road
Janice Snow, Reservoir Street

TWO-YEAR TERM

Louis Eastman Weed, Public Planting Committee, Avon Hill Street
Marjorie Rekant, Wendell Street

THREE-YEAR TERM

Ann Kersley, Huron Avenue
Janet Burns, Frost Street
Albe Simenas, Tremont Street

CITY REPRESENTATIVES

Ann Roosevelt, Water Board Member
Paul Ryder, Director of Recreation
Larry Acosta, City Arborist, Department of Public Works
Chip Norton, Cambridge Water Department

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby transmitting notification of the appointment of the following persons as members of the Marsh Neighborhood Conservation District Commission effective June 1, 2001:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM</u>
James Van Sickle, 15 Brown Street	1 year term
Neil Levine, 5 Foster Place	2 year term
Bernard Burke, 34 Bradbury Street	3 year term
William King, 27 Hurlbut Street	3 year term
Mary Ries, 15 Willard Street	3 year term
Dorothy Altman, 43 Gibson Street	3 year term
Anne Lowell, 88 Foster Street	3 year term
Jane Thompson, 27 Willard Street	3 year term

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 01-154, regarding a report on the status of trash pick-up from condominium associations, please be advised of the following:

The City's policy is to pick-up trash from multifamily residential buildings, which includes condominiums, in the same manner as other residential properties. Condos must put their trash out only on the day designated for regular trash pick-up, once a week, in containers that conform to the City Ordinances, regulations and all City and State health codes for storage. The City does not pick-up trash on private property and therefore, trash must be placed at the curb.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 01-183, regarding a report on the clean-up of the railroad between the Huron Avenue and Mt. Auburn Street bridges, Inspectional Services Commissioner Robert Bersani reports the following:

On April 26, 2001, the Guilford Rail System was cited under the Sanitary Code concerning the conditions along this section of their line. A representative of the Guilford management was also contacted by telephone on April 30, 2001. Guilford has conducted a survey of the area and has advised ISD that action will be taken. ISD has scheduled a re-inspection is scheduled for May 23rd. If action is not taken or underway by that date, court action will be filed.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby requesting an appropriation of \$45,000 in the General Fund of the Fire Department Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from Free Cash. Funds will be used to cover shortfalls in energy for all eight fire stations, diesel fuel for all fire apparatus, and equipment maintenance costs which include replacing a fire prevention car transmission, Engine 4 broken suspension system and a hot water tank at fire headquarters. Energy costs have escalated this year and we now have converted the final station to natural gas operation. The increased cost of heating with gas is offset by the reliability and cleanliness of gas fired systems. The equipment listed has all failed within the past two weeks and was not foreseen or predictable.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby requesting the appropriation of \$75,000 to the General Fund Finance Department Treasury Division to the Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from Free Cash.

I have attached a communication from Assistant City Manager for Finance James Maloney detailing this appropriation request.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
attachment

May 21, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 01-168, regarding a report on the permit and fee requirements for the Street Performer Ordinance, received from City Solicitor Russell B. Higley.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

MASSACHUSETTS

**City Council Calendar No. 14
Monday, May 21, 2001**

At 5:30 P.M.

ON THE TABLE

1. Consent Agenda #17, relative to a Preservation Easement for 2 Holyoke Place (Fly Club).
2. Order submitted by Councillor Davis to draft new rezoning proposal for Riverside Neighborhood adjacent to Western Avenue.
3. Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square, 1-11 Shady Hill Square and 36 Holden Street.
4. An order introduced by Councillor Reeves regarding an allocation for a planning study for Riverside.
5. Committee Report #2 of February 5, 2001 from the Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee for the purpose of evaluating the process used by the City Council to evaluate the City Manager.
6. Consent Communication #7 of March 19, 2001, and Calendar Item #3 of April 2, 2001 regarding notification of a new address for 127 Sixth Street from Owen O’Riordan, City Engineer.

7. Committee Report #1 of April 23, 2001 regarding a meeting held on March 27, 2001 for the purpose of discussing whether a zoning prohibition of lodging houses in Residence C and C-1 zoning districts is consistent with the City's goal of promoting affordable housing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$500,000 for the first phase of improvements to Harvard Square. The question comes on adoption on or after May 21, 2001.
9. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$15,000,000 for extensive renovations to the War Memorial facility. The question comes on adoption on or after May 21, 2001.
10. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$750,000 to begin construction of new open space in Area Four. The question comes on adoption on or after May 21, 2001.
11. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$7,865,000 to supplement the \$3,240,000 previously authorized for improvements to Cambridge Street. The question comes on adoption on or after May 21, 2001.
12. Appropriation and authorization to borrow \$12,950,000 for several sewer projects. The question comes on adoption on or after May 21, 2001.
13. Proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to amend the zoning of East Cambridge proposed as part of the Citywide Rezoning package and refiled as a separate petition. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after May 28, 2001. **The deadline for this petition is July 25, 2001.**
14. Proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to amend the zoning in Special District 8 in Cambridgeport submitted by the Planning Board. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after May 28, 2001. **The deadline for this petition is August 27, 2001.**

**APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS -
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 21, 2001**

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| 1. An application was received from 2 nd Gear Bicycles, requesting permission to display 10-30 bicycles at the premises numbered 157 Hampshire Street. | 1. |
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**CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS -
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 21, 2001**

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| 1. A communication was received from Karen LeBlanc and the Hoover family, transmitting thanks for the resolution adopted by the City Council on behalf of their father. | 1. |
| 2. A communication was received from Massachusetts Port Authority, transmitting notice that the comment period for the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Final Environmental Impact Report will remain open until June 6, 2001. | 2. |
| 3. A communication was received from Steven Bass, regarding service to your country, pollution and garbage. | 3. |
| 4. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, Editor, Enough Room, transmitting a copy of House Bill 3636 relative to the payment of property taxes by charitable institutions. | 4. |

**RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MONDAY, MAY 21, 2001**

1. Resolution on the death of Mae A. Brooks. 1.
**Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor Maher and
entire membership**
2. Resolution on the death of Paul LoPreste. 2.
Councillor Toomey, Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
3. Resolution on the death of Richard J. McGrath. 3.
Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
4. Resolution on the death of James F. Reagan. 4.
**Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Maher, Mayor Galluccio and
entire membership**
5. Resolution on the death of Rita M. Russell. 5.
Councillor Sullivan and entire membership
6. Congratulations to Acting Governor Jane Swift and her husband 6.
Charles Hunt on the birth of their twin daughters.
Councillor Sullivan
7. Congratulations to the newly elected members of the Riverside 7.
Neighborhood Association.
Councillor Sullivan
8. Congratulations to the recently elected and re-elected officers of the 8.
Association of Cambridge Neighborhoods.
Councillor Sullivan
9. Congratulations to the newly elected officers of the Mid-Cambridge 9.
Neighborhood Association.
Councillor Sullivan
10. Resolution to be prepared on the death of Isabelle Looney. 10.
Vice Mayor Maher and entire membership
11. Happy 55th Wedding Anniversary wishes to Anna and Frank Arabia. 11.
Councillor Toomey

**RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MONDAY, MAY 21, 2001**

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| 12. Happy 89 th Birthday wishes to John "Barney" Baskis.
Councillor Toomey | 12. |
| 13. Best wishes to Vici Casana on her future endeavor.
Councillor Davis | 13. |
| 14. Commend Oaktree Development for their plans to build a high performing building using LEED Standards.
Councillor Davis | 14. |
| 15. Congratulations to Owen O'Riordan, City Engineer for his commendation by the EPA for his storm water management work that has made the City of Cambridge a leader in the state of Massachusetts.
Councillor Davis | 15. |
| 16. Congratulations to MIT for the commendation by the EPA for their work for the environment, schools and storm water management.
Councillor Davis | 16. |

**POLICY ORDER AND RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MONDAY, MAY 21, 2001**

1. Direct the Public Information Officer, City Clerk and other appropriate staff to work on providing interior signage at City Hall to welcome the public and assist them to find their destination. 1.
Councillor Davis

2. Creation of a committee for planning and programming at Danehy Park. 2.
Councillors Sullivan and Reeves

3. Report on the recent failure of the E911 system due to problems with Verizon. 3.
Councillor Sullivan

4. Assist Riverside residents with their annual planting of barrels on Western Avenue on Saturday, June 9, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. 4.
Councillor Sullivan

5. Dedicate the area with benches on River Street between Franklin and Green Street in honor of Alvin E. Thompson. 5.
Mayor Galluccio

6. Study the feasibility of changing the policy of the Cambridge Cemetery to allow the cremated remains of widowed spouses to be buried in Veterans plots. 6.
Councillor Toomey

O-1.

May 21, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Public Information Officer and other appropriate staff and the City Clerk to work on providing interior signage in City Hall to welcome the public and assist them to find their destination.

O-2.

May 21, 2001

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR REEVES

WHEREAS: The City recently established a committee to assist with the planning and programming of a multiple use area in the establishment of the Fresh Pond Master Plan; and

WHEREAS: The plan recognized that there are a variety of users, which at times are at logger heads, and the need to come together; and

WHEREAS: Fresh Pond is a jewel that was created over a century ago; and

WHEREAS: The City established a new jewel in the last quarter of the previous century, in the creation of Danehy Park; and

WHEREAS: Danehy Park has both passive and active users, and was designed for the same; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to create a committee for planning and programming at Danehy Park; and be it further

ORDERED: That said committee should include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Active users;
- Passive users; and
- Abutters

O-3.

May 21, 2001

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council relative to the failure of the E911 system due to problems with Verizon as detailed in the attached May 17, 2001 Boston Globe article.

O-4.

May 21, 2001

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to assist Riverside residents with their ninth annual planting of barrels on Western Avenue on Saturday, June 9, 2001 at 10:00 a.m.

O-5.

May 21, 2001

MAYOR GALLUCCIO

WHEREAS: Alvin E. Thompson served the City of Cambridge with honor and distinction as an employee of the School Department, a member of the Massachusetts State House of Representatives; and an active member of our community; and

WHEREAS: Alvin E. Thompson's untimely death in April of 2000 was mourned by the entire Cambridge Community; now therefor be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record dedicating the area with benches on River Street between Franklin and Green Street in honor of Alvin E. Thompson and placing an appropriate marker on this site in consultation with the Thompson family; and be it further

ORDERED: That a suitable dedication be arranged for September 16, 2001 at this site.

May 21, 2001

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It is well documented how much the spouses of our veterans have sacrificed during all of our nation's armed conflicts; and

WHEREAS: The spouses of our veterans played a critical role in all our nations victories by supplying our troops overseas while simultaneously raising families without the support of their spouses who were on active duty; and

WHEREAS: Currently it is not possible for spouses of veterans to be buried with their loved ones in a veteran's plot at the Cambridge Cemetery; and

WHEREAS: In the Bourne Cemetery and the two new veteran's cemeteries in Winchendon and Agawam it is possible for veterans to be buried with their spouse; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Acting Commissioner of Public Works, the Superintendent of the Cambridge Cemetery and the Director of Veterans Services to study the feasibility of changing the policy of the Cambridge Cemetery to allow the cremated remains of widowed spouses to be buried in Veterans plots; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council the result of said study by December 3, 2001.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS
FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 21, 2001**

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Chair of the Finance Committee, for public hearings held relative to the General Fund Budget for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal Year 2002 in the amount of \$302,088,680.

2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Chair of the Finance Committee, for public hearings held relative to the Water Fund for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal Year 2002 in the amount of \$16,339,105.

- 3A. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Chair of the Finance Committee, for public hearings held relative to the Public Investment Fund for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal Year 2002 in the amount of \$12,666,085.

- 3B. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Chair of the Finance Committee, for public hearings held relative to the Stabilization Fund for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal Year 2002 in the amount of \$5,500,000.

4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee for a joint public meeting between the Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee and the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee held on May 7, 2001 to finalize the plans for the community meeting held on May 10, 2001.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 21, 2001

5. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment Committee for a meeting held on May 9, 2001 to receive a presentation by the Cambridge Public Health Department on the City's intervention plan for the West Nile Virus.

6. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Jim Braude, Chair of the Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee for a meeting held on May 15, 2001 to discuss the evaluation of the City Clerk and the issue of the reappointment of the City Clerk.

Committee Report #1

In City Council May 21, 2001

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Chair
Councillor Kathleen L. Born
Councillor Jim Braude
Councillor Henrietta Davis,
Councillor Marjorie C. Decker
Vice Mayor David P. Maher
Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves
Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.
Mayor Anthony D. Galluccio

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, comprised of the entire membership of the City Council, to which was referred the **GENERAL FUND BUDGET** for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal Year 2002 in the amount of \$302,088,680 held public hearings on this matter on May 1, 2001 and May 8, 2001 commencing at 10:30 a. m. in the Sullivan Chamber.

Several motions were made and not acted upon at the public hearings on the budget. Five of these motions were not directly connected to the budget or its adoption, and they appear as orders in a different section of the City Council agenda. The two attached budget-related motions were made and not acted upon at the committee hearings.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE has referred the **GENERAL FUND BUDGET** for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal Year 2002 to the full City Council for the adoption of the enclosed order in the total amount of \$302,088,680.

For the Committee,

Councillor Michael A. Sullivan
Chair

May 21, 2001

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide the City Council with a new organizational chart for the Public Works Department, prior to the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2002 Budget.

May 21, 2001

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the proposed new position of Director of the Office of Constituent Services, Position Number M2-05-765, is hereby deleted from the Fiscal Year 2002 Budget, hereby reducing Line Item 51104 in the Salary and Wages account of Department Number 030100, the Executive Department, in the Operating Budget by \$64,004; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to place said \$64,004 in a Reserve Fund where it may be available for transfer for funding a position upon further definition of the nature and responsibilities of said position.

Committee Report #2

In City Council May 21, 2001

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Chair
Councillor Kathleen L. Born
Councillor Jim Braude
Councillor Henrietta Davis,
Councillor Marjorie C. Decker
Vice Mayor David P. Maher
Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves
Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.
Mayor Anthony D. Galluccio

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, comprised of the entire membership of the City Council, to which was referred the **WATER FUND** for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal Year 2002 in the amount of \$16,339,105 held public hearings on this matter on May 1, 2001 and May 8, 2001 commencing at 10:30 a. m. in the Sullivan Chamber.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE has referred the **WATER FUND** for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal Year 2002 to the full City Council for the adoption of the enclosed order in the total amount of \$16,339,105.

For the Committee,

Councillor Michael A. Sullivan
Chair

Committee Report #3A

In City Council May 21, 2001

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Chair

Councillor Kathleen L. Born

Councillor Jim Braude

Councillor Henrietta Davis,

Councillor Marjorie C. Decker

Vice Mayor David P. Maher

Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves

Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.

Mayor Anthony D. Galluccio

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, comprised of the entire membership of the City Council, to which was referred the **PUBLIC INVESTMENT FUND** for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal Year 2002 in the amount of \$12,666,085.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE has referred the **PUBLIC INVESTMENT FUND** for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal year 2002 to the full City Council for the adoption of the enclosed order in the total amount of \$12,666,085.

For the Committee,

Councillor Michael A. Sullivan,
Chair

Committee Report #3B

In City Council May 21, 2001

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, Chair

Councillor Kathleen L. Born

Councillor Jim Braude

Councillor Henrietta Davis,

Councillor Marjorie C. Decker

Vice Mayor David P. Maher

Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves

Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.

Mayor Anthony D. Galluccio

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, comprised of the entire membership of the City Council, to which was referred an appropriation to the **STABILIZATION FUND** for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal Year 2002 in the amount of \$5,500,000.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE has referred the appropriation to the **STABILIZATION FUND** for the City of Cambridge for Fiscal year 2002 to the full City Council for the adoption of the enclosed order in the total amount of \$5,500,000.

For the Committee,

Councillor Michael A. Sullivan,
Chair

Committee Report #4

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TRAINING
AND EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor Marjorie C. Decker
Vice Mayor David P. Maher**

In City Council May 21, 2001

**NEIGHBORHOOD AND LONG TERM
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Councillor Marjorie C. Decker, Chair
Councillor Kathleen L. Born
Vice Mayor David P. Maher**

The Economic Development, Training & Employment and the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committees conducted a joint public meeting on Monday, May 7, 2001 at 4:15 p.m. in the Ackermann Room.

The purpose of the meeting was to finalize the plans for the community meeting scheduled for May 10th.

Present at the meeting were Councillor Davis, Chair of the Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee, Richard Rossi, Deputy City Manager, Lisa Peterson, Assistant to the City Manager, Beth Rubenstein, Assistant City Manager for Community Development, (CDD), Stuart Dash, Director of Community Planning, CDD, Elaine Thorne, Associate Planner, CDD, Jill Herold, Assistant City manager for Human Services, Ronnie Watson, Police Commissioner, Benjamin Barnes, License Commissioner, Pallas Lombardi, Director of the Arts Council, Jason Weeks, Community Arts Director, D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk and Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk.

Councillor Davis opened the meeting and stated the purpose.

Deputy City Clerk informed the committee that the Assistant to the City Council has received reservations for tables from seven organizations. Ms. Albano inquired as to the set up time for the organizations. The committee agreed that the tables could be set up starting at 5:00 p.m.

Ms. Peterson, Assistant to the City Manager, inquired as to how many extra tables would be needed at the Senior Center. Coordination on the set up of the tables would begin at 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Rossi requested all attendees to review the Agenda prepared the Community Development Department. Minor alterations were made to the Agenda. **(ATTACHMENT A)**

Councillor Davis asked who would give the real estate overview. Mr. Rossi responded Mr. Jack Burns from the C. Brendan Noonan Company.

Mr. Rossi outlined the facilitators for the break out-groups as follows:

Elaine Madden & Roger Boothe	Real Estate & Development
Susan Rasmussen, Sue Clippinger & Representative from the MBTA	Transportation issues
Ronnie Watson, Bike Patrol & Community Policing Staff	Public Safety & Community Policing
Pallas Lombardi & Jason Weeks	Arts & Cultural Issues
Lisa Peterson	Maintenance & Cleanliness
George Metzger	Business Improvement District (BID)
Benjamin Barnes	Restaurant & Licensing Issues

The physical set up for the community meeting at the Senior Center was discussed.

Ms. Lombardi stated that because May is Dance Month there may be a dance interruption.

The Community Development Department will arrange for easels and card stock paper for the creation of signs for the "resource fair".

The break out-groups will be located in the ballroom.

Stuart Dash, Director of Community Planning, CDD, handed out sheets with tips for the facilitators to use at the community meeting.

Councillor Davis thanked all attendees for their hard work on behalf of herself and Councillor Decker.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p. m.

For the Committee,

Councillor Henrietta Davis,
Chair
Economic Development, Training
and Employment

Committee Report #5

In City Council May 21, 2001

HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

*Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor Kathleen L. Born
Councillor Jim Braude*

The Health and Environment Committee conducted a public meeting on Wednesday, May 9, 2001 at 7:12 p.m. in the Sullivan Chamber.

The purpose of the meeting was to receive a presentation by the Cambridge Public Health Department on the City's intervention plan for the West Nile Virus.

Present at the meeting were Councillor Davis, Chair of the Committee; Councillor Braude; Councillor Born; Harold Cox, Chief Public Health Officer; Ricki Lacy, Director of Public Health Nursing; Sam Lipson, Director of Environmental Health, Public Health Alliance; and Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk.

Councillor Davis opened the meeting and stated the purpose. She stated that Harold Cox, Chief Public Health Officer, would make a presentation.

Mr. Cox presented to the committee a document entitled "Cambridge West Nile Virus Response Plan for 2001" (**ATTACHMENT A**) Last year, he stated, there was great concern when a bird and mosquito pools were discovered with the West Nile Virus. The action that was taken was as follows:

- Storm drains were treated with a larvicide;
- Information was disseminated to the public about the West Nile Virus; and
- Spraying was conducted in the city.

This action raised three concerns:

- The notification to the public about the spraying;
- The safety of the spraying; and
- The efficacy of the spraying.

Boston, Cambridge, Newton and Brookline made a decision to spray. A statewide planning group was established to develop a process regarding spraying, he said. The City Council requested the Public Health Department to convene a larger group. On January 31, 2001 a citywide hearing was held and an advisory group was established. The advisory group met with the Public Health Department to discuss concerns and a report was compiled. The report includes an addendum from the advisory group because the advisory group, which contained members of the environmental, biomedical engineering and medical and chemistry fields, had

concerns. The report, he said, contains all points of view. Copies of the report can be obtained by calling the Public Health Department at (617) 665-3800.

Mr. Sam Lipson, a toxicologist with the Public Health Department, stated that the victory of the planning process is around prevention. He spoke on planning and implementation for the habitat control. He outlined the steps that will be taken. Storm drains have been treated to prevent the larvae from becoming adults. Summer crews and Summer Puddle Patrol will be established to survey the storm drains for larvae. The general public will be educated on the potential harm caused from standing water on public ways and private property. The Public Works and Inspectional Services Department personnel will look for standing water. The Geographical Information System (G.I.S.) will be used to locate every storm drain in the city to apply herbicide. An agreement must be reached with the Eastern Middlesex Mosquito Control Project (EMMCP). A study will be conducted by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) on the different types of habitat for mosquitoes.

The second part of the prevention is the protection of other habitat and species. Storm drains in these areas such as the Little River and Alewife will be treated differently, he said.

The third step will be to test the Charles River to see what impact has been made by the use of the chemical larvicide methaprene.

If spraying occurs, the fourth step will be that open surface waters will not be sprayed because the chemicals are toxic to fish.

The fifth step will be to do surveillance of birds. The reporting system will be improved. The Animal Control will be the primary reporting control and will coordinate with the Public Works Department. Bird collection will occur. However, there will be a limited number of birds that will be tested by the State Department of Public Health Labs. The surveillance, he said, becomes the location of the birds with West Nile Virus. The City staff will dispose of birds containing the West Nile Virus. Mosquito traps will be placed around the city. Mosquitoes, he said, infect humans, birds are secondary. He further stated that in addition to the CDC work, there is a commitment from manufacturers for a mosquito magnet. Councillor Davis asked what is a mosquito magnet. Mr. Lipson responded that it is a mechanism that attracts mosquitoes that emits carbon dioxide (human exhale). The mosquitoes dive in and they cannot get out.

Mr. Lipson outlined the factors used to make the decision to spray as outlined in the Cambridge West Nile Surveillance and Response Matrix (**ATTACHMENT B**) The surveillance information that will be used is as follows:

- Density and increased density of birds is important to keep a record;
- Any infected mosquito pools; and
- Presence of virus in pool of human biting mosquitoes;
- Confirmation by lab of West Nile Virus.

The factors that will be considered are seasonal rainfall and risk level occurrence early versus late in the summer.

Councillor Davis opened the meeting to the public to ask questions of Mr. Lipson.

Karen Carmean asked why is there spraying when we know two people were harmed from the spraying and no harm was reported from the virus. If the West Nile Virus comes, she said, one person may be hurt, why hurt the majority through spraying.

James Williamson stated that he did not know about this meeting until yesterday and he did not know an Advisory Committee was established. He asked how was the Advisory Committee chosen. Mr. Cox responded that a hearing was held on January 31, 2001 to engage in the community process and volunteers were requested. Other members with more expertise were also asked to join the Advisory Committee, he said.

In response to Mr. Williamson's question of what is the actual risk and does it warrant the action to spray, Ms. Ricki Lacy, Director of Public Health Nursing, stated that 150 people will get sick from the West Nile Virus and 1-2 people will die because of it.

Allen West, Ph.D., Professor of Chemistry and Advisory Committee member, stated that if bitten by a mosquito with West Nile Virus, 1 out of 30,000 will get sick (this figure represents 3 or 4 people) and if bitten by a mosquito with West Nile Virus 1 out of 200,000 will die.

Mr. Lipson stated that the decision to spray would be based on the following:

1. If there is biological evidence of true risk; and
2. Guidance followed by the State Health Department and CDC.

The work lies in the habitat control, he said. Mr. Cox stated that it is an issue of notification, community involvement and education.

Ms. Lacy informed the committee that if spraying is needed, there will be urgent notification done. She stated that there would be:

1. A West Nile Virus site and a state West Nile Virus site on the City of Cambridge's Web Page;
2. A hot line will be established between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.;
3. Public information will be set up in the Senior Centers;
4. Special notification will be done for the population at risk, especially the elderly and the homeless;
5. Faxes, mail and e-mail will be used;
6. Reverse 911 system will be used. Recorded message will be left regarding spraying;
7. Recorded messages about spraying will be made the Public Works Department;
8. Public Works posters;

9. Spray trucks will have police escorts to help spot pedestrians; and
10. Announcements will be made on WEEI.

Mr. Cox stated, in summary, the response was crafted for the community. He stated that the city is not interested in spraying. The city is looking at controls to prevent mosquitoes from becoming adults. The city staff is involved in the first phase which is larvae siting.

At 8:11 p.m. Councillor Davis opened the meeting to public comment.

Allen West stated that he signed the addendum. **(ATTACHMENT C)** What is not agreed to is in the addendum, he said. He stated that the Advisory Committee members have a vast list of qualifications. Spraying should not be done. The notion to spray, he said, is an oxymoron because it does no good.

Sarah James, Advisory Committee member, Richdale Avenue, stated that she appreciated the opposing view attached to the report. She stated that in 1999-2000 people died from the flu and no deaths occurred from the West Nile Virus. Does the West Nile Virus warrant a response as drastic as spraying. There is no such thing as a safe pesticide, she said. There is no evidence that spraying eliminates the disease. There are 80,000 chemicals in our society as listed by the EPA. She urged the Public Health Department and the City of Cambridge to revisit this issue.

Michael Nakagawa, Madison Avenue, stated that he was concerned because of the way that things were done. Pesticide use takes a long time to see its effects. Cambridge is dense, he said. He called on the public to be more responsible. Standing water in yards should be emptied, he said. The mosquitoes must be kept from breeding. He submitted a letter from Craig Kelley to be entered into the report. **(ATTACHMENT D)**

Gerald Bergman asked if there is a fail-safe factor before spraying will occur. Mr. Lipson responded that the matrix is to clarify the stages of risk. Mr. Bergman stated that he did not see in the plan education of the public about health risks of spraying and pesticides. Mr. Lipson stated that the report lists the concerns of pesticides.

Mr. Cox stated that there would be two additional forums held. Mr. Bergman asked how is outreach addressed to non-English speaking residents. Ms. Lacy stated that all information is listed in four languages, Portuguese, Haitian Creole, Spanish and English.

David O'Connor, Director, Emergency Management, stated that when spraying was done, a handout was given to the neighborhood.

Karen Carmean stated physician first do no harm; spraying does harm. She stated other health issues such as violence and HIV need to be worked on first.

James Williamson asked about costs involved such as research, spraying and resource. He stated that West Nile Virus has occurred where there has been spraying. He suggested that a summary of the addendum be provided to the public. Mr. Cox stated that the report is on the web site and copies can be

obtained by calling (617) 665-3800. He further stated that the cost issue is difficult to estimate. All views need to be heard on this issue.

Sarah Satterthwaite, 198 Hamilton Street, stated that she was hysterical last year when her house was sprayed. She was pleased with the path taken this year. She liked the emphasis on habitat control. She stated that she would buy a mosquito magnet if there were a guarantee not to spray.

John Pitkin, 15 Fayette Street, stated that the Department of Public Health needs to hear from consumers who live with the decisions made. He would rather use alternative measures than spraying.

Councillor Braude stated that he did not agree with the criticism that the Public Health Department is doing too much. He complimented Mr. Cox on his hard work to get the information to the community. He asked if the Advisory Committee would continue in place. Mr. Cox stated that the Advisory Committee would be brought back in September to evaluate the program. The city is now in the implementation stage. Councillor Braude asked Mr. Cox how do you market the public health message when the media is broadcasting a message of fear. Mr. Cox stated that the Public Health Department would meet with the Globe Editorial Board to look at the best way to get the information to the public. The state is attempting to take a regional approach to make sure that all entities are giving the same information. Councillor Braude suggested citing the sources in the report. He asked what is the timeline for spraying when a person is affected. Mr. Lipson stated that the city has a high threshold to notify the public.

Councillor Born asked if the preventive system was under control. She asked if a West Nile Virus coordinator had been hired. Mr. Cox responded in the negative. Councillor Born asked when will the mailing go out. Ms. Lacy responded as soon as possible. Councillor Born stated that the mail must be designed so that the public will read the information. Ms. Lacy stated that the mailing has a light message with a mosquito and message that says "Bite Back". Councillor Born inquired if the Summer Puddle Patrol is in place. Mr. Lipson responded that summer personnel would be hired.

Councillor Born asked who is responsible for the standing water. Mr. Lipson responded the Public Works Department.

Councillor Born asked about the Little River. Mr. Lipson stated that there is a plan for Fresh Pond and Alewife. Dave Henley, Eastern Middlesex Mosquito Control Project, stated that the wetlands are identified and are visited in April for BTI (*Bacillus Thuringiensis Israelensis*). There are five species that are not identified. They are less likely to be at Little River and less likely to transmit the West Nile Virus.

Councillor Davis stated that the city cannot pick up tires which is a potential for standing water to breed mosquitoes. She hoped that coordination would be done with the Public Works Department to pick up tires. Mr. Nakagawa stated that hazardous waste would pick up two tires.

Mr. Cobham stated that people may not know of the danger of the West Nile Virus. We need to make our neighbors aware of the West Nile Virus Prevention Plan.

Councillor Davis stated that she hopes that preventative measures will be robust. She is glad to see that spraying is put off and that it is only targeted spraying. She asked why is spraying still important. Mr. Lipson stated that the Public Health Department did not want to leave out any option. Adult spraying is effective at certain times of the year. It is still considered a tool by CDC and the Massachusetts Health Department.

Councillor Davis stated that the debilitation caused by the West Nile Virus is horrible. She wanted standing water pools eliminated. She thanked the Advisory Committee and the Health Department for their hard work and thoughtful approach. The city is better prepared than last year, she said.

Councillor Davis asked if a person could put up a "No Pesticide" sign. Mr. Lipson stated that there is a state law which requires that written notice be received by March 1st. Mr. Cox stated that the Public Health Department has asked for legal advice on this issue.

Councillor Davis stated that Harvard University opted out from spraying on their campus.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

For the Committee,

Councillor Henrietta Davis
Chair

Committee Report #6

In City Council May 21, 2001

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, RULES AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Councillor Jim Braude, Chair
Councillor Henrietta Davis
Vice Mayor David P. Maher
Councillor Michael A. Sullivan
Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.*

The Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee conducted a public meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2001 at 4:02 p. m. in the Ackermann Room.

The purpose of the meeting was to continue the discussion of the evaluation of the City Clerk and the issue of the reappointment of the City Clerk.

Present at the meeting were Councillor Jim Braude, Chair of the Committee, D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, Sandra Albano, Assistant to the City Clerk and Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk. Also participating in the meeting, through conference calling, was Councillor Michael A. Sullivan, member of the committee.

Councillor Braude opened the meeting and stated the purpose. He stated that a procedure was established at the last meeting whereby the City Clerk was to prepare a self-evaluation of her performance in the position of City Clerk and distribute to all City Council members. The members of the City Council could, if they so desired, meet with the City Clerk within a two-week period to discuss her performance. Councillor Braude asked the City Clerk what the City Councillors had to report in their meetings with her. D. Margaret Drury stated that the City Council had some interesting procedural recommendations and on the whole were pleased with her performance.

At the conclusion of the meeting Councillor Braude made a motion to refer the reappointment of the City Clerk to the full City Council with the recommendation to extend the term of D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, for three years together with the attached order. Councillor Sullivan seconded the motion.

On motion of Councillor Sullivan the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p. m.

For the Committee,

Councillor Jim Braude
Chair

**COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS -
FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 21, 2001**

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, regarding motions not related to the budget made at the Finance Committee meetings.

TO: The Honorable, the City Council

FROM: D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk

Date: May 15, 2001

RE: Motions Not Related to the Budget Made at the Finance Committee Meetings

The five attached motions were made at the Finance Committee. They arose from discussions during the budget hearings, but they are not directly connected with budget adoption. No action was taken at the time. They are being forwarded to the full City Council for its consideration. The motions are as described below:

1. Report on the use of mediation by police review boards and staff in other localities and on availability of training for the Cambridge Police Review and Advisory Board and staff.
Councillor Decker
2. Provide two visitor parking permits for senior citizens over the age of 60. Councillor Toomey
3. Information on the possibility of the city owning and operating its own municipal light company.
Councillor Sullivan
4. Refer the issue of compensation for boards and commissions to the Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee.
Councillor Toomey
5. Review additional possibilities for slowing traffic on Warren Street.
Councillor Sullivan