



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA • JANUARY 9, 2017

Regular Meeting

Sullivan Chamber

5:30 PM

Cambridge City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02139

HEARING SCHEDULE

Monday, January 9, 2017	5:00 PM	Special Presentation to the Cambridge All Stars Travel Baseball Team (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, January 9, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, January 11, 2017	3:00 PM	The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a proposed Municipal Code amendment to Chapter 2.125 to change the name to "Cambridge Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Plus Commission." (Sullivan Chamber)
Thursday, January 12, 2017	2:30 PM	The Economic Development and University Relations Committee will conduct a public hearing to review City Ordinance 12.08.010 Encroachments onto streets – Permit required – Fee – Exceptions to discuss the City's policies towards permitting sandwich board and A-frame Signs, and what improvements can be made. (Ackermann Room)
Tuesday, January 17, 2017	3:00 PM	The Human Services and Veterans Committee will conduct a public hearing to receive an update from the Homelessness Task Force, updates on the creation of a Homelessness Trust Fund, sobering centers, an emergency cold weather plan for the homeless and how the City and Police Department work with homeless enclaves in the City, including at the Route 2/Route 16 intersection. (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, January 23, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

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Wednesday, January 25, 2017	5:30 PM	The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the FY18 Operating and Capital Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, January 30, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Thursday, February 2, 2017	5:30 PM	The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the FY18 School Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, February 6, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, February 13, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, February 27, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, March 6, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, March 13, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, March 20, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, March 27, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, April 3, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, April 24, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, May 1, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, May 8, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, May 15, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, May 22, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

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Monday, June 5, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, June 12, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, June 19, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, June 26, 2017	5:30 PM	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, August 7, 2017	5:30 PM	Special City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

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I. RECONSIDERATION LIST

There are no Reconsideration items.

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II. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of Acting Police Commissioner Brent B. Larrabee, effective January 9, 2017.
CMA 2017 #1
2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following person as a Constable Without Power for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2017: Darrel Todman
CMA 2017 #2
3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation to adopt with suggested modifications, the zoning amendments to Article 19.000 related to lighting in project review.
CMA 2017 #3
4. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a Planning Board recommendation to adopt with some minor modifications, the Central Square Restoration Zoning Petition (Sater, et al).
CMA 2017 #4

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III. CALENDAR

CHARTER RIGHT

1. An application was received from Mundo/Lux, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 2 Bow Street.

**CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR CHEUNG ON DECEMBER 19, 2016.
APP 2016 #106**

2. City Council support of asking the Cambridge Historical Commission to initiate a landmark designation study process on the Abbott Building in Harvard Square.

**CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR TOOMEY ON DECEMBER 19, 2016.
POR 2016 #330**

ON THE TABLE

3. An application was received from CareWell Urgent Care, requesting permission for a sandwich board sign in front of the premises numbered 601 Concord Avenue.

***TABLED ON A MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DEVEREUX ON APRIL 25, 2016.
APP 2016 #29***

4. The City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate departments to organize regular suppers on the second Saturday of each month, starting on the 13th of August, with free food for the Cambridge community in open public spaces throughout the various Cambridge neighborhoods.

***CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR MAZEN ON JUNE 20, 2016. TABLED
ON A MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BY COUNCILLOR MAZEN ON JUNE 27, 2016.
POR 2016 #184***

5. An application was received from the Boston Ballet, 19 Clarendon Street, Boston, requesting permission to hang twenty-three temporary banners on electrical poles in Harvard Square. These banners will promote the Boston Ballet's The Nutcracker. The temporary banners will be hung from November 17 to January 3, 2017. Approval has been received from the Electrical Department.

CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY MAYOR SIMMONS ON AUGUST 1, 2016.

***TABLED ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR TOOMEY ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2016.
APP 2016 #51***

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6. The City Manager coordinate with the Finance Department, Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, and community stakeholders to outline a proposed system of governance, management, and stakeholder engagement for the Foundry, to be discussed in a public forum with the Council and community.

CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR TOOMEY ON OCTOBER 31, 2016.

POR 2016 #286

IV. APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Sweetgreen, requesting permission for a projecting sign at the premises numbered 39 JFK Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department, Historical Commission and abutters.
APP 2017 #1

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V. COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Rebecca Rutenberg, Vice President, Public Affairs, The Novus Group, transmitting a copy of the recently released Airbnb Policy Tool Chest.
COM 1 #2017
2. A communication was received from Carol O'Hare, supports study regarding landmarking the Abbott Building.
COM 2 #2017
3. A communication was received from Marilyn Wellons, 651 Green Street, regarding Policy Order #1 from December 19, 2016 asking the City Manager and others to work to allow retiring Officer Peter Neal to purchase his canine partner Rumba.
COM 3 #2017
4. A communication was received from E.J. Graff, 88 Standish Street, requesting to keep Standish Street one way in the current direction from Vassal Lane to Huron Avenue.
COM 4 #2017
5. A communication was received from Peter Valentine, requesting that the wisdom of the Cambridge City Council does not allow the money worshiper developer forces to destroy the historical memories and building characteristics, right in the center of Harvard Square.
COM 5 #2017
6. A communication was received from Suzanne Blier, regarding the Abbott Building.
COM 6 #2017

VI. RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Charles J. Giacobbe, Jr.
Mayor Simmons, Councillor Maher
RES 2017 #1
2. Resolution on the Death of William D. Solberg.
Mayor Simmons, Councillor Maher
RES 2017 #2
3. Thanks to Isaiah Robinson for his heroism on December 3, 2016.
Mayor Simmons
RES 2017 #3
4. Resolution on the death of Michael J. Frongillo.
Councillor Maher
RES 2017 #4
5. Resolution on the death of Jose Monteiro Vicente.
Councillor Maher
RES 2017 #5
6. Resolution on the death of Muriel Cowan Brown.
Councillor Maher
RES 2017 #6
7. Resolution on the death of Albert O. Wilson Jr.
Councillor Maher
RES 2017 #7
8. Retirement of Patricia “Patty” Renna from the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department.
Mayor Simmons
RES 2017 #8
9. Resolution on the death of Aurella E. (Torrone) Barrasso.
Councillor Toomey
RES 2017 #9
10. Resolution on the death of Richard J. Medeiros, Sr.
Councillor Maher
RES 2017 #10
11. Congratulations to NuTonomy Inc. on the beginning of on-street testing of self-driving cars in Boston.
Councillor Cheung
RES 2017 #11

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12. Congratulations to the Mount Auburn Hospital Auxiliary on its 81st Annual Thursday Morning Talks Series.

Councillor Cheung

RES 2017 #12

VII. POLICY ORDER AND RESOLUTION LIST

1. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the Water Department and any other relevant City departments to determine if the City tests its' water for Perfluorooctanoic acid.
Councillor Cheung
POR 2017 #1
2. That the City Manager is requested to consult with the Director of Communications and Community Relations and the Information Technology Department to provide the City Council with an update on the launch of the City's redesigned website.
Councillor Devereux
POR 2017 #2
3. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Department of Public Works and any other relevant City departments to determine the feasibility of starting a pilot program to install such receptacles in areas in Cambridge.
Vice Mayor McGovern
POR 2017 #3

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There are no Committee Reports.

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IX. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a communication received by Mayor E. Denise Simmons regarding the Notice of Tier Classification Submittal for 88 Ames Street and the public involvement requirements of the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MPC).
COF 2017 #1
2. A communication was received from Donna P. Lopez, City Clerk, transmitting a communication from Councillor Nadeem Mazen, relating to Council Goals and capacity building for the Community Development Department.
COF 2017 #2

APPENDED INFORMATION

AWAITING REPORT LIST

- 16-24. Report on what additional measures can be taken to ensure that pedestrians are able to safely cross at the intersection of Cameron Avenue and Massachusetts Avenue.
Mayor Simmons (O-2) from 4/4/2016
Referred back to the City Manager on June 6, 2016 by Mayor Simmons.
- 16-26. Report on the possibility of the City Council implementing a zoning change, on the permitting of all new restaurants where a wood-fired oven is used as a significant method of food preparation.
Councillor Kelley, Councillor Devereux, Councillor Carlone (O-5) from 4/4/2016
- 16-42. Report on plans for the former Riverside Community Health Center on Western Avenue, including transfer of ownership of the building to the City and the process for determining future usage.
Vice Mayor McGovern (O-1) from 5/2/2016
- 16-47. Report on ways to improve the public noticing of proposed building demolitions consistent with the outreach used for variances and special permits and to consider extending the amount of time to consider whether a property is historically significant.
Councillor Carlone, Councillor Devereux (O-6) from 5/23/2016
- 16-50. Report on the use of City office and meeting space for non-City appointed functions by non-City officials.
Councillor Kelley (O-4) from 6/6/2016
- 16-51. Report on the City's policies and best practices in the use and supervision of City Council interns.
Councillor Kelley (O-5) from 6/6/2016
- 16-52. Report on the City's use of push-button caution lights at crosswalks and to determine any decrease in pedestrian legal rights should they be hit.
Councillor Kelley (Calendar Item #3) from 6/13/2016
- 16-53. Report on the feasibility of either using City funds to subsidize the cost of installing and removing air conditioning units from Cambridge Housing Authority-owned apartments at a reduced cost.
Mayor Simmons (Calendar Item #4) from 6/13/2016

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- 16-56. Report on creating Sobering Centers and a Cold Weather Plan prior to the winter of 2016.
Councillor Cheung, Mayor Simmons, Vice Mayor McGovern (O-7) from 6/20/2016
- 16-64. Report on reinstating trash and recycling pick up for small businesses.
Councillor Toomey, Councillor Maher (O-8) from 8/1/2016
- 16-66. Report on how traffic laws pertaining to crosswalks are currently enforced throughout the City and whether there can be stricter laws to ultimately increase pedestrian safety.
Mayor Simmons (O-12) from 8/1/2016
- 16-68. Report on implementing a nomination based "Artist of the Month" program along with a \$2,000 grant and to remove the long-form application in favor of a nomination-based system.
Councillor Mazen (O-15) from 8/1/2016
- 16-71. Report on the feasibility of creating a temporary jobs program geared toward Cambridge's homeless population and/or determine the feasibility of awarding homeless with priority in the City's 9-week temporary jobs program.
Vice Mayor McGovern, Mayor Simmons, Councillor Cheung, Councillor Mazen (O-8) from 9/12/2016
REFERRED BACK TO CITY MANAGER ON MOTION OF VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN
- 16-72. Report on resolving the audio and visual issues in the Sullivan Chamber.
Councillor Devereux, Mayor Simmons, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Mazen (O-10) from 9/12/2016
- 16-74. Report on producing a new status report that reviews the Harvard Square Conservation District's effectiveness since 2005, and that considers whether new zoning regulations may be necessary to fulfill the community's goals.
Councillor Devereux, Councillor Carlone (O-18) from 9/12/2016
- 16-75. Report on a suitable replacement for the crumb-rubber turf used on City playgrounds.
Councillor Cheung (O-3) from 9/19/2016
- 16-76. Report on implementing an electronic public comment display in the Sullivan Chamber, listing the speaker's name and affiliation as well as a timer.
Councillor Cheung, Mayor Simmons, Councillor Mazen (Calendar Item #1) from 9/26/2016

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- 16-82. Report on testing for any presence of chromonium-6 in the City's drinking water and plans to deal with this issue.
Councillor Kelley, Councillor Devereux, Mayor Simmons (Calendar Item #2) from 10/31/2016
- 16-83. Report on drafting possible legislation and other recommendations for interim actions to identify and address the public health impacts of any commercial wood-fired ovens.
Mayor Simmons (Calendar Item #4) from 10/31/2016
- 16-84. Report on determining which pedestrian crosswalks are in need of additional on street signage.
Councillor Carlone, Vice Mayor McGovern, Councillor Cheung, Mayor Simmons (O-6) from 10/31/2016
- 16-86. Report on which public campaign finance options are legal for municipal elections in Cambridge.
Councillor Mazen (O-14) from 10/31/2016
- 16-89. Report on conducting a traffic safety review of the Brattle Street, Sparks Street, and Craigie Street intersection.
Councillor Devereux (O-1) from 11/7/2016
- 16-90. Report on requesting permission from the DCR to continue Sunday closings on Memorial Drive year-round, starting in early 2017.
Councillor Devereux, Councillor Carlone (O-4) from 11/7/2016
- 16-94. Report to consider higher frequency enforcement in key transit junctions and corridors.
Councillor Mazen (O-8) from 11/7/2016
- 16-95. Report to make street markings and street signage more ubiquitous in an effort to market the rules of the road to the users of all transportation modes.
Councillor Mazen (O-9) from 11/7/2016
- 16-87. Report on creating or procuring a portrait of Barbara Ackermann, with the goal of unveiling this portrait for display in the Sullivan Chamber by March 2017.
Mayor Simmons (Calendar Item #2) from 10/31/2016
- 16-97. Report on which City programs and projects, including School Department, Cambridge Housing Authority and the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, rely on the support of federal funds and how changes in federal funds could affect the viability of these programs.
Councillor Cheung, Mayor Simmons, Councillor Kelley (O-4) from 11/21/2016

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- 16-99. Report to instruct the Law Department, Community Development Department, License Commission and the Health Department to report back to the City Council regarding Medical Marijuana Dispensaries.
Councillor Cheung (O-11) from 11/21/2016
- 16-100. Report on suggested changes to Cambridge's policy regarding advertising revenue that could help support the continuation and expansion of Hubway in the City of Cambridge.
Councillor Toomey (O-1) from 12/12/2016
- 16-101. Report on the potential of building below market rental housing on City-owned parking lots along Bishop Allen Drive.
Mayor Simmons, Vice Mayor McGovern (O-4) from 12/12/2016
- 16-102. Report on the intention of ensuring that zoning and building code restrictions will not prohibit the rebuilding of the damaged structures and ensure a straightforward process for families and current property owners to rebuild.
Councillor Toomey (O-5) from 12/12/2016
- 16-103. Report that all money raised during this campaign is distributed to the Wellington Harrington residents impacted by this incident and when all funds are distributed.
Councillor Toomey (O-6) from 12/12/2016
- 16-104. Report on making Appleton Street one-way from Highland Street to Huron Avenue, preferably before the start of winter storms.
Councillor Devereux, Councillor Maher (O-7) from 12/12/2016
- 16-105. Report on what measures can be taken to fast-track the rebuilding of homes impacted by the fire that may be non-conforming with the current zoning code in a timely manner and what actions can be considered.
Councillor Devereux (O-9) from 12/12/2016
- 16-106. Report on an outreach and communications plan for renters in Cambridge about the importance and availability of renters insurance and assist low- and moderate-income tenants in acquiring affordable renters insurance policies.
Councillor Devereux (O-10) from 12/12/2016
- 16-107. Report on whether Office Peter Neal is allowed to purchase police dog "Rumba" upon his retirement.
Councillor Cheung (O-1) from 12/19/2016
- 16-108. Report on whether people displaced and qualify for Emergency Status who are using Section 8 in other cities or towns can retain their resident preference for the purpose of Inclusionary Housing.
Councillor Toomey, Mayor Simmons (O-4) from 12/19/2016

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16-109. Report on the Cambridge Housing Authority list of elevator breakdowns, what issues led to the breakdowns, how long the repairs took and safety measures put in place during these breakdowns.

Vice Mayor McGovern (O-5) from 12/19/2016

16-110. Report on the Central Square Restoration Zoning petition.

Councillor Carlone, Councillor Mazen (O-6) from 12/19/2016