

MASSACHUSETTS

City Council Calendar No. 5 Monday, February 8, 1999

At 5:30 P.M.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Russell relative to Awaiting Report #99-13 of February 1, 1999 regarding a report on the status of the Kendall Square Fire Station.
2. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Triantafillou relative to an appropriation of \$40,000 to be used to develop a windows-based computerized Customer Service Module.
3. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Triantafillou on an order submitted by Vice Mayor Galluccio regarding supporting the efforts of the Maynard School parents and children to obtain increased public library access in Area Four.

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4. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-eight regarding a report on what notification was given concerning the development of a hotel at 19 Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington.
5. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-one regarding a report on the procedures if a building alarm goes off for more than ten minutes.
6. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-four of February 23, 1998 regarding a report on the status of the Public Library Bookmobile for elderly residents.
7. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-nine of February 23, 1998 regarding a report on how many positions in the City are being filled with employees from temporary agencies.
8. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Eleven of June 16, 1997 regarding the possibility of reducing the costs of legal advertising.
9. Relative to Consent Order Number Twenty-six of September 22, 1997 regarding the request to prepare appropriate language for a non-binding referendum petition for the upcoming municipal election relative to the use of free-cash to reduce the tax levy on homeowners and businesses.

10. Relative to an Awaiting Report Item Number Fourteen of May 11, 1998, on the removal of street trees on Pemberton Street.
11. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Seventeen of July 27, 1998 regarding a report on the current status of state funding to the schools and what steps will be taken to remedy any deficiencies within the School Department Special Education Services.
12. Relative to resolution submitted by Councillor Triantafillou regarding sending a letter to the Massachusetts Municipal Association expressing the City's opposition to the bill in the 1999 legislative package.
13. Relative to an appropriation of \$146,000 to support the Mayor's Initiative on race and class.
14. An order relative to providing an update on a more appropriate placement of the memorial for Anthony M. Colosimo located at the Kennedy School on Spring Street.
15. Relative to Awaiting Report #15 of January 11, 1999 regarding a report on the traffic lights on Monsignor O'Brien Highway and Museum Way.
16. Relative to an order submitted by Vice Mayor Galluccio on January 25, 1999, relative to a report on the variety of options of either the ordinance amendment or a policy change that would require a certain percentage of revenue from new construction go directly toward the purchase of open or recreational space in the neighborhood in which the new construction takes place.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

17. Proposed amendment to the Municipal Code of the City of Cambridge that Title 5 entitled "Business Licenses and Regulations be amended by adding a new chapter 5.50 entitled "Standardizing the Placement and Maintenance of Newsracks." The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after December 21, 1998.
18. Proposed amendment to the Municipal Code to add a new section (a) which would require a public hearing with a notice of the hearing published in the newspaper for all proposed ordinances referred to the Ordinance Committee by the City Council. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after January 25, 1999.
19. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinances on a petition of the Planning Board petition to amend the zoning in the area of Linear Park (Frankelton II). The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after January 25, 1999. **The completion date for this petition is February 16, 1999.**
20. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance in the areas bordered by Putnam Avenue, Blackstone Street, Western Avenue and River Street from Office-3 to Residence-C, The Jelley Petition. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after February 1,

1999. The completion date of this petition is March 1, 1999.

21. Proposed Backyard Development and Green Space Zoning Admendments. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after February 8, 1999. The completion date of this petition is February 16, 1999.
22. Relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$305,000, in addition to the \$1,200,000 previously appropriated, for the purpose of financing the construction of the water pollution abatement facilites. The question comes on adoption on or after February 15, 1999.
23. Relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$5,775,000 for the constuction or reconstruction of sewers, sewerage systems and sewage treatment and disposal facilities for sewer separation and other sewer system improvements. The question comes on adoption on or after February 15, 1999.
24. Proposed amendment to the Municipal Code of the City of Cambridge to Chapter 2.84, the Kids' Council Ordinance. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after February 15, 1999.

CONSENT ORDER LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 08, 1999

1. Dedicate the corner of Broadway and Tremont Street as "John Gibson Square" in remembrance of his heroic death on July 24, 1998 defending the Capitol of the United States.
Mayor Duehay
2. Appoint ombudsperson to work with residents, businesses and contractors during the North Massachusetts Avenue sewer and roadway reconstruction.
Mayor Duehay and Councillor Triantafillou
3. Congratulations to Representative Timothy J. Toomey, Jr. on being selected Chair of the Public Safety Committee.
Councillor Sullivan
4. Report on what options exist for the City's pension fund to pay a higher rate of interest on retirement accounts.
Councillor Triantafillou
5. Report on the issue of morale in each department, on what procedures are working and what procedures are not working and what steps the City can take to correct the procedures which are not working.

Councillor Sullivan

6. Report on the City's safety mechanism regarding the dumping of the waste from the sewer cleanup truck and the storage of this waste.

Councillor Sullivan

7. All City departments to cooperate with the North Cambridge Crime Task Force's National Night Out on August 3, 1999.

Councillors Sullivan and Russell

8. Congratulations to Patrick Ashe on his nomination to the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Councillor Davis

9. Resolution on the death of Louis G. Leahy, father of City Councillor Kathleen Leahy Born.

Mayor Duehay, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

10. Resolution on the death of Bernard Rudolph.

Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

11. Resolution on the death of Albert A. Sico, Sr.

Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

12. Resolution on the death of Rosa P. Resendes.

Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

13. Report on the decrease of two Cambridge parking spaces on the Somerville side of Willow and Cambridge Streets.

Councillor Sullivan

14. Congratulations to Joseph and Lauren Venuti on the birth of their son Joseph Walsh Venuti.

Councillor Sullivan

15. Resolution on the death of Margaret Aileen McLaughlin-Oakland.

Councillor Russell, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

16. Thanks to Beth Rubenstein, Acting Assistant Manager for Community Development, the staff of the Community Development Department and group facilitators from the Growth Management Committee for the excellent community meeting on citywide growth and development issues.

Councillor Triantafillou

17. Form a multi-disciplinary Housing Rapid Response Team that can respond quickly to tenant groups or individuals who are being displaced from their homes.

Councillors Triantafillou and Reeves

18. Congratulations to Anne Tallon and Paul Lonergan on the birth of their daughter Claire Frances Lonergan on November 2, 1998.

Vice Mayor Galluccio

19. Make enforcement of "Crosswalk Behavior" a priority for the police department.

Councillors Russell and Davis

20. Report on suggestions from Rozann Kraus regarding traffic safety issues.

Councillor Davis

21. Report regarding the property ownership issues raised by the Regent Street neighbors at 50 and 57 Regent Street.

Councillor Born

22. Oppose the proposal by a developer to build a twelve-story building behind the Swendenborg Chapel on Quincy Street.

Councillor Born

23. Provide a copy of the Deputy City Manager's contract.

Councillor Reeves

24. Organize an awards program for landlords, developers, tenants and advocates who have made noteworthy efforts to preserve and expand affordable housing units.

Councillor Reeves

25. Happy Valentines Day to all Cantabrigians.

Councillor Reeves

26. Resolution on the death of Jerry Dangel.

Councillor Reeves, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

27. Happy Birthday to Ilene Headley.

Councillor Reeves

28. Happy 80th Birthday to Sylvia Bridgeman.

Councillor Reeves

29. Special thanks to Blackside, Inc. and Judith Richardson on the extraordinary documentary series on the artistic output of African American artists.

Councillor Reeves

30. Review the lighting situation along Franklin Street particularly in front of 411 Franklin Street.

Councillor Reeves

31. Resolution on the death of Arthur H. Doyle.

Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

CITY MANAGER'S CONSENT AGENDA FOR MONDAY FEBRUARY 8, 1999

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a member of the Council on Aging for a three year term, effective February 1, 1999:

William Lynch Cobham, 131 Fayerweather St., Cambridge

2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-22**, regarding a report on the operational status of the traffic lights at Third & Cambridge Sts., Third & Charles Sts., Sixth & Gore Sts., and Sixth & Cambridge Sts.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-21**, regarding the relocating of the methadone clinic to the East Cambridge health clinic.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-23**, regarding a report on what actions the City takes when release abatement measure plans are received and what department is responsible for action.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-16**, regarding a report on the status of the operation of the elevators at Huron Towers.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-17**, regarding a report on whether there is enough existing space and food in Cambridge for the homeless.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number Seven**, regarding the impact to the City and the redeployment of police officers involved in the elimination of the K-9 unit.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number One**, regarding a report on cost-effective measures to foster and strengthen voluntary neighborhood organizations.

9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-14**, regarding a report on poor street lighting near and around 411 Franklin Street.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board report on the Jelley, et al Petition to rezone the block bounded by River Street, Blackstone Street, Western Avenue and Putnam Avenue from its current Office 3 designation to a Residence C-1 designation.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting an appropriation of \$1,125 in the Grant Fund of the Human Service Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from the School Department and private donations to allow the Office of Workforce Development to provide employment services at CRLS Youth Employment Center.
12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$2,281.80 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from private donations to be used for emergency/transitional housing for Cambridge homeless clients at the Multi-Service Center.
13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$1,823.10 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from private donations and will be used to purchase supplies and equipment for special projects and events at youth centers.
14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$15,000 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from the Cambridge Public Health Commission to provide funds to purchase food supplies for the food pantry network.
15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$91,436 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages Account \$87,199 and Other Ordinary Maintenance Account \$4,237 from the Cambridge Housing Authority (CHA) to provide English as a Second Language, computer and writing classes for CHA residents.
16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$91,613 in the Grant Fund of the Human Services Salary & Wages Account \$78,013 and Other Ordinary Maintenance Account \$13,600 from the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance to be used to provide services to homeless persons residing at the YMCA.
17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the transfer of \$4,754 from the Grant Fund of the Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance to the Travel & Training to be used to cover the costs of

educational conferences for the staff of the Community Learning Center.

18. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-15**, regarding a report on why Cambridge didn't participate in the First Night celebration.
19. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Numbers Four and Five**, regarding a report on utility wires obstructing views from homes and whether the franchising of another cable television company will mean a doubling of the number of barrels, boxes, cables, and other appendages on utility poles and whether burying wires can become a subject of cable negotiations.
20. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$60,000 from Free Cash to the Finance (Personnel) Other Ordinary Maintenance Account to provide funds for services related to the City's labor and discipline cases.
21. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the supplemental appropriation of \$3,500 to the City Council Other Ordinary Maintenance Account to be used for facilitation services to assist the City Council in setting its goals.
22. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a response to Council Order No. 26, dated February 1, 1999, which requested a draft ordinance banning the sale of laser pens to minors in the City.

CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS - CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 08, 1999

1. A communication was received from Albert O. Wilson, Jr., Trustee, Wilson-Cambridge Realty Trust, transmitting written opposition to the petition to amend the text of the Zoning Ordinance, Article 11.500 - IPOP, in Section 11.502 as owner of following properties:
 - 35 Smith Place
 - 49 Smith Place
 - 59 Smith Place
 - 75 Smith Place
 - 40 Smith Place
 - 40B Smith Place
 - 10-20 Wilson Road
 - 55 Wilson Road

2. A bond was received from Daniel F. Long, for surety approval.
3. An application was received from **Mass. Army & Navy Store**, requesting permission to erect an "A" framed sign in front of the premises numbered 698 Mass. Ave.
4. A communication was received from Owen O'Riordan, Interim City Engineer, transmitting notification of new addresses at the premises numbered 241 River Street, (units 1-17), 245 River Street (units 1, 2 and 3), 247 River Street (units 1, 2 & 3), 249 River Street, 251 River Street, 253 River Street and 255 River Street.
5. An application was received from Dominic DeFrancisco, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 16 Sacramento Street; approval was received from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission, Public Works Department and abutters. Response has been received from neighborhood association.
6. A communication was received from Michael E. Capuano, House of Representatives, transmitting thanks for resolution urging Congress to enact a Hate Crimes Prevention Act and support for an amendment to HUD regulations allowing for a residency preference in expiring use buildings.
7. Sundry communications were received transmitting written opposition to the petition to amend the text of the Zoning Ordinance, Article 11.500 - IPOP, in Section 11.502 by the following property owners:
 - 3MJ Realty 67 Norfolk Street
 - 3MJ Realty 8-12 Essex Street
 - 3MJ Realty 6 Essex Street
 - 3MJ Realty 605 Mass Ave.
 - 3MJ Realty 599 Mass Ave.
 - 3MJ Realty 583 Mass Ave.
 - Naggar Realty 541-561 Mass Ave.
8. A communication was received from Craig A. Kelley, regarding excessive development threats at former industrial sites.
9. A communication was received from Craig A. Kelley, transmitting concerns about the North Cambridge Library Project.
10. A communication was received from Craig A. Kelley, North Cambridge Stabilization Committee, requesting assistance concerning the upcoming North Massachusetts Avenue redesign project.
11. A communication was received from Carl F. Barron, Trustee, transmitting written opposition to the petition to amend the text of the Zoning Ordinance, Article 11.500 -

IPOP, in Section 11.502, as owner of 552-554 Massachusetts Avenue.

12. A communication was received from Adam S. Yawnick, Caru Associates, transmitting written opposition to the petition to amend the text of the Zoning Ordinance, Article 11.500 - IPOP, in Section 11.502, as owner of 618-620 Massachusetts Avenue.
13. An application was received from **Mass Army & Navy** requesting permission to erect a mahogany panel sign at the premises numbered 698 Massachusetts Avenue. Approval was received from Inspectional Services Department, Community Development Department and abutters.
14. A communication was received from Marilyn Wellons and Robert J. LaTremouille, proposing text for a refiling of the Backyard Zoning Amendments.
15. A bond was received from Ernest G. Cavallo, Jr., for surety approval.
16. A communication was received from James M. Williamson, transmitting a press release issued by the Council on Hemispheric Affairs.