

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$50,000 from the General Fund Employee Benefits (Insurance) Salary and Wages account to the General Fund Inspectional Services Travel & Training (Judgment and Damages) account. The funds will cover medical bills and settlements for personnel injured in the course of their job. (CM23#21)
2. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number #22-81, related to improving marketing and communication efforts and outreach for the Cambridge Community Electricity (CCE) program. (CM23#22)
3. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Calendar Item No. 10 of 3/21/22 requesting that the City Manager amend all existing Host Community Agreements ("HCA") previously issued by the City by reducing the Impact Fee to 0.05% of Gross Revenue and to refrain from placing this burden upon any future HCAs that may yet be issued, unless supporting evidence is provided by the City showing a finding that it incurred additional expenses and impacts upon its road system, law enforcement, inspectional services, permitting services, administrative services, educational services and public health services greater than the .05% of Gross Revenue collected from all the Economic Empowerment applicant and Social Equity applicant dispensaries annually. (CM23#23)
4. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Council Order No. O-8 of 1/23/2023, regarding (1) whether there is a two year bar on considering repetitive zoning petitions that have been unfavorably acted upon by the Council, (2) if so, whether that bar on repetitive petitions would prohibit the Council from moving forward with a Council initiated lab use zoning petition if there is unfavorable action on the pending Callender, et al. Petition, and (3) if so, what types of changes to zoning petition would be necessary for it. to no longer be considered a repetitive petition. (CM23#24)

"In summary, if there is unfavorable action on the Callender, et al. Zoning Petition, the City Council can only move forward with another zoning petition regulating labs if it is not of the same fundamental and essential character. The differences between the petitions would have to be more significant than clarifying changes or slight variations, as explained above. Otherwise, the Council would have to wait two years from any unfavorable action on the Callender, et al. Zoning Petition before adopting a subsequent lab petition."
5. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to relative to a request for approval to seek authorization from the Massachusetts Office of the Inspector General (the "IG") for the City to use the Construction Manager at Risk ("CMaR") procurement and construction method (the "CMaR Method") in connection

with the Danehy Park Gateway Pavilion project. (CM23#25) [[Attachment A](#)] [[Attachment B](#)]

6. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appointment and reappointment of members of the Recycling Advisory Committee (for a term of 3 years). (CM23#26)

New Appointments: Dailey Brannin, David Demme, Tracie Gordon, Elka Kuhlman, Emily Lee, Dawn Quirk, Carlie Peters, Helen Snively, Alexandra Toupal, Julia Tsang, Rob Vandenabeele, Siddharth Vedullapalli, Stephanie Wasiuk
Reappointments: Lee Elliott, Debby Galef, Martha Henry, Sakiko Isomich, Debby Knight, Scott MacGrath, Audrey Ng, Laura Nichols, Richard Nurse, Diane Roseman, Meera Singh, Quinten Steenhuis
7. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the [Police Review and Advisory Board quarterly reports](#). (CM23#27)
8. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a report on an itemized statement of all materials, tools, and property owned by the Cambridge Police Department. (CM23#28) [[Cover Letter](#)] [[Materials, Tools, and Property as of 6/30/21](#)] [[Photographs of Inventory as of 6/30/21](#)]
9. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a report on an itemized statement of all materials, tools, and property owned by the Cambridge Police Department. (CM23#29) [[Cover Letter](#)] [[Materials, Tools, and Property as of 6/30/22](#)] [[Photographs of Inventory as of 6/30/22](#)]

CHARTER RIGHT

1. That the City Manager continue our current policy of towing cars on street cleaning days and come back to the Council with a plan to create an annual fund to reimburse economically disadvantaged residents who are unable to pay the towing fee before the beginning of towing season. [Charter Right – Zondervan, Jan 23, 2023] (PO23#12)
2. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to have the appropriate City staff establish the framework that will allow for the immediate elimination of the bicycle parking fees imposed upon Economic Empowerment and Social Equity applicants and cannabis dispensary operators in the City of Cambridge. [Charter Right – Zondervan, Jan 23, 2023] (PO23#13)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. That the Ordinance Committee refer Categories M (Shared Vehicle) and N (Publicly-accessible, Privately-owned Electric Vehicle Charging System) of the Cambridge Transportation Decarbonization and Congestion Mitigation Bill, along with definitions, to the full City Council with a favorable recommendation. Ordinance #2022-13 as Amended. [Expired Sept 27, 2022] (PO22#150)
4. An Ordinance has been received from Diane P. LeBlanc City Clerk, relative to Emissions Accounting Zoning Petition (Ordinance #2022-20). [Passed to 2nd Reading Dec

19, 2022; To Be Ordained on or after Jan 9, 2023; Expires Mar 6, 2023] (ORD22#20)

5. An Ordinance has been received from Diane P. LeBlanc City Clerk, relative to Ordinance #2022-23 Removing the Limit on BZA Compensation. [Passed to 2nd Reading Jan 9, 2023; To Be Ordained on or after Jan 30, 2023; Expires Mar 14, 2023] (ORD22#23)

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Heritage Flag Co. representing the American Repertory Theatre requesting permission for a eight (8) temporary banners along Broadway and eighteen (18) temporary banners along Massachusetts Avenue announcing the upcoming production of Wife of Willesden from Feb 14, 2023 through Mar 20, 2023. (AP23#6)
2. An application was received from Kelley Brown, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 51 Vassar Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association. (AP23#7)

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Edil Flores, regarding concern over the recent police murder of Arif Sayed Faisal by Cambridge Police Department officers.
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3. A communication was received from Barbara Englesberg, regarding support for PO23#4.
4. A communication was received from Sarah Schwartz, regarding the Net Zero Specialized Stretch Code, PO23#4.
5. A communication was received from Patrick W. Barrett III, regarding the Specialized Stretch Code and other regulations.
6. A communication was received from Stuart Rothman, regarding Specialized Stretch Code and other regulations.
7. A communication was received from Steve Wineman, regarding providing funding and other support for HEART.
8. A communication was received from Rachel Green, regarding funding Cambridge HEART.
9. A communication was received from Barbara E Schwartz, regarding Cambridge HEART.
10. A communication was received from Denise Jillson, regarding the Specialized Stretch Code.
11. A communication was received from Lorraine M Murphy, regarding the Jan 30 City Council meeting.
12. A communication was received from Arthur MacEwan, regarding global offset problems.
13. A communication was received from Marilee Meyer, regarding the wrong time and info on website for the Jan 24 Economic Development meeting.
14. A communication was received from Noel Jackson, regarding letter to the Cambridge City Manager in support of the HEART program.
15. A communication was received from Betsey Chace, regarding how evidence body cams don't help.

16. A communication was received from Wendy McCluskey, regarding adopting the Net Zero Specialized Stretch Code, PO23#4.
17. A communication was received from Erica Brooks, regarding support for the Cambridge HEART program.
18. A communication was received from Jack Hanson, regarding adopting the Specialized Stretch Code.
19. A communication was received from Bill Kaplan, regarding opposition to No Towing pilot and reinstituting street parking.
20. A communication was received from Ethel Delgado, regarding a question about the process for Manning Apts Tenant Council filing a petition requesting that the City pay for additional security at Manning Apts.
21. A communication was received from Elizabeth Greywolf, regarding the street cleaning policy.
22. A communication was received from Peter A. Crawley, regarding adopting the Massachusetts Specialized Opt-in Building Code.
23. A communication was received from Leesteffy Jenkins, regarding PO22#312.
24. A communication was received from Paul E. Fallon, regarding Cambridge trees.
25. A communication was received from Steve Adeff, regarding the Pilot 2023 Street Sweeping Program.
26. A communication was received from Jean Spera and Anna Spera, regarding the street cleaning proposal.
27. A communication was received from Lowry Hemphill, regarding PO23#4 Specialized Stretch Code.
28. A communication was received from Marie Elena Saccoccio and Betty Saccoccio, regarding the Policy Order on pilot for street cleaning program prohibiting towing and increasing fines.
29. A communication was received from Nancy Berliner and Michael Bramwell, regarding the Valentine Art House.
30. A communication was received from Kirsten Sims, regarding support for Peter Valentine Art Center.
31. A communication was received from Nancy Donohue, regarding the Stretch Code policy order.
32. A communication was received from Wesley Donohoe, regarding opposition to the Pilot 2023 Street Sweeping Program.
33. A communication was received from Laura Kathrein, regarding support for the Peter Valentine Art Center.
34. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding Policy Order #4 - the feasibility of purchasing 37 Brookline Street for a community arts space.
35. A communication was received from Maya Milic-Strkalj, regarding police protocols, policies and training.
36. A communication was received from Steve Capuccio, regarding no towing on street cleaning day.
37. A communication was received from Barbara Anthony, regarding no tow street cleaning.
38. A communication was received from Suzanne Blier, regarding support for preserving Peter Valentine's house; also support for continuing to tow cars on street cleaning day.
39. A communication was received from Allison Kroner Barron, regarding PO23#4 - Net Zero Specialized Stretch Code.
40. A communication was received from Catherine Hoffman, regarding Peter Valentine's home and speeding up the funding of alternatives of community safety like HEART.

41. A communication was received from Nina Herrera, regarding the City Manager's recommendation on no towing on street cleaning days.
42. A communication was received from Catherine Zusy, regarding summary of Valentine Art House opportunity.
43. A communication was received from Sharon deVos, regarding the Net Zero Stretch Code.
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45. A communication was received from Ann Stewart, Doug Brown, Anne and Ian Nowland, and Ann Tennis, regarding CM23#19.
46. A communication was received from Ann Tennis, regarding CM23#19.
47. A communication was received from Marilee Meyer, regarding the stretch code.
48. A communication was received from David Rabkin, regarding PO23#4.
49. A communication was received from Joan Krizack, regarding street cleaning - no towing.
50. A communication was received from Shellburne Thurber, regarding the pilot street cleaning program for 2023.
51. A communication was received from Janice Ellison, regarding towing on street cleaning days.
52. A communication was received from Spencer Piston, regarding fund alternatives to policing.
53. A communication was received from Rika Welsh, regarding caring about trees.
54. A communication was received from Catherine Hoffman, regarding framework for police.
55. A communication was received from Mary Jane Kornacki, regarding no towing on street cleaning days pilot.
56. A communication was received from George Sommer, regarding CambridgeSide Development - Lechmere Canal Path.
57. A communication was received from Karen Blumenfeld, regarding support of Cambridge HEART.
58. A communication was received from Joan Pickett, regarding Zoom call protocol.
59. A communication was received from Helen Snively, regarding including funding for trees in the budget.
60. A communication was received from Elizabeth Houghteling, regarding the Brattle bike lanes extension.
61. A communication was received from Lawrence Neil Bailis, regarding the Brattle Street Safety Improvement community meeting and the Cambridge Historical Commission meeting scheduled for Thurs, Feb 2.
62. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding comment for 1/31/23 Charter Review Committee - Need for strict compliance.
63. A communication was received from Soon Mi Shin, regarding removing condominium buildings from the proposed amendments of BEUDO.
64. A communication was received from Annie Brandt, regarding the Brattle Street Safety Improvement Project.
65. A communication was received from Elise Sacchetti, regarding condo associations and BEUDO.
66. A communication was received from Stephanie Wellen Levine, regarding BEUDO and condominiums.

67. A communication was received from Lisa Sebell-Nevins, regarding the Building Energy Use Disclosure Ordinance - Condominiums.
68. A communication was received from Gail Epstein, regarding making sure that condominiums are exempted from the proposed amendments to the City's Building Energy Use Disclosure Ordinance (BEUDO).
69. A communication was received from Pamela Winters, regarding the Brown Petition.
70. A communication was received from Robert M. Fogelson, regarding BEUDO.
71. A communication was received from George Sommer, regarding the Cambridge Planning Board meeting concerning the CambridgeSide Development.
72. A communication was received from Changjie Guo, regarding BEUDO.
73. A communication was received from Donghong Guo, regarding BEUDO enforcement.
74. A communication was received from Annette LaMond, regarding bike lanes on Brattle Street.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to Stephen Lyons on his retirement from the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner
2. Congratulations to Janet Borron on her retirement from the City of Cambridge. Councillor Toner
3. Congratulations to Dirty Water Fitness on its Grand Re-Opening and Expansion. Councillor Toner
4. Resolution on the death of Norman A. Smith, Sr. Councillor Toner
5. Congratulations to Chef Robert Harris and Season to Taste on its Grand Re-Opening. Councillor Toner
6. Resolution on the death of Louise M. Kennedy. Councillor Toner
7. Condolences to the family of Shirley Kimbrough. Councillor Simmons, Councillor McGovern
8. Resolution on the death of William "Bill" Lee. Councillor Simmons
9. Resolution on the death of Marion Freeman. Councillor Simmons
10. Congratulations to Ilyon Woo on the occasion of the publishing of her second book titled "Master Slave Husband Wife." Councillor Nolan, Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Simmons
11. Congratulations to the Prospect Hill Academy and Community Charter School of Cambridge of being awarded the 2022 AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award. Councillor Nolan, Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Simmons
12. Congratulations to Julia Hallman and Aaron Rubin on their purchase of Formaggio Kitchen. Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Nolan
13. Resolution on the death of Alice Wolf. Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Nolan

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager is requested to instruct the Community Development Department to draft amendments to the proposed BEUDO language to change the net zero deadline from 2050 to 2035 and to propose language to meet that deadline throughout the document (From the Apr 20, 2022 Ordinance Committee). Councillor Zondervan (PO23#14)
2. That the City Manager is requested to take immediate steps to begin the process of obtaining police body worn cameras for the Cambridge Police Department, and to work with all appropriate Departments to produce policy recommendations that would allow body worn camera usage while also not violating civil liberties in compliance with the City's Surveillance Ordinance. Councillor McGovern, Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Azeem (PO23#15)
3. That the City Manager is requested to determine the best ways to promote bike safety with a particular focus on expanding the distribution of bike lights throughout the City. Councillor McGovern, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Azeem, Councillor Zondervan (PO23#16)
4. That the City Manager is requested to direct Police Commissioner Elow to work on providing publicly-accessible traffic stop, arrest and citation police data on a new Procedural Justice Dashboard as soon as possible. Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Azeem, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor McGovern (PO23#17)
5. That the Finance Committee Convene a meeting on Police Budget including body camera discussion. Councillor Nolan, Councillor Carlone (PO23#18)
6. That the City Manager is requested to look into the feasibility of automated traffic enforcement in Cambridge as well as using unarmed CPD traffic details for future discussion Automated/Unarmed Traffic Enforcement. Councillor Azeem, Councillor Zondervan, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Carlone (PO23#19)
7. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Police Commissioner to explore additional less-than-lethal alternatives that pose the smallest risk of injury when deployed for standard issue in the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Azeem, Councillor Toner, Councillor Simmons (PO23#20)
8. That the City Council Meeting scheduled for Mon, Mar 27, 2023 be canceled due to the National League of Cities conference. Mayor Siddiqui (PO23#21)
9. That the City Council and the School Committee will hold a joint roundtable on Tues, Feb 14, 2023, at 5:00pm to receive an update from the City Manager, Superintendent, and the Cambridge Office of Early Childhood on the next steps towards the implementation of universal Pre-K in Cambridge. Mayor Siddiqui (PO23#22)
10. That the City Manager is requested to engage a third party, independent firm/consultant or university partner to review and examine the Cambridge Police Department's policies

and practices regarding de-escalation methods, mental health calls for service, training, and more. Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Azeem (PO23#23)

11. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Community Development Department and all other relevant departments to engage with community groups and the City's existing multi-member bodies to design the next iteration of the Cambridge Community Electricity Aggregation program. Councillor Nolan, Councillor Zondervan, Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon (PO23#24)
12. That the City Manager is requested to work with staff in the Cambridge Public Health Department to review the current state of mental health resources, particularly for underserved communities, within the Cambridge Health Alliance. Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Azeem, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Nolan (PO23#25)
13. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council as soon as possible on the request to increase overnight resident street parking options in the vicinity of Rogers Street in East Cambridge. Councillor Zondervan (PO23#26)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The **Ordinance Committee** held a public hearing on Sept 26, 2019 to discuss the petition by Stephen R. Karp, Trustee of Cambridgeside Galleria Associates Trust, to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge by adding a Section 13.100 that creates a new PUD-8 District and to amend the Zoning Map of the City of Cambridge by adding the new PUD-8 District, which District would include the property located at 100 Cambridgeside Place (currently zoned in the Business A and PUD-4 Districts). [[text of report](#)]
2. The **Ordinance Committee** met on Nov 14, 2019 to continue discussions on the petition by Stephen R. Karp, Trustee of CambridgeSide Galleria Associates Trust, to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge by adding a Section 13.100 that creates a new PUD-8 District. [text of report not yet available]
3. The **Ordinance Committee** met on Mar 30, 2022 to conduct a public hearing on, Ordinance #2022-3, the Wage Theft Ordinance. [[text of report](#)]
4. The **Ordinance Committee** met on Apr 13, 2022, to hold a public hearing on proposed ordinance number 2022-2, Charter Change Municipal Code Amendments. The Committee voted favorable to send the following language to the Full Council with a recommendation to pass to a second reading. [[text of report](#)]
5. The **Ordinance Committee** met on Apr 20, 2022, to continue the public hearing on proposed amendments to the Building Energy Use Disclosure Ordinance (Ordinance #2021-26). The Committee voted favorably to ask the City Manager to instruct the Community Development Department to draft amendments to the proposed BEUDO language to change the net zero deadline from 2050 to 2035

and to propose language to meet that deadline throughout the document. This appears on this agenda as a Policy Order. [\[text of report\]](#)

6. The **Government, Operations, Rules, and Claims**

Committee held a public meeting on Jan 11, 2023 for the purpose of reviewing recent report of Boards and Commissions from the City Manager which are subject to City Council approval, and to discuss the City Clerks request for a dedicated email address for City Council communications. [\[text of report\]](#)

7. The **Ordinance Committee** met on Jan 26, 2023, to continue the discussion on proposed Ordinance #2022-9, Climate Resilience Zoning. The Committee Voted favorably to send the Petition to the Full Council with a favorable recommendation to pass to a second reading. [\[text of report\]](#)

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Diane LeBlanc, City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity. (COF23#25)
2. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee. (COF23#26)
3. A communication was received from Diane LeBlanc, City Clerk, regarding the Douglas Brown Petition. (COF23#27)
The City Solicitor has reviewed this petition further and advised that it is defective.
 - **The corrective action needed is for the City Council to rescind the vote to refer the Douglas Brown Petition to the Ordinance Committee and Planning Board for hearing and report because the Petition is defective as a matter of law.**

This vote should take place at the City Council meeting on February 6, 2023.

HEARING SCHEDULE

[Sullivan Chamber & Zoom unless otherwise noted]

Mon, Feb 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Feb 7

3:00pm The **Economic Development and University Relations Committee & Neighborhood & Long-Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts & Celebration Committee** will conduct a joint public meeting to continue its Dec 7th, 2022 discussion of the attached zoning amendments and the Callender citizen petition proposing a technical definition of lab use and a restriction on new instances of the lab use in fragile districts including Central Square, Harvard Square, and Cambridge Street and possible alternative recommendations to address neighborhood concerns. This will be a roundtable discussion with the Community Development Department and representatives of impacted businesses, universities, property owners and residents. (Zoom only)

5:30pm **Charter Review Committee** (Zoom only)

Mon, Feb 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Feb 14

3:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will hold a public meeting to continue the discussion on Citizen's Zoning Petition from Suzanne P. Blier, et. al Harvard Square Zoning Petition Modification regarding Frontage of Financial Institutions – APP 2022 #46.

Wed, Feb 15

12:30pm The **Ordinance Committee** will hold a public meeting to continue the discussion on the proposed Ordinance #2022-6, Green Jobs.

Thurs, Feb 16

10:00am The City Council will hold a Special Meeting the purpose of this meeting is to discuss the annual City Manager performance review goals and metrics.

Mon, Feb 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Feb 28

3:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will hold a public meeting to continue the discussion on Citizens Zoning Petition from Patrick Barrett et.al North Mass Ave BA-5 Zoning District Petition – APP 2022 #52.

5:30pm **Charter Review Committee** (Zoom only)

Wed, Mar 1

5:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will hold a public meeting to continue the discussion on the proposed amendments to the Building Energy Use Disclosure Ordinance, Ordinance #2021-26.

Mon, Mar 6

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Mar 7

12:30pm The **Ordinance Committee** will hold a public hearing on potential changes to Chapter 2.78 Historical Buildings and Landmarks, Proposed Ordinance #2022-11.

Mon, Mar 13

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Mar 20

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Mar 27

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Apr 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Apr 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Apr 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, May 1

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, May 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, May 15

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, May 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, June 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, June 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, June 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Feb 6, 2023

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: The Ordinance Committee met on April 20, 2022, and voted favorably to ask the City Manager to instruct the Community Development Department to draft amendments to the proposed BEUDO language to change the net zero deadline from 2050 to 2035 and to propose language to meet that deadline throughout the document; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Community Development Department to draft amendments to the proposed BEUDO language to change the net zero deadline from 2050 to 2035 and to propose language to meet that deadline throughout the document. (From Ordinance Committee meeting on April 20, 2022)

O-2 Feb 6, 2023

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

WHEREAS: In June of 2020, the City Council passed a [policy order](#) requesting that a Public Safety Committee be scheduled to discuss the implementation of body worn cameras for the Cambridge Police Department stating that; “The City of Cambridge has a vested interest in ensuring the safety of both residents and police officers, and embedding opportunities for transparency to facilitate this work”; and

WHEREAS: The policy order further stated; “Having police officers wear body cameras is one way of increasing transparency in local policing. While the research results are mixed about whether the technology decreases police use of force, it is at least a means of oversight and accountability of individual behavior and overall policing”; and

WHEREAS: In response, a Public Safety Committee hearing was held on August 12, 2020, and at that time [Former Police Commissioner Branville Bard, former City Manager Louie DePasquale, and the police union](#) all indicated support for police body worn cameras; and

WHEREAS: Even with the support of the Police Department leadership and the previous administration, to this date, Police body worn cameras have not been implemented in the City of Cambridge; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to take immediate steps to begin the process of obtaining police body worn cameras for the Cambridge Police Department, and to work with all appropriate Departments to produce policy recommendations that would allow body worn camera usage while also not violating civil liberties in compliance with the City’s Surveillance Ordinance; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Cambridge Police Department, Purchasing Department and other relevant City departments to investigate [state grant opportunities](#) to help with the cost of implementation; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with a timeline for implementation no later than the last meeting in March 2023.

O-3 Feb 6, 2023

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has recently passed into state law “An Act to Reduce Traffic Fatalities” to improve roadway safety for all users, including bicyclists; and

WHEREAS: The new law highlights the importance of red rear lights, in addition to front white lights, which enhance the visibility and safety of bicyclists on the road; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is committed to promoting the use of biking, ensuring the safety of all roadway users within its jurisdiction, and complying with state laws, **and has an established and successful bike light distribution program, including schools and at intersections**; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to determine the best ways to promote bike safety with a particular **focus on expanding the distribution of bike lights throughout the City**, specifically considering the following actions:

1. Develop an awareness campaign that emphasizes the safety benefits of both front and rear bike lights, and encourages all bicyclists to use them while riding in Cambridge, in compliance with state laws,
2. Develop a plan to distribute rechargeable, high quality bike light sets, with a particular focus on students of all ages, in underserved communities, and along heavily trafficked bike routes,
3. Partner with local organizations, schools, and community centers, to host bike light distribution events and to provide education on the benefits of biking, the importance of bike lights and state laws related to bike safety,
4. Work with local bike shops and bike rental companies to ensure that all bikes being rented or sold include properly functioning lights and that customers are informed about state laws related to bike safety; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council within 90 days on the recommended steps to promote the distribution of bike lights consistent with “An Act to Reduce Traffic Fatalities” in Cambridge.

O-4 Feb 6, 2023

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge needs to ensure that trust is established or enhanced with members of our community when it comes to policing; and

WHEREAS: An effective way to affirm that trust would be to invest in more transparency within our departments through the form of open data and more community engagement; and

WHEREAS: [Previous councils have been asking](#) for a fully operational police dashboard since the establishment of the Office of Procedural Justice Division within the Cambridge Police Department in 2019, however it has been met with [delays due to staffing shortages and technical restraints](#); and

WHEREAS: During a [Public Safety Committee hearing on October 14, 2020](#), former Cambridge Police Commissioner Bard explained that the City purchased records management software to help gather racial data related to traffic stops; and

WHEREAS: The President's 21st Century Task Force on Policing, which was established by an executive order in 2014 during the Obama administration, called for more data on police shootings and on public perception of the police, among other things; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct Police Commissioner Elow to work on providing publicly-accessible traffic stop, arrest and citation police data on a new [Procedural Justice Dashboard](#) as soon as possible; and be it further

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

O-5 Feb 6, 2023

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: The Finance Co-chairs met with the city administration last fall and discussed plans for a Finance Committee meeting focused on the police budget and the Police Commissioner has worked on budget comparisons and goals and is interested in ensuring the City Council and the community understand the context for the budget; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge [municipal code 2.74.040](#) outlining the duties of the Police Review and Advisory Board states that City Council shall review the police department budget before it is submitted to the City Manager; and the police department should present their budget proposal to the Finance Committee of the City Council before sending their final budget to the City Manager; and

WHEREAS: The City Council has discussed the feasibility of incorporating body cameras into Cambridge Police procedures, including a [Special Meeting on August 12, 2020](#) called to discuss the topic; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That when the Co-Chairs of the Finance Committee schedule a committee meeting to discuss the police budget, that the question of how body cameras would affect the budget be included in discussion.

O-6 Feb 6, 2023

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: In the United States, traffic enforcement has come to be the domain of the police, and police departments play a large role in a majority of Vision Zero programs around the country; and

WHEREAS: The presence of a firearm during a routine traffic stop can potentially escalate tensions and lead to injury or death; and

WHEREAS: Traffic enforcement is a key element of meeting our Vision Zero goals and the implementation of automatic enforcement and unarmed units for traffic enforcement has been shown to [reduce the possibility of violence](#) during such encounters; and

WHEREAS: The [Insurance Institute for Highway Safety](#) reports that traffic cameras are in place for enforcement in 23 states, however, Massachusetts currently does not permit automatic traffic enforcement for speeding or red light violations under state law; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge can work with our state legislators on a Home Rule petition to implement automated enforcement; and

WHEREAS: The police would still have jurisdiction to apprehend known criminals, dangerous or erratic drivers, and other extraordinary situations that go beyond routine traffic enforcement; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to look into the feasibility of automated traffic enforcement in Cambridge as well as using unarmed CPD traffic details for future discussion in a joint hearing of the Transportation and Public Utilities Committee and the Public Safety Committee; and be it further

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

O-7 Feb 6, 2023

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

COUNCILLOR TONER

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: Policing sometimes requires police officers to use force to make a lawful arrest, place a person into protective custody, effectively bring an incident under control, or to protect the lives and safety of others or the officers themselves; and

WHEREAS: A commitment to using the least force necessary to achieve lawful objectives is a fundamental use of force restraint principle which police departments should embrace as best practice to preserve the sanctity of life; and

WHEREAS: Tasers, pepper spray, control devices and sponge rounds are not always effective when deployed and can still be lethal, but they pose a significantly lower risk of fatality than a gunshot wound; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Police Commissioner to explore additional less-than-lethal alternatives that pose the smallest risk of injury when deployed for standard issue in the Cambridge Police Department; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with specific recommendations for possible purchase and implementation of less-than-lethal alternatives.

O-8 Feb 6, 2023

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: The 2023 Congressional City Conference hosted by the National League of Cities will take place from Sunday, March 26th through Tuesday, March 28th in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS: A majority of City Councillors will be attending the Conference, making quorum impossible; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Regular Meeting scheduled for Mon, Mar 27, 2023, be and hereby is canceled.

O-9 Feb 6, 2023

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

ORDERED: That the City Council and the School Committee will hold a joint roundtable on Tues, Feb 14, 2023, at 5:00pm to receive an update from the City Manager, Superintendent, and the Cambridge Office of Early Childhood on the next steps towards the implementation of universal Pre-K in Cambridge.

O-10 Feb 6, 2023

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

WHEREAS: The Cambridge City Council has held two special meetings in the wake of the fatal shooting of Sayed Arif Faisal by the Cambridge Police Department; and

WHEREAS: While we are not yet aware of the full facts of this case, there is a strong desire by the community to ensure that no member of our community who is in crisis is fatally shot by members of our Police Department; and

WHEREAS: The Middlesex District Attorney's office is undergoing an extensive investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Sayed Arif Faisal; and

WHEREAS: In order to prevent future instances, we need to understand where the Cambridge Police Department policies and practices need to be adjusted for the safety of our community members; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to engage a third party, independent firm/consultant or university partner to review and examine the Cambridge Police Department's policies and practices regarding de-escalation methods, mental health calls for service, training, and more; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with a response no later than the last meeting in March, 2023.

O-11 Feb 6, 2023

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

VICE MAYOR MALLON

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Community Electricity Aggregation (CCA) program is currently a two-tiered electricity purchasing initiative with the Standard Product, which residents and businesses are automatically enrolled in on an opt-out basis, and the Green+ product which is an option for those who want to purchase 100% renewable electricity; and

WHEREAS: The program offers as the default standard offering the minimum required renewable energy percent currently 22% plus a .002 cents/kWh additional charge, with a 100% renewable opt-in program; and

WHEREAS: The city's standard plan renewable energy percent is below most nearby municipalities, including Boston, Watertown, Brookline, Newton, Somerville, Waltham, Salem & Lexington, all at approximately the same price/kWh; and

WHEREAS: According to Peregrine Energy Group, who oversees implementation of the program and maintains account-level database of customer data, indicate that there is a three- to six-month window between account changes and implementation, so the ability to make program changes takes time even for consumers who want to opt-into the Green Plus plan; and

WHEREAS: The 2021 Climate Crisis Working Group [recommended making the default standard option for CCA a 100% renewable electricity offering](#); and

WHEREAS: The City's [2021 Net Zero Action Plan Update](#) indicates that the Community Choice Aggregation program is supportive of the Energy Supply action item and the report specifically calls for the City to utilize and improve upon the electric aggregation program; and

WHEREAS: The CCA program's 36-month electricity supply contract runs through January 2024 which means the city will be negotiating a new program this year; and

WHEREAS: Before the next iteration of the CCA, the City should work with The Climate Community and include input from groups such as the Net Zero Action Taskforce, the Climate Crisis Working Group, and Green Cambridge, to inform the development of an RFP and contract specifications; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Community Development Department and all other relevant departments to engage with community groups and the City's existing multi-member bodies to design the next iteration of the Cambridge Community Electricity Aggregation program to consider setting a default, opt-out option of 100% renewable

electricity and maintain an opt-in option at a lower rate at the minimum renewable percent; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the status of the outreach to community groups and the program development within 6 months.

O-12 Feb 6, 2023

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

WHEREAS: Mental health resources are necessary to support people in times of need; and

WHEREAS: In July 2022, the national [988 hotline](#) was implemented as a resource to meet our country's growing suicide and mental health-related crisis care needs; and

WHEREAS: This system has resulted in [an increase in people reaching out for help](#), indicating a previously unmet need for support but many people still do not know about the 988 hotline; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA) is a public hospital supported by the City that serves many of our residents; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with staff in the Cambridge Public Health Department to review the current state of mental health resources, particularly for underserved communities, within the CHA; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with recommendations for improving the Cambridge Health Alliance system including, but not limited to, information pertaining to the mental health support programs offered, spreading awareness about the 988 hotline, how easy it is to access emergency psychiatric care, and how we can support the CHA with more funding if necessary.

O-13 Feb 6, 2023

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: There is an abundance of metered parking along Rogers Street in East Cambridge, and residents of the recently built Axiom and Prism buildings have asked the City for more overnight street parking options for residents in this area; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council as soon as possible on the request to increase overnight resident street parking options in the vicinity of Rogers Street in East Cambridge.