

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-2 – FIRST PUBLICATION

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Five

AN ORDINANCE

That the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge be amended on a Zoning Petition by the City Council (Multifamily Housing Zoning Petition – Part Two) to amend the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance in Articles 1.000, 5.000, 11.000, 15.000, 17.000, 19.000, and 20.000 with the intent of: (1) revising open space standards to provide greater flexibility by allowing all types of open space to contribute to meeting requirements; (2) revising certain standards of the Affordable Housing Overlay so they are not more restrictive than comparable standards for residences in base zoning; (3) making project review special permit requirements applicable in all zoning districts and applicable to residential development of 75,000 square feet or more; (4) updating advisory development review procedures and introducing a new Planning Board Advisory Consultation for some larger development not subject to a special permit, similar to what is currently required in the Affordable Housing Overlay; (5) establishing a process for ongoing review and reporting on housing production throughout the city; and (6) revising other parts of the Zoning Ordinance for internal consistency.

Passed to a second reading at the City Council meeting held on January 27, 2025 and on February 10, 2025 the question comes on passage to be ordained.

Attest:- Diane P. LeBlanc
City Clerk

NOTE: Pursuant to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 32A, Tercentenary Edition, the ordinance as aforesaid which exceeds in length eight octavo pages of ordinary book print may be summarized for publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the city with the further provision that said Ordinance may be examined and obtained at the City Clerk's Office during office hours and that any objection to its invalidity by reason of any defect in the procedure of adoption may only be made within ninety days after the posting or the second publication.