

MASSACHUSETTS

**City Council Calendar No. 14
Monday, May 3, 1999**

At 5:30 P.M.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-66**, regarding a report on repairing the handicapped ramp at Walden Street and Massachusetts Avenue.
PLACED ON FILE.
2. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-55**, regarding a report on establishing a safe crosswalk on Massachusetts Avenue at or near Blanche Street.
PLACED ON FILE.
3. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-77**, regarding a report on the date for a public meeting on the status of Donnelly Field.
REFERRED BACK TO CITY MANAGER FOR A MEETING TO BE SCHEDULED IN NEIGHBORHOOD IN MAY OR JUNE ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR TOOMEY.
4. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-71**, regarding a report on the possibility of placing a warning sign in the vicinity of Huron Village.
PLACED ON FILE.
5. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-38**, regarding a report on increased needs of all levels of childcare.
PLACED ON FILE.
6. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow for the design and construction of various street improvements to promote traffic calming (\$750,000) and the City's share of the costs of reconstruction of Lafayette Square and South Massachusetts Avenue (\$500,000).
PASSED TO A SECOND READING.
7. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$8,900,000 to fund the design phase of the Harvard Square Combined Sewer System Project (\$1,000,000), construction New Street pump stations and flood remediation improvements (\$2,400,000), and Cherry Street flood relief project.

PASSED TO A SECOND READING.

8. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to an order requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$24,235,000 for various capital projects included in the FY00 Capital Budget.

PASSED TO A SECOND READING.

9. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$150,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Fire Extraordinary Expenditures Account to provide funds for the purchase and installation of a diesel filtration system in all major fire vehicles.

ORDER ADOPTED.

9-0-0.

10. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to proposed zoning district changes for the following four areas in the City: 1.) Industry B to Business A in Neighborhood 3 (Columbia Road and Webster Avenue at Somerville City line; 2.) Residence C-2 to Residence C-1 in Riverside (along Western Avenue); 3.) Residence C-3 to Residence C-1 in Riverside (at Putnam Avenue, Western Avenue, Banks Street, Hingham Street and Elmer Street); and 4.) Residence C-2 to Residence B in Neighborhood 9 (at Bolton Street and Sherman Street), received from the Planning Board.

REFERRED TO PLANNING BOARD AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE FOR HEARING AND REPORT.

11. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-67**, regarding a report on a zoning analysis of the Mahoney's site and surrounding area and the historical background of the use of this site.

PLACED ON FILE.

12. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-5**, regarding a report on taking 210 Broadway and "Squirrel Brand" properties by eminent domain.

PLACED ON FILE.

13. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-48**, regarding a report on providing additional technical assistance to the East Cambridge Planning Team concerning the ComEnergy project.

PLACED ON FILE.

14. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$825 from the Cambridge Heritage Trust to the Grant Fund Historical Commission Other Ordinary Maintenance Account to cover a portion of the costs of preparing a brochure to inform property owners of the benefits of the proposed historic district in Harvard Square.

ORDER ADOPTED.

9-0-0.

15. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of a grant from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety for \$20,000 to the Grant Fund Police Salary & Wages Account (\$8,200) and Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$11,800) to provide funds for various programs aimed at helping to bring an end to violence against women.

ORDER ADOPTED.

9-0-0.

16. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to Council Order No. 2, dated November 9, 1998, which requested information on proposed regulations regarding smoking.

REFERRED TO HEALTH AND HOSPITAL COMMITTEE AND THEN TO
ORDINANCE COMMITTEE.

17. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to a communication was received from David Clem, Cambridge Research Park, LLC, transmitting a copy of a communication sent to Steve Bikofsky, President of the East Cambridge Planning Team, regarding Lyme Properties and the East Cambridge Planning Team meeting to discuss plans for Cambridge Research Park.

PLACED ON FILE.

18. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Toomey, relative to a communication was received from David Clem, Lyme Properties, LLC, transmitting additional information regarding the East Cambridge Planning Team and Cambridge Research Park.

PLACED ON FILE.

19. A charter right was exercised by Councillor Davis on an order submitted by Councillor Davis relative to a plan to reduce speeds on Western Avenue and River Street.

REFERRED TO TRAFFIC, PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION, CAMBRIDGE
POLICE DEPARTMENT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

ON THE TABLE

#20 - 33 NO ACTION TAKEN.

20. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-eight of June 22, 1998, regarding a report on what notification was given concerning the development of a hotel at 19 Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington.

21. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-one of June 22, 1998, regarding a report on the procedures if a building alarm goes off for more than ten minutes.

22. 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.
23. 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.
24. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Eleven of June 16, 1997 regarding the possibility of reducing the costs of legal advertising.
25. 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.
26. Relative to an Awaiting Report Item Number Fourteen of May 11, 1998, on the removal of street trees on Pemberton Street.
27. 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.
28. 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 which would substitute for City Council approval, approval by the City Manager for the issuance of bonds and bond refunding.
29. Relative to an appropriation of \$146,000 to support the Mayor's Initiative on race and class.
30. Relative to Awaiting Report Fifteen of January 11, 1999 regarding a report on the traffic lights on Monsignor O'Brien Highway and Museum Way.
31. Relative to Awaiting Report Seven of February 8, 1999 regarding the impact to the City and the redeployment of police officers involved in the elimination of the K-9 unit.
32. Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 99-37 of April 12, 1999, regarding a report on the amount of free cash spent this and last fiscal years and a break down of what these funds were spent on.
33. Relative to an application received from David Clem, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 47 Erie Street; approval was received from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission, Public Works Department and abutters. Response has been received from three neighborhood associations.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

34. Proposed amendment to the Municipal Code of Cambridge by adding a new chapter numberentitled "Cambridge Living Wage Ordinance." The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after March 8, 1999.

PASSED TO BE ORDAINED AS AMENDED BY SUBSTITUTION.
9-0-0.

35. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of Cambridge to require additional open space in the area of the PUD in East Cambridge. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after March 29, 1999. **The completion date for this petition is May 25, 1999.**

NO ACTION TAKEN.

36. Proposed amendment to the Municipal Code to ban the sale of laser pointer pens to minors. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after April 19, 1999.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 03, 1999

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk transmitting a memorandum from Mayor Francis Duehay regarding the United States Department of Commerce Census 2000 formation of Complete Count Committee Workshop.
PLACED ON FILE.
2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk transmitting a letter from Mayor Francis Duehay regarding the Massachusetts Bay Chapter of the Amercian Red Cross's establishment of a Kosovo Crisis Resource Center.
PLACED ON FILE.
3. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk transmitting a memorandum from Mayor Francis Duehay regarding Congressman Michael E. Capuano, Secretary Cuomo, and Members of Congress announcement of Strategy to Protect Affordable Housing.
PLACED ON FILE.
4. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting from Councillor Henrietta Davis, an updated zoning petition chart of all pending petitions before the City Council.
PLACED ON FILE.

**CONSENT ORDER LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING
OF MONDAY, MAY 03, 1999**

1. Proclaim May as **GREEN COMMUTE MONTH** and May 26th as **COMMUTE A BETTER WAY DAY**.
Councillor Davis
ORDER ADOPTED.
2. Congratulations to the Cambridge Pop Warner "A" Team on being the 1998 Eastern Massachusetts Midget Champions.
Vice Mayor Galluccio
ORDER ADOPTED.
3. Urge all Cantabrigians to pause on Memorial Day, and every day, to remember and pay tribute to our nation's defenders, living and deceased for their service and devotion to our country.
Vice Mayor Galluccio
ORDER ADOPTED.
4. Welcome Matthew Paul DeAmbrose to the world and to Cambridge.
Vice Mayor Galluccio
ORDER ADOPTED.
5. The Third Annual Mother's Day Banquet will be held on May 9th at the Dante Alighieri Society of Massachusetts, 41 Hampshire Street at 3:00 PM.
Mayor Duehay
ORDER ADOPTED.
6. Welcome newest resident Caroline Alexa Molnar, adopted daughter of Lynne Molnar, Election Commissioner, to Cambridge.
Councillor Davis
ORDER ADOPTED.
7. Appropriate departments to assist the Greek Church festival, Sancta Lucia festival, St. Cosmos and Damian Society festival; and Caribbean festival.
Councillor Sullivan and Vice Mayor Galluccio
ORDER ADOPTED.
8. Congratulations to Brian and Lorraine Albert on the birth of their son Michael Jules Albert.
Councillor Russell
ORDER ADOPTED.

9. Dedicate the corner of Pearl and Erie Streets the "Francis P. Cunningham Square."
Councillor Sullivan
ORDER ADOPTED.
10. Appreciation to the Public Works Department for planting the beautiful tulips on the front lawn of City Hall.
Councillor Born
ORDER ADOPTED.
11. Proclaim May 15-21, 1999 as **WHITE CANE AND GUIDE DOG SAFETY WEEK** in Cambridge.
Mayor Duehay
ORDER ADOPTED.
12. The Refugee Republic will be on view at the Cambridge Arts Council's Gallery 57 from May 1 to June 30, 1999 with the opening reception on May 7, 1999 between 6-8 PM.
Mayor Duehay
ORDER ADOPTED.
13. Extend Cambridge greetings to the recently adopted daughter of Tom Rogers and Hilary Fabre, Mimi Xia Rogers.
Councillor Davis
ORDER ADOPTED.
14. Resolution on the death of Mary Teresa Buono.
Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
ORDER ADOPTED.
15. Resolution on the death of Patricia M. Gibson.
Councillors Sullivan, Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
ORDER ADOPTED.
16. Resolution on the death of Francoise Barkley.
Councillors Born, Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
ORDER ADOPTED.
17. Resolution on the death of George Kassaris.
Councillors Sullivan, Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
ORDER ADOPTED.
18. Resolution on the death of Eugene Flood.
Councillors Sullivan, Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership
ORDER ADOPTED.
19. Resolution on the death of Joseph Simard.
Councillors Sullivan, Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

20. Resolution on the death of Marjorie A. Miles.

Councillors Sullivan, Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

21. Resolution on the death of Ricardo Bairos Melo.

Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

22. Resolution on the death of Andrew Coulter, Sr.

Councillor Toomey, Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

23. Confer with the appropriate agencies to consider 26 Warren Street for continued open space.

Vice Mayor Galluccio

ORDER ADOPTED.

24. Ensure that Bellis Circle residents are aware that funds have been allocated for water, sewer and flood relief.

Vice Mayor Galluccio

ORDER ADOPTED.

25. Ensure that Area Four residents are aware that funds have been allocated for water, sewer and flood relief.

Vice Mayor Galluccio

ORDER ADOPTED.

26. Contact the MBTA to expedite and encourage moving Lechmere Station to the Somerville side of Monsignor O'Brien Highway.

Vice Mayor Galluccio

CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU.

27. Congratulations to the Cambridge School volunteers on having another successful year.

Mayor Duehay

ORDER ADOPTED.

28. Congratulations to Carol Rodley on being the recipient of the 1999 James Clement Dunn Award for Excellence.

Mayor Duehay

ORDER ADOPTED.

29. Proclaim May 9-15, 1999 as Salvation Army Week in Cambridge.

Mayor Duehay

ORDER ADOPTED.

30. Welcome Central Kitchen in Central Square to Cambridge.

Councillor Reeves

ORDER ADOPTED.

31. The Fresh Pond Enrichment Program will visit City Hall and the City Council on May 3, 1999.

Councillor Reeves

ORDER ADOPTED.

32. Determine whether there has been a portrait painted of former Mayor Barbara Ackermann, and if not, make arrangements to have her portrait painted.

Councillor Reeves

ORDER ADOPTED.

33. Congratulations to Reverend Howard McLendon on receiving his Doctorate of Divinity.

Councillor Reeves

ORDER ADOPTED.

34. Recognize the important work of Eva Mosley as she retires from the Schlesinger Library at Radcliff College.

Councillor Reeves

ORDER ADOPTED.

35. Investigate whether an alternating traffic pattern could be structured so that parking can stay on the residential side of Third Street.

Councillor Sullivan

ORDER ADOPTED.

36. Resolution on the death of Nora A. Lehan.

Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

37. Resolution on the death of Benjamin Brathwaite.

Vice Mayor Galluccio and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

38. Best wishes to the Cambridge Rindge and Latin students who are attending the "The Hague Appeal for Peace" Conference in the Netherlands.

Councillor Born

ORDER ADOPTED.

39. Thanks to City Councillor and former Mayor Sheila Doyle Russell for her wisdom, her wit and her patient willingness to all points of view for the last fourteen years.

Councillor Born

ORDER ADOPTED.

40. Commend Meredith Osborn for her fine editorial in the Harvard Crimson of April 16, 1999 "The Politician in Your Neighborhood."

Councillor Born

ORDER ADOPTED.

41. Condemn Boston Financial Property Management and request tenants be restored Walden Square tenants to their original position before the sprinkler system went out of control.

Vice Mayor Galluccio

ORDER ADOPTED.

42. The seventh annual ARTS FIRST will take place May 6 through May 9, with a kick-off event on May 6 at 8:00 PM in Radcliffe's Reiman Center for the Performing Arts.

Mayor Duehay and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

43. Happy 80th Birthday to Doris Gwendolyn Bascomb.

Councillor Reeves, Vice Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Triantafillou and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

44. Extend best wishes to the 69th Annual State Convention of the Portuguese-American Civic League taking place on October 9 and 10, 1999.

Councillors Toomey, Sullivan, Vice Mayor Galluccio and Councillor Triantafillou

ORDER ADOPTED.

45. Be cognizant of and participate in the Rogers Celebration, commemorating fifteen years of the Manuel Rogers Sr. Center for Portuguese Culture and Studies at the Valente Branch Library on May 12, 1999 at 6:30 PM.

Councillors Toomey, Sullivan, Vice Mayor Galluccio and Councillor Triantafillou

ORDER ADOPTED.

46. Install additional water bubbler near the basketball courts at the Kennedy School park.

Councillors Toomey, Sullivan and Vice Mayor Galluccio

ORDER ADOPTED.

47. Look into feasibility of purchasing the site formerly known as "Squirrel Brand Properties."

Councillors Sullivan, Toomey and Vice Mayor Galluccio

ORDER ADOPTED.

48. Resolution on the death of Juliet Appleby Kepes.

Mayor Duehay and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

49. Take any and all actions necessary to abate the noise problems at the railroad yard next to East Cambridge.

Councillor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Galluccio and Councillor Toomey

ORDER ADOPTED.

50. Report on what is the City policy on an employee sick bank or a donation of an employee's sick time to a fellow employee who has run out of sick time.

Councillors Toomey, Sullivan and Vice Mayor Galluccio

ORDER ADOPTED.

51. Report on the situation at 326 Harvard Street.

Councillors Russell, Triantafillou and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

52. Support the union of Harvard University security guards, parking attendants and Fogg Museum guard regarding negotiations.

Councillors Sullivan and Toomey

ORDER ADOPTED.

53. Appreciation to NOCA for its terrific open studio event.

Councillors Triantafillou, Sullivan, Vice Mayor Galluccio and Councillor Toomey

ORDER ADOPTED.

54. Support the Cambridge Tree Project application for an Urban Forestry and Education Grant.

Councillor Born and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

55. Observe and measure the noise disturbance in East Cambridge from the MBTA trains.

Councillor Russell

ORDER ADOPTED.

56. Resolution on the death of Rosario J. Crusco.

Vice Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Triantafillou and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

57. Resolution on the death of Edward M. Lebo.

Vice Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Triantafillou and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

58. Resolution on the death of Tony Frasca.

Vice Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Triantafillou and entire membership

ORDER ADOPTED.

59. Resolution on the death of George W. Morrison.
Vice Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Triantafillou and entire membership
ORDER ADOPTED.
60. Repair the Mount Auburn Honor Roll plaque.
Councillor Russell, Toomey and Vice Mayor Galluccio
ORDER ADOPTED.
61. Congratulations to Michael and Carla Shinnars on the birth of their son Timothy.
Councillors Triantafillou, Sullivan, Vice Mayor Galluccio and Toomey
ORDER ADOPTED.

CITY MANAGER'S CONSENT AGENDA FOR MONDAY MAY 3, 1999

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-75**, regarding a report on the connection between the Minuteman Bikeway to the Charles River through Watertown being in jeopardy because of State delays.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-72**, regarding a report on the allocation of parking at University Park Development.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-55**, regarding a report on agreements by USTrust in Area Four to reach out to offer local people jobs.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-74**, regarding a report on the petition request of Universal Marketing to erect tables in front of the MIT campus and Harvard campus.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-78**, regarding a report on reimbursement of cost to the City for hiring private engineering consultants to assess the structural damage at the Mass Foundry Building.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-73**, regarding a report on the survey circulated by the Library Trustees.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the transfer of \$100,000 in the General Fund of the Fire Department from the Salary & Wages Account to the Travel & Training (Judgement & Damages) Account to

cover medical bills for ongoing heart and cancer related treatments.

8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$53,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Community Development Extraordinary Expenditures Account to provide funds for additional testing at Russell Field including consultant support and community participation.
9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-59**, regarding a report on the status of renovations to Russell Field.
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the transfer of \$3,000 in the General Fund from the Reserve Account Other Ordinary Maintenance Account to the Women's Commission Other Ordinary Maintenance Account to provide funds for the purchase of tee shirts and medals for the 3rd Annual Girls' Sports Day.
11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 99-70**, regarding a report on the appointment of a representative of the adult athletics to the Green Ribbon Committee.

CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS - CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 03, 1999

1. A communication was received from the residents and business representatives of Royal Avenue and Concord Ave. regarding the removal of trees in sidewalk at corner of Royal and Concord Avenue.
REFERRED TO THE CITY MANAGER.
2. A communication was received, transmitting written opposition to the proposed petition to rezone Industry A-1 to a new Special District 2, Linear Park, as land owner of real estate at the following locations:
 - o J.H. Emerson Co. - 22, 25-33 Cottage Park Ave.
 - o Edward F. Norberg - 2, 32-32R Whittemore Ave.
 - o Cambridge Office Associates - 2464 Mass. Ave.
 - o 95 Harvey Street Realty Trust - 95 Harvey Street
 - o Love Realty Trust - 127 Harvey Street
 - o Tyler Court Realty Trust - 35 Cottage Park Ave. & 25 Edmunds Street
 - o Robert Fawcett & Son Co. - 35 Cottage Park Ave. & 25 Edmunds St.

REFERRED TO THE PETITION.

3. A communication was received from Myra A. Mayman, transmitting grateful appreciation for the resolution adopted by the City Council in support of ARTS FIRST. PLACED ON FILE.
4. A communication was received from Luis Quesada, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Peru, transmitting response relative to Lori Berenson's imprisonment in Peru. PLACED ON FILE.
5. A communication was received from Doug Berman and Linda Siperstein, transmitting support for the preservation of open space on residential properties in Cambridge. REFERRED TO THE PETITION.
6. An application was received from Soo-Jung Kang, requesting permission to erect a banner advertising the Farmer's Markets in Cambridgeport, on Magazine Street and Memorial Drive and at Charles Square at the Charles Hotel. Approval was received from the Inspectional Services Department, and abutters. ORDER ADOPTED.
7. An application was received from India Castle, requesting permission to erect an awning in front of the premises numbered 928 Massachusetts Avenue. Approval was received from the Inspectional Services Department, Community Development Department and abutters. ORDER ADOPTED.
8. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, transmitting concerns regarding racial harassment and discrimination due to disabilities in Cambridge. PLACED ON FILE.
9. An application was received from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, requesting permission to erect a sign in front of the premises numbered 364 Main Street reading "*MIT List Visual Arts Center.*" Approval was received from the Inspectional Services Department and the Community Development Department. The land abutting to property is owned by MIT. ORDER ADOPTED.
10. A communication was received from John and Ann Cobb, transmitting support for the Sheila Cook et al. petition. REFERRED TO THE PETITION.
11. A communication was received from David Clem, Lyme Properties, LLC, transmitting a letter from Edward J. O'Connell regarding meetings with the East Cambridge Planning Team. PLACED ON FILE.
12. A communication was received from David Hoicka, transmitting support of the Toomey-Born downzoning petition and protection of East Cambridge.

REFERRED TO THE PETITION.

13. A communication was received from Craig A. Kelley, Chair, North Cambridge Stabilization Committee, relative to the Massachusetts Avenue Redesign Project Rehearings.

PLACED ON FILE.

14. An application was received from the YWCA of Cambridge, requesting permission to erect a table on Massachusetts Avenue from May 10 through May 14, 1999, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to sell raffle tickets.

REFERRED TO THE CITY MANAGER WITH POWER.

15. A communication was received from Congressman Michael E. Capuano, transmitting support to the residents of the East Cambridge, Wellington-Harrington and Area 4 neighborhoods regarding the issue of Comm/Energy development.

PLACED ON FILE.