

**HEARING SCHEDULE
CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS BEGINNING JULY 29, 2002**

Monday, July 29, 2002	5:30 P.M.	Special City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber) MEETING HELD.
Tuesday, July 30, 2002	3:00 P.M.	The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss neighborhood studies and the ingredients of a good neighborhood and a livable city. (Sullivan Chamber) MEETING HELD.
Wednesday, July 31, 2002	4:00 P.M.	The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to the Smoking Ordinance, Chapter 8.28 of the Municipal Code. (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, July 31, 2002	7:00 P.M.	Special City Council Meeting To receive an update on recent incidences of violence. (Area 4 Youth Center, Second Floor, Gymnasium, 243 Harvard Street)
Wednesday, August 14, 2002	3:00 P.M.	The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss neighborhood studies and the ingredients of a good neighborhood and a livable city. (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, September 9, 2002	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, September 17, 2002	9:30 A.M.	The Human Services Committee will conduct a public meeting to review the work of the committee over the summer and to decide the next steps. (Ackermann Room)
Monday, September 23, 2002	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, September 30, 2002	5:30 P.M.	Roundtable Meeting Discussion concerning graffiti. Informal meeting with no public comment, at which time no votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, October 7, 2002	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, October 21, 2002	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, October 28, 2002	5:30 P.M.	Roundtable Meeting Informal meeting with no public comment, at which time no votes will be taken. Meeting will not be televised. (Sullivan Chamber)

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1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Constables for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2002:

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2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-54**, regarding the poor condition of Aberdeen Avenue.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-58**, regarding a report on enforcement of speeding on Blanchard Road and trimming trees along the golf course.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-51**, regarding a report on the development of an enhancement of the request system that will allow members of the public to enter their requests electronically.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-60**, regarding how City processes take account of cumulative growth, activity and issues of access to various sites.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation on the Zoning Petition to modify regulations related to theater parking.

1. **PLACED ON FILE.**

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4. **REFERRED TO
GOVERNMENT
OPERATIONS
COMMITTEE ON
MOTION OF VICE
MAYOR DAVIS.**

5. **PLACED ON FILE.**

6. **REFERRED TO
PETITION.**

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7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-42**, regarding a report on information gathered at the DEP workshop on *Pay-As-You-Throw* program. **7. PLACED ON FILE.**
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11. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-61**, regarding a report on the condition of Area IV roadways. **11. PLACED ON FILE.**
12. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-63**, regarding a report on designating a delegation to work on controlling water quantity and protecting water quality in the Alewife watershed area. **12. PLACED ON FILE.**

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13. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-52**, regarding a report on the possibility of Cambridge charging telecommunication companies a fee for using the City's public right-of-way for running fiber-optic cables.
 14. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to proposed amendments to the Incentive Zoning Provisions of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance.
 15. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-47**, regarding why claims are not being settled promptly and what measures can be taken to ensure that contractors that do not respond appropriately are not awarded future contracts.
 16. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, regarding a legal opinion on whether the City Council may by ordinance or otherwise delegate the power to approve curb cuts.
 17. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$72,512.00 in the Grant Fund of the Human Rights Commission Salaries and Wages Account (\$47,512) and Travel and Training Account (\$25,000) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide funds for the Housing Assistance Program and the cost of a full-time Attorney-Investigator and legal interns.
13. **REFERRED TO CABLE TV, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DECKER.**
 14. **REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE AND PLANNING BOARD FOR HEARING AND REPORT.**
 15. **PLACED ON FILE.**
 16. **REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES, ARTS AND CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE ON MOTION OF VICE MAYOR DAVIS.**
 17. **ORDER ADOPTED. 9-0-0.**

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18. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$155,254.00 in the Grant Fund of the Police Department Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$65,254) and Extraordinary Expenditures Account (\$90,000) from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance to provide funds for the fourth round of sub-grants for community partnership to establish crime prevention programs. **18. ORDER ADOPTED. 9-0-0.**

19. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$107,892.00 in the Grant Fund of the Department of Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance Account from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to subsidize the cost of permanent housing for persons with disabilities who would otherwise be homeless. **19. ORDER ADOPTED. 9-0-0.**

20. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$137,000.00 in the Grant Fund of the Department of Human Services Salaries and Wages Account (\$6,850) and Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$130,250) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide funds to contract with local shelter providers and other essential services for the homeless. **20. ORDER ADOPTED. 9-0-0.**

21. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$60,000 in the Grant Fund of the Department of Human Services Salaries and Wages Account (\$48,773) and Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$11,227) from the Massachusetts Department of Education to provide funds for a portion of the salary for counselors and part-time childcare workers and subcontracted services and printing costs. **21. ORDER ADOPTED. 9-0-0.**

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22. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$46,820.00 in the Grant Fund of the Department of Public Works other Ordinary Maintenance Account from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to provide funds for recycling curbside bins, replacement totes, mailing services and other recycling program expenses. **22. ORDER ADOPTED. 9-0-0.**
23. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-64**, regarding a report on KTI Recycling's exemption from the Living Wage Ordinance **23. PLACED ON FILE.**
24. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-23**, regarding the feasibility of the City purchasing alternative fuel automobiles. **24. PLACED ON FILE.**
25. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager relative to the appropriation of \$114,983 in the Water Fund of the Water Department Salaries & Wages Account (\$22,478), Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$82,100) and (\$10,405) to provide funds for assessment, support and enhance security planning as it relates to the vulnerability assessment. **25. ORDER ADOPTED. 9-0-0.**
26. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$59,825 in the Grant Fund Human Services Salaries and Wages Account (\$9,600), Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$49,100) and Travel and Training Account (\$1,125) from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to provide funds for senior substance abuse services, transportation and weekend staff at the senior center. **26. ORDER ADOPTED. 9-0-0.**
27. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$5,500 in the Grant Fund Human Services Salaries and Wages Account from funds received from training provided by the Cambridge Prevention Coalition, to provide funds for a portion of the salary of the Community Health Trainer at the Cambridge Prevention Coalition. **27. ORDER ADOPTED. 9-0-0.**

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28. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$2,148 to the Grant Fund Human Services, from the United Way, to provide funds for the operation of the Senior Center's food pantry.

29. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 02-44**, regarding Community Greens Program and its possible implementation in Cambridge neighborhoods.

**28. ORDER ADOPTED.
9-0-0.**

29. PLACED ON FILE.

Agenda Item #4

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-51, regarding a report on the development of an enhancement of the request system that will allow members of the public to enter their requests electronically, please be advised of the following:

As part of the re-evaluation of the Hansen System, the MIS Department is looking at newer technology that will allow the City to move the Customer Service Management systems to the Internet. When the best technology to support the City's needs is determined, the City will have to consider the resources required to support this system in responding to all issues, requests and complaint entered into the system. The increase in the number of requests entered into the system will be significant. It is anticipated that the re-evaluation of the Hansen System and review of newer technology will be completed by the end of this year.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

Agenda Item #8

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-50, regarding a report on the Hansen System, please be advised of the following:

The Hansen System was deployed to most City departments in 1999. Since that time, the City has tracked close to 10,000 entries and resolved 93% of those issues. The response time varies with the complexity of the Council Order or request that has been entered. Hansen has acted as a strong tracking tool for the City. It provides us with a historical database of the type of issues and which departments handle the most issues. Since being implemented in 1999 there have been significant advances in Customer Service Management technology. We are currently re-evaluating Hansen against other tools to ensure that we evolve our systems to provide a streamlined and effective service to the City of Cambridge and its' residents. Our direction will be to move systems and services to the Internet.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

Agenda Item #3

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-58, regarding a report on enforcement of speeding on Blanchard Road and trimming trees along the golf course, please be advised of the following:

The Cambridge Police Department has issued directed patrols in the area of Blanchard Road to address the problem of speeding. In addition, the Selective Enforcement Unit has Traffic Units set-up on Blanchard Road conducting radar enforcement during the day and evening shifts.

With reference to pruning trees along the golf course, Recreation Director Paul Ryder met with effected property owners bordering the golf course. The bordering trees on one of the properties are on golf course property are mostly healthy species that are native to the reservation and should not be removed. However, golf course staff, under the direction of the Acting City Arborist, has been removing the underbrush and are carefully pruning the trees in order to improve the vista. With reference to the second property, the trees in question are on private property. Permission has been given to the owner to arrange for the private contractor to prune those trees. In order to undertake the pruning, the contractor must set up their equipment on golf course property. After communicating with the property owner, on July 2, 2002, it was agreed that the work will be done on July 22, 2002.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

Agenda Item #1

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please be advised that I am appointing the following persons as Constables Without Power for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2002:

Denton J. Randolph, 1 Longfellow Place, #3014, Boston, MA 02114
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Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

Agenda Item #2

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-54, regarding the poor condition of Aberdeen Avenue, Public Works Commissioner reports the following:

The Aberdeen Avenue project includes roadway and sidewalk reconstruction as well as traffic calming measures. This street, together with other streets is being done under the Chapter 90 contract, which is expected to begin in September. It is anticipated that work to Aberdeen Avenue will begin late spring of 2003 and be completed by September of 2003. When a more defined schedule for Aberdeen Avenue is received, the Department will update the community.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

Agenda Item #6

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached for your consideration a Planning Board recommendation on the Zoning Petition to modify regulations related to theater Parking.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

July 2, 2002

To the Honorable, the City Council:

SUBJECT: Zoning Petition to Modify Regulations Related to Theater Parking.

Recommendation. The Planning Board recommends adoption of the petition as filed (text attached).

Discussion. In Article 6.000 of the Zoning Ordinance, theaters are treated differently from other non-residential uses with regard to where the required accessory parking may be located. Non-residential uses generally (whether retail establishments or offices) are given the option to put the required accessory parking on the lot upon which the use is located or on another lot, provided that second lot is located within three hundred feet of the site of the activity. Theaters, however, must locate their required accessory parking on the lot upon which the theater is situated.

This particular provision of the accessory parking regulations has come to light because it prevents placement of accessory parking serving the proposed theaters at Cambridge Research Park in the approved pooled parking garage that technically will be on a different lot from the lot on which the theaters will be built. However, the theaters and the parking facility will be directly across from each other on a newly created street within the development. That parking facility, approved by the Planning Board for this Planned Unit Development, will serve many other uses in the PUD including offices, housing, a hotel and restaurants, some of which will be located further away than the theaters will be from the parking garage. The below-grade parking facility is an integral part of the urban design plan for the entire ten acre site and enables the creation of a handsome, more pedestrian friendly urban precinct. The existing parking limitation in the Ordinance would require that this proposed theater's parking be provided on its own site, unnecessarily increasing the negative impact of cars and vehicular circulation in the development.

Rather than try to address this anomalous circumstance only within the PUD-3 district, it is the Planning Board's view that a city-wide solution is most appropriate so that theaters, like all other non-residential uses, can take advantage of pooled parking where such parking and theaters are proposed in any future project. During the public hearing process no reason has been advanced as to why theaters should be treated differently from other commercial uses.

The Board is confident that there are sufficient safeguards in place, both in Article 6.000 and through the Project Review Special Permit process, to ensure that no negative consequence will flow from allowing theaters to be treated just like every other commercial use allowed in the city.

Respectfully submitted for the Planning Board,

Thomas Anninger, Chair

In Article 6.000 of the Zoning Ordinance, amend the Text by deleting Paragraph C of Section 6.22.1 as follows:

6.22 *Location.* All accessory off street parking facilities shall be located in accordance with the provisions of subsections 6.22.1, 6.22.2 and 6.22.3.

6.22.1 Accessory off street parking facilities may be located on the same lot as the use being served or on another lot that has the same or less restrictive zoning classification as the lot on which the use being served is located in accordance with the following conditions:

- (a) (1) said other lot is contiguous to the lot on which the use being served is located; or
 - (2) said other lot is within three hundred (300) feet of the lot on which the use being served is located and the use being served is nonresidential; or
 - (3) said lot is within three thousand (3000) feet of the lot on which the use being served is located, such use is an institutional use listed in Subsection 6.36.3b and said use is located within a five acre area containing one or more lots, contiguous except for streets, owned by a single institution; and
- (b) said lot is not now and was not within the past five (5) years the location of a preferably preserved significant building (as defined in the General Ordinances of Cambridge) as determined by the Cambridge Historical Commission.

~~(c) however, no off site accessory parking facilities shall be allowed to meet the requirements for Subsection 6.36.5h "Theatre or hall for public gatherings".~~

6.22.2 The Board of Zoning Appeal may grant a special permit for off site accessory parking not allowed in Subsection 6.22.1 (a) provided that convenient and safe access from the parking facility to the use being served is provided in accordance with the following conditions:

- (a) No off site accessory parking facility may be located on a lot which has a more restrictive zoning classification than the lot on which the use being served is located.
- (b) Off site accessory parking facilities shall be located within four hundred (400) feet of the lot being served for residential uses and within one thousand (1000) feet of the lot for other uses.

6.22.3 Accessory bicycle parking spaces required under the provisions of this Article 6.000 must be located on the same lot as the use being served or a contiguous lot in the same ownership.

Agenda Item #5

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-60, regarding a report on how City processes take account of cumulative growth, activity and issues of access to various sites, received from Assistant City Manager for Community Development Beth Rubenstein.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

TO: Robert W. Healy
City Manager

FROM: Beth Rubenstein, Assistant City Manager
for Community Development

DATE: July 10, 2002

RE: Response to Council Order #8, dated 6/10/02
How City Processes Take Account of Cumulative Growth, Activity and Issue of Access
to Various Sites

In response to this order, which grew out of concerns about future development of Harvard University's North Campus in the Agassiz neighborhood, the following summarizes ways in which city processes currently address issues of cumulative growth, traffic and site impacts in a neighborhood. In addition, I am suggesting that you form a working group of neighborhood representatives, city officials and Harvard representatives to address planned and future changes to the North Campus.

Citywide Rezoning

In 2001, the Cambridge City Council adopted a number of revisions to the zoning ordinance following a multi-year, community-based planning process. These changes were intended, among other things, to address concerns about the amount and character of development in the city, provide opportunities to increase the supply of housing, and provide ongoing opportunities for public review of large projects. Of particular concern were transition zones, like the one between Harvard University and the Agassiz neighborhood, where fairly dense development is located next to small scale residential areas.

Article 19:000 Project Review

The Citywide Rezoning, adopted in February 2001, instituted a permanent process for public review of large development projects in all areas of Cambridge. Through Article 19:000 of the ordinance, the city adopted a special permit procedure requiring Planning Board review of the traffic and urban design impacts of projects meeting certain thresholds.

For university facilities, the trigger for preparation of a traffic study is creation of 150 new parking spaces or the relocation of 250 existing parking spaces.

The traffic review process requires project proponents to complete a Traffic Impact Study (TIS) which is then reviewed by city staff and the Planning Board. Traffic studies typically describe traffic impacts (both daily and peak hour), expected impacts on pedestrians and bicyclists, points of site access, intersection level-of-service impacts and other major areas of impact. Where certain impact thresholds are exceeded, mitigation commitments are made by the proponent to ensure that any traffic "exceedances" are addressed in the future. Even when a traffic study is not required, Article 19:000 requires an urban design review by the Planning Board of any university building to be built within 100 feet of a public way.

PTDM

In addition to the traffic impact review under Article 19:000, since 1998 the city has had a Parking and Transportation Demand Management Ordinance (PTDM). This ordinance requires preparation of a PTDM plan by any development proponent whose project adds non-residential parking spaces, bringing the total of such spaces to twenty or more. The plan must be approved by the city before a building permit can be issued. The purpose of this requirement is to make sure that the developer is taking reasonable, active steps to reduce the proportion of "drive alone" trips to the project site, especially at

peak hours. When both Article 19:000 and PTDM apply, the review of PTDM plans is well coordinated with review of the TIS. Generally the Planning Board will make compliance with PTDM a condition of the special permit granted by the Board.

Universities may relocate parking spaces without triggering PTDM, provided their total number of spaces in the city does not increase.

Hammond Street Rezoning

As part of the Citywide study process, a number of key transition areas in the city were looked at, among them the Hammond Street edge in the Agassiz neighborhood. Harvard initiated a study process with Agassiz neighbors, which resulted in rezoning of the Hammond Street edge to provide a better physical transition. This zoning change, adopted by the city council in spring 2002, created a 100 foot transition overlay zone in which building heights were reduced (generally to 35 feet), minimum setbacks were increased, and breaks in building massing were required to create a more neighborhood “feel” at the edge.

Suggestions for Additional Analysis in Agassiz Neighborhood

In addition to all of the processes noted above, I recommend that additional actions be taken as Harvard plans the future of the North Campus. It would be beneficial for a working group made up of representatives from the neighborhood; the Community Development, Traffic, Parking & Transportation, and Public Works Departments; and Harvard to meet regularly to make sure that important issues concerning traffic and other impacts are being addressed. The goal would be to ensure that both short-term (Hammond garage) and long-term plans for the North Campus do not overwhelm or cause negative impacts to the surrounding neighborhood. This group would also provide another forum for public input into Harvard’s plans for the North Campus.

The planning of the interior Harvard campus is appropriately the work of the university. However, the city can play an important role by providing peer review of traffic analysis, providing information on the latest TDM and other mitigation measures and making sure the best possible traffic and construction impact information is provided to the wider community. We have discussed this proposal to form a working group with officials from Harvard and would propose that such a group be appointed by you and begin meeting this summer.

Agenda Item #7

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-42, regarding a report on information gathered at the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's workshop on *Pay-As-You-Throw* program, received from Public Works Commissioner Lisa Peterson.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

TO: Robert W. Healy, City Manager

FROM: Lisa Peterson, DPW Commissioner

**TOPIC: Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's
Pay-As-You-Throw Program**

DATE: July 10, 2002

In response to Awaiting Report #02-42 regarding a report on information gathered at the Department of Environmental Protection's workshop on Pay-As-You-Throw (PAYT) programs, please be advised that on June 13th a member of the Department of Public Works attended a conference on PAYT which highlighted the following topics:

- Examples of how communities are currently using PAYT to reduce waste and save disposal costs;
- PAYT full-cost accounting analyses for communities;
- Open forum addressing concerns about PAYT implementation;
- Eligibility requirements for PAYT grants from DEP; and
- Practical advice from representatives of PAYT communities.

Overview of Pay-As-You Throw

In communities with pay-as-you-throw programs, residents are charged for the collection of municipal solid waste based on the amount they throw away. This creates a direct economic incentive to recycle more and to generate less waste. Currently there are approximately 101 communities in Massachusetts who are utilizing PAYT programs. Communities range in size from New Ashford, which has a population of 192 people and services 84 households to Worcester, which has a population of 169,759 people, and services 50,000 households.

Traditionally, residents pay for waste collection through property taxes or a fixed fee, regardless of how much or how little trash they generate. PAYT breaks with tradition by treating trash services just like electricity, gas, and other utilities. Households pay a variable rate depending on the amount of service they use.

Most communities with PAYT charge residents a fee for each bag or can of waste they generate. Either way, these programs are simple and fair. The less individual's throw away, the less they pay.

Environmental sustainability. Communities with programs in place have reported significant increases in recycling and reductions in waste, due primarily to the waste reduction incentive created by PAYT. Less waste and more recycling mean that fewer natural resources need to be extracted. In addition, greenhouse gas emissions associated with the manufacture, distribution, use, and subsequent disposal of products are reduced as a result of the increased recycling and waste reduction PAYT encourages

Economic sustainability. PAYT is an effective tool for communities struggling to cope with soaring municipal solid waste management expenses. Well-designed programs generate the revenues communities need to cover their solid waste costs, including the costs of such complementary programs as recycling and composting. Residents benefit, too, because they have the opportunity to take control of their trash bills.



Equity. One of the most important advantages of a variable-rate program may be its inherent fairness. When the cost of managing trash is hidden in taxes or charged at a flat rate, residents who recycle and prevent waste subsidize their neighbors' wastefulness. Under PAYT, residents pay only for what they throw away.

Observations/Conclusions

With solid waste disposal rates rising and landfills becoming scarcer the trend toward more aggressive recycling is becoming a necessity. While the PAYT program has been successful in many cities and towns throughout Massachusetts there are few that would be comparable to Cambridge in size and density. DEP has listed some of the hurdles in implementing a program such as this, ranging from educating the public about solid waste costs to illegal dumping, all of which would be a concern if implemented here. Finally, the need to properly assess the existing waste stream is key to determining what type of cost/effort should be put into a PAYT throw programs. Taking Worcester as an example, this city's PAYT program proved to be extremely successful. When the program was first implemented in 1993, the recycling rate rose dramatically from 3% to 36%. That being said Worcester, to that point, did not have a curbside-recycling program in place; it was launched at the same time as PAYT. Currently the City of Worcester is recycling at a rate of 27% and will be increasing the cost of bags to cover operating costs for solid waste and recycling programs. If we were to compare Worcester's program with our own we could make the argument that a properly implemented recycling program with dedicated employees can compete with an established pay-as-you-throw program.

The Department of Public Works will continue to explore the possibility of implementing a PAYT program along with any other programs that allows for an increase in our recycling rate. With the addition of a new Recycling Director we are looking ahead to refresh our public outreach efforts and renew the City's commitment to recycling.

Agenda Item #9

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-57, regarding a report feasibility of providing a kiosk for non-electronic information in City Hall and other City buildings, please be advised of the following:

Public Information Officer Ini Tomeu met with Leigh Rooney, who has coordinated much of the design and renovation work at City Hall, in order to develop an information area that is consistent with “the look” of the building.

Currently, there is a desk near the switchboard operator that contains internal city information and some outside publications, such as the Cambridge Tab and Boston Metro.

The newly redesigned information area will replace the current desk with a table to hold newspaper and non-city information, and two, 2-sided brochure racks to hold city information, including brochures, fliers, booklets on various programs and services.

In checking status of information in other City buildings, 51 Inman St., (which houses Elections Commission, Human Services, Women’s Commission, Human Rights Commission, Animal Commission, Disabilities Commission) has brochure racks in common areas as well as some throughout the building with information specific to the departments located there.

Likewise, the building at 831 Massachusetts Avenue (which houses Inspectional Services, License Commission/Consumer’s Council, Police Review and Advisory Board and MIS) has brochure racks with department specific information.

When the building at 57 Inman is renovated, we will address the need for brochure racks there, again with information specific to those buildings.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

Agenda Item #10

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-55, regarding a report on a plan to develop public information cable television spots, please be advised of the following:

Public Information Officer Ini Tomeu, met with Calvin Lindsay, Cable Office Director, and Julia Bowdoin, Assistant to the City Manager, regarding development of Cable public information spots on general topics, such as traffic safety, literacy, etc. Two areas have been identified to focus on initially for the August/September time period:

1. Back to School Safety tips - when walking to the bus and using crosswalks and;
2. Bike/pedestrian safety - reminding cyclists that they are subject to the same laws as drivers.
3. For October, we will develop a literacy type message, though sometimes national campaigns do address this topic. If that is the case, we can localize it more to Cambridge.
4. Looking ahead to winter, we can develop a spot on snow emergencies and sidewalk snow removal requirements.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

Agenda Item #11

July 29, 2002

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report #02-61 regarding a report on the condition of Area IV roadways, Public Works Commissioner Lisa Peterson reports the following:

The Department of Public Works is about to embark on a major infrastructure renewal program in the Area 4 Neighborhood that will incorporate streetscape improvements. This program will address flooding and back-up problems in the area as well as upgrading water and gas levels of service as well. This program will be a multiyear program and will involve new stormwater, sewer, water distribution and gas mains and service lines as well as new streets and sidewalks once all of the utilities have been upgraded.

It is important that this work is done as part of a program where disruption is minimized and where the community receives maximum benefit as quickly as possible in a cost-effective way. The sequencing of infrastructure projects will be done so that once neighborhood streets have new sewer lines, they also have new stormwater, water and gas mains and where when new sidewalks and streets are constructed we are confident that they will not be ripped up again in the near future.

Our preliminary schedule for the area proposes new systems in the area immediately to the North East of Columbia Street and Bishop Allen Drive, where the focus is preventing water from this area entering the School Street/Pine Street area. This work will begin in FY03. After that work is complete then we expect to do more significant construction work in the Pine Street, Cherry Street and School Street area, where new sidewalks and streets will be constructed once the utilities are upgraded.

In the meantime we will continue to maintain the streets and sidewalks in the area by paving those sections in most significant distress and removing and replacing those sidewalk sections where such is most necessary.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Agenda Item #12

July 29, 2002

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-63, dated June 17, 2002, I have appointed the following individuals to the City's delegation to work on controlling water quantity and protecting water quality in the Alewife watershed area:

Owen O'Riordan, City Engineer, Department of Public Works
Sarah McLennan, Director, Cambridge Conservation Commission
Julia Bowdoin, Assistant to the City Manager

This delegation will work cooperatively with relevant Federal and State agencies and neighboring communities on issues related to water quality and quantity in the Alewife Brook watershed.

Very Truly Yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Agenda Item #13

July 29, 2002

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-52, regarding the possibility of Cambridge charging telecommunication companies a fee for using the City's public right-of-way for running fiber-optic cables, Chair of the License Commission, Benjamin Barnes, reports the following:

Currently, the City of Cambridge, through the Pole and Conduit Commission, collects a fee from all utility and telecommunication corporations for use of public ways in Cambridge. The Pole and Conduit Commission assesses each corporation a maintenance fee as well as a mitigation fee for use of the public way. Mitigation fees are project-specific and can be either in monetary form or in the form of in-kind services (e.g., water main repairs, park improvements, road/sidewalk improvements, etc.) During FY02, the Pole and Conduit Commission collected over \$800,000 in fees and mitigation value.

The Pole and Conduit Commission is reviewing the City of Boston's plan to collect a percentage of telecommunications profits for use of the public way. In the past, however, such actions have been struck down by the courts as illegal taxes or violations of the Federal Communications Act of 1996.

Very Truly Yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Agenda Item #14

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to the Council's request to complete a new Incentive Zoning "Linkage" study, I am pleased to report that the study has been completed and I am submitting recommended changes to the zoning ordinance for your consideration.

Based on an analysis completed for the city by Barry Bluestone from the Center for Urban and Regional Policy and Jerold Kayden from Harvard University, two primary changes are recommended:

- 1) Increase the fee from the current rate of \$3.28 to \$7.83, to be phased in over the next two years. Developers would not be required to pay the full fee of \$7.83 until September 2004.
- 2) Require developers to pay the fee at the time that the Certificate of Occupancy is issued. The current ordinance requires payment based on the fee in effect at the time the building permit is issued. I recommend that the fee be calculated at the rate in effect at the time of Certificate of Occupancy, since this is when the impact on housing prices occurs.

I request that this proposal be forwarded to the Ordinance Committee and the Planning Board for further review and analysis.

Very Truly Yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Proposed Amendments to the Incentive Zoning Provisions of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance

Amend the Text of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge by doing the following (new text is indicated in **Bold** and deletions are indicated with a ~~strikethrough~~):

A. Amend Section 11.200 – Incentive Zoning Provisions and Inclusionary Housing by making the additions and deletions as indicated below:

11.202 *Applicability.*

11.202.1 *Applicability of Incentive Zoning Provisions.* Where a developer chooses to seek to obtain a special permit pursuant to the sections listed below, which special permit authorizes an increase in the permissible density or intensity of a particular use in the proposed development, the developer shall be subject to the applicable provisions of this Section 11.200 et al. Increases in density or intensity of use shall include an increase in gross floor area or height, a reduction or waiver of parking requirements, or a change in dimensional requirements or the addition of uses that result in an increase in density or intensity of use.

Section 6.35	Reduction in required parking for nonresidential development
Section 20.24.2	Special Permit for Additional Non-residential Uses in the Mixed Use Residential Overlay District
Section 20.108	Divergence from dimensional requirements, North Massachusetts Avenue Overlay District
Section 20.54.2(2)	Additional height, Harvard Square Overlay District
Section 20.54.4(2)	Waiver of parking and loading requirements, Harvard Square Overlay District
Section 20.54.5(2)	Exemption from yard requirements, Harvard Square Overlay District
Section 20.63.7	Divergence from dimensional requirements, Parkway Overlay District
Section 20.304.2(2), (3)	Additional height, Central Square Overlay District
Section 20.304.4	Waiver of setback requirements, Central Square Overlay District
Section 20.304.6	Waiver of parking requirements, Central Square Overlay District
Section 17.13.1(b)	Additional FAR, Special District I
Section 17.17	Transfer of Development Rights, Special District I
Section 17.42.3	Special Permit for Additional Height in Special Districts 4 and 4A
Article 13.00	PUD Districts, all permits.

11.203 Requirements

11.203.1 Requirements for Incentive Zoning Contributions. A developer of an Incentive Project shall either make a Housing Contribution in accordance with this Section 11.203.1 (a) or shall create or cause to be created housing, in accordance with this Section 11.203.1 (b).

(a) Housing Contribution. For any project that is in whole or in part an Incentive Project, and that is, in total, less than thirty thousand (30,000) square feet of gross floor area, no contribution shall be required.

For any project of thirty thousand (30,000) square feet of gross floor area or more, the developer shall contribute **the following dollar amount, applicable at the time of the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy**, for every square foot of gross floor area over two thousand five hundred (2500) square feet of that portion of the project authorized by the Special Permit that is an Incentive Project.

- (i) Three dollars and twenty-eight cents (\$3.28) **through September 30, 2002.**
- (ii) **Five dollars and fifty-six cents (\$5.56) from October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003.**
- (iii) **Six dollars and seventy cents (\$6.70) from October 1, 2003 through September 30, 2004.**
- (iv) **Seven dollars and eighty-three cents (\$7.83) after September 30, 2004**

Before the Superintendent of Buildings issues the first occupancy permit for the Incentive Project the developer of the Incentive Project shall deliver the Housing Contribution **required above, payable to the City of Cambridge**, to the then Managing Trustee of the Affordable Housing Trust or **to the Cambridge Community Development Department**, its designee.

The amount of the **base** Housing Contribution **set forth above shall may** be subject to review and recalculation three (3) years after ~~the effective date of this provision~~ **September 30, 2004** and every three (3) years thereafter by the Cambridge City Council **as an amendment to this Section 11.200** based on a consideration of current economic trends including but not limited to development activity, commercial rents per square foot, employment growth, and housing trends measured in terms of, but not limited to, vacancy rates, production statistics, and prices for dwelling units. **However**, The Board of Trustees for the Affordable Housing Trust may adjust the amount annually **after September 30, 2005** based on **the national Consumer Price Index (CPI)** or a similar standard to reflect changes in inflation rates.

(b) Housing Creation Option. The Developer of an Incentive Project required to make a Housing Contribution in Subsection 11.203.1 (a) above may create or cause to be created affordable units for occupancy exclusively by eligible households, or may donate land to be used exclusively for the development of affordable units. These units or land donation, must be of equivalent benefit toward addressing the City's affordable housing need as the housing contribution otherwise required.

When this option is chosen a Developer shall obtain a report from the Board of Trustees of the Affordable Housing Trust, which report shall accompany the special permit application and shall advise the special permit granting authority as to whether the proposed Housing Creation conforms to the intent and purposes of this Section 11.200 et al. The report shall also recommend such conditions, if any, as the Trustees may find appropriate to the issuance of the special permit to assure full compliance with the intent of this Section 11.200.

The special permit granting authority shall give due consideration to the report of the Board of Trustees in granting any special permit subject to this Section 11.200 et al., and, in its discretion may approve the developers use of the Housing Creation Option.

B. Amend Section 10.48 of Section 10.40 – Special Permits by making the additions indicated below:

10.48 As expressly authorized in Section 9 of the Zoning Act M.G.L., Ch 40A, the following Special Permits, which authorize increases in the permissible density of population or intensity of a particular use in the proposed development, shall be subject to the provisions of Section 11.200 of this Ordinance.

- Section 6.35 Reduction in required parking for nonresidential development
- Section 20.24.2 Special Permit for Additional Non-residential Uses in the Mixed Use Residential Overlay District**
- Section 20.108 Divergence from dimensional requirements, North Massachusetts Avenue Overlay District
- Section 20.54.2(2) Additional height, Harvard Square Overlay District
- Section 20.54.4(2) Waiver of parking and loading requirements, Harvard Square Overlay District
- Section 20.54.5(b) Exemption from yard requirements, Harvard Square Overlay District
- Section 20.63.5 Parkway Overlay District
- Section 20.63.7 Divergence from dimensional requirements, Parkway Overlay District
- Section 20.304.2(b),(c) Additional height, Central Square Overlay District
- Section 20.304.4 Waiver of setback requirements, Central Square Overlay District
- Section 20.304.6 Waiver of parking requirements, Central Square Overlay District
- Section 17.13.1(b) Additional FAR, Special District I
- Section 17.17 Transfer of Development Rights, Special District I
- Section 17.42.3 Special Permit for Additional Height in Special Districts 4 and 4A**
- Article 13.000 PUD Districts, all permits.

Agenda Item #15

July 29, 2002

To the Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-47, regarding why claims are not being settled promptly and on what measures can be taken to ensure that contractors that do not respond appropriately are not awarded future contacts, Russell B. Higley City Solicitor reports the following:

With respect to the specific question of whether claims are settled promptly, especially claims that involve damage caused by one of the City's contractors, I would note that while every claim is investigated prior to a decision being reached, some claims may take longer than others to resolve. If a claim involves a contractor, it is our usual practice to refer the claim to the contractor or its insurer for prompt action. In those instances, the Law Department makes every effort to see that the contractor and/or its insurer gives full consideration to such claims and takes action as promptly as possible. There are occasions when the City, even after conferring with the contractor and/or its insurer or others with knowledge of the claim, denies a claim, based upon the fact that the City itself, or others acting on its behalf, is not responsible for the damages claimed.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manger

RWH/dls

Agenda Item #16

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to City Council Order No.19, dated 06/10/02, regarding a legal opinion on whether the City Council may by ordinance or otherwise delegate the power to approve curb cuts, Russell B. Higley, City Solicitor reports the following:

The City Council's statutory authority to grant curb cuts derives from the provisions of G.L. c. 82 s 21, which authorizes the City Council to accept, lay out and alter public ways. Unless there is a special act specifically authorizing some other official or body to grant curb cuts, this authority rests solely with the City Council pursuant to that statute.

If the City Council wished us to prepare a home rule petition for the passage of such a special act, we would need additional information as to whether the City Council would seek to delegate all of its powers with respect to the acceptance, layout and alteration of the public ways, or only with respect to curb cuts. Whether the City Council were to decide on a complete or only a partial transfer of its authority, the special act would provide for the transfer of that authority to the City Manager, after following appropriate procedures.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls

Agenda Item #17

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby requesting the appropriation of a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for \$72,512 to the Grant Fund Salaries and Wages account (\$47,512) and Travel and Training account (\$25,000) to provide funds for the Fair Housing Assistance Program which covers case processing, education and outreach, participation in mandatory HUD-sponsored training and other fair housing activities. The Salaries and Wages portion of this appropriation will cover a large share of the cost of the full-time Attorney-investigator's salary as well as the salaries of legal interns with the remaining \$25,000 to be used for training.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls

Agenda Item #18

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby requesting the appropriation of a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for \$155,254 to the Grant Fund Police Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$65,254) and Extraordinary Expenditures account (\$90,000) to provide funds for the fourth round of sub-grants for community partnerships to establish crime prevention programs involving cooperation between community residents and law enforcement personnel and enhance computer and M.I.S. capabilities.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls

Agenda Item #19

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby requesting the appropriation of the Shelter Plus Care grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for \$107, 892 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account to subsidize the cost of permanent housing for persons with disabilities who would otherwise be homeless. The City contracts with the Cambridge Housing Authority for these services.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls

Agenda Item #20

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby requesting the appropriation of Federal Emergency Shelter Grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for \$137,000 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salaries and Wages account (\$6,850) and Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$130,150) to provide funds to enable the Department of Human Services to contract with local shelter providers for operating costs of shelter facilities and homeless prevention activities and other essential services for the homeless.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls

Agenda Item #21

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am requesting the appropriation of a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Education through the Children's Trust Fund for \$60,000 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salaries and Wages account (\$48,773) and Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$11,227) to provide funds to cover a portion of the salaries of two counselors and four part-time childcare workers as well as certain subcontracted services and printing costs.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls

Agenda Item #22

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby requesting an appropriation of \$46,820 in the Grant Fund of the Public Works Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account. Funds were received from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and will be used by the Recycling Division for curbside bins, replacement toters, mailing services, and other program expenses.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWJ/dls

Agenda Item #23

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item Number 02-64, regarding a report on KTI Recycling's exemption from the Living Wage Ordinance, received from Michael Gardner, Personnel Director.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls



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PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT
MICHAEL P. GARDNER
Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Robert W. Healy
City Manager

FROM: Michael P. Gardner
Personnel Director

DATE: July 18, 2002

RE: Council Order #9, dated June 17, 2002 RE Report on KTI Recycling's Exemption from the Living Wage Ordinance

In the fall of 2000, The Recycling Unit in the Public Works Department advised us of the opportunity to extend the contract with KTI Recycling for the disposal of our recycling materials, such as newsprint, plastics, glass and metal.

Because KTI did not pay all its workers \$10.25 / hour or more, and were not willing to do so, we discussed alternatives. The only other feasible facility to accept our recycling materials was located in Brockton. It was determined that it would not be practical or economical to require our materials to be transported to that site, given the increased time cost and air pollution resulting from such long round trips (estimated at between 95,000—119,000 extra road miles a year. In addition, the operator of that facility BFI informally indicated that they would most likely not bid the Cambridge work if they were to be subject to the Living Wage, which they also did not pay.

KTI therefore seemed to be the only likely vendor available to us. KTI indicated they would not bid on our contract if they were subject to the \$10.25 Living Wage.

With no other options available we recommended that in order to extend the contract a waiver from the Living Wage should be sought.

KTI made its presentation to the Living Wage Advisory Committee on December 14, 2000. KTI indicated that it was not financially viable for them to pay workers at the Cambridge Living Wage rate. They indicated that they had long term contracts with over 50 communities and that the Cambridge materials were approximately 7% of their volume. They indicated there was no way to segregate the Cambridge work and set up a two-tier wage structure for employees working with Cambridge originating recyclables. They pointed out that they had received a waiver from Somerville, on Somerville's much lower (\$8.56/hour) Living Wage requirement. KTI pointed out that they provide health insurance benefits to their employees, and that line workers and managers all receive the same plan. KTI was praised by members of the Living Wage Advisory Committee for their record of hiring disabled workers.

As the minutes of the meeting (attached) indicate, three different motions were made concerning the Advisory Committee's recommendation for a waiver. The first was to grant a waiver through July 14, 2002. Apparently no vote was taken on that motion. A second motion was made to grant a waiver through July 14, 2001. That motion was passed. The minutes reflect a third motion, to grant the waiver, but with no indication of a limitation on the ending date of the contract. That motion was also passed.

After receipt of this set of recommendations from the Living Wage Advisory Committee, the City set about renegotiating an extension of the contract with KTI. The City determined that it was in its long term best interest to negotiate a four year extension of the agreement, because that provided the best price, most advantageous to the City and its taxpayers, and because it improved stability in what can be a very volatile market, which can leave us vulnerable, particularly when there is, in essence, in the region, one sole source outlet for our recyclables.

The criteria that the Living Wage Advisory Committee and the City used in considering the waiver include

Whether there would be inordinate expense to the City

Whether there would be a significant loss of services

Whether the contracted work can or cannot be segregated from the other work of the Covered Employer.

The City considered these issues both with respect to extending the contract and the length of the extension. Although considered by the Advisory Committee, the City did not consider using the length of the contract as an economic tool to force KTI to change its pay practices. This is not a criterion authorized by the Ordinance.

In addition to the Minutes of the Dec. 14, 2000 Living Wage Advisory Committee meeting, also find attached materials the Committee had before it at the time, including the letter from KTI advising us that they would not contract with the City if the contract was subject to the Living Wage and the letter from the Acting Commissioner of Public Works indicating the reasons why a contract was in the best interest of the City.

Agenda Item #24

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a combined response to Awaiting Report Item Number 02-23, regarding the feasibility of the City purchasing alternative fuel automobiles, received from Lisa Peterson, Commissioner of Public Works, Susan Clippinger, Director of Traffic, Parking & Transportation and Sam Corda, Managing Director of the Water Department.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls

STUDY FEASIBILITY OF CITY POLICY – PURCHASING OF ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLES – revised 7-23-02

The Cambridge Department of Public Works (DPW), Traffic and Parking (TPD) and Water Departments (CWD) have reviewed the options available to the City for Alternative Fuel Vehicles and improved fleet fuel economy aimed at reducing our reliance on imported oil, the emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG's) and conventional air pollutants (NO_x, SO_x, VOCs). The current and future options available to the City are as follows:

- Electric
- Compressed natural gas
- Hybrid (electric/gasoline)
- Biodiesel
- Purchase of more fuel efficient standard vehicles
- Improved fuel economy derived from driver training and instruction
- Enforce current policy on reduced idling times for vehicles

The City currently has experience with Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and electric vehicles. The TPD has 2 electric vehicles that have been in use for 2 years. This experience has been poor at best with reliability and range continuing to be the major problems. The CWD currently is utilizing a single CNG full size pick-up truck that has been in service for one year. The experience has been excellent. The one issue for an expanded CNG fleet is the location of the CNG fill stations. The station that is currently being used is on Route 128 (Old Roy Rogers Truck Stop) in Lexington.

The City is also part of a consortium bid to purchase biodiesel. This fuel is made locally and reduces particulate and GHG emissions. Experience in the US has been extremely favorable. The City is planning on piloting this alternative fuel.

To further the City's contribution to reduced GHG's and conventional air pollution and reduced dependence of foreign oil, the following activities will be pursued.

CNG Vehicles

Work with NSTAR, MIT and Harvard at locating one or more CNG filling stations within the City of Cambridge.

Work with others within Cambridge to help to leverage a CNG station as soon as possible.

Purchase and use more CNG vehicles.

Electric Vehicles

The City has no desire, based on our recent history, to purchase additional electric vehicles. The City will continue to monitor the technology and available vehicles in the event that reliability and performance improve.

Hybrid Vehicles

Currently there are only two sedan models (Toyota and Honda) available. These will be considered for appropriate uses. The future promises that hybrid versions of pick-up trucks and other classes of vehicles. When this occurs the City will evaluate and determine a policy on the purchase of these types of hybrid vehicles for appropriate uses.

Biodiesel

See above paragraph on the biodiesel implementation plan.

Fuel Efficient (FE) Vehicles

The City is currently implementing this where possible. S-10 vehicles (small sized pick-up truck) are currently being used where appropriate and the use of smaller more fuel efficient engines are also being pursued. This will depend on the application of the vehicle and in some cases this can be done. The pick-up truck purchase options should be as follows: 1) heavy duty vehicle use - 8 cylinder engine; medium duty vehicle use – 6 cylinder engine; light duty vehicle use - 4 cylinder engine).

Improve Fuel Efficiency via Driver Training

The City is looking at the feasibility of implement a driver training program to help improve fuel economy by teaching employees how to drive to conserve fuel.

Enforced Idling Policy

The applicable Department will review and better enforce the current idling policy for all City drivers. This will be implemented through all Departments

Green Fleet Policy

This effort will be coordinated through the Environmental & Transportation Planning Division of the Community Development Department. The concerted effort of DPW, CWD, TPD, Fire and Police will be required to make this a successful program.

We anticipate that the green fleet policy will be developed and implemented over the next 3 years and be updated on an annual basis as technologies change and improve.

Agenda Item #25

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find for your review and action an appropriation from the United States Department of Environmental Protection to the Water Fund Water Department for \$114,983.00. The distribution of the funds are (\$22,478) to the Salary and Wages Account, for indirect labor and fringe benefits for Department personnel to support the vulnerability assessment, (\$82,100) to the Other Ordinary Maintenance Account for consulting and other services to carry out a significant portion of the vulnerability assessment, emergency response and security planning, and (\$10,405) to the Travel and Training Account to send Department personnel to the "Sandia National Labs" for assessment methodology for water utilities.

The intent of this grant is to : 1) assess the vulnerability of the Cambridge Water system ad it relates to adverse conditions and malevolent acts; 2) review and improve our emergency operations planning relating to response, communication and notification; and 3) enhance security planning and design as it relates to the vulnerability assessment.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Agenda Item #26

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby requesting the appropriation of the State Formula Grant from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs for \$59,825 to the Grant Fund Human Services Salaries and Wages Account (\$9,600), Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$49,100), and Travel and Training Account (\$1,125) to provide substance abuse services for seniors, transportation for seniors to medical appointments and weekly food shopping, and weekend staff for the Senior Center.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls

Agenda Item #27

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am hereby requesting the appropriation of \$5,500 in funds received from training provided by the Cambridge Prevention Coalition to the Grant Fund Human Services Salaries and Wages Account to provide funds to cover a portion of the salary of the Community Health Trainer at the Cambridge Prevention Coalition.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls

Agenda Item #28

July 29, 2002

To the Honorable, The City Council:

I am requesting the appropriation of \$2,148 in funds received from the United Way to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance Account to provide funds for the operation of the Senior Center's food pantry.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Agenda Item #29

July 29, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item Number 02-44, regarding Community Greens Program and its possible implementation in Cambridge neighborhoods, Beth Rubenstein Assistant City Manager for Community reports the following:

Community Greens

“Community Greens” is a concept that involves creating shared neighborhood space. This idea is promoted by a newly created national organization, based in Arlington, Virginia, called Community Greens (<http://www.communitygreens.org>), which is a partnership between Ashoka: innovators for the Public and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Community Greens encourages the development of shared space inside urban blocks in cities across the United States. Its focus is on collaborating with local organizations and providing resources and services to assist these organizations in creating community greens.

Community greens can be created through three different approaches including private parties aggregating small private parcels into larger, shared community space through the use of easements; developers taking the initiative to incorporate common areas in multi-family residential projects; or by privatizing public ways, such as alleys, and converting them into landscaped, shared open space.

Shared spaces that are created through community greens are generally not open to the public, but are used by participating neighbors who enter into legal land agreements with each other. The spaces are usually fenced to protect against liability, and are privately maintained by its user. Typically, a fee is paid by all owners/users which is used to maintain the space. The fee is determined by the needs and constraints of the residents, the amount of land to be maintained, and the amount of time the community is willing to volunteer.

Resources available from Community Greens

Community Greens is a national organization that does not approach communities directly, but instead work with local partners such as non-profit organizations and local government. They recommend that local organizations and local governments share the benefits of community greens with their communities and neighborhoods. They also provide guidelines and design principles for successful projects, as well as fundraising techniques and sources.

To begin the process of creating a community green there must be a group of interested home or building owners who agree to its creation and would like to work with Community Greens. Once an agreement is reached a deed mechanism is created; in many cases an easement has been used. The legal mechanism that binds the property is determined on a project by project basis with the guidance of Community Green. It is important that the mechanism ensures that the community green remains in place as the property changes hands.

Benefits

According to Community Greens the following benefits are associated with creating an open space:

Easily accessible and safe play space for children;
Building of strong communities through neighbors enjoying and managing their garden space together;
Improvement of users' quality of life through increased casual interactions and new friendships; and
Visually unifying the block by providing a substantial green space.

Surrounding neighbors may also benefit from the creation of community greens, through the rise of property values, and increased safety and security of the area due to neighbors looking out for each other. The environment may also benefit from increasing the city's tree canopy on these newly planted spaces.

Application to Cambridge

We expect there to be limited opportunities in Cambridge for the creation of community greens. In many neighborhood yards are small and often not contiguous, making it difficult to create meaningful shared yard space. However, we will make information about Community Greens available on the City's web site and make literature from Community Greens available as appropriate at community meetings for those circumstances where creation of a community green may be possible. In such cases, we will provide technical assistance to interested parties. We will also work with developers to ensure that the feasibility of creating community greens be explored whenever larger areas of land are being developed.

Very truly yours

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/dls

MASSACHUSETTS

**City Council Calendar No. 15
Monday, July 29, 2002**

At 5:30 P.M.

ON THE TABLE

1. Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square, 1-11 Shady Hill Square and 36 Holden Street.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

2. Landmark Designation Study Report for designating as a protected landmark the Tulip Tree at 1436 and 1446 Cambridge Street.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. Petition from Harvard University requesting a sub-surface easement located between 1720 and 1737 Cambridge Street for the purpose of constructing an underground pedestrian and service tunnel beneath Cambridge Street.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

**APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS -
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JULY 29, 2002**

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| 1. An application was received from Great Eastern Trading Company, requesting permission for a sign at the premises numbered 49 River Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development Departments and abutters. | 1. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 2. An application was received from Alfred J. Puras, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 10 Union Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. Approval has been received from the neighborhood association. | 2. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 3. An application was received from Donald Parilla, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 77 Thorndike Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. Disapproval has been received from one neighborhood association and no response from the other neighborhood association. | 3. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 4. An application was received from Stephen Moore, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 10 Bellevue Avenue; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical and Public Works. Approval has been received from two neighborhood associations and no response from the other neighborhood association. | 4. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 5. An application was received from Real Pizza, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign at the premises numbered 359 Huron Avenue. | 5. REFERRED TO CITY MANAGER WITH POWER. |
| 6. An application was received from Salon Luna, Inc., requesting permission for a banner at the premises numbered 1878 Massachusetts Avenue. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development Departments and abutters. | 6. ORDER ADOPTED. |

**CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS -
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| 1. A communication was received from Mary E. Cushing, transmitting thanks for the resolution adopted by the City Council on behalf of her husband David. | 1. PLACED ON FILE. |
| 2. A communication was received from Lawrence H. Summers, President of Harvard University, thanking the City Council for the resolution congratulating Harvard University for their recent partnership with SEIU. | 2. PLACED ON FILE. |
| 3. A communication was received from Nathan and Jill Daschle, transmitting thanks for the resolution adopted by the City Council congratulating them on the birth of their son, Henry Thomas. | 3. PLACED ON FILE. |
| 4. A communication was received from Anne M. Paulsen, State Representative, regarding the Alewife Master Plan. | 4. PLACED ON FILE. |
| 5. A communication was received from Kate Frank and Lynda Lytle Holmstrom, regarding continued flooding in the Agassiz area. | 5. PLACED ON FILE. |
| 6. A communication was received from H. Bowen Woodruff, regarding truck traffic on Garden Street. | 6. PLACED ON FILE. |
| 7. A communication was received from Joseph E. Connarton and family, transmitting gratitude for the resolution adopted by the City Council on behalf of their brother Thomas. | 7. PLACE ON FILE. |

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8. Sundry communications received from the following Riverside residents, regarding how they feel about preserving the character of life in their neighborhood.

Rosalie Post	7 Athens Street
Thomas O'Leary	7 Athens Street
Joshua Bowman	15 Athens Street
Reed Alexander	22 Banks Street
Susanna Ulfelder	30 Banks Street
Howard Ulfelder	30 Banks Street
Natalie Bishop	179A Western Avenue
Steven Wayne	179 Western Avenue
Wynne Freed	16 Soden Street
Shirley Eng	7 Temple Place
P.F. Kinsman	35 Walden Street
(Illegible signature)	22 Jay Street
(Illegible signature)	932 Massachusetts Avenue
(Illegible signature)	2 Mount Auburn Street

9. A communication was received from Roy Bercaw, regarding lethal effects of bias towards persons with disabilities.

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| 1. Expressing appreciation to Joanne Trainor for her many years of dedicated service and wishing her well in her retirement.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 1. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 2. Expressing appreciation to Julia M. Toomey for her thirty-nine years of dedicated service and wishing her well in her retirement.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 2. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 3. Expressing appreciation to Guy J. Deluca for his twenty-three years of dedicated service and wishing him well in his retirement.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 3. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 4. Expressing appreciation to James Brewin for his many years of dedicated service and wishing him well in his retirement.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 4. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 5. Resolution on the death of Joseph F. Deignan, Jr.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 5. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 6. Resolution on the death of Ernest Lowe, Jr.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillors Galluccio, Maher and entire membership | 6. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 7. Resolution on the death of Josephine Geraigery-Ruseckas.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillors Galluccio, Toomey, Maher and entire membership | 7. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 8. Resolution on the death of Richard J. Martin.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 8. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 9. Resolution on the death of Paula Beth Johnson.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 9. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 10. Extending best wishes to Catherine “Kitty” Walsh on the occasion of her 95 th Birthday.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 10. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 11. Extending best wishes for a successful event to <i>Spare Change News</i> as it hosts the North American Street Newspaper Association 7 th annual conference.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 11. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 12. Extending its sincere thanks to Diane Mickle for her many years of service to the City of Cambridge and wish her well in her future endeavors.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 12. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 13. Resolution on the death of Mary Cappucci.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 13. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 14. Extending best wishes to Mamie Compton on the occasion of her 102 nd birthday.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 14. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 15. Resolution on the death of Stanley J. Wencis.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 15. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 16. Commending the Police officers and Firefighters for their heroic action and further extend its sincere gratitude and appreciation to them for their courageous acts of heroism in service to the citizens of Cambridge.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 16. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 17. Resolution on the death of Alfred H. Szulewski.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillors Galluccio, Toomey and entire membership | 17. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 18. Resolution on the death of John Smart.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 18. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 19. Resolution on the death of Staci Laverne Clarke.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 19. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 20. Resolution on the death of Agnes Moriarty.
Councillor Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 20. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 21. Resolution on the death of Leo C. Abramo.
Councillors Galluccio, Toomey and entire membership | 21. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 22. Resolution on the death of Annabel A. Verches.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 22. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 23. Resolution on the death of Angelina M. Bushee.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 23. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 24. Resolution on the death of Barbara R. Barnes.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 24. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 25. Resolution on the death of Roberta M. Dottin.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 25. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 26. Resolution on the death of Anne Culhane.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 26. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 27. Resolution on the death of Michael J. Harkin.
Councillors Galluccio, Maher and entire membership | 27. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 28. Resolution on the death of Alice P. Bailey.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 28. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 29. Resolution on the death of John F. "Jack" Hayes.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 29. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 30. Resolution on the death of Ann M. Sullivan.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 30. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 31. Resolution on the death of Charles H. Kaveney.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 31. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 32. Resolution on the death of Fern M. Imperato.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 32. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 33. Resolution on the death of Herbert F. Silva.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 33. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 34. Resolution on the death of Ann Siegel.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 34. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 35. Resolution on the death of John Allen Dean.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 35. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 36. Resolution on the death of Jill A. Brown-Rhone.
Councillors Toomey, Maher, Mayor Sullivan, Councillors Reeves,
Galluccio, Simmons and entire membership | 36. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 37. Wishes for a speedy recovery to Anna Reardon, wife of Cambridge Fire
Chief Gerald Reardon.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 37. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 38. Proclaiming September 2002 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Cambridge.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 38. ORDER ADOPTED AS AMENDED. |
| 39. Expressing appreciation to Ellen Silva for her many years of dedicated service to the citizens and to the City of Cambridge.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 39. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 40. Expressing appreciation to Dorothy Russell-Daly for her twenty-six years of dedicated service to the citizens and to the City of Cambridge and wishing her well in her retirement.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 40. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 41. Resolution on the death of Anne M. (McElroy) Considine.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 41. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 42. Resolution on the death of Eleanor Florence Galgay.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 42. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 43. Resolution on the death of Virginia (Mello) Hutte.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 43. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 44. Resolution on the death of Olive M. Johnson.
Councillors Reeves, Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 44. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 45. Resolution on the death of John J. Ferola.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 45. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 46. Resolution on the death of Kathleen D. (Conroy) Cooney.
Councillors Galluccio, Toomey and entire membership | 46. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 47. Resolution on the death of Peter Taverna.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 47. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 48. Resolution on the death of Helen (Assuncao) Varum.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 48. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 49. Resolution on the death of Bessie (Metahouris) Didris.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 49. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 50. Resolution on the death of Shirley Duggan.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 50. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 51. Resolution on the death of Roy P. Harlow.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 51. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 52. Resolution on the death of Harriette (Karawacki) Rogowicz.
Councillors Galluccio, Toomey and entire membership | 52. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 53. Resolution on the death of Anna Spooner.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 53. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 54. Resolution on the death of Priscilla M. (Sullivan) Symington.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 54. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 55. Resolution on the death of Eva Felistas Wulff.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 55. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 56. Resolution on the death of Rose M. Petingi.
Councillor Toomey, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 56. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 57. Resolution on the death of Margaret Downey.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 57. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 58. Resolution on the death of Margaret R. McElearney.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillors Galluccio, Toomey and entire membership | 58. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 59. Resolution on the death of Paul L. Doughty.
Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 59. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 60. Resolution on the death of John Carey.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 60. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 61. Resolution on the death of Dorothy E. Clinton.
Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 61. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 62. Resolution on the death of Joseph Jarosiewicz.
Councillors Galluccio, Toomey, Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Maher and entire membership | 62. ORDER ADOPTED AS AMENDED. |
| 63. Resolution on the death of Raymonde P. Balian.
Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 63. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 64. Resolution on the death of Mary (Panzino) Masci.
Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 64. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 65. Resolution on the death of Theodore S. "Ted" Williams.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 65. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 66. Congratulating Nabil and Joseph Sater in winning the award at the 14 th
Anniversary of CCTV of service to the Cambridge Community.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 66. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 67. Resolution on the death of Patrick Shannon.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillors Galluccio, Maher and entire membership | 67. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 68. Inviting all Cantabrigians to participate in the 20 th Annual running of the
"Doc" Linskey Road Race healthy fund raising event.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 68. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 69. Resolution on the death of William Ledyard Mitchell, Jr.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 69. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 70. Resolution on the death of Antonio "Tony" Giordano.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 70. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 71. Resolution on the death of Mary P. Brodbine.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 71. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 72. Resolution on the death of Rosemary DeCarlo.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 72. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 73. Resolution on the death of Clara Nuttoli.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 73. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 74. Resolution on the death of Josephine Puglia.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 74. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 75. Resolution on the death of Nellie Venardi.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 75. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 76. Resolution on the death of Pauline A. Savini.
Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 76. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 77. Extending Happy Birthday wishes to Councillor Marjorie Decker.
Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership | 77. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 78. Thanking John G. O'Brien for his twenty-five years of dedicated service to health care and the citizens of Cambridge.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 78. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 79. Resolution on the death of Ellen M. Al-Weqayan.
Councillors Galluccio, Reeves and entire membership | 79. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 80. Resolution on the death of June Chambers.
Councillors Maher, Galluccio and entire membership | 80. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 81. Resolution on the death of Louise E. Henry.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 81. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 82. Resolution on the death of Thomas A. Gormley.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 82. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 83. Congratulating Eric J. Nugent, Brandon M. Hugh, Richard J. Roycroft Jr., David M. Croak and Barry S. Clinton as the new firefighters in the City of Cambridge.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 83. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 84. Resolution on the death of Dr. John F. Fagan.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 84. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 85. Resolution on the death of Joseph A. Costa, Sr.
Councillors Toomey, Galluccio, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 85. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 86. Resolution on the death of Ruth Prager.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 86. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 87. Resolution on the death of Florence A. Gagne.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 87. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 88. Resolution on the death of Richard A. Guthrie.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 88. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 89. Proclaiming October 2002 as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and October 18 th as National Mammography Day in the City of Cambridge.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 89. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 90. | Congratulating Cynthia Jensen in successfully completing the MACC training course and wish her continued success.
Mayor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership | 90. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 91. | Resolution on the death of Richard J. Kelley.
Councillor Toomey, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 91. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 92. | Resolution on the death of Royal L. Bolling, Sr.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 92. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 93. | Congratulating Janet Whitla, Cheryl Vince Whitman, Vivian Guilfooy and Katharine Hanson for all they have done to promote gender equality and wish them continued success.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 93. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 94. | Resolution on the death of David J. Harrigan.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 94. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 95. | Resolution on the death of Agnes M. Smith.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 95. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 96. | Resolution on the death of Dr. Arthur Lee Loeb.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 96. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 97. | Resolution on the death of John A. Drohan.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 97. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 98. | Resolution on the death of Richard Marshall.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 98. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 99. | Resolution on the death of Claire A. Collari.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 99. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 100. | Resolution on the death of Steven G. Kokoros.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 100. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 101. | Extending best wishes for a speedy recovery to Helen Taylor.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 101. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 102. | Thanking Bradford Comer for his dedicated service to the City of Cambridge and its residents, as well as wishing him well with his future endeavors.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 102. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 103. | Congratulating William Kemeza in becoming the 28th President of Boston College High School.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 103. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 104. | Resolution on the death of Edward J. Saheed.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 104. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 105. | Expressing appreciation to Lisa Stuardi for her excellent work at the Cambridge Chamber of Commerce and wishing her well on her future endeavors.
Councillor Maher and entire membership | 105. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 106. | Resolution on the death of Louise A. Appleton.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 106. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 107. | Resolution on the death of John C. Proctor.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 107. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 108. | Resolution on the death of Doris E. Young.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 108. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 109. | Expressing condolences to Margo Howard, Cambridge resident and writer, on the death of her mother Esther Lederer, who was also known by her many fans, and readers as Ann Landers.
Councillor Decker and entire membership | 109. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 110. | Thanking Cambridge and Somerville Elder Services for continuing the program and urging the agency to work with the residents to improve the quality of the meals.
Councillor Maher and entire membership | 110. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 111. | Thanking the City Manager, and the Community Development staff for their work to continue to have a grocery store at the Huron and Concord Avenue location.
Councillor Maher and entire membership | 111. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 112. | Resolution on the death of Gardy Jean.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 112. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 113. | Resolution on the death of Robert Sousa.
Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 113. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 114. | Congratulating “Dani” and Phaedra with the release of “I’m That Girl” and wish them continued success.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 114. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 115. | Thanking Cynthia Jensen for her service on the Cambridge Conservation Commission and congratulate her on the successful completion of the Conservation Commission fundamentals course.
Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership | 115. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 116. | Resolution on the death of Virginia Ferullo.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 116. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 117. | Resolution on the death of Arthur Koogias.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 117. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 118. | Extending best wishes to John Roberts on the occasion of his retirement.
Councillor Decker and entire membership | 118. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 119. | Extending a very Happy 75 th Anniversary to the Sheraton Commander Hotel.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 119. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 120. | Extending a speedy recovery to Jean Clark.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 120. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 121. | Thanking the Cambridge Fire Chief, the Cambridge Police Commissioner and Professional Ambulance Services for their quick response to the explosion.
Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 121. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 122. | Expressing appreciation to James Broderick of Hyperion Catalysis for his community service and efforts toward job creation.
Councillor Murphy and entire membership | 122. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 123. | Sending prayers and wishes for peace to the organizers and participants of the 57 th annual Hiroshima Peace Memorial Peace Ceremony.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 123. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 124. | Congratulating Aidan Alleyne and Valerie Harris on their upcoming nuptials.
Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 124. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 125. | Congratulating Reverend Dr. Louis Attles on his marriage to Kelley Renee Mitchell.
Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 125. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 126. | Extending congratulations to Charles Colbert on his graduation from the Weston School of Theology.
Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 126. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 127. | Congratulating Ida Jones on the occasion of her receiving her Ph.D.
Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 127. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 128. | Extending congratulations to Jeff Seifert, Executive Director of the Cambridge Y.M.C.A., Denise Jillson, Director of Development and the Y.M.C.A. staff for their exemplary efforts to make the Cambridge Y.M.C.A. a place which truly welcomes people.
Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 128. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 129. | Congratulating Reverend Dr. Leroy Attles, Sr. and St. Paul A.M.E. Church on the 25 th Ministerial Anniversary of Reverend Dr. Leroy Attles, Sr. at St. Paul A.M.E. Church.
Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 129. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 130. | Congratulating Timothy Toomey on receiving the Presidents Award from the St. Cosmos and Damien Society.
Councillor Maher and entire membership | 130. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 131. | Congratulating Sal and Patricia DiDomenico on receiving the Man and Woman of the Year Award from the St. Cosmos and Damien Society.
Councillor Maher and entire membership | 131. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 132. | Congratulating David Clem on receiving the Presidents Award from the St. Cosmos and Damien Society.
Councillor Maher and entire membership | 132. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 133. | Expressing appreciation to the organizers of the Cambridge Caribbean Festival and urging Cambridge residents to come to the Caribbean Festival on Sunday, August 25, 2002 and to its kick-off celebration in front of City Hall Friday evening August 23, 2002.
Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 133. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 134. Wishing Leigh Hornbeck good luck with her future endeavors and thanking her for her energetic and dedicated reporting style during her employment with the Cambridge Chronicle.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 134. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 135. Congratulating the newly installed officers of the America Legion Marsh Post No. 442.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 135. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 136. Thanking Bill Chemeli for his dedicated service to the Hands Across America program and for his active involvement with the North Cambridge Crime Task Force's National Night Out.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 136. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 137. Extending the official greetings of the City of Cambridge to the Doshisha University University Alumni Chorus.
Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 137. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 138. Prepare a suitable resolution on greetings the Mayor of Tskuba Japan.
Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 138. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 139. Resolution on the death of Mary T. Reed.
Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 139. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 140. Resolution on the death of Mary C. Silk.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Galluccio and entire membership | 140. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 141. Resolution on the death of James F. Brennan.
Mayor Sullivan, Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 141. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 142. Extending get well wishes to Brian Honan and further letting him know that he is in our thoughts and prayers.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 142. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 143. Extending a sincere welcome to Reverend Clyde Talley, his wife, Sister Yolanda and their children upon the arrival to the City of Cambridge.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 143. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 144. Congratulating Mary Albano, Tayla Caggian, Kaitlyn Davis and Chiara McCarthy on their performance in the King Midas and the Palace of Gold.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 144. ORDER ADOPTED. |

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| 145. | Wishing a speedy recovery to Harold Becker.
Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 145. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 146. | Commending the Police Officers who apprehended the perpetrator of the graffiti vandalism.
Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership | 146. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 147. | Resolution on the death of Jack H. Backman.
Councillor Reeves, Mayor Sullivan and entire membership | 147. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 148. | Resolution on the death of Dana Laird.
Mayor Sullivan, Vice Mayor Davis, Councillor Murphy and entire membership | 148. ORDER ADOPTED. |

**POLICY ORDER AND RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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| 1. Dedicating the corner of Sherman and Bolton Streets to be named “DiLeo Square.”
Mayor Sullivan | 1. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 2. Requesting the City Manager to conclude an agreement with the Massachusetts Highway Department to implement the regional truck study recommendations as soon as possible.
Councillor Murphy and Vice Mayor Davis | 2. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 3. Requesting the City Manager to direct the city’s law department to draft an ordinance requiring the use of helmets while operating motorized scooters.
Mayor Sullivan | 3. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 4. Dedicating the corner of Hurley and Fifth Streets as “Bernes ‘Beanies’ Aruda Square;” and be it further
Mayor Sullivan | 4. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 5. The City Departments along with the golf course staff work with the residents along Grove Street to create a plan to trim overgrown trees along the golf course.
Councillor Galluccio | 5. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 6. Asking members of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees to restore the \$400 million in workforce funding that was removed from the FY 02 Supplemental Appropriations negotiations.
Mayor Sullivan | 6. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 7. Requesting the manager to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Community Development to work with the Bicycle Committee to evaluate the safety of bicycle lanes and routes on major streets and to provide the City Council with a comprehensive study of bike routes and alternative routes.
Councillor Decker | 7. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 8. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works to provide the City Council with a coordinated and comprehensive plan on the causes of and proposed remedies for the unresolved flooding in the Agassiz area.
Vice Mayor Davis, Councillor Decker and Mayor Sullivan | 8. ORDER ADOPTED. |

**POLICY ORDER AND RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MONDAY, JULY 29, 2002**

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| 9. Requesting the City Manager to instruct city departments to assist the organizers of the Greek Festival, the Santa Lucia Festival and the Saints Cosmos and Damien Festival.
Mayor Sullivan | 9. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 10. Amend Section 2.118.020 c of Chapter 2.118 Statements of Financial Interests by Certain City Officials and Persons Conducting Business with the City of the Municipal Code.
Councillor Toomey | 10. REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE FOR HEARING. |
| 11. Requesting the City Manager to direct NSTAR to investigate the cause for the many outages recently experienced in the Mount Auburn/Strawberry Hill section of Cambridge and receive NSTAR's proposed solution to this problem.
Mayor Sullivan | 11. ORDER ADOPTED AS AMENDED. |
| 12. Requesting the City Manager to investigate the City of Chicago's current attempt to find alternate means of generating power throughout the city.
Mayor Sullivan | 12. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 13. Requesting the City Manager to implement said moratorium, in order to provide for a City Council hearing and full community discussion on whether the buildings at 238 Broadway shall be used for affordable housing.
Councillor Reeves | 13. ORDER ADOPTED AS AMENDED. |
| 14. Requesting the City Manager to direct the Planning Board to review the zoning ordinance as it relates to measuring and altering the grade of a lot as it relates to the height of buildings and other dimensional requirements.
Vice Mayor Davis | 14. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 15. Thanking the Department of Public Works for their courtesy and professionalism during a major paving project.
Vice Mayor Davis | 15. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 16. Requesting the City Manager to utilize available means, including city cable and Internet, to promote the energy conservation programs available to consumers through NSTAR.
Vice Mayor Davis | 16. ORDER ADOPTED. |

**POLICY ORDER AND RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MONDAY, JULY 29, 2002**

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| 17. Requesting the City Manager to coordinate with the Mayor's Office in preparation for the one-year anniversary of the September 11 th tragedy to observe this occasion with suitable appropriate commemorative events.
Mayor Sullivan and Vice Mayor Davis | 17. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 18. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Community Development to study the possibility of changing to bicycle routes located between the sidewalk and parked cars.
Councillor Simmons | 18. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 19. Establish a pedestrian park at Lafayette Park and said park to be dedicated to Jill Brown-Rhone.
Councillor Simmons | 19. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 20. Requesting the City Manager to report on the street repaving schedule as it relates to Pine Street between Harvard and Washington Street.
Councillor Simmons | 20. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 21. Requesting the City Manager to report back to the City Council on the progress of the Riverside Neighborhood Study recommendations and outline the timetable for release of the recommendations from the Planning Board.
Vice Mayor Davis | 21. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 22. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation, the MBTA and any other appropriate staff and/or agency to determine how often the train tracks at Fresh Pond Shopping Center are used and to install signage and/or warning lights appropriate to the level of usage.
Councillor Toomey | 22. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 23. Council and Mayor see that the Cambridge Sister City delegation traveling to Ghana, Ivory Coast, Togo and Benin be provided with the necessary items of municipal protocol.
Councillor Reeves | 23. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 24. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the Conservation Commission and the appropriate Belmont offices to request that all efforts be made to preserve the forest that protects Cambridge from floodwaters.
Councillor Toomey | 24. ORDER ADOPTED. |

**POLICY ORDER AND RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MONDAY, JULY 29, 2002**

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| 25. Mayor's Office and City Council provide all the necessary protocol and city gifts to the Cambridge Community Chorus for presentation to Japanese hosts and officials.
Councillor Reeves | 25. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 26. Supporting the restoration of the needed resources for homeless people in the FY'03 budget.
Mayor Sullivan | 26. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 27. Requesting the City Manager to confer with the appropriate staff to ensure that as part of the renovations at Donnelly Field, the fields and areas dedicated to Robert Walsh, Anna Johnson and Chuck DeGugliemo are rededicated and marked with appropriate plaques.
Councillor Toomey and Mayor Sullivan | 27. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 28. Requesting the City Manager to transmit the report on Community Greens to the Historical Commission to possibly respond to issues at Shady Hill Square or other locations.
Vice Mayor Davis, Councillor Reeves and Mayor Sullivan | 28. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 29. Requesting the City Manager to report to the City Council on the availability to the public of the toilet facilities at the Walter J. Sullivan Water Treatment Plant.
Vice Mayor Davis | 29. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 30. Provide copies of the regulations on scooters from Malibu, CA and New York City, NY and the Federal Department of Transportation technical definition of "operator control."
Councillor Maher | 30. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 31. That the meeting on noise be continued to hear from the city staff on this issue.
Vice Mayor Davis | 31. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 32. Instruct appropriate departments to secure copies of regulations concerning noise from other communities.
Vice Mayor Davis | 32. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 33. Prepare a written information packet to be included with the Fall, 2002 Women and Minority Business Directory and on the Web and inform all city departments the importance of bills owed by the city to be paid in a timely manner.
Councillor Simmons | 33. ORDER ADOPTED. |

**POLICY ORDER AND RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MONDAY, JULY 29, 2002**

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| 34. Secure a report from NSTAR on the exact and projected amount expended on maintenance for the last three years.
Vice Mayor Davis | 34. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 35. Take necessary steps to have information added to the web site that lists the names and telephone numbers of city personnel who the public should call with a noise complaint.
Vice Mayor Davis | 35. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 36. Refer the subject of boom cars to the Police Department for comments and to conduct a public awareness campaign that the Noise Ordinance will be enforced as it relates to boom cars.
Vice Mayor Davis | 36. ORDER ADOPTED. |
| 37. Instruct appropriate city department that when noise complaints are received on university property that the complaint be referred from 911 to the License Commission and report on the type of noise complaint, the protocol and criteria used and review the ordinance to see that it covers the technical points to nuisance noise and assure enforcement of the ordinance is practical.
Vice Mayor Davis | 37. ORDER ADOPTED. |

O-1.

July 29, 2002

MAYOR SULLIVAN
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record dedicating the corner of Sherman and Bolton Streets be named "DiLeo Square;" and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Mayor's Office be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for the sign.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR MURPHY
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Truck traffic has been an ongoing problem throughout Cambridge, adversely affecting the safety, health and well-being of many Cambridge residents; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge and its residents expended significant time and resources studying the problem of truck traffic and seeking solutions through the City Manager's Truck Traffic Advisory Committee from 1995-1998; and

WHEREAS: In response to the thorough work of the Truck Traffic Advisory Committee, the Cambridge City Council unanimously passed Ordinance 1224 on June 21, 1999, prohibiting through truck traffic (trucks without origins or destinations in the City) on all City streets from 11 PM to 7 AM; and

WHEREAS: At the request of the State and in the spirit of cooperating with neighboring municipalities in an effort to address truck traffic in a comprehensive regional manner, the City of Cambridge agreed to participate in a regional truck study conducted by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC); and

WHEREAS: As a sign of good faith in the regional process, the City of Cambridge agreed to postpone implementation of Ordinance 1224 pending the results of the regional study; and

WHEREAS: On June 27, 2001, the MAPC Committee on Regional Truck Issues released its final recommendations which included a nighttime curfew on through trucks on all City streets, with limited exceptions to provide a viable nighttime truck route through the City; and

WHEREAS: In the more than one year subsequent to the release of the final regional recommendations, the Mass Highway Department has failed to come to an agreement with the City of Cambridge to implement the regional recommendations in lieu of Ordinance 1224; and

WHEREAS: Ordinance 1224 has been stayed for more than three years while the many Cambridge residents adversely affected by truck traffic have waited for a regional solution; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council urges the City Manager to conclude an agreement with the Massachusetts Highway Department to implement the regional truck study recommendations as soon as possible; and be it further

RESOLVED: That if a satisfactory agreement is not reached by September 25, that the City Council reaffirms Ordinance 1224 and directs the City Manager to immediately implement its provisions; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Her Excellency, Acting Governor Jane Swift, the Commissioner of the Massachusetts Highway Department, the Metropolitan Area Planning Council, the Cambridge Legislative Delegation, and the Executives of the municipalities of Somerville, Medford, Belmont, Arlington, Everett, Watertown, and Boston.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-3.

July 29, 2002

MAYOR SULLIVAN
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
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COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the city's law department to draft an ordinance requiring the use of helmets while operating motorized scooters; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
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City Clerk

O-4.

July 29, 2002

MAYOR SULLIVAN
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Council dedicate the corner of Hurley and Fifth Streets as “Bernes ‘Beanies’ Aruda Square;” and be it further

ORDERED: That the Mayor’s Office be directed to confer with the family regarding a suitable dedication ceremony and communicate with the Department of Public Works to arrange for a suitable sign.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
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City Clerk

O-5.

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOPR DECKER
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Departments along with the golf course staff work with the residents along Grove Street to create a plan to trim overgrown trees along the golf course.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
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City Clerk

O-6.

July 29, 2002

MAYOR SULLIVAN
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
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COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record asking members of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees to restore the \$400 million in workforce funding that was removed from the FY 02 Supplemental Appropriations negotiations; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this order to the members of the Massachusetts Congressional delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-7.

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR DECKER
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
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ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Community Development to work with the Bicycle Committee to evaluate the safety of bicycle lanes and routes on major streets and to provide the City Council with a comprehensive study of bike routes and alternative routes.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
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City Clerk

O-8.

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
MAYOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works to provide the City Council with a coordinated and comprehensive plan on the causes of and proposed remedies for the unresolved flooding in the Agassiz area discussed in the attached letters and petition.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

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D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-9.

July 29, 2002

MAYOR SULLIVAN
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: An important goal of the City Council is to foster community by supporting opportunities for citizens to know each other within their community and for new residents to get to know the history, values and fellow residents of the city; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct city departments to assist the organizers of the Greek Festival, the Santa Lucia Festival and the Saints Cosmos and Damien Festival.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

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D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: Chapter 2.118 Statements of Financial Interests by Certain City Officials and Persons Conducting Business with the City of the Municipal Code was enacted in 1991 to ensure public confidence in Cambridge government; and

WHEREAS: Section 2.118.020 (c) of this Chapter provides for public inspection of statements filed thereunder; and

WHEREAS: Since that time, technology has made it possible to have these statements available on the City of Cambridge website, thus making these statements easily accessible to the public in general and the elderly and physically challenged in particular; now therefore be it

ORDERED: Amend Section 2.118.020 (c) of Chapter 2.118 Statements of Financial Interests by Certain City Officials and Persons Conducting Business with the City of the Municipal Code to read as follows

- C. Make the list of municipal officials and statements of interests filed with the Election Commission pursuant to this chapter available (1) upon written request of any individual for public inspection and copying during regular office hours and make photocopying facilities available at a charge not to exceed the actual cost and (2) on the City of Cambridge website at all times; the Election Commission shall forward a copy of the request to the individual whose statement has been examined; provided, however, that such requests from the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the District Attorney of Middlesex County, or the State Ethics Commission shall be confidential; and be it further

ORDERED: Said amendment shall be effective July 1, 2003.

REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

O-11.
ORIGINAL ORDER

July 29, 2002

MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager direct NSTAR to investigate the cause for the many outages recently experienced in the Mount Auburn/Strawberry Hill section of Cambridge and receive NSTAR's proposed solution to this problem; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the information supplied by NSTAR.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-11
AMENDED ORDER

July 29, 2002

MAYOR SULLIVAN
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager direct NSTAR to investigate the cause for the many outages recently experienced in the Mount Auburn/Strawberry Hill/Cambridge Highlands section of Cambridge and receive NSTAR's proposed solution to this problem; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the information supplied by NSTAR.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted as amended by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-12.

July 29, 2002

MAYOR SULLIVAN
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager investigate the City of Chicago's current attempts to find alternate means of generating power throughout the city; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the results of this study.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-13.
ORIGINAL ORDER

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR REEVES

- WHEREAS The property at 238 Broadway was bought in 2000 by the City using open space funds and is ear-marked for park development; and
- WHEREAS The Community Preservation Act was adopted by the voters of Cambridge in November, 2001; and
- WHEREAS The Community Preservation Act and the percentage allocation of funds among the categories of housing, open space and preservation clearly acknowledges the overwhelming citywide demand for affordable housing; and
- WHEREAS The City has already spent a great deal of money on the two buildings at 238 Broadway for lead and asbestos removal and to bring the property up to code; and
- WHEREAS If the City were to convert the buildings at 238 Broadway for use of affordable housing, the Community Preservation Act would provide for a source of funds that could reimburse the open space funds if necessary and proper; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council does hereby declare a moratorium on demolition of the buildings at 238 Broadway and does hereby request the City Manager to implement said moratorium, in order to provide time for a City Council hearing and full community discussion on whether the buildings at 238 Broadway shall be used for affordable housing and the remaining open space at the property be developed as a park; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the matter relative to 238 Broadway City Council hold a public hearing on this issue during the month of September, 2002.

O-13
AMENDED ORDER

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to convene a meeting of concerned members of the Area Four neighborhood and the Fletcher Maynard Academy community to discuss the future use of the 238 Broadway site; and be it further

ORDERED: That the meeting take place on or before October 15, 2002.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted as amended by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-14.

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Planning Board to review the zoning ordinance provisions about measuring and altering the grade of a lot and their relation to the height of buildings and other dimensional requirements; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is request to report back to the City Council on this matter.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

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City Clerk

O-15.

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council recently received a correspondence praising the Department of Public Works for their courtesy and professionalism during a major paving project; and

WHEREAS: Displaying such correspondence provides city workers with a sense of satisfaction in their jobs and promotes to the public the level of service that the city provides; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with a plan for displaying the correspondence of thanks and praise that the city receives.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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City Clerk

O-16.

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to utilize available means, including city cable and Internet, to promote the energy conservation programs available to consumers through NSTAR.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-17.

July 29, 2002

MAYOR SULLIVAN
VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to coordinate with the Mayor's Office in preparation for the one-year anniversary of the September 11 tragedy to observe this occasion with suitable and appropriate commemorative events; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to encourage all city departments, city institutions, faith communities, and residents to participate in this observance.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-18.

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Assistant City Manager for Community Development to study the possibility of changing to bicycle routes located between the sidewalk and the parked cars, instead of between the parked cars and the moving traffic, in the European model; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back to the City Council on this matter with a comprehensive report of where this model is used, pros and cons of this type of model and feasibility, including financial feasibility of changing the bike lanes in the most congested roadways to this model.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-19.

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to establish a pedestrian park at Lafayette Park; and be it further

ORDERED: That said park be dedicated in honor of Jill Brown-Rhone; and be it further

ORDERED: That the Assistant to the City Council work with the Department of Public Works to arrange for a suitable dedication ceremony after consultation with the family.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-20.

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report on the repaving schedule as it relates to Pine Street between Harvard and Washington Street.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

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City Clerk

O-21.

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the progress of the Riverside Neighborhood Study recommendations and outline the time table for release of the recommendations from the Planning Board.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

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City Clerk

O-22.

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: The train track at the New Street exit to the Fresh Pond Shopping Center is apparently still used occasionally, although it is not clear how often (see attached letter); and

WHEREAS: Many residents assume that the track is not in use, and there is no sign warning of a railroad crossing; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation, the MBTA and any other appropriate staff and/or agency to determine how often the tracks are used and to install signage and/or warning lights appropriate to the level of usage.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

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City Clerk

O-23

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the Council and Mayor see that the Cambridge Sister City delegation traveling to Ghana, Ivory Coast, Togo and Benin be provided with the necessary items of municipal protocol as they seek to confirm Sister City status with Dembokro, Ivory Coast and Kumasi, Ghana.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
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D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that developers in Belmont may be planning to remove eight acres of dense silver maple forest abutting Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: The forest is made up of 100 year old trees, which are habitat for close to 90 bird species; the forest also provides a home for many species of mammals; and

WHEREAS: This forest, with its dense vegetation and huge vernal pool areas, provides significant protection from the upland flooding that Cambridge would experience if the forest were to be destroyed; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Conservation Commission and the appropriate Belmont offices to request that all efforts be made to preserve this forest and protect Cambridge from the floodwaters that removal of the forest would bring to North Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR REEVES

- WHEREAS: The Cambridge Community Chorus will be traveling to Japan to sing G.F. Handel's "Messiah" with the Doshisha University Alumni Choir; and
- WHEREAS: In this capacity, the Cambridge Community Chorus will be visitors representing the City of Cambridge; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record congratulating the Cambridge Community Choir on their upcoming trip to Japan to sing with the Doshisha University Alumni Choir; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the Mayor's Office and City Council provide all necessary protocol and city gifts (keys, mugs, etc.) to the travelers for presentation to Japanese hosts and officials; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the Cambridge Community Chorus is urged to make contact with Cambridge's Sister City, Tskuba, Japan and plan a brief visit to Tskuba while the chorus is in Japan; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Cambridge Community Chorus on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

July 29, 2002

MAYOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: The proposed FY'03 budget sent to Governor Swift contains drastically reduced funding for services for homeless individuals; and

WHEREAS: \$5.5 million was cut from the Department of Transitional Assistance account and \$1.8 million to annualize 328 new year-round overflow beds was not provided, meaning these beds need to come down immediately' and

WHEREAS: National research shows that one shelter bed is used by an average of 5-7 different individuals each year, therefore each bed lost due to these cuts translates into at least 5 people without shelter, for a total of 4,000 people annually; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the City Council go on record supporting the restoration of these needed resources for homeless people in the FY'03 budget and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this order to the Cambridge legislative delegation and Governor Swift.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-27

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with appropriate staff to ensure that as part of the renovations at Donnelly Field, the fields and areas dedicated to Robert Walsh, Anna Johnson and Chuck DeGugliemo are rededicated and marked with appropriate plaques.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-28

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR REEVES
MAYOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to transmit the report on Community Greens to the Historical Commission to possibly respond to issues at Shady Hill Square or other locations.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-29

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council on the availability to the public of the toilet facilities at the Walter J. Sullivan Water Treatment Plant.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-30

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR MAHER

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to provide copies of the regulations on scooters from Malibu, CA and New York City, NY and the Federal Department of Transportation technical definition of "operator control."

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-31

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the meeting on noise be continued to hear from the city staff on this issue.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-32

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the appropriate departments to secure copies of regulations concerning noise from other communities.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

July 29, 2002

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Purchasing Agent, the Auditor, the Economic Development Director to meet and prepare a written information packet to be included with the Fall, 2002 Women and Minority Business Directory and on the Web outlining the following:

- Process to do business with the city;
- Process for vendor to be added to state contract;
- Purchase order process listing contact person;
- Bills payable process listing contact person;
- Process where product vendor can sell product to the city departments and who to contact; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to inform all city departments and in particular fiscal personnel in each department the importance of bills owed by the city to be paid in a timely manner.

In City Council July 29, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-34

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to secure a report from NSTAR on the exact and projected amount expended on maintenance for the last three years.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-35

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to take necessary steps to have information added to the web site that lists the names and telephone numbers of city personnel whom the public should call with a noise complaint.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

O-36

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to refer the subject of boom cars to the Police Department for comments and to conduct a public awareness campaign that the Noise Ordinance will be enforced as it relates to boom cars.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

July 29, 2002

VICE MAYOR DAVIS

- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the appropriate city department that when complaints are received about noise issues on university property, the complaint should be referred from 911 to the License Commission to enforce the Noise Ordinance; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report on the type of noise complaint, the protocol and criteria used; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the noise ordinance be reviewed comprehensively to see that it covers the technical points related to nuisance noise and to assure that enforcement of the ordinance is practical.

In City Council July 29, 2002.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

**COMMITTEE REPORTS
FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JULY 29, 2002**

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Human Services Committee, for a meeting held on June 4, 2002 for the purpose of discussing the work of the committee for this term.

REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.

2. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Chair of the Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee, for a meeting held on June 18, 2002 for the purpose of discussing neighborhood planning issues, neighborhood study updates and urban planning that emphasizes green spaces and forest-like areas near dense development.

REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.

3. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment Committee, for a meeting held on June 18, 2002 to discuss the implementation of a plan for the establishment of permanent public toilet facilities.

REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.

4. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a meeting held on June 18, 2002 to discuss the regulation of motorized scooters.

**REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.
ORDER ADOPTED. SEE ORDER #30.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS
FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JULY 29, 2002**

5. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment and the Public Safety Committees, for a meeting held on June 18, 2002 to discuss noise related to boom-cars, leaf blowers, mechanical devices on buildings and any other nuisance noise.

**REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.
ORDERS ADOPTED. SEE ORDERS #31 AND #32.**

6. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the University Relations Committee, for a meeting held on June 19, 2002 for the purpose of planning the June 26, 2002 facilitated meeting at the Water Treatment Facility.

REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.

7. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee, for a meeting held on June 20, 2002 to discuss the youth summit, the business directories, the Buy Cambridge Initiative (BCI) and any other business that comes before the committee.

**REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.
ORDER ADOPTED. SEE ORDER #33.**

8. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment and the Public Safety Committees, for a meeting held on June 21, 2002 to discuss a municipal light company, maintenance, local conservation programs and the use of renewable energy.

**REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.
ORDER ADOPTED. SEE ORDER #34.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS
FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JULY 29, 2002**

9. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, for a meeting held on June 25, 2002 to discuss video monitoring of enforcement of stopping at red lights.

REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.

10. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the University Relations Committee, for a meeting held on June 26, 2002 to discuss the next steps in the process of working toward a better relationship with the universities.

REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.

11. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment and the Public Safety Committees, for a meeting held on June 26, 2002 to discuss the issue of domestic violence.

REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.

12. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher and Councillor Brian Murphy, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on June 26, 2002 for the purpose of considering proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to modify regulations related to theater parking.

REPORT ACCEPTED. REFERRED TO PETITION.

PASSED TO A SECOND READING.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JULY 29, 2002

13. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor David P. Maher and Councillor Brian Murphy, Co-Chairs of the Ordinance Committee, for a meeting held on June 26, 2002 for the purpose of considering proposed amendments to the Responsible Employer Ordinance to include Public Works such as services and roads.

REPORT ACCEPTED. REFERRED TO PETITION.

SUBSTITUTED TEXT PASSED TO A SECOND READING.

14. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment and the Public Safety Committees, for a meeting held on June 27, 2002 to discuss the comments made by the general public on nuisance noise with the administration and city departments.

REPORT ACCEPTED. PLACED ON FILE.

THREE ORDERS ADOPTED. SEE ORDERS #35, #36 AND #37.

Committee Report #1

HUMAN SERVICES

In City Council July 29, 2002

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair

Councillor Marjorie C. Decker

Councillor Anthony D. Galluccio

The Human Services Committee held a public hearing on June 4, 2002, beginning at 11:15 A.M. in the Ackermann Room for the purpose of discussing the work of the committee for this term.

Present at the hearing were Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the Committee, School Committee Member Nancy Walser, City Clerk D. Margaret Drury and Elaine McGrath, Clerk's Office. Also present were Judy Bibbins, Department of Human Services (DHS)-Community Schools, Jackie Neel, DHS, Roslyn Shoy, Program Director, Community Schools, Mary Eirich, Cambridge Public Schools, Susan Richards Scott, Agenda for Children, Elaine DeRosa, CEOC Director, Tina Alu, CEOC, Mary Wong, Director of the Kids' Council, Eileen Keegan, Division Head of the Community Schools Division, DHS, Jill Herold, Assistant City Manager for Human Services, and Liza Paden, 6 Theriault Ct., Cambridge, citizen.

Councillor Simmons convened the hearing by referencing the goals set at the last meeting on May 7, 2002. These were to collect all the reports available on out-of-school (OST) and after-school activity, and to specifically see what is available in the summer and after school. She will review the reports with Ms. Walser, and ask committee members to be responsible for reading and summarizing parts of the material. The committee needs to digest the reports over the summer and then resume meetings in September. Referring to the list of reports supplied with the minutes of the May 7, 2002 meeting, she asked if any members could describe the contents of the reports.

Ms. Eirich commented that although she is not in a position to distill the school reports, just a review of the list of reports was eye-opening. So much legwork has been done again and again since the late 1990's, especially on OST programs. The 1999 Mills & Pardee report, Planning Out-of-School Time Programs in Cambridge, A Report to the Cambridge School Department and the Department of Human Service Programs, is exceptional in its analysis of OST resources.

Ms. Herold described the 1999 Mills & Pardee report as one of the earliest official efforts to look at how the city handles OST. At the time, there was a new school superintendent, who contacted Ms. Herold about the issue of OST, and worked to engage the schools in OST programs. In an RFP selection process, Mills & Pardee was awarded the contract to do the study. This company, a national leader in the educational field, conducted research on models and best practices across the country and interviewed parents, school staff and public and private providers. Their report sets out an ideal model for OST.

Ms. Walser asked what happened with the proposed model. According to Ms. Herold, the city identified the Harrington School as the site for the model, based on assessment of where the need was greatest, and funded its implementation. However, the school staff charged with implementing it did not participate in the Mills & Pardee work and there has been a disconnect between the model and the program. Ms. Herold also described the Summary of the Action Plan as a proposal prepared by the Agenda for Children staff with a focus on literacy and OST.

Councillor Simmons commented that the amount of information was overwhelming. The immediate issue is what services the city provides for parents and families in the summer. Ms. Keegan responded that two of twelve city programs will begin on June 24, with the rest beginning after July 4.

Ms. Wong noted that there was a meeting last Thursday, May 30, at the Maynard Fletcher Academy, in which school principals raised the issue of transportation as a factor in providing after-school services. The principals emphasized the need for better connections between schools and providers after school.

Ms. Eirich then focussed on Melody Brazo's Spring 2002 List of Elementary Achievement After-School Resources, which includes both academic and non-academic achievement city programs. Parents constantly ask Ms. Brazo what resources are available. She put the list together in response to this demand by asking community school principals what achievement-oriented programs were offered at their schools. Programs were listed at their discretion. Despite all the offerings, there is still a communication gap and parents and community liaisons are not aware of everything available.

Councillor Simmons emphasized that it is important to know what a term encompasses, since lists are based on different definitions of terms such as "enrichment". The committee needs to develop clear criteria for terms, to know what programs are included.

Ms. Shoy stated that some programs are jointly initiated by a school and a community, and then run collaboratively. Sometimes the captions for the list of programs are puzzling, because terms such as "achievement" are not standard. Ms. Walser pointed out that in some programs, the funding source defines the terms. Several members of the committee agreed about the need to understand exactly what programs are being offered and under what conditions, whatever general term is used to describe them. Ms. Richards Scott proposed that lists include all OST programs; they are all "achievement" programs in some sense because they enhance children's connections to school. Councillor Simmons suggests that another way to identify resources is to include everything that takes place in school buildings.

Ms. DeRosa asked whether parents currently receive a list of all in-school programs and resources. Councillor Simmons responded that some schools provide a brochure listing resources they have identified. These lists are not comprehensive. Ms. Eirich noted that, in her experience as an acting principal, programs did not all start at the beginning of the school year, some developed randomly. There was no comprehensive, up-to-date database on them. Ms. Bibbins added that there are various sources of programs: community schools, public schools, child care providers. There may be separate booklets available on each of these; parents may not get the big picture of what's available in a single source.

Ms. Walser identified four stages of information gathering for the committee: (1) come up to speed on what's been done to study OST programs, (2) get ideas on next steps, including reviewing national models, and the recommendations in the Cambridge reports, (3) decide on next steps, given the information available, and (4) decide how to fill gaps in information, especially the needs of parents and school staff. Ms. Walser stated that the school system has not done a good job of including staff in the process of developing programs. She referred to a school study being conducted by Harry Spence, which emphasizes the need to address staff development, in order to keep kids safe, involved and successful.

Ms. DeRosa commented that it would be useful if each program representative on the committee conducted a survey in their own programs. Her program serves 40 families. Each provider could ask basic questions about access, programming, cost and availability. Even if questions are different across programs, this information could complement the school-based information. She does not want to lose the opportunity to learn about summer programs. Councillor Simmons followed up on this suggestion by asking who would conduct the surveys and how, how the committee could get a common understanding across programs, and how the surveys would be funded. Ms. DeRosa envisions a low-tech survey, of perhaps five to eight questions for parents and kids, maybe supplemented with parent focus groups. The questions would concentrate on kids' summer plans, and how they work out. Ms. DeRosa pointed out

that programs do evaluations all the time. Her proposed survey would just enhance those efforts. Even though the survey would not be scientific, it would have the advantage of getting information from parents through providers who have an ongoing relationship with families; this information could supplement more formal efforts. Ms. Shoy endorsed the idea of a parent survey by providers.

Ms. Walser noted that every piece of data can add to the picture. She believes that the committee really needs to do a “scorch the earth” professional-quality survey in order to get an accurate picture of city OST resources. The city can build anything, but the question is whether people will come.

Ms. Neel raised another possible source of less formal information: the Action Plan team recommended asking elementary school kids what they planned to do in the summer. The Physical Education department could conduct the survey, since they see all the kids. How reliable this information is can depend on the age of the child, since some children may answer with their fantasy vacation plans.

Ms. Walser asked why the group wanted to know what children were doing vs. what families need. Ms. Neel stated that the questions should get to the issue of the use of resources: is what we offer what people need? Are services used to capacity? If not, why not?

Ms. Richards Scott then described two current projects to collect data on OST needs and resources. First, the survey of parents recommended by the city’s Action Plan on OST is in the final stages of development. The survey identifies what kids are doing after school, and where. It is meant to establish a baseline of where the 5000 or so schoolkids are after school, by sampling the population in kindergarten to eighth grade. The survey will determine such numbers as the percentage of kids at home after school, those in day care, parents with full day care coverage, those who have to piece together babysitting, and the numbers of children who are providing day care for their younger siblings. It will be sent to parents in the fall, probably in October, with analysis of results in November. Councillor Simmons emphasized that she wants to avoid a disconnect between this needs assessment survey and the committee’s work.

The second initiative is the database DHSP is compiling, which will inventory current resources. Ms. Herold is working on ways of collecting information as well as providing it in ongoing updates. Letters will be sent to providers this summer, including health and human service offices in Cambridge and Somerville. The goal is to provide information on resources for families, which they can access by specific service or program. An inventory of resources done in 1999 of licenses and program slots will be updated as part of this database.

Ms. Simmons raised the concern that the questions posed in the surveys do not get to the issue of what parents need or want for services. Although parents and children are asked what they do for day care, or what barriers exist to using services, they must be asked directly what they need or want. This question pertains to both the existence of programs and their substance. If the committee agrees that this is the question, how do we get this information? Ms. Herold restated this concern as a question, not about what is, but what could be, and what parents’ ideal OST programs would be. One way to get this information is to ask parents what they want ideally. The survey should not set up expectations of what is possible, but provide multiple choices.

Ms. Walser stated that her experience was that parents do not want specific programs but rather neighborhood activity, and a feeling of community, where children stay at school after classes, go to the playground and play until the parents pick them up. She observed that kids’ lives are often so highly structured that they cannot direct their own activities, when left on their own. Ms. Shoy noted that she has received the same request for unstructured community activity in Cambridgeport. However, this “model” has run into trouble with details such as who has responsibility for organizing and controlling activities, with major disagreements about how to run such a program. Ms. Bibbins remarked that the

type of experience described by Ms. Walser would not be captured by current surveys. The challenge is how to formulate questions in such a way that you can tabulate results.

Councillor Simmons also suggested that programs and agencies coordinate their information gathering. Ms. Shoy stated that any coordinated survey should leave room for organizations to ask specific questions to get information useful to them. Ms. Richards Scott, speaking from a parent's perspective, emphasized that parents will want to know how information is going to be used, and especially that it will be used to improve a program. A school survey can be intimidating, and make parents wonder what's going on, or raise expectations.

Ms. Keegan noted that the community schools are conducting a survey of parents of the 900 or so children enrolled in summer camp, which will identify gaps in services in summer programs. Ms. Herold asked if this survey could be coordinated with other camps. The committee needs to be able to compare information from diverse surveys. Ms. Richards Scott also referred to the group of eight community organizations that are sponsoring summer camps and running parents' focus groups as part of the Agenda for Children's community outreach effort, and as an ideal group to survey.

Ms. Simmons then summarized the ongoing work and the next steps for the committee. The following actions were agreed upon:

- Councillor Simmons asked the group to organize a subcommittee to survey summer programs, develop a simple, basic set of key questions, identify who should participate in the survey, and create a questionnaire for dissemination. Essentially, the subcommittee will decide what to ask, who, and when. The subcommittee will also try to use the eight organizations sponsoring summer camps as a focus group to determine what parents want, outside of specific questions. Mss. DeRosa, Eirich, Herold, Keegan, and Richards Scott are the members of this subcommittee.
- Ms. Richards Scott will continue to work with Mary Ellen Colton, a consultant with the Child Care Resource Center, on the survey of current OST arrangements for schoolchildren.
- Group members will e-mail suggestions for basic questions to discover what parents really want for OST (not just what they presently have) to Ms. Richards Scott to see if they can be incorporated into the fall survey of current OST arrangements.
- City Clerk Drury will generate a list of e-mails for participants.
- Ms. Walser will provide information from out-of-state OST programs she intends to look at over the summer.
- In September, the committee will reconvene to review the results of the summer surveys and to check on the status of the fall survey. The committee will decide then if it needs more information about what parents and kids want, how to get this information, who will get it, when, and how to synthesize it for the committee. One possibility raised by Ms. Walser is that the committee could commission its own survey if it decides that other surveys do not capture the information it wants.
- Any OST reports provided to the City Clerk by the members will be kept on file in five notebooks in the clerk's office.

On a more general note, Councillor Simmons emphasized that it is important to talk to the people who work in the programs, and that this information should be brought to the committee's September

meeting. Ms. Richards Scott noted current efforts to bridge gaps between school and OST links and to create more systemic ways of networking for providers. There are lots of doors opening in this field, with greater resource-sharing. Cambridge can support these efforts through this committee's work. She would like to report on this link to the Committee in the fall. In a related issue, Councillor Simmons stated that the committee needs to use a common language and develop a glossary in describing programs.

Ms. Simmons scheduled the next meeting of the committee for Tuesday, September 17, 2002, at 9:30 A.M. in the Ackermann Room. Councillor Simmons thanked all those present for their participation. The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 P.M.

For the Committee,

Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair

Committee Report #2

NEIGHBORHOOD AND LONG TERM PLANNING **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

In City Council July 29, 2002

Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Chair
Councillor Marjorie C. Decker
Councillor E. Denise Simmons

The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee held a public hearing on June 18, 2002, beginning at 3:15 P.M. in the Ackermann Room for the purpose of discussing neighborhood planning issues, neighborhood study updates and urban planning that emphasizes green spaces and forest-like areas near dense development.

Present at the hearing were Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Chair of the Committee, Councillor E. Denise Simmons and City Clerk D. Margaret Drury. Also present were Beth Rubenstein, Assistant City Manager for Community Development, Susan Glazer, Deputy Director of the Community Development Department (CDD) and Stuart Dash, Director of Neighborhood and Community Planning.

Councillor Reeves convened the hearing and explained the purpose. He began with a discussion of the work of the committee and issues of overlapping jurisdiction with the University Relations Committee. He suggested that the committee might want to spend some time considering what is a neighborhood in the 21st Century, with some consideration of the “new urbanism.”

Ms. Rubenstein said that the new urbanism movement reflects a renewed appreciation of urban quality of life. The movement is really aimed at making improvements in places that are more suburban. There has been a great deal of interest in a “fun” place to live, ability to walk to destinations, a focus on streets rather than backyards, little stores to walk to, short blocks. Cambridge has a lot of what the new urbanism seeks to replicate, not to the same degree in all neighborhoods. The concept will be very important in the development of North Point.

Mr. Dash said that in the neighborhood studies the neighborhood participants are interested in the “best of Cambridge” which is very consistent with the new urbanism goals.

Councillor Reeves said that the City spends a lot of money on the neighborhood studies. He would like to know what information those studies are yielding with regard to shaping the future of the City. He said that he finds the sociological aspects of neighborhoods to be most important. He continues to be amazed at the extent to which people in Cambridge do not know each other. Mid-Cambridge is sort of a textbook example of the new Cambridge residents who are not connected to Cambridge.

Councillor Reeves asked whether the staff had information about places with vibrant and well-functioning neighborhoods. Mr. Dash said there have been studies on “neighboring” and what promotes “neighboring.” Social networks are the key ingredients for good neighborhoods. Social networks organize around schools, churches and other civic organizations.

Councillor Reeves noted that schools in Cambridge are not neighborhood schools and speculated that perhaps they should be.

Mr. Dash informed the committee that the physical environment is also a factor. Changes such as calming traffic and supporting the pedestrian environment have made significant improvements in the quality of neighborhood life in many cities. Ms. Glazer added that parks and open space can provide opportunities for social networks among neighbors.

Mr. Dash said that planners must also think about the physical barriers. For example, busy streets are often dividers of neighborhoods. Broadway in mid-Cambridge acts as a neighborhood divider; Massachusetts Avenue has a similar effect on many parts of Cambridge.

Councillor Simmons said that at the National League of Cities (NLC) Conference, she and Councillor Davis learned of an interesting program in San Jose, California. The program focused on the fragile neighborhoods, and gave the neighborhood some control over funds to make the improvements that they wanted.

Councillor Reeves recalled the example of Minneapolis, where each neighborhood has funds to spend on what they want. It did move democracy closer to the people.

Councillor Reeves raised the example of Neighborhood Four. The neighborhood contains two schools, many churches, a youth center, mom and pop stores that are well patronized, several day care centers. He asked if Area Four is a good neighborhood.

Councillor Simmons said that it is a great neighborhood; it just has some elements that are not desirable, such as the recent shootings and violence. The neighborhood still has a fairly decent mix of long term residents and newcomers. There are little subgroupings within the neighborhood.

Councillor Reeves asked about the Neighborhood Four study. Mr. Dash replied that CDD staff is finishing up the update. They have had three neighborhood meetings. There will be a fourth in July, which will focus on the overall picture.

Councillor Reeves requested copies of all of the neighborhood studies. Mr. Dash suggested also looking at some other reports such as the Gibbs Report, the Committee to Enhance Central Square Now Report.

Councillor Simmons said that many times the City does a lot for neighborhoods that neighborhood residents do not see. She would be interested to know more about how the City decides what it can do. She added that very little of the neighborhood studies make their way into the work of the City Council.

Councillor Reeves said that he is interested in building a city with dynamic, good neighborhoods, with more emphasis on the human interaction part. He is worried that Cambridge is becoming increasingly rich and increasingly disconnected.

Councillor Reeves said that he expects to have more frequent meetings in the summer. He mentioned the Citiscape program, a three-year study by students at RSTA – starting with infrastructure and building and including residents and sociology.

Councillor Reeves said that he would like more information about various movements, discussions and studies of what makes a good neighborhood, what are the “good cities” according to the experts and what are the criteria used to evaluate them.

Councillor Reeves invited public comment; although, he said that in his experience this is not a defined part of committee meetings.

John Moot, 44 Coolidge Hill Road, stated that he worked in the anti-poverty movement. The neighborhood organizers were one of the most valuable parts of that program. He suggested that the

committee focus on the more urban, “true” neighborhoods in Cambridge, rather than places like his neighborhood, Neighborhood Ten. His neighborhood does have activities, for example they set up tables on the street for a street-long dinner, but other neighborhoods have more of the elements that make Cambridge the special place it is.

He said that his other question is what has happened to neighborhoods since the end of rent control, and how CDD can adapt its studies to take these changes into account?

Steve Kaiser, Hamilton Street, said his concern is whether the neighborhood studies are as good as we want them to be. The word “planning” has been removed from the name of the CDD.

Mr. Moot added that the thirteen neighborhoods were defined in 1950 by Mark Flood. Perhaps they should be changed to reflect changes in the city and the population.

Stash Horowitz, Vice President, Association of Cambridge Neighborhoods, Co-Chair of Cambridge Neighborhood Initiative (CNI), said that even though each neighborhood has its own character, all have some common problems. The problems come from our richness. There is a great gap between the haves and the have-nots. There has been over-development of the commercial sector and too much expansion of the universities. The Neighborhood Planning Studies contain inaccuracies; the studies done with the zoning moratorium were very good studies. Cambridge needs to build more housing, not more commercial development. He said that if we know what the problems are, and we do, then we need actions more than studies. He stated that Portland, Oregon is an example of a livable city, with good public transportation and amenities.

Councillor Reeves thanked those present for their comments and participation.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:23 P.M.

For the Committee,

Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Chair

Committee Report #3

HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor Anthony Galluccio
Councillor Brian Murphy

In City Council July 29, 2002

The Health and Environment Committee conducted a public meeting on Tuesday, June 18, 2002 at 5:05 p.m. in the Sullivan Chamber.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the implementation of a plan for the establishment of permanent public toilet facilities.

Present at the meeting were Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Committee, Councillor Brian Murphy, Councillor David Maher, Lisa Peterson, Public Works Commissioner, Harold Cox, Chief Health Officer, Suzy Feinberg, Communications Specialist, Cambridge Public Health Department, Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk, and Elaine McGrath, City Clerk's office.

Also present were the following members of the public: Elie Yarden, 143 Pleasant St., Cambridge, member of the Association of Cambridge Neighborhoods and Cambridgeport Neighborhood Initiative, Stash Horowitz, 12 Florence St., Cambridge, and John Moot, 44 Coolidge Hill Rd., Cambridge.

Councillor Davis opened the meeting and stated the purpose. She noted that the committee held a meeting last year and received a report from Mr. Cox. She wanted to use this meeting to make progress on two issues: 1) creating adequate signage for toilets, and 2) investigating the possibility of public/private agreements to increase the number of facilities, including a Request for Proposals. Vice-Mayor Davis referred to the model of the public toilets in Newburyport, which operate under a contract with that city.

Mr. Cox distributed a report on the issue of public toilet facilities (Attachment A), which summarized prior work on three issues: Automatic Public Toilets (APTs), responses to Council questions about public access to current facilities, and options for public/private partnerships for maintaining and sponsoring public toilets in Cambridge. The report also offered three options:

- Advertise locations of public restrooms in city buildings
- Develop agreements to post signage and expand restroom hours of existing bathroom facilities in malls and arcades
- Broker a public/private sponsorship agreement to install and maintain permanent public restroom facilities in Cambridge

Regarding APTs, Mr. Cox noted that work on this issue has been backburnered by public security issues, such as anthrax, that arose after the September 11, 2001 World Trade Center attack. Mr. Cox raised the following issues about the three options. Advertising current public toilets will increase use and may burden the capacity of the facilities; in addition, not all facilities may be appropriate for signs. Mr. Cox's department needs to contact city agencies and other places in order to clarify any issues they have about increased signage. The second option, advertising and expanding hours in private businesses that allow public access, also raises issues of overcapacity and hardships for businesses and their customers. Several businesses in Harvard and Porter Squares stated that they might be willing to enter agreements with the city to post signage and increase accessibility if the city contributes financially to

maintenance. This option also needs more investigation and development. The third option of public/private partnerships for toilets is not fully developed and Mr. Cox suggested that the Newburyport model would be useful to consider.

According to Vice-Mayor Davis, the Newburyport facility houses an art gallery and coffee shop and is operated under a partnership between the city and a theatre company. Ms. Feinberg described two models that Newburyport has used for public toilets. The Arts Center/Firehouse site was the product of a collaboration between the city and the Chamber of Commerce (COC) and Arts Council; the president of the COC was also the chair of the Arts Council, and the council itself was a spin-off of the COC. The city held the lease on the property and when the site was renovated five years ago, the city took the chance to create a public bathroom. The Arts Council runs the site and uses income raised there to operate the bathroom. The city hosts approximately 350,000 tourists in the summer. In response to the long lines at the Arts Center, the city developed a second model: first, a trailer, which didn't work, and then a modular building. The city officials are considering a more permanent building, although they're unsure of what will work. Because temporary structures tend to get vandalized, it requires some strategy to avoid this, such as attendants.

Vice-Mayor Davis added a fourth option to the list at Councillor Galluccio's suggestion: portapotties, in sites such as public ballfields.

Vice-Mayor Davis opened the hearing to public comment. Mr. Elie Yarden, 143 Pleasant St., Cambridge, urged the committee to consider how to enhance the public realm in Cambridge on this issue, and described a facility in Salisbury, England as a possible model. He offered copies of two pictures (Attachment B) of the Salisbury facilities, which he described as a centrally located, pleasant, civilized amenity in a city of 25,000 which accommodates numerous tourists. The facility is staffed and charges 10-15 cents. Mr. Yarden stated that there is no reason why Cambridge cannot devote part of its wealth to the public realm, especially when some of the most visited areas of the city, such as Harvard Square, do not have adequate facilities. The city should be spending ten times what it does on public amenities such as toilets. This would allow not just tourists, but also residents, to enjoy the city. Central Square, the second most heavily toured area in the city and the city center, is a good place to start. The riverfront also needs facilities. There are public buildings which could be used for restrooms, but that are shut down or used for storage; these need to be identified and opened to the public. According to Mr. Yarden, thinking of toilet facilities as a public amenity is the best approach to the problem. Interim steps such as increased signage are also valuable. Vice-Mayor Davis will give Mr. Yarden a list of publicly accessible sites for his specific comment.

Mr. Moot, 44 Coolidge Hill Rd., Cambridge emphasized that it is important to make facilities handicapped-accessible. This adds to the expense, but otherwise such facilities are meaningless for the handicapped. The city of Boston and various organizations are looking at this issue and the options.

Councillor Murphy stated that he saw a dramatic need for more facilities, especially in areas like Harvard Square. Referring to Mr. Yarden's comments, he said that it requires a more European mindset to do this. He specifically asked what are good locations for APTs.

Vice-Mayor Davis and Councillor Murphy then asked the Chief Health Officer to provide this Committee with the following additional information:

- Investigate existing public toilet facilities and identify appropriate locations for additional signage, and options for signage

- Recommend follow-up actions on options for increased access to private toilet facilities, especially in Harvard Square.
- Report on the effectiveness of APTs in operation in other urban settings, such as Boston.

Ms. Feinberg remarked that a New Zealand company that manufactures APTs is offering them at discounts, such as a two-for-one price, in order to break into the American market.

Mr. Cox commented that, while his department has done a lot of investigation on creation and development of public toilet facilities, some aspects of the issue should be decided in consultation with Lisa Peterson, the Commissioner of Public Works.

On the option of public/private partnerships for more facilities, Vice-Mayor Davis raised the possibility of the city renting storefront space in a private building, and installing a toilet, with the private owner of the building operating the facility, and collecting small fees to cover expenses. As part of Mr. Cox's report on the options, Vice-Mayor Davis requested a comparison of costs, including capital costs, maintenance, and intangibles, such as security and lost opportunity costs, and a proposed budget for the city to develop public toilets. She suggested looking at the costs of the Provincetown public toilets, which are open and staffed year-round. Vice-Mayor Davis also asked Mr. Cox to contact coaches and city staff to identify issues with the use of portapotties in public spaces, such as ballfields.

Ms. Peterson noted that the discussion covered two aspects: the pros and cons of the options, and the costs. Ms. Peterson pointed out some fundamental differences between APTs and other options. APTs have the advantage of being self-cleaning. Security is an issue across the board; on this point, staffed facilities seem more secure. Financially, both staffed sites and APTs can charge fees to raise money for operations and maintenance. The question is what makes sense in Cambridge. Wherever the site, increasing access is probably more feasible in an existing facility.

Councillor Murphy recommended asking non-profits to the next meeting in order to identify their concerns with increased access. On this point, Ms. Feinberg stated that, in her discussions with Harvard Square business owners, they raised concerns about overcapacity, vandalism and disturbances to their customers. Councillor Maher remarked that when he was the store manager of the Harvard Coop, heavy use and abuse of the toilet facilities sometimes required their closing; he also suggested that increased university access was another option. Vice-Mayor Davis and Ms. Peterson noted that the problems cited were generally problems of urban centers, and factors to consider in evaluating all options. Increasing the number of facilities would spread the burden and possibly improve these conditions.

Vice-Mayor Davis indicated that she wanted to move forward on the increased signage option as soon as possible, and asked Mr. Cox to focus on this as a priority in his reports. She asked the DPH to provide the requested information for the next meeting of the Committee.

Vice-Mayor Davis thanked all who attended the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

For the Committee,

Councillor Henrietta Davis, Chair

Committee Report #4

PUBLIC SAFETY

In City Council July 29, 2002

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair

Councillor David P Maher

Councillor Timothy J. Toomey

The Public Safety Committee held a public meeting on Tuesday, June 18, 2002 at six o'clock and two minutes p. m. in the Sullivan Chamber.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the regulation of motorized scooters.

Present at the meeting was Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Committee, Councillor Davis Maher, Richard Rossi, Deputy City Manager, Nancy Glowa, First Assistant City Solicitor, Arthur Goldberg, Supervising Legal Counsel, Law Department, Ronnie Watson, Police Commissioner, Chris Beamud, Legal Advisor, Police Department, Sue Clippinger, Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation, George Fosque, Director of Emergency Communications and Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk.

Also present at this meeting was John Van Saun and Nicholas Churchill.

Vice Mayor Davis opened the meeting and stated the purpose. This issue came to the committee due to a complaint filed by Mr. Churchill. He asked what the committee could do to address the use of motorized scooters.

Ms. Clippinger, Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation, distributed the Motorized Scooter Regulations (**ATTACHMENT A**). The regulations, she said, mirror the bicycles on sidewalk regulations. The regulations were implemented on September 30, 2001.

Vice Mayor Davis stated that noise and speed complaints were received. Ms. Clippinger stated that pedestrians have the right of way on sidewalks as outlined in Section 22.2 (**ATTACHMENT B**). Scooters are banned in the two business districts, Central and Harvard Squares. Schedule 4B lists the streets on which no scooters are allowed (**ATTACHMENT C**).

In response to a question by Councillor Maher, Ms. Clippinger stated that it is permissible to use scooters in bicycle lanes. Councillor Maher asked if other communities have developed regulations outside of noise regulations on scooters. Ms. Clippinger responded that other communities want to know what the City of Cambridge has done.

Vice Mayor Davis asked if a "segway" would fit into this category. Ms. Clippinger stated that additional vehicles could be defined.

Commissioner Watson informed the committee that the post office will be using segways and, if banned, post office employees will be unable to deliver the mail. The Police Department has been asked to test the segways for police use. He asked how will this vehicle be addressed. Ms. Clippinger responded that segways is not defined and as new vehicles are used the vehicles can be defined. Mr. Rossi stated that if conflicts arise research is needed to develop appropriate rules.

Vice Mayor Davis opened the meeting to the public.

Mr. John VanSaun, 770 Mass. Ave., stated that he was the originator of this issue. The scooter is a unique vehicle and it does not fit into the regulations. The scooter is like the child-kick-and-ride scooter that has been adapted to have a lawn motor engine on the back. He stated concerns with use, pedestrian and vehicular safety and engineering considerations. He also had concerns with operator control. These vehicles are unable to provide operator control. These vehicles are dangerous and should be banned. Segways, used by the post office, would be used based on federal safety standards and would be used by an adult, not a child.

Mr. Nicholas Churchill, 29 Essex Street, stated that children use the scooters and he has witnessed near accidents. He is concerned with the noise. Scooters sound like chain saws. The police claim there is nothing they can do about the noise from these vehicles.

Councillor Maher made the following motion:

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to provide copies of the regulations on scooters from Malibu, CA and New York City, NY and the Federal Department of Transportation technical definition of "operator control."

The motion carried on a voice vote.

Councillor Maher asked Mr. Fosque if he had information about the response to scooter accidents. Mr. Fosque stated he would provide this information.

Vice Mayor Davis moved the issue of scooter noise to the noise hearing. She thanked all attendees.

The meeting adjourned at six o'clock and twenty-seven minutes p.m.

For the Committee,

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair

Committee Report #5

HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

*Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor Anthony D. Galluccio
Councillor Brian Murphy*

PUBLIC SAFETY

In City Council July 29, 2002

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor David P Maher
Councillor Timothy J. Toomey*

The Health and Environment and the Public Safety Committees held a joint public meeting on Tuesday, June 18, 2002 at six o'clock and thirty minutes p.m. in the Sullivan Chamber.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss noise related to boom-cars, leaf blowers, mechanical devices on buildings and any other nuisance noise.

Present at the meeting were: Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Committee, Councillor David Maher, Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Councillor Brian Murphy, Richard Rossi, Deputy City Manager, Nancy Glowa, First Assistant City Solicitor, Arthur Goldberg, Supervising Legal Counsel, Law Department, Benjamin Barnes, License Commissioner, Robert Bersani, Inspectional Services Commissioner, George Fosque, Director of Emergency Communications and Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk.

Vice Mayor Davis opened the meeting and stated the purpose.

Mr. Rossi outlined to the committee how the city responds to noise complaints.

Vice Mayor Davis opened the meeting to the public.

Joanne Solet, 15 Berkeley Street, stated that she is a member of the Historical Commission and a member of the Public Health Alliance. Noise is damaging the quality of life. The World Health Organization has related noise to violence, circulatory problems and the ability to read. Noise can also interfere with sleep. Frequency of noise, noise source and time of noise are also problematic. Leaf blowers, paper and mulch shredders, vacuum trucks and air conditioning units are the newest objects that create noise, she said. Isn't serenity as important as clean air, she asked.

Lloyd Aiello, 2 1/2 Berkeley Street, spoke about the legality and measurement of noise. He was concerned with the frequency of noise. Deaf people, he said, can become tense due to the level of noise. He explained the impact of the frequency of hertz, which is the cycles per second of noise.

Sue Robinson, 20 Lilac Court, told the committee of leaf blowers used within a closed space of a loading dock. The debris is blown into the street. She is concerned with what is in the dust caused by this action. She also expressed her concern with noise caused by alarms in buildings. The Fire Department has responded to various false alarms. It is useful to know how many times the Fire Department has responded to these false alarms.

Dr. Hermes C. Grillo, 20 Lilac Court, complained about foul water being pumped into the storm drain from a delivery dock on Cardinal Medeiros Avenue. The trucks begin every morning between 3:30-4:00 a.m. His statement is attached as **ATTACHMENT A**.

Megan Brook, 103 Inman Street, read a prepared statement **ATTACHMENT B**. She complained about the lack of a noise reading being taken. The owners of 100 Inman Street have been given years to comply with the ordinance and have never been fined by the License Commission. She urged the License Commission to fine violators to the highest extent covered by the noise ordinance.

John Garrity, 36 Linnaean Street, stated that he did not understand why something could not be done about leaf blower noise.

Lenora Schloming, 102-104 Inman Street, complained about the noise caused by air conditioners at 100 Inman Street. She expressed a complaint with the License Commission about the measurement taken at the window of the house. The decible level measures 75 at the lot line, higher than the measurement taken by the License Commission. A sketch outlining her concern is attached **ATTACHMENT C**. Skip Schloming stated that the lot line is the right standard to measure. He requested that the noise ordinance be enforced as it is written.

Alice Crane Kovler, 18 Centre Street, complained that the leaf blower and other gas powered equipment used by the Cambridge Landscaping Company is very loud. It is so loud that she cannot make a telephone call in her home. The noise inhibits her from performing her profession of writing. The equipment she stated is antiquated. Hearing unwanted noise is the issue, she said. She distributed two documents on noise **ATTACHMENT D & E**.

Peter Bruckner, 3 William Street, stated that now commercial areas contain housing and this creates issues with mechanical devices. He suggested that the commercial residents be notified to change their equipment because it is old or noisy. There are also visual and acoustical issues. Acoustical experts will outline what is reasonable and feasible.

Pat Curran, 7 Broadway Terrace, stated that she lives in a noise torture zone. She lives across from the Longfellow School. The acoustics are such that she can hear people plainly and clearly in Longfellow Court. A noise measurement was taken from her porch when the ordinance states that noise should be measured from the lot line. The decible level does not tell you the destruction caused by the noise, she said. Unnecessary noises are unnecessary and can be dealt with through design and enforcement.

Ed Abrams, 80 Wendell Street, stated that it is not just noise but the frustration caused by noise. Leaf blowers, idling trucks, unmuffled motorcycles, car alarms, house alarms and air conditioner noise cause negative emotions. Immediate action is needed, he said. He urged enforcement of the noise ordinance and banning leaf blowers.

Elizabeth H. Bohlen, 111 Chestnut Street, added helicopters, blimps, advertising and tourist planes and firecrackers to the list of objects creating noise. She would like a clear separation over nuisance noise and noise related to work. Medflight is the worst offender and should be regulated. The new airport runway will affect Cambridge directly, she said. Vibration from large trucks and the helicopters she feels is bad for the general public.

Chris Young, 56 Concord Avenue, stated that the helicopter noise at night is mind-boggling. New England Helicopter and Vice Mayor Davis have worked hard on this issue, however, there are an average of 4-5 flights each night. Flight path agreements must be enforced. There is a huge amount of

background noise and noise from ventilation systems. The ventilation system at St. Peter's has a low rumble, he said.

Carol Bellew, 257 Charles Street, stated that she served on the roof top mechanical committee. Measurement, she said, is done in the wrong place. The residential and industrial areas are rubbing up against each other. If the city does not keep enforcement clear and make every effort to keep the noise level down noise will get worse. She urged compliance and noise measurements and steps that the violators can take to become compliant. Accountability is vital, she said.

Peter Vitros, 905 Main Street, stated that snowblowers wake up about fifty people in his apartment at 5:00-6:00 a.m. If an economic analysis is done it is not an economic win. Noise can be reduced at an economic loss. Enforcement can be covered in the cost and produce revenue for the city. Noise interferes with MIT students studying, he said.

Skip Schloming spoke on remedies. The noise ordinance states that if violation is found the owner is to correct the violation. Solutions should be made available to violators.

Vice Mayor Davis stated that motorized scooters and boom-car complaints have been received by the committee.

Councillor Toomey agreed with the noise caused by leaf blowers. People are concerned with noise in the city. He informed the public that he had filed a City Council Order to ban leaf blowers.

Councillor Maher stated that the City Council is pledging to work with the city staff to resolve this issue.

Councillor Murphy stated that the noise ordinance needs to be reviewed to see if it needs updating. He suggested reviewing the noise regulations of other communities.

At the conclusion of the meeting Vice Mayor Davis made the following motions:

ORDERED: That the meeting on noise be continued to hear from the city staff on this issue.

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the appropriate departments to secure copies of regulations concerning noise from other communities.

Both motions carried on a voice vote.

Vice Mayor Davis thanked all attendees.

On motion of Councillor Toomey the meeting adjourned at eight o'clock and five minutes p.m.

For the Committee,

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis,
Chair

Committee Report #6

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

In City Council July 29, 2002

Councillor David P. Maher, Chair
Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Vice Chair
Councillor Brian Murphy
Councillor E. Denise Simmons
Councillor Timothy J. Toomey

The University Relations Committee held a public meeting/hearing on June 19, 2002, beginning at 12:55 p.m. in the Ackermann Room. The meeting was held for the purpose of planning the June 26, 2002 facilitated meeting at the Water Treatment Facility.

Present at the meeting were Councillor David P. Maher, Chair of the Committee, Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Vice Chair of the Committee, Councillor Marjorie C. Decker, Councillor Brian Murphy, City Clerk D. Margaret Drury, Elaine McGrath, City Clerk's Office, and Roberta Miller, trainer and facilitator.

Councillor Maher called the meeting to order at 12:55 p.m. and requested that Ms. Miller begin the discussion. Ms. Miller distributed material entitled "Discussion Documents from University/Cambridge Summit of 5/28/02" and reviewed the outcomes from that meeting. Ms. Miller then moved to the question of how the committee wants to address the priorities that emerged from the summit.

There was a discussion of the structure of the committee or entity that would oversee ongoing relations and future work. Councillor Decker said that she is interested in a committee that would be appointed by the City Manager and would include appointed representatives of the university, the City Council, the City Administration, the community, the schools, all of the major stakeholders, like the Kid's Council. Such a committee would have a continuity that a Council committee, which changes every two years, could not have.

Councillor Maher said that he thinks his vision is fairly similar. He too believes there should be appointed committees or task forces that include the stakeholders, but those people will be different for each of the substantive areas identified – finance and tax issues, housing, education and land use and planning. He favors working task forces with broad representation of the stakeholders for each substantive area. Councillor Maher said that he sees the need for the City Council to keep a central role in looking at the underlying principles and the congruence of the work with the goals of the City through the University Relations Committee.

Vice Mayor Davis said that she could see a structure that includes some aspects of each of the structures described by Councillor Decker and Councillor Maher. Whatever structure is established should remain closely tied to the Council, through this committee.

Councillor Murphy said that the Council should consider making this committee a committee of the whole. He also said that a structure combining the suggestions of Councillor Maher and Councillor Decker seems workable, but the City Manager must negotiate the taxation issue. The City Council must make it absolutely clear that this its highest priority.

Ms. Miller pointed out that the opportunities for improvement of relations developed at the summit comprise an enormous amount of work. Establishment of priorities is essential.

Vice Mayor Davis noted the outstanding structural issue of how to address ongoing development problems.

Councillor Maher voiced a concern that in the area of these ongoing problems, a task force approach will not meet the public's often-expressed criticism that the City Council has not become involved. In the other substantive areas, where the stakeholders are different in each area, would like the Council to consider appointed task forces with city, university and council representation, and an overarching executive committee that meets once a month.

Ms. Miller pointed out that a full discussion of this structure with the City Council at the next committee meeting will require consideration, for each substantive area of the following questions:

- Who should be involved?
- When should the tasks be done?
- What should be done?
- What are the city interests that must be protected.
- What is the mechanism for reporting back to the Council via the committee?

It was agreed without objection that the structure discussed in this meeting and the outstanding questions would be presented at the June 26th meeting of the committee at which all members of the City Council are expected. The discussion will hopefully result in some guidelines that can come back to the committee for further development.

Councillor Maher then invited public comment.

Stash Horowitz, 12 Pleasant Street, said that perhaps the upcoming Riverside petition should be refiled. The Council vote on this petition will send a clear message. Council approval will give the neighborhood confidence in the process this committee is developing and will make the universities more willing to work with the neighborhood.

John Moot, 44 Coolidge Hill Road, stated that he believes that a City Council committee is the right structure for work on city/university relations. Mr. Moot also said that the committee should consider splitting the long-term and immediate development issues, perhaps even having different task forces to look at these issues

Councillor Maher thanked those in attendance for their participation. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

For the Committee,

Councillor David P. Maher, Chair.

Committee Report #7

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

In City Council July 29, 2002

Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis

Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves

The Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee conducted a public meeting on Thursday, June 20, 2002 at eleven o'clock and five minutes a.m. in the Ackermann Room.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the youth summit, the business directories, the Buy Cambridge Initiative (BCI) and any other business that comes before the committee.

Present at the meeting were Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair of the committee, Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Ellen Semonoff, Deputy Director, Human Services Department, Sue Walsh, Director, Workforce Development, Susan Glaser, Deputy Director, Community Development Department, Estella Johnson, Economic Development Director, Community Development Department, Duane Brown, Affirmative Action Officer, Cynthia Griffin, Purchasing Agent, Joan Dillon, Assistant Purchasing Agent, Nancy McLeod, Construction Procurement Manager, Purchasing Department, James Monagle, City Auditor and Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk.

Also present at the meeting was Nicola Williams, a business owner.

Councillor Simmons opened the meeting and stated the topics of discussion will be the following:

- Update on the youth summit;
- Update on the business directories;
- Buy Cambridge Initiative and
- Procurement process that impedes women, people of color and small businesses from doing business with the city.

Councillor Simmons asked Ms. Walsh to give an updated on the youth summit. Ms. Walsh stated that the youth summit name is misleading. This was a vehicle to get youth service agencies together to collaborate. Representatives from the Housing Authority, Community Development, Office of Workforce Development, RSTA Director Steve Spofford and the Disabilities Commission met and discussed ways how to work more closely. Mr. Spofford wanted to have the school more involved. Two meetings were held. The second meeting was more focused on professional development, the development of a mission statement and ways to enhance collaboration with the business community. The committee will continue to meet and develop a plan to have a Cambridge compact to enlist the business community to buy into employing the youth of the City.

Estella Johnson stated this effort is a way to marshal resources in Cambridge to let the youth know what is out in the job market and to let the businesses learn about the programs in the school. Councillor Simmons asked if there is interest in the business community to hire students. Ms. Walsh informed the committee that business pledges are down thirty percent for jobs because of the economy. The business community is concerned about the skills of the future workforce. Councillor Simmons asked what is the end result. Ms. Walsh responded to create a number of ways for the businesses to connect. Ms. Johnson stated that the City wants Cambridge businesses to employ Cambridge residents and to look toward the school to develop good relationships, such as providing a tuition program for the youth to go on to higher education.

Councillor Simmons turned to the next topic, the business directories. She asked for a progress report. Ms. Johnson stated that the Women and Minorities Owned Business Directory will be ready before the fall. There are over 200 women and minority owned businesses in the directory. It is one book including both women and minority owned businesses. She anticipates bringing the directory to be printed within a month. Additional resource information, such as loan information and the state certification process will be included in the directory. The directory will also be on the Web.

Councillor Simmons asked if the bid process could be explained in the directory to help the BCI. She suggested the following could be provided:

- Small business information provided by Ms. Johnson
- Bid and purchase order information provided by Ms. Griffin
- Bill payment process information provided by Mr. Monagle.

This information will be very helpful to small businesses, she said. She also wanted the directory to be reversed to let businesses know that the city wants to do business with them. This information should let businesses know how to interface with the city and with whom to interface.

Ms. Williams suggested to Ms. Johnson that the business surveys should be distributed electronically.

Vice Mayor Davis asked if the directory on the Web would have a search feature. She suggested the use of a high tech company. Ms. Johnson stated that the work would be done internally. She will check on the search feature. Vice Mayor Davis stated that she would like a model. Ms. Williams stated that WIBC Connection has a new directory on the Web. Mr. Brown stated that the State Office of Minorities and Women Business Association (SOMWBA) has a search feature, however printing the report is time consuming. He suggested that the SOMWBA Web site be reviewed to learn what you do not want on the site. He also provided the committee with the SOMWBA list as requested at the previous meeting. The SOMWBA list will be on file in the City Clerk's Office. Ms. Johnson stated that the information would be polled by the standard industrial codes.

Vice Mayor Davis asked if environmentally friendly vendors would be listed. Ms. Johnson replied that this information will not be included, but it can be noted in the directory that Cambridge is interested in environmentally friendly vendors. Ms. Griffin provided a copy of the State Environmentally Preferable Products Procurement Program **ATTACHMENT A**.

Ms. Glaser stated that Cambridge is involved in the Cities for Climate Protection Plan (CCP). She distributed information on the CCP **ATTACHMENT B**. She also distributed a draft of Strategy 3: Environmentally Preferable Purchasing **ATTACHMENT C**. Vice Mayor Davis suggested a menu of all purchasing strategy recommendations beyond paper and diesel fuel be requested from the Community Development Department. She further suggested that John Bolduc, author of the CCP, be invited to a meeting of this committee.

Councillor Simmons asked Ms. Johnson how was the Business Industrial District (BID) progressing. Ms. Johnson responded that the business community would present a plan to the City Council at the end of the summer or in the early fall. A certain percentage of businesses need to become BID members. Businesses in Central Square have been encouraged to join the BID. Councillor Simmons asked if the businesses are interested in the BID. Very interested, but there are a lot of volunteers working on the BID who are retirement age. Is there someone to contact regarding the BID asked Councillor Simmons. Mr. George Metzger and Arnold Goldstein replied Ms. Johnson.

The committee next discussed the Buy Cambridge Initiative (BCI). Councillor Simmons stated that she would like to have a BCI Expo in mid October. A viable package to distribute is needed for the BCI Expo. The directory should be ready to distribute. A reverse directory is needed. She used this example to explain the reverse directory: if a vendor sells paint who can the vendor contact in the city to sell the paint.

Ms. Griffin informed the committee that there is information on the Web that encourages Cambridge vendors to add their business to the state contract list. Councillor Simmons stated that Cambridge small businesses do not know that they can do business with the City. Ms. Williams stated that some small businesses do not want to do business with the city because it takes too long to be paid. Councillor Simmons wanted to know how can this lengthy bill payable process be change. She further asked if the city has a mechanism to respond to businesses that want to do business with the city. Ms. Griffin distributed a list of products the city purchases **ATTACHMENT D** and the buyers in her office and the department for which they purchase goods **ATTACHMENT E**.

Councillor Simmons asked how could the bills payable process be made better. Prompt payment is critical for small businesses. How should the process work. Ms. Griffin explained by example. If a concert is performed a check can be cut and given to the vendor after the performance. People Soft, the city's new financial computer program, caused a delay. That delay has been worked out. Councillor Simmons asked how can the administration instill in the city departments that it is crucial to pay bills in a timely fashion. Mr. Monagle informed the committee that if a purchase order was issued the money for the goods or services is encumbered. This bill can be paid in one week. Councillor Simmons stated that she wanted a small committee of members of the Purchasing Department, Community Development Department and the Auditing Department to list the steps how a small business does business with the city, who to contact, how to be added to the state contract list, how to secure payment from the city, who to contact if there is a problem or delay in getting the bill paid. Mr. Monagle stated that a Bills Payable Schedule would need to be prepared by the department that purchased the product before a check is cut. He suggested retraining of all city department heads and the fiscal personnel in the departments to ensure the fact that these key individuals understand the importance of paying a bill promptly.

Councillor Simmons added that the City of Cambridge needs to build a good reputation regarding prompt payment of bills. If a vendor experiences a problem there should be one person only that the vendor contacts to rectify the situation. Ms. Johnson asked if there is an internal auditing process so see how long it takes to get bills paid. Mr. Monagle responded that all bills that enter his office are time stamped. Ms. Johnson asked if there is a uniform standard throughout the city on the payment of bills. Councillor Simmons stated that paying bills should not vary by department.

Vice Mayor Davis suggested that the city needs to do the following:

- Improve the reputation on bills payable;
- Information on purchasing and payment process should be put on the Web; and
- Publicity done about information, directory and steps taken to improve payment process.

Councillor Simmons strongly suggested fixing the process before any publicity is done.

Ms. Griffin stated that departments need to be educated about the hardship caused for the small business by bills being paid late and the harm caused to the reputation of the city by this payment delay.

Ms. Williams informed the committee that small businesses do not operate on purchase orders. Small businesses, she said, also need to be educated. Councillor Simmons suggested that a purchase

order form be developed for the use of small businesses. Ms. Williams stated language must be clear and to list the procedure.

Councillor Simmons asked for a copy of the Accounting Policy for the city. Mr. Monagle would provide the policy.

Ms. Williams also suggested that the city educate department heads to use local businesses.

At the conclusion of the meeting it was decided that the BCI Expo would occur October 17th and 18th.

Councillor Simmons made the following motion:

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Purchasing Agent, the Auditor, the Economic Development Director to meet and prepare a written information packet to be included with the Fall, 2002 Women and Minority Business Directory and on the Web outlining the following:

- Process to do business with the city;
- Process for vendor to be added to state contract;
- Purchase order process listing contact person;
- Bills payable process listing contact person;
- Process where product vendor can sell product to the city departments and who to contact; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to inform all city departments and in particular fiscal personnel in each department the importance of bills owed by the city to be paid in a timely manner.

The motion carried on a voice vote.

Councillor Simmons thanked all attendees. She stated that the topic for the next meeting would be the Gibbs Report and outreach for the BCI Expo.

The meeting adjourned at twelve o'clock and twenty minutes p. m.

For the Committee,

Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Chair

Committee Report #8

HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

*Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor Anthony D. Galluccio
Councillor Brian Murphy*

PUBLIC SAFETY

In City Council July 29, 2002

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor David P Maher
Councillor Timothy J. Toomey*

The Health and Environment and the Public Safety Committees held a joint public meeting on Friday, June 21, 2002 at noon in the Sullivan Chamber

The purpose of the meeting was to conduct a joint meeting to discuss a municipal light company, maintenance, local conservation programs and the use of renewable energy.

Present at the meeting were: Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Committee, Councillor Brian Murphy, Councillor David Maher, James Maloney, Assistant City Manager for Fiscal Affairs, George Fernandes, City Electrician, Catherine Preston, Environmental and Transportation Planning, Community Development Department, Abby Dewolfe, Environmental Intern, Community Development Department, Garrett Simonson, Assistant to the Mayor and Vice Mayor, Julia Bowdoin, Assistant to the City Manager and Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk.

Also present at the meeting were the following representatives from: William Zamparelli, Community Relations, Robert Masci, Somerville Operations Manager, Richard A. Moran, Residential Program Manager Energy Efficiency Services, Amin R. Jessa, Lead Engineer System Engineering and Nelson P. Medeiros, Program Manager of New Construction Energy Efficiency Services

Vice Mayor Davis opened the meeting and stated the purpose. She requested all attendees to introduce themselves and requested the representatives to outline their function.

Robert Masci informed the committee that he is the Somerville Operations Manager and is responsible for the City of Cambridge. He is responsible for lights, power and maintenance and has been responsible for this area since February 15, 2002. His district includes nine cities and town including Cambridge, Arlington, East Boston, Charlestown, Chelsea, Somerville, Winchester, Stoneham and Woburn. He informed the committee that he is the person to call if there is a problem in Cambridge. He gave the committee his telephone number (617) 369-5431. The general public should call 1-800-592-2000.

Amin R. Jessa stated that he is the Lead Engineer for the City of Cambridge and other communities. Vice Mayor Davis asked him what is job. Mr. Jessa responded that he works on all capital improvement plans, new construction, new investments and new assets and the maintenance plan. He handles nineteen communities and two service centers, Somerville and Waltham.

William Zamparelli is the Community Relations Representative.

Nelson P. Medeiros, Program Manager, works in the commercial and industrial sectors. He manages the new construction program and the energy efficiency program for the gas program.

Richard A. Moran, Program Manager, whose focus is on energy efficiency in the residential sector for all cities and towns.

Vice Mayor Davis stated that she called the meeting to discuss four topics:

- ❖ Outage and service of electric systems;
- ❖ Municipal lighting program and outages;
- ❖ Energy efficiency program options; and
- ❖ Renewable energy and green power.

Vice Mayor Davis asked what role does NSTAR play as the power provider. Mr. Zamparelli responded that under the 1998 deregulation NSTAR is a distributor and transmission company. NSTAR provides transmission of power to a grid.

The meeting now focused on power, maintenance and outages.

Councillor Murphy stated that it is frustrating for the general public to adapt. Formerly there was one entity responsible for service in Cambridge. The perception is that maintenance has not received the attention it should.

A discussion ensued about energy shortage. Mr. Fernandes stated that there is no shortage of available power for Cambridge. Mr. Jessa stated that there is a surplus capacity.

In responding to concerns about maintenance, Mr. Fernandes informed the committee that NSTAR has agreed to work on a number of circuits. There is a system switch on poles in Cambridge and these need to be changed. There are 270-280 switches that need to be changed. Faulty equipment caused the outages in Central and Harvard Squares last year, he said. He informed the committee that outages and reoccurrence were due to the installation of new switchgears.

Vice Mayor Davis informed the representatives from that Cambridge is used to consistent power. The general public is not aware that there is planned maintenance. Mr. Fernandes stated that the public does get notified when there is planned maintenance. Vice Mayor Davis suggested that this information could be put on the Web. Mr. Zamparelli stated that placing this information on the Web could be a security issue. Mail or flyers transmit this information. Mr. Jessa distributed an action plan (**ATTACHMENT A**).

Councillor Murphy asked how long does it take to replace a switch. Mr. Masci stated that it depends if the pole needs to be replaced, but it could take a day or two. He further stated that safety is number one concern with service and reliability as number two. Circuits need to be de-energized for protection of employees.

Mr. Jessa stated that there are 140-145 circuits in Cambridge. Mr. Fernandes stated that this is the reason why he has requested special service due to the number of circuits. Mr. Masci informed the committee that he wants a good working relationship with Cambridge and he will ensure that NSTAR will do better in the future. Mr. Fernandes stated that there has been an improvement in the last few months. Vice Mayor Davis stated that she wants consistent power and communication.

Mr. Fernandes outlined that an improvement in circuits in Cambridgeport was due to an upgrade. Harvard and Central Squares will have an upgrade and transformers. Kendall Square, he said, needs an upgrade because of development in this area. Mr. Jessa stated that a new substation at a cost of \$32 million is being reviewed. Mr. Masci stated that the Cambridge distribution system is old. NSTAR is

working aggressively; outages should be expected. NSTAR has spent \$1.5 million on infrastructure upgrade.

Councillor Murphy asked if there was a reduction in the money spent on maintenance. Mr. Masci responded that NSTAR's maintenance was brought back up. One employee does walk-downs, (an inspection of poles on streets). Infrared inspections are being done on 24 circuits. Mr. Jessa stated that high voltage testing was done on 8 circuits. There may be an offset because money is spent on capital.

Councillor Murphy asked how much will be spent on service maintenance. Mr. Masci stated that maintenance comes out of the Mass. Avenue complex. Vice Mayor Davis stated that she would like the maintenance figures for three years. She wanted two years of actual figures and one year of projected maintenance costs. Mr. Masci stated that the \$1.5 million spent was on maintenance and capital. A figure for the total amount spent for capital for Cambridge can be given. Vice Mayor Davis stated she wanted the figure broken apart. Councillor Murphy stated that he was concerned with the quality of service and the money invested.

Councillor Maher informed the NSTAR representatives that a fence was broken and there was trash on the property at the Western Avenue, Memorial Drive, Putnam Avenue site. Mr. Zamparelli stated that he would check into this situation. Vice Mayor Davis wanted to know who owned the substation property on Putnam Avenue and Pleasant Street. Mr. Zamparelli responded NSTAR owns the property. Mr. Fernandes stated that the property on Blackstone Street is deteriorating. NSTAR, he said, did a good job with the park in Kendall Square.

Vice Mayor Davis made the following motion:

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to secure a report from NSTAR on the exact and projected amount expended on maintenance for the last three years.

On a voice vote the motion -

Carried.

Vice Mayor Davis now turned to the subject of municipal lighting. She stated that there are 300 municipal lights out in the city and residents are frustrated because the lights are not replaced. Mr. Fernandes stated that in the past 4 months an employee has been assigned to replace the lights and his figure for the lights that are out is 700. He has provided NSTAR with a list, but this list has not been worked on. These lights need to be replaced and then patrol can be done. Mr. Zamparelli stated that Mr. Masci is responsible for the lighting. Mr. Masci informed the committee that Robert Clark would handle the street light report for the NSTAR territory. One Lamp Ranger, out of three positions, has been assigned to Cambridge.

Councillor Murphy asked how many lights are there in Cambridge. Mr. Fernandes responded 5300 light are NSTAR's and 800 are Cambridge lights.

Councillor Murphy asked how long do lights last. Mr. Masci responded mercury lights last 3 years; sodium lights 4-5 years. Mr. Masci stated that 254 lights were repaired in one month. Mr. Maloney asked if NSTAR had no interest in this part of the business. Mr. Masci stated that it is an advantage to cities to buy their infrastructure and to do the maintenance. Mr. Maloney asked if NSTAR sets up maintenance for hire. Mr. Masci responded in the negative. NSTAR wants to improve its system, he said.

Councillor Maher asked if when the Lamp Ranger checks outages is there any priority area. Mr. Fernandes stated that he would like to rotate patrol for the 13 neighborhoods in the city. Councillor Maher asked if lights are out in crime areas could these areas be given priority for light replacement. Mr. Masci replied certainly. Mr. Fernandes provides NSTAR with a list, he said. Mr. Fernandes informed the committee that the mercury vapor lights go dim when they need to be replaced. Sodium lights go on and off. A patrol may not report the need for replacement of these lights.

Vice Mayor Davis asked if the City Council would get a report on the cost if the city purchases the lights. Mr. Maloney stated cost estimates would be secured. This is a financial advantage, except for the maintenance. Mr. Masci stated that the city will own the utility from the manhole out and it is purchased "as is". Mr. Maloney stated that the city needs to know that NSTAR is interested in the service development aspect. There is an interest to restore confidence and to keep Cambridge as a customer. This is good information that Cambridge needs to know.

Vice Mayor Davis asked what is happening with energy efficiency. Mr. Medeiros informed the committee that the most efficient bulb is high-pressure sodium (HPS). Mr. Fernandes stated that in 1990 Cambridge went from mercury lights to sodium; 95% of the lights are sodium. Mr. Masci informed the committee that bulbs and ballast are hazardous waste. Cambridge recycles stated Mr. Fernandes.

Mr. Nelson stated that he manages the new construction program. The information on this program is on the Web site. The Web address is www.NSTARonline.com. Incentives are used to encourage high efficiency products. There are three programs:

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| ❖ New construction | ATTACHMENT B |
| ❖ Retrofit program | ATTACHMENT C |
| ❖ Retrofit for small business | ATTACHMENT D. |

Councillor Murphy asked if there is any sector of the economy in Cambridge to reach out to. Mr. Medeiros suggested including energy efficient replacement equipment in the "Request for Proposals" (RFP). Councillor Murphy asked if a presentation has been made to the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Medeiros responded in the affirmative. Vice Mayor Davis stated that Cambridge would like to development a partnership with NSTAR. Mr. Medeiros stated that he would provide information on the programs and training.

The committee heard from Mr. Moran, the Residential Energy Efficiency Program Manager for NSTAR. He outlined the Residential Conservation Service Program (RCP) **ATTACHMENT E**. A customer must enroll in the program. A home assessment is done. Incentives are given up to \$1,000 or 50% of cost. Services can include weatherization. Target customers for this program are electric heat customers. Ms. Preston asked if renters could use this program. Mr. Moran responded in the affirmative. The landlord approval may be required. Councillor Maher asked who does the work. Mr. Moran responded that subcontractors do the work under NSTAR guidelines. The number to call for this program is 866-527-7283.

Vice Mayor Davis asked about the halogen turn in program. Mr. Moran stated that effective July 2002 all electric companies have a partnership with Aubuchon Hardware stores to turn in halogen torchiere lamps at a cost of \$4.99 and receive a high efficiency torchiere lamp. Vice Mayor Davis asked about having this program in Cambridge. Mr. Moran responded that he would take this request back to his manager. He will follow up and get back to Cambridge with an answer on this program.

A discussion ensued about a rebate for energy star label products. The new construction program offers incentives for energy star appliances and lighting. Mr. Fernandes asked if there is a renovation program. Mr. Moran believed there is such a program for adding on to a home. Mr. Moran stated that there is a low-income program for energy efficient service provided at no cost to the occupant.

Vice Mayor Davis stated that she would postpone the renewable energy program discussion for another time.

Vice Mayor Davis stated that better communication is needed. These meetings, she said, are a way to develop awareness at this level. There is a will to create a municipal utility partnership. Mr. Fernandes asked if NSTAR would look into whether there was computer software that would enable all computers run by the city department to be shut down to save energy. Mr. Moran stated computers go into low power mode. There would be more wear and tear on the computer by turning the computer on and off.

Vice Mayor Davis thanked all attendees. She stated that the issues of partnership with NSTAR and the renewable energy will be discussions to be continued at the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at two o'clock and ten minutes p. m.

For the Committee,

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis,
Chair

Committee Report #9

PUBLIC SAFETY

In City Council July 29, 2002

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair

Councillor David P Maher

Councillor Timothy J. Toomey

The Public Safety Committee held a public meeting on Tuesday, June 25, 2002 at 6:35 p. m. in the Sullivan Chamber.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss video monitoring of enforcement of stopping at red lights.

Present at the meeting were Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Committee, Councillor Brian Murphy, Ronnie Watson, Police Commissioner, Superintendent David Degou, Cambridge Police Department, Sgt. John Jones, Cambridge Police Department, Sue Clippinger, Director of Traffic, Parking & Transportation, and Elaine McGrath, City Clerk's office.

Also present were the following residents of Cambridge: Ted Hamann, 106 Holworthy St, Fran Chaikin, 172 Auburn St., Robin Bledsoe, 2130 Massachusetts Ave., Ann K. Lambert, 130 Mt. Auburn St., Rona Gregory, 14 Locke St., Brian Culver, 385 Concord Ave., Bette Davis, 395 Broadway, Rozann Kraus, 91 Chilton St., Michael Halle, 2 Westacott Ct., David Loutzenheiser, 230 Lexington Ave., Bruce Sylvester, 453 Franklin St., and Garfield Morrison (no address given).

Vice Mayor Davis opened the meeting and stated the purpose. She then asked for an explanation of the bill that is pending before the state legislature on video enforcement of traffic stops.

Mr. Hamman identified the bill as House Bill No. 4912 (**Attachment A**) and stated that it modified earlier bills that had been sponsored by Councillor and State Representative Timothy Toomey and others. The legislation would allow Boston and Cambridge to install cameras at intersections to take pictures of the rear license plates of cars that run red lights. Other cities in Europe and the U.S. such as San Francisco and Baltimore use these cameras, with success. According to Mr. Hamann, the deterrent effect is almost overwhelming. The Massachusetts legislation would create a pilot program running through July 2005 to test the cameras. Mr. Hamann acknowledged and addressed the concerns of people who are leery about video enforcement as an invasion of privacy. The bill allows photos only if a vehicle runs a red light and then only of the license plate. The violation is treated like a parking ticket violation, rather than a moving violation. There are no penalties against insurance and the maximum fine is \$100. Mr. Hamann describes the penalty as the equivalent of a meter maid ticket. Records are kept for one year. If there are multiple violations, the vehicle can be impounded. Enforcement is not primarily through police, but through ticketing. While private companies provide and maintain the cameras, their compensation is not based on the numbers of pictures taken.

Ms. Clippinger noted that police have to review violations to ensure they are legitimate and that this oversight was critical to Boston's approval of the proposal.

Police Commissioner Watson noted that several years ago, he and Ms. Clippinger were approached with a proposal for this kind of video monitoring. They agreed there was a serious problem with red light running and that such a system was needed. At that time, the video company proposed to manage the administrative functions. Commissioner Watson stated that he has questions about how the police would verify these violations. The video company should not make independent decisions but the

police role needs to be clarified. According to Commissioner Watson, video monitoring has worked well in other cities. One important aspect is to conceal the locations of cameras so that drivers cannot anticipate and avoid them, and so that they achieve maximum deterrence. Commissioner Watson pointed out that in 2001, there were 3838 citations for running red lights; in 2002, there have been 1644 so far.

Mr. Hamann stated that the best possible enforcement would be to locate cameras at every corner where there was a problem. However, it is expensive to run the cameras 24 hours a day; it can also be dangerous if police chase violators.

Ms. Chaikin noted that bicyclists also violate red lights. Commissioner Watson pointed out that this bill only covers cars. Cambridge is the only local city that cites bike violations. This summer, the city will target enforcement of bike violations at 14 locations.

Ms. Lambert spoke as a resident and a member of the American Civil Liberties Union. She commended the city for rejecting this proposal in City Council in April 2002, while continuing the discussion and consideration of the underlying issues. She is concerned about the city increasing surveillance of residents, and raised issues of invasion of privacy and “mission creep”. She noted that in the United Kingdom, for example, there are over 2 million cameras in use; citizens, on average, are photographed about 300 times a day. Although this proposal may not be illegal or unconstitutional, it is part of a disturbing trend of increasing surveillance. She is also concerned about what locations may be targeted for enforcement, and about the city’s financial and administrative ability to do quality control of the process. She asks the Council to stand by their earlier decision and to consider other, less intrusive ways of solving traffic problems.

Ms. Gregory, a member of the Pedestrian Committee, spoke about her concern as a parent with the risks of getting her children across the streets safely. She believes there is no way to do adequate police enforcement. She shares the concerns about increased surveillance, but believes there are safeguards and that the risks to civil liberties must be balanced with concerns for public safety. Only cars running red lights trigger the camera. Ms. Gregory is comfortable with the bill’s safeguards and the track record from other cities, and strongly supports the proposal.

Mr. Culver, a member of the Pedestrian Committee, supported video enforcement as an important tool. The Pedestrian Committee has used cameras to capture information on driver violations. There are simply not enough police to do traffic enforcement. The more drivers see other cars violating the rules of the road, the more they are encouraged to do the same. This can create “road rage” on the streets.

Ms. Davis spoke as a 30-year resident and a former journalist who wrote an article on the need for video monitoring in 1998 (**Attachment B**). She read the article, highlighting the dangers that pedestrians face from increasingly heavy traffic, traffic violations, inadequate pedestrian lights, and the limits of police enforcement. She continues to recommend photo enforcement. It has been used successfully in Europe for 20 years. The American experience has been that there are even higher numbers of violations than expected. Any privacy concerns are limited, since only law breakers are subject to surveillance, and then only their licenses are photographed. According to Ms. Davis, focusing on civil rights and privacy issues in this context only protects the guilty and endangers the innocent.

Ms. Kraus, a member of the Pedestrian Committee, agreed that it was worth considering video enforcement if it would save lives, but urged the council to reserve it as a last resort. She stated that the larger context of traffic safety has three elements: education, engineering and enforcement. Video enforcement is one aspect of enforcement, and only captures one group of violators-- in cars, not those on bikes or on foot. She stated that the problem was people’s feeling of entitlement to travel through the city any way they please, and that other solutions are available. According to Ms. Kraus, selective use of

cameras will only teach people to take other routes and won't make them travel responsibly. She is working on a proposal that would use police and meter maids to educate the public to be more responsible in traffic, and feature enhanced police enforcement. She believes that Cambridge is not like other cities, and that it should try to solve the problem by changing people's attitudes and behavior in traffic.

Mr. Halle agreed with Ms. Kraus that the goal was to make Cambridge a better place. However, he notes that people often obey the law not because they care, but because of enforcement. If there is a police presence, people's behavior improves. This legislation would give Cambridge a choice of tools to improve pedestrian safety. With the trial period, the city can tailor surveillance, and address concerns such as privacy. He stated that it is important to support the idea since video monitoring can change behavior.

Mr. Loutzenheiser of the Pedestrian Committee emphasized that the issue is safety in the street from injury and death. The city needs a multifaceted approach that includes education, engineering and enforcement. Cameras are a very effective part of this.

Mr. Sylvester stated that even if people know the locations of the cameras, and only improve their behavior there, that would be an improvement. As for civil liberties concerns, the fact that illegal behavior triggers the surveillance is an important safeguard. At worst, the use of cameras might mean less police enforcement against other violations.

Commissioner Watson noted that with the new focus on safety after September 11, 2001, there are fewer resources for traffic enforcement. For example, state police are responsible for many of the major routes through Cambridge, but they do not do enforcement. He agreed that video enforcement would be another useful tool. Without police back-up, there can still be a problem. As it is, only a small number of violations are written up. Education is critical, but proposals may be difficult to implement. The city needs to make technology work for us.

Councillor Murphy stated that he understands and shares the concerns about running red lights. While he knows it is discouraging to some, he continues to oppose the proposal because of issues about increased surveillance in society. He encouraged Ms. Kraus to develop her proposal for increased education and police enforcement, and possibly an action by pedestrians with police to catch scofflaws. He will continue to work for more police and financial resources to improve traffic enforcement, and noted that this could pay for itself in fines.

Vice-Mayor Davis read and entered into the record two letters: a May 2, 2002 letter in support of traffic video monitoring from WalkBoston (**Attachment C**), and a June 25, 2002 supporting letter from the Cambridge Community Development Department to City Manager Healy (**Attachment D**).

Ms. Gregory stated her support for the range of measures to ensure safety, but expressed concern with the limits of local education efforts, since many drivers are not Cambridge residents, and many drivers know the law but break it anyway.

Mr. Hamann addressed the costs of the system briefly. There would be a one-time capital cost for installation. Any maintenance costs should be compared to the costs of enforcement.

Ms. Davis stated that it was naïve to count on education to change motorists' behavior, and that it will take enforcement to do that. One aspect of the problem is the number of out-of-town drivers. For example, the Harvard Square Design Committee discovered that 80 percent of the drivers in the Square were from outside Cambridge.

Ms. Kraus suggested that people will respond to the rules of the local culture, and that the committee should focus on the larger problem of civility, and not make video enforcement a priority tool.

Commissioner Watson noted that education is part of any new enforcement effort, which would start with warnings.

Vice-Mayor Davis reviewed the City Council vote of April 8, 2002 which rejected a resolution in favor of video enforcement on a vote of four in favor, four opposed, and one absent. She stated her support for the state legislation, which is pending, and noted that Cambridge cannot do anything until the legislature acts. However, Cambridge's position can affect the success of the bill. She will continue to work to improve pedestrian safety. She urged the council and citizens to keep an eye on the issue, and encouraged residents to attend the July 29, 2002 City Council meeting, where these minutes will be entered.

Vice-Mayor Davis thanked everyone for attending.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

For the Committee,

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair

Committee Report #10

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

In City Council July 29, 2000

David P. Maher, Chair

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Vice Chair

Councillor Brian Murphy

Councillor E. Denise Simmons

Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.

The University Relations Committee held a facilitated public meeting on June 26, 2002, beginning at 9:20 a.m. in the conference room of the Water Treatment Facility at 250 Fresh Pond Parkway. The meeting was held to discuss the next steps in the process of working toward a better relationship with the universities.

Present at the meeting were Councillor David Maher, Chair of the Committee, Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Vice Chair of the Committee, Councillor Marjorie C. Decker, Councillor Anthony G. Galluccio, Councillor Brian Murphy, Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Councillor E. Denise Simmons, Councillor Timothy J. Toomey Jr. Council staff present were City Clerk D. Margaret Drury, Deputy Clerk Donna P. Lopez, Elaine McGrath, City Clerk's Office, Sandra Albano, Assistant to the City Council, Garrett Simonson, Assistant to the Mayor and Vice Mayor.

The following administrative staff were present: Robert W. Healy, City Manager, Richard Rossi, Deputy City Manager, Beth Rubenstein, Assistant City Manager for Community Development, Jill Herold, Assistant City Manager for Human Services, James Maloney, Assistant City Manager for Fiscal Affairs, and Julia Bowden, Assistant to the City Manager. Roberta Miller, facilitator and trainer for collaborative processes was also present.

Councillor Maher called the meeting to order and requested that Ms. Miller begin the discussion. Ms. Miller distributed material entitled "Discussion Documents from University/Cambridge Summit of 5/28/02" and reviewed the outcomes from that meeting (**See Attachment A**). She noted that the prioritization process identified the following high priority cluster of work:

- Financial stability for the city and in-lieu-of-tax payments
- Public education initiatives
- Housing
- Long term planning
- Coping with immediate issues
- Developing, maintaining and updating the principles, responsibilities, goals and bench marks of the relationships between the city and the institutions

Before moving to the workplan for the current meeting, Ms. Miller invited brief comments on the May 28, 2002 summit meeting with university attendance. Ms. Miller then moved to the workplan for this meeting, which she described as answering the following questions:

1. What work should the Committee propose?
2. What city interests must be protected?
3. What structure will best achieve the goals?

Vice Mayor Davis said that the financial stability issue must be settled as soon as possible. On the city side, the work there will continue to be done by the City Manager and his staff. There should probably be a somewhat tighter connection to the Council, not much tighter, but a little tighter. For her the confusing part is the long term planning and its tie to the immediate conflicts and hotspots that arise from the universities' steps to implement their long-term plans. The other areas could be addressed with the type of appointed and representative task forces that Councillor Decker has recommended.

Councillor Murphy suggested that the Council consider, with respect to long term planning, whether the current town/gown process, involving reports from the universities to the Planning Board, a Planning Board hearing and discussion and a report to the City Council, should happen more often than once a year. Ms. Rubenstein agreed and added that the meetings should happen more than once a year as long as they become more than exercises in public relations presentations. There must be real information and meaningful exchanges. She also suggested that not all the meetings be held by the Planning Board; if there are four meetings per year, two could be with the Planning Board and two with the City Council.

Councillor Maher stated that he sees that suggestion as an example of something that could be recommended by a task force charged with looking at the issue of university/city long term planning and development.

Councillor Galluccio emphasized the need for separation of "good neighbor" and development issues. The universities should not see their good neighbor activities as a quid pro quo for getting their desired results in the various permitting processes required for their development projects.

Mr. Rossi noted the need for more information from the universities and an end to the surprise developments such as the purchase of Tech Square by MIT. Some surprise is inevitable in a competitive real estate market. However, the universities must consider how the community as a whole is ever going to feel more comfortable with the institutions' plans and projects when there continue to be surprises like Harvard's Polaroid site purchase and MIT's Tech Square purchase.

Vice Mayor Davis said that she would suggest research on model agreements between cities and universities with the view toward protection for the city even where there is not full disclosure.

Councillor Decker said that it is important to maintain a realistic view of the role of the universities as landowners and developers and the City Council's role as an advocate for and protector of residents and neighbors. There are times when the City Council will want to stop the university from development activities that it sees as harmful to the neighborhoods, and so the universities will never be comfortable divulging all of their land use plans. A permanent committee with representatives of the neighborhood, the Council, the City Manager and the universities, all appointed by the City Manager, would tend to de-politicize the long-term focus.

Mr. Rossi said that the successful negotiation of a plan to protect the city's financial stability and an agreement about physical boundaries for university expansion would go far towards reducing the adversarial content of the relationships.

Councillor Maher said that he agrees with Mr. Rossi that satisfactory financial protection and physical boundary agreements would result in major improvements in the relationships, but he noted that the City cannot reach these agreements through legislation by treating the universities differently from other entities, the agreements must be negotiated.

A discussion of the possibilities of a legislative solution to the financial and boundary issues ensued. Councillor Maher pointed out that the City does not have the legal power to prohibit the universities from acquiring more property. Councillor Simmons noted that the fact that the universities are different from all other landowners supports different legal treatment. Councillor Decker said that the laws could be changed. Mr. Rossi said that the likelihood of success in that endeavor is slight. Councillor Maher added that previous attempts to limit the applicability of the property tax exemption have gone nowhere.

Vice Mayor Davis said that the City can certainly continue to explore legal solutions. At the same time the Council has to look at what can be achieved through this process, to clarify the Council vision of where universities can grow, and to look at improving the town/gown process.

Ms. Rubenstein stated that the Growth Policy Document developed by the Planning Board and approved by the City Council does address many of these issues (**See Attachment B**).

Mr. Maloney said that the consideration of growth agreements with the universities would require the City Council to have a clear vision of what it can live with. MIT has made its intent to grow very clear. The question is “how?” not “whether.” He noted that Mayor Sullivan had previously said that if there were an agreement that acquisition by MIT would not affect the tax status of the property regardless of future educational use, he would actually prefer to have local ownership of Cambridge commercial property. What if Harvard had come to the City four years ago when Spaulding and Slye was planning office buildings for the Polaroid site and offered its present plan for faculty housing?

Mr. Rossi said that in such a case, the City could have negotiated for more affordable units than the number required under the Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance.

Councillor Decker said that Harvard’s acquisition of the site for faculty condominiums right after the neighborhood won a hard fought fight for housing for the benefit of the neighborhood instead of offices shocked and outraged the entire neighborhood. An even bigger issue is that residents do not want to live in a city that is owned by Harvard. She, like her fellow citizens, wants a diverse city with real neighborhoods.

Councillor Simmons added that if the universities own too much of the city, they will have a bigger stake in the whole city’s agenda than is healthy and appropriate.

Mr. Maloney said that Councillor Decker’s views and Mr. Rossi’s views could both be accommodated if Harvard had acquired the site and a third-party developer had built the extra affordable units for the city.

Vice Mayor Davis said that she believes that Northeastern University has a development of that type. She would like to see research on model agreements between universities and municipalities.

Ms. Miller suggested that in the short time left in this meeting, the members of the Council provide some guidelines in the high priority work areas for the committee to use in preparing recommendations to bring back to the full Council.

In the area of education, the following comments were noted:

- Lesley University must be at the table (City Manager Healy).

- The School Committee and School Administration must play a large role, Cambridge College should be involved, and Longy School of Music could help with providing much needed expansion of music opportunities for Cambridge students (Councillor Reeves).
- Work on education should be tied to the Agenda for Children and its priority goal of literacy (Vice Mayor Davis).
- To negotiate the kind of university involvement that will have a real impact on the school system, the City Council and the City Manager must remain deeply involved in the negotiations (Councillor Maher).
- Task force members will need to have the benefit of research and information about best practices and university/public school collaborations in other cities (Councillor Reeves).

Housing

- Cambridge needs more housing for families. The creation of living/working space for artists should also be considered (Councillor Reeves).
- The task force should foster joint university/city housing in which the university acquires the land and the city/nonprofit housing agency pays for units in the housing the university develops (Mr. Rossi).

Long Term Planning

- Ms. Miller noted that the Council has already expressed interest in building on the existing town/gown process with more regular meetings and more involvement of the City Council.
- Long term planning work should include looking at how there can be better protections for residents and neighborhoods. The group that looks at long term planning issues should include representatives from the City Council, the City Manager, Community Development, the universities and residents from the affected neighborhoods (Councillor Maher).

Councillor Reeves noted that he sees unresolved questions about the structure of the groups that will be making decisions in the priority areas. To get real commitments from the universities, the presidents must be involved in the discussions, and the City must be talking to the presidents. The group that speaks for the city must include the City Manager and the Mayor. These people make the agreement. The task forces implement the agreements.

Ms Miller moved to the area of financial stability/taxes/ payments in lieu of taxes:

- This area involves the greatest consensus among members of the Council and the least amount of Council work because it is largely in the capable hands of the City Manager. The Council can emphasize its consensus and support for the City Manager's efforts with a Council policy resolution to that effect (Councillor Murphy).

Ongoing immediate development issues:

- There are often difficult timing issues involved in these matters. For example, in the Agassiz area, Harvard is seeking a building permit. In Riverside, residents are planning to file a zoning petition, which will have statutory time limits for Council action (Beth Rubenstein).

- The ongoing immediate issues usually come to the attention of the City Council through cries for help from neighborhood residents in the face of university expansion (Vice Mayor Davis).

Ms. Miller then invited public comment.

Elie Yarden, 143 Pleasant Street, expressed concern about apparent lack of information on the part of members of the Council. He stated that citizens want to know that their government has the will to protect civil society. That requires the Council to have a vision of the city that supercedes all other visions. Building a neighborhood is not easy. Harvard's plan to use the housing that the neighborhood fought for in Cambridgeport as faculty condominiums which must be resold to Harvard when the faculty leaves Harvard will not build neighborhood and community. The building will in effect be a barracks for Harvard teachers, whose stake is not in the neighborhood but rather in the institution.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

For the committee,

Councillor David P. Maher, Chair

Committee Report #11

HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

*Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor Anthony D. Galluccio
Councillor Brian Murphy*

PUBLIC SAFETY

In City Council July 29, 2002

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor David P Maher
Councillor Timothy J. Toomey*

The Health and Environment and the Public Safety Committees conducted a joint public meeting on Wednesday, June 26, 2002 at two o'clock and ten minutes p. m. in the Ackermann Room.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the issue of domestic violence.

Present at the meeting were Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment and the Public Safety Committees, Councillor David Maher, Councillor Brian Murphy, Councillor Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves, Jill Herold, Assistant City Manager for Human Services, Susan Pacheco, Council on Aging, Nancy Ryan, Director, Women's Commission, Harold Cox, Chief Public Health Officer, Lynn Schoeff, Director of Community Health, Health Department, Susan Marine, Violence Prevent Coordinator, Health Department, Sergeant Joseph McSweeney, Domestic Violence Unit, Police Department, Pauline Carter-Wells, Domestic Violence Unit, Police Department, Thomas O'Connor, Detective, Police Department, Jenny Venturo, Police Department and Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk.

Also present were representatives from other agencies: Antonia Chronis, Department of Social Services, Metro Regional Office, Linda McMaster, Transition House, Janet Yassen, Victims of Violence Program, Cambridge Health Alliance, Ilana Amrani-Cohen, Children with Voices, the Guidance Center, Loleta Collins, DTA, Domestic Violence Unit, Attorney Patricia Telles-Warren and Yvette Goulet, Cambridge/Somerville Legal Service (CASLS), Erin O'Hearn, The Family Center, Susan Cayouette, Clinical Director, EMERGE, Jacey Buel and Tanya Daniel, Dating Violence Intervention Project (DVIP).

Vice Mayor Davis called the meeting to order and stated the purpose. She stated that this community was touched by the violence that recently occurred in the city. She turned the meeting over to Nancy Ryan, Women's Commission, Harold Cox, Chief Public Health Officer and Susan Marine, Domestic Violence Unit, Health Department and to the agencies that provide service to the community.

Ms. Ryan informed the committee that there is a need to develop a dialogue about what services are needed. In 1995 the Domestic Violence Free Zone (DVFZ) was established by City Council order. The entity that deals most with domestic violence is the Police Department. Ms. Ryan introduced Detective Thomas O'Connor who distributed a chart on Criminal Incidents of Domestic Violence for a three year period, 1999-2001 (**ATTACHMENT A**) and a chart outlining Domestic Violence Crime from January 1, 2002 to June 23, 2002 (**ATTACHMENT B**). He informed the committee that aggravated assault deals with using a weapon; simple assault deals with using a slap or a punch.

Councillor Murphy asked how are the incidents broken down. Detective O'Connor responded that as a general rule twenty percent of offenders commit eighty percent of the crimes. Recidivist crime is not tracked. Ms. Ryan stated that it is a good idea to track repeat offenders and put support in place for

the victims. Detective O'Connor stated that repeat calls are in the computer and the dispatchers are put on notice. The results of these cases are not tracked. The cases can take one year to be adjudicated. Detective Carter-Wells informed the committee that recurrent crime does not mean that it is the same victim. Attorney Tellis-Warren asked if perpetrators are tracked. Detective O'Connor stated that the tracking is an address based system.

The committee heard from Susan Marine, the Domestic Violence Coordinator, Cambridge Health Department, who stated that the Domestic Violence Free Zone has eleven project areas established by collaboration with departments in the city to prevent and eliminate domestic violence **ATTACHMENT C**. Ms. Schoeff, Director of Community Health, stated that the core group of the DVFZ was established in 1997 and representatives were appointed by the City Manager from city departments. City employees have received information on domestic violence through the Employee Assistance Program, EAP. Training has been given to the Housing Authority, School, Police, Human Services Department and the Health Alliance. Specialized training was given to sixty School department employees to be Domestic Violence Resource Persons in the School Department. A group was convened for children who have witnessed domestic violence.

Ms. Marine informed the committee that domestic violence activity starts with teen dating. An evaluation has been done on the domestic violence program of the last five years and a preliminary report will be prepared by the end of the summer. Recommendations are being developed to consider a domestic violence policy for city employees. Assessment of services is being done to see if there is a gap in services. Services were discussed next.

Ms. Ryan stated that the Cambridge Domestic Violence Program is seen as a model throughout the country. Services need to be expanded. A list of services was distributed **ATTACHMENT D**. Children who witness violence is a new program. There are programs for men, but this is a challenge.

Councillor Murphy asked what are the entry places for services and do people who need help receive it. Ms. Marine stated that less orthodox means are being used to contact people who need services. More creative methods are needed. Ms. Ryan stated that people enter the circle of domestic violence services through a multiplicity of organizations **ATTACHMENT E**. There is no one-entry place and there is no tracking mechanism.

Councillor Reeves stated that the group he is familiar with is not aware of the hot line, **(617) 665-2992**. The national hot line is **1-800-799-7233**. Councillor Reeves stated that it is not clear where people go who are in pain. He asked where is the door to enter in to receive services for domestic violence; he does not know whom to call. The community is in crisis. Where is the Crisis Response Team and what has this team done. Ms. Ryan responded that the crisis intervention team does not talk to the community unless invited in by the community.

The committee heard from some of the service providers.

Ms. Janet Yassen, Victims of Violence, stated that there are many services, but the services are not good if unknown to the people who need them or there is no access to the services. People receive services in different ways such as primary care providers; victims and their families use clergy and friends. The crisis team does not handle the individual. One to one counseling is provided. Councillor Reeves stated that in the midst of this crisis the team needs to be involved, but there has been no involvement. He stated that with the murder/suicide incident that occurred in the city the public does not know that they can go to the Windsor Street Health Clinic for services. Mr. Cox stated that the Crisis Response Team (CRT) was actively involved with the Cambridge Housing Authority to think through

what was needed in the community meeting. Information on CRT, Victim Advocacy Support Team and Victims of Violence Program was distributed, **ATTACHMENT F.**

Ms. Ilana Amrani-Cohen, Children with Voices, stated that she was called by the School Department to do counseling to the school on Tuesday morning. All teachers were met and the children who witnessed the violence were identified. Four first grade children witnessed the violence. The children talk to teachers. Services, she said are provided for children and parents of domestic violence. Her agency is spread thin, she said. She would like to have a program for offending fathers. Her agency serves 165 children and 113 families. She distributed information about the Guidance Center **ATTACHMENT G.**

In response to a question by Councillor Reeves, Ms. Ryan stated that she would get Richard Harding involved in this matter. Vice Mayor Davis asked if there are mental health services for men. Ms. Schoeff stated that there are many services offered to men through community based services. EMERGE offers services to men who batter and strive to prevent the battering. Ms. Susan Cayouette, Clinical Director of EMERGE, stated that EMERGE is a court ordered volunteer program which enrolls offenders. Wives or girlfriends voluntarily refer offenders. No one can be forced to participate in the program without a court order. Councillor Reeves stated that EMERGE has a fatal flaw -- that being it will only talk to men. Ms. Cayouette responded that people in this program have crossed the line, they are not just in controlling relationships they include physical violence.

Attorney Telles-Warren suggested to Councillor Reeves that he refer his inquiries to legal services. An advocate will work on the issue. It is better to filter victims to the right people. Word of mouth is the best way to get the word out, especially for non-English speaking people, she said. Passing the information inter-agency is the best way to gain access. Councillor Reeves asked about eligibility for legal services. Attorney Telles-Warren responded in theory all persons are to be helped.

Ms. Ryan asked Mr. Buel to give information on the Dating Violence Intervention Project (DVIP). Mr. Buel stated that the focus is to get men early to prevent them being an EMERGE participant. He works at the high school. An after school program is run at the Kennedy Middle School. This project must be made as attractive as possible to get participation. EMERGE does the training so that the counselors can be certified. A teen hot line is run by teens with adult supervision each day from 3-7 p.m.

The discussion now focused on the gaps in services. Ms. Marine outlined the gaps **ATTACHMENT H.** The problem is to get to people who do not have access to services. People who do not have children in the public schools are being missed. There are hidden victims. The hidden victims are being missed because they do not exhibit that they are victims. She further stated that the Domestic Violence Officer position at the Cambridge Housing Authority is vacant. People who do not use medical care are being skipped. People who do not use WIC, MAPS or Concilio Hispano are being missed. Outreach needs to be done at area businesses, churches, community and youth centers and public facilities.

Vice Mayor Davis asked of the 707 incidents in 2001 how many had contact with the system. Detective O'Connor responded that 33-36% of domestic violence calls result in arrests after the incident, rather than at the scene. Ms. Jenny Venturo, Police Department, does follow up with the calls, he said.

Vice Mayor Davis stated that she would like to have a goal where perpetrators were known ahead of the incident. Ms. Marian Ryan, Domestic Violence Unit, Middlesex District Attorney's Office, stated that it is a success if a victim of domestic violence reports the incident. There is an 80% success with intervention.

Vice Mayor Davis asked if there was an analysis done to determine if the service is effective. Ms. Ryan stated that there is no consistent data. Cambridge restraining orders have increased. Attorney Telles-Warren informed the committee that some clients have never had any police incidences. Batters file several motions and CASLS has to respond. Ms. Marine stated that an effort would be made to talk to the survivors of domestic violence. Tracking batterers is cumbersome and dangerous, she said.

Attorney Ryan stated that the number one thing that makes a difference in domestic violence is the first person of contact with the victim. The personal piece makes all the difference, she said.

Councillor Reeves stated that there does not exist an outreach network for mental health and therapy. Numerous incidents have occurred in the area of the Windsor Street Health Clinic with little outreach made from the Health Clinic to the victims and their families. Mental health and depression for men of color is at dangerous proportions, he said.

Vice Mayor Davis asked what are the gaps with the services. Ms. Yassen stated that proper outreach cannot be done because there are two part-time advocates to see 100 people; the resources are just not there. Ms. Schoeff stated that she wanted to identify the needs and to work to meet the needs and to ensure that services are known and utilized. Councillor Murphy stated that there is a desire by the City Council to provide resources for outreach. Additional services may be needed if existing services are insufficient. Councillor Murphy requested a list of contacts at the various agencies for the City Council and School Committee.

Vice Mayor Davis thanked all attendees. She applauded all the service providers.

The meeting adjourned at three o'clock and fifty-five minutes p.m.

For the Committee,

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis
Chair

Committee Report #12

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

In City Council July 29 , 2002

Councillor David P. Maher, Co-Chair

Councillor Brian Murphy, Co-Chair

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis

Councillor Marjorie C. Decker

Councillor Anthony D. Galluccio

Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves

Councillor E. Denise Simmons

Councillor Timothy J. Toomey

Mayor Michael A. Sullivan

The Ordinance Committee held a public meeting on June 26, 2002, beginning at 4:15 P.M. in the Sullivan Chamber for the purpose of considering proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to modify regulations related to theater parking.

Present at the hearing were Councillor David P. Maher and Councillor Brian Murphy, Co-Chairs of the Committee, Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis City Clerk D. Margaret Drury. Also present were Lester Barber, Director of Land Use and Zoning, Community Development Department and Elaine McGrath, City Clerk's Office.

Councillor Maher convened the hearing and explained the purpose. He invited Mr. Barber to describe the proposed change.

Mr. Barber explained that the Planning Board is proposing to the City Council for its consideration an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance affecting how parking for theaters is regulated in the City. Currently theaters, which are categorized as retail uses in the Zoning Ordinance, are treated differently than all other retail and non-residential uses. All other non-residential uses may provide the required accessory parking on the lot upon which the use is located, or on a lot within three hundred feet of that location; theaters must provide the accessory parking only on the lot upon which the theater is situated.

This particular provision of the accessory parking regulations has come to light because it prevents the placement of the accessory parking intended to serve the proposed theaters at the Cambridge Research Park development in East Cambridge in the pooled garage. The use of the pooled parking garage would be prohibited because it is on a different lot than the theaters. The theaters and the pooled parking are literally across the street from each other within the development. Under the Planned Unit Development approved by the Planning Board, the pooled parking is meant to serve all uses in the development. The existing parking provision in the Zoning Ordinance affecting theaters is contrary to the intent of the PUD plan as it has been approved and acts as a disincentive to provide for a theater in this multi-use project.

Rather than try to address this anomalous circumstance only within the PUD-3 district, it is the Planning Board's view that a city-wide solution is most appropriate so that theaters, like all other non-residential uses, can take advantage of pooled parking (within 300 feet) where such parking and theaters are proposed in any future project.

Mr. Barber said that the current differential treatment began twenty-five years ago. Staff have been unable to discover the reason for treating theaters differently from other commercial uses and have

concluded that the provision resulted from some particular issue at that time. Mr. Barber added that the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department has no problem with the proposed amendment.

Councillors Maher and Murphy thanked Mr. Barber for his presentation.

There was no public testimony because no members of the public were present to testify.

Vice Mayor Davis made a motion that the proposed amendment be forwarded to the full City Council with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed on a voice vote without objection.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

For the Committee,

Councillor David P. Maher, Co-Chair

Councillor Brian Murphy, Co-Chair

FIRST PUBLICATION NUMBER 2961

City of Cambridge

In the Year Two Thousand and Two

AN ORDINANCE

In amendment to the Ordinance entitled “Zoning Ordinances of the City of Cambridge”

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Cambridge as follows:

Delete paragraph C of Section 6.22.1 and thereby altering the regulation of parking for theaters in the City.

Currently theaters, which are categorized as retail uses in the Zoning Ordinance, are treated differently from all other retail and non-residential uses. All other non-residential uses are required to provide accessory parking on the lot upon which the use is located, or on a lot within three hundred feet of that location, but theaters are required to provide accessory parking only on the lot upon which the theater is situated.

The amendment would treat theaters like all other non-residential uses by deleting the paragraph that treats theaters as a special case.

Passed to a second reading at the City Council meeting held on July 29, 2002 and on or after August 12, 2002 the question comes on passing to be ordained.

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

Committee Report #13

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

In City Council July 29, 2002

Councillor David P. Maher, Co-Chair

Councillor Brian Murphy, Co-Chair

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis

Councillor Marjorie C. Decker

Councillor Anthony D. Galluccio

Councillor Kenneth E. Reeves

Councillor E. Denise Simmons

Councillor Timothy J. Toomey

Mayor Michael A. Sullivan

The Ordinance Committee held a public meeting on June 26, 2002, beginning at 4:20 P.M. in the Sullivan Chamber/Ackermann for the purpose of considering proposed amendments to the Responsible Employer Ordinance to include public works such as services and roads (**Attachment A**).

Present at the hearing were Councillor David P. Maher and Councillor Brian Murphy, Co-Chairs of the Committee, Councillor Timothy J Toomey, City Clerk D. Margaret Drury and Elaine McGrath, Clerk's Office. Also present were Robert W. Healy, City Manager, and Donald Drisdell, Deputy City Manager.

Councillor Murphy convened the hearing and explained the purpose.

Councillor Maher noted that in the last Council term, the Ordinance Committee held a hearing on this proposal, but the proposal had remained in committee without further action in that term.

Councillor Murphy then invited the proponents to make a presentation.

David Borrus, 126 Harvey Street, Pile Drivers Local Union Number 56, stated that Cambridge was the first city in the Commonwealth to enact the Responsible Employer Ordinance and that is an accomplishment to be proud of. However, it only applies to "vertical" construction. The proposed amendment would include the work covered in Ch. 30 § 49M, all construction work on all public works contracts, including "flat" work roads and sewers, etc.

Councillor Maher asked for a brief explanation of the difference between the proposed amendment and the current ordinance. Mr. Borrus explained that the present ordinance requires that in public construction of buildings with City funds the contractors must provide benefits, workers compensation, apprentice training, and must have Cambridge residents as twenty-five percent of the workers. He added that this amendment will extend these benefits to all of the construction workers on city-funded public work projects in all of the categories of work enumerated in M.G.L. Ch. 30, § 49M, which means that road work and sewer work will be covered. This work represents much less in cost and volume than the work already covered in the Cambridge Responsible Employer's Ordinance.

Joe Bonfiglio, Business Agent for Local Workers 151, stated that the Responsible Employers Ordinance provides a framework for judging the qualifications and responsibilities of the contractors bidding on the job.

Councillor Maher asked how many cities and towns in Massachusetts have a responsible employer ordinance. Mr. Bonfiglio replied that approximately thirteen communities have ordinances that

cover building work and that he knows of two municipalities, Springfield and Pittsfield, that have ordinances that cover flat work.

Councillor Maher asked Mr. Healy to comment on the proposal. Mr. Healy said that this legislation will not help the City's financial position. There are some parts he does not understand. For example, there is a provision in the proposed ordinance that requires bidders to be in compliance with the ordinance at the time of the bid. He does not believe that Cambridge is likely to find any bidders in compliance with a provision to have twenty-five percent Cambridge employees at the time the bid is submitted.

Mr. Healy continued that when the original Responsible Employer Ordinance was proposed, he objected. The ordinance that was finally adopted included some compromises that dealt with some of his objections. One important compromise was that it applied to projects of over \$100,000 and filed sub-bids of \$25,000 or more. That limitation does not appear in the proposal. Public construction in Massachusetts is already difficult and the costs reflect these difficulties. Furthermore, Cambridge faces \$20 million annually of sewer work for the next several years. This work was deliberately excluded in the original ordinance as a compromise.

Mr. Healy said that the ordinance will limit the number of bidders. According to the 2000 Census only 2.1% of the Cambridge workforce are in the industrial construction field. That means that many companies cannot meet the requirement of 25% Cambridge residents.

At this time, it was discovered that the proponents had a newer version (**Attachment B**) of the proposed amendment than the City Clerk. Mr. Borrus said that some of Mr. Healy's objections had been addressed in the newer version.

Councillor Maher made a motion of a referral to the full City Council. He also requested that prior to the City Council meeting of July 29, 2002, the City Manager meet with local labor leaders to discuss some of the objections.

The motion to refer passed on a voice vote without objection.

Councillor Maher thanked all those present for their participation.

A letter from Councillor Galluccio was made part of the record. (**Attachment C**).

On motion of Councillor Toomey the meeting was adjourned at .5:05 p.m.

For the Committee,

Councillor David P. Maher, Co-Chair

Councillor Brian Murphy, Co-Chair

FIRST PUBLICATION NUMBER 2962

City of Cambridge

In the Year Two Thousand and Two

AN ORDINANCE

In amendment to the Ordinance entitled “Municipal Code of the City of Cambridge”

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Cambridge as follows:

That Title 2 of the Municipal Code entitled “Administration and Personnel” be amended in Chapter 2.66 entitled “Cambridge Employment Plan” by striking out Section 2.66.080 entitled “Contractor qualifications and sanctions” and substituting in place thereof the following new section.

Section 2.66.080 Contractor qualifications and sanctions.

A. All bidders and all subcontractors under the bidder for projects subject to G.L. c. 149, §44A(2) and G.L. c 30 §39M shall, as a condition for bidding, agree in writing that they shall comply with the following obligations:

1. The bidder and all subcontractors under the bidder shall comply with the Cambridge Employment Plan as it currently exists and as it may, from time to time, be amended, and specifically shall comply with the worker hours requirements of Section 2.66.060(A).

2. The bidder and all subcontractors under the bidder must comply with the obligations established under G.L. c. 149 and G.L. c 30 §39M to pay the appropriate lawful prevailing wage rates to their employees.

3. The bidder and all subcontractors under the bidder must maintain or participate in a bona fide apprentice training program as defined by c. 23, §§11H and 11I for each apprenticeable trade or occupation represented in their workforce that is approved by the Division of Apprentice Training of the Department of Labor and Industries and must abide by the apprentice to journeymen ratio for each trade prescribed therein in the performance of the contract.

4. The bidder and all subcontractors under the bidder must furnish, at their expense, hospitalization and medical benefits for all their employees employed on the project and/or coverage at least comparable in value to the hospitalization and medical benefits provided by the health and welfare plans in the applicable craft recognized by G.L. c. 149, §26 and G.L. c 30 §39M in establishing minimum wage rates.

5. The bidder and all subcontractors under the bidder must maintain appropriate industrial accident insurance coverage for all the employees employed on the project in accordance with G.L. c. 152.

6. The bidder and all subcontractors under the bidder must properly classify employees as employees rather than independent contractors and treat them accordingly for purposes of workers' compensation insurance coverage, unemployment taxes, social security taxes and income tax withholding in accordance with G.L. c. 149, §148B and G.L. c 30 §39M.

B. All bidders and subcontractors under the bidder who are awarded or who otherwise obtain contracts on projects subject to G.L. c. 149, §44A(2) and G.L. c 30 §39M shall comply with the obligations numbered 1 through 6 as set forth in subsection A of this section for the entire duration of their work on the project, and an officer of each such bidder or subcontractor under the bidder shall certify under oath and in writing on a weekly basis that they are in compliance with such obligations.

C. Any bidder or subcontractor under the bidder who fails to comply with any one of obligations 1 through 6 as set forth in subsection A of this section for any period of time shall be, at the sole discretion of the City Manager, subject to one or more of the following sanctions: (1) cessation of work on the project until compliance is obtained; (2) withholding of payment due under any contract or subcontract until compliance is obtained; (3) permanent removal from any further work on the project; (4) liquidated damages payable to the City in the amount of five percent of the dollar value of the contract.

D. In addition to the sanctions outlined in subsection C of this section, a general bidder or contractor shall be equally liable for the violations of its subcontractor with the exception of violations arising from work performed pursuant to subcontracts that are subject to G.L. c. 149, §44F and G.L. c 30 §39M. Any contractor or subcontractor who has been determined to have violated any of the obligations set forth in subsections A and B of this section shall be barred from performing any work on any future projects for six months for a first violation, for three years for a second violation, and permanently for a third violation.

E. The provisions of this section shall not apply to construction projects for which the low general bid was less than one hundred thousand dollars or to work performed pursuant to subcontracts that are subject to G.L. c. 149, §44F and G.L. c 30 §9M and that were bid for less than twenty-five thousand dollars, or to re-bids for construction projects for which the City receives fewer than three qualified general contract bidders in the original bid. (Ord. 1162, 1995)

Passed to a second reading at the City Council meeting held on July 29, 2002 and on or after August 12, 2002 the question comes on passing to be ordained.

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

Committee Report #14

HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

*Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor Anthony D. Galluccio
Councillor Brian Murphy*

PUBLIC SAFETY

In City Council July 29, 2002

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair
Councillor David P Maher
Councillor Timothy J. Toomey*

The Health and Environment and the Public Safety Committees conducted a joint public meeting on Thursday, June 27, 2002 at eleven o'clock and forty minutes a.m. in the Ackermann Room.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the comments made by the general public on nuisance noise with the administration and city departments.

Present at the meeting were Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis, Chair of the Health and Environment and the Public Safety Committees, Councillor Brian Murphy, Richard Rossi, Deputy City Manager, Julia Bowdoin, Assistant to the City Manager, Benjamin Barnes, License Commissioner, Richard Scali, Executive Director, License Commission, Nancy Glowa, First Assistant City Solicitor, Robert Bersani, Inspectional Services Commissioner, Dave Degou, Superintendent of Police, Garrett Simonsen, Assistant to the Mayor and Vice Mayor, Iram Farooq, Zoning and Land Use Project Planner, Community Development Department and Donna P. Lopez, Deputy City Clerk.

Vice Mayor Davis opened the meeting and stated that this meeting is an opportunity to allow city staff to respond to comments made by the general public at the meeting held on June 18, 2002. She had a summary of key points of the June 18, 2002 meeting that she would discuss **ATTACHMENT A**.

Councillor Murphy stated that he was impressed with the attendance at the June 18th meeting. He felt the need to review regulations from other communities. He wanted to know if there was a way to mitigate noise caused by leaf blowers.

Mr. Rossi cautioned that leaf blowers and lawn mowers need to be considered very carefully. A lot of people use and/or hire companies that use this equipment. These companies need to be brought to these meetings. He suggested that maybe a time range could be used. Equipment age is also a consideration. The equipment may need to be updated. Many elderly residents hire lawn care companies.

Vice Mayor Davis stated that she wanted a plan to consider key points on the summary list.

Mr. Rossi stated that there are more problems with air conditioners. Mr. Barnes stated that the License Commission mitigates and mediates the noise complaints on the HVAC units. He does not want a complete overhaul of the system that is now working. The License Commission, he said, tries to remove the personal aspect of the complaints. HVAC units are a problem. The License Commission has not used cherry pickers and does not hang out of windows in an effort to measure noise because the ordinance states that measurement must be taken 100 feet from the lot line. The License Commission tries to get rid of the problem. Creative measures are taken to solve problems.

Vice Mayor Davis asked what is the Roof Top Mechanical Committee doing about noise. Ms. Farooq stated that the Roof Top Mechanical Committee made recommendations. The biotech industry felt the recommendations were unrealistic. More study and more work is being done with the biotech industry. The task force meets monthly and visual and acoustical issues are being discussed. The committee, however, does not have the expertise needed on acoustical issues. An acoustical expert will be hired. Nighttime noise caused by mechanicals that run all night is a concern. Ambient noise is above the threshold. Enforcement issues have surfaced. The Roof Top Mechanical Committee is working on more strategy for best practices such as screening, placement of equipment on rooftops, type of equipment and technology, rather than enforcement to reduce the problem. A scope is being prepared for a consultant on mechanicals. Vice Mayor Davis stated that it sounds as if the task force will address installation in new buildings. Enforcement and existing equipment is not their charge.

Mr. Barnes stated that the License Commission has a conundrum. He felt that there should be a review of the ordinance to reassess the measuring. It is an issue of safety. The biotech industry wants the License Commission to measure noise from HVAC from up in the air. Vice Mayor Davis asked if a consultant could be hired to measure "up in the air" noise complaints. Mr. Rossi responded in the affirmative. Vice Mayor Davis stated that this is a solution to short-term hard-to-measure situations. Mr. Schloming stated that the measurement should not be the same measurement from the window and the lot line.

Vice Mayor Davis discussed long-term solutions. The Roof Top Mechanical Task Force does not have long-term standards. She asked if the task force should look at the issue of enforcement. Mr. Bersani stated that if the city cannot measure noise by the standards in the ordinance how can the city expect a consultant to do the measurement. The city can ask developers to comply with the Noise Ordinance, but he is skeptical about enforcement. He wanted to be comfortable about the Noise Ordinance and then he will enforce. Mr. Rossi stated that sound experts are needed. The Roof Top Mechanical Task Force cannot make this any better. The Agassiz and Fitzgerald Schools and the Water Treatment Plan were designed by the standard of the Noise Ordinance, stated Mr. Rossi. Vice Mayor Davis stated that the issues are complicated. Mr. Barnes stated that mechanicals are the only equipment that is measured in the Noise Ordinance.

Vice Mayor Davis informed the committee of a situation where \$100,000 was allocated to study a disturbing rumble in Kokomo, Indiana. Mr. Rossi stated that technical assistance is needed to get sound pressure readings.

Vice Mayor Davis inquired about enforcement on roof top mechanicals. Mr. Rossi stated that the city needs to talk to experts and see what the experts recommend. He cautioned about causing problems on the other side of the issue. If the solution is too rigid it will fail and there are fines to consider. The License Commission uses compromise and most problems are solved. Vice Mayor Davis stated that she wants clarity of the problem, enforcement of the ordinance and clarity as to where the noise measurement should be taken. The city needs an ordinance that it can use and enforce. She suggested contacting the Rutgers Noise Center to help write an ordinance. She gave the pertinent information to Mr. Rossi. Ms. Lenora Schloming stated that technology does exist to solve the problem. This problem will get worse if the city does not solve the issues of measurement and enforcement.

Vice Mayor Davis asked if the city has noise sensitive zones. Mr. Scali stated that the city does have a map that outlines noise sensitive zones for dumpsters. Mr. Bersani stated that there is a definition of a noise sensitive zone.

Mr. Barnes stated that the issue is enforcement versus agreement. The License Commission has been proactive in solving problems. In a city 6.2 square miles issues are solved everyday. The remaining

complaints are only one percent. Mr. Rossi stated that trash companies would challenge the city. Vice Mayor Davis stated that noise sensitive zone powers lie with the License Commission. She felt there is a need to educate the community. Other communities have a web site listing who the public calls with a noise complaint. Vice Mayor Davis submitted the following motion:

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to take necessary steps to have information added to the web site that lists the names and telephone numbers of city personnel who the public should call with a noise complaint.

The motion carried.

The committee now focused on med flight and aviation noise. Mr. Rossi stated that he spoke to the owner of the company who was defensive. He was told that in an emergency situation the company would get to the scene the best way it could.

Vice Mayor Davis told of complaints she has received about boom cars. Complaints have been received when cars are stopped at red lights and the sound systems in the cars are loud. Pearl and Brookline Streets are complaint areas. Vice Mayor Davis submitted the following motion:

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to refer the subject of boom cars to the Police Department for comments and to conduct a public awareness campaign that the Noise Ordinance will be enforced as it relates to boom cars.

The motion carried.

Mr. Rossi stated that if the City Council amends the ordinance it might be easily enforced. Ms. Glowa added that language exists that allows the city to enforce the ordinance without an amendment. Mr. Rossi suggested public education on enforcement of the Noise Ordinance regarding boom cars. There will be problems if the city suddenly enforces the ordinance and issues citations for boom car noise. Vice Mayor Davis stated that problem areas should be declared as noise sensitive zones and radios should be turned down in the noise sensitive areas. The Police Department will be instructed to give non-criminal disposition warning tickets for boom cars in intersections. Vice Mayor Davis stated that there is a campaign by Sony to encourage uncivilized behavior. Superintendent Degou stated that it is difficult to enforce the ordinance if a car window is down and music is loud.

The committee now discussed the issue of scooter noise. Vice Mayor Davis stated that scooter noise is similar to leaf blower noise. Sound needs to be measured on gas powered engines such as scooters and leaf blowers. Mr. Rossi stated that he believes complaints about leaf blowers may be caused by lawn mowers; it is the same noise. Vice Mayor Davis wants to know who can measure this noise. Mr. Scali stated non-measured noise, such as leaf blowers, is covered by the ordinance. Mr. Barnes stated that the Noise Ordinance should be reviewed. Vice Mayor Davis stated that the city needs standards that includes the type of equipment used, zones and times. Mr. Rossi stated that if leaf blowers are banned lawn mowers and hedge trimmers will make the same amount of noise. Vice Mayor Davis stated that if the issue is gas motorized tools then these tools need to be regulated. Mr. Rossi stated that he wants to discuss this issue with landscapers.

Vice Mayor Davis asked who enforces university noise, such as trash removal, landscaping and snowblowing, the city or the university. Mr. Barnes stated that if the public call 911 the call is referred to the License Commission and his department strives to resolve the complaint. Vice Mayor Davis submitted the following motion:

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the appropriate city department that when complaints are received about noise issues on university property that the complaint be referred from 911 to the License Commission to enforce the Noise Ordinance; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report on the type of noise complaint, the protocol and criteria used; and be it further

ORDERED: That the noise ordinance be reviewed comprehensively to see that it covers the technical points related to nuisance noise and to assure that enforcement of the ordinance is practical.

The motion carried.

Mr. Barnes informed the committee that enforcement is the fine. The city does not have the authority to make the universities stop the noise, but the city can go to court to resolve the matter.

In conclusion Mr. Rossi stated that Cambridge does more than most other communities.

Vice Mayor Davis thanked all attendees.

The meeting adjourned at one o'clock and five minutes p. m.

For the Committee,

Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis
Chair