

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appointment of the following persons as Public Weighers for the calendar year 2023 to operate scales at 500 Front St, Cambridge, MA 02142. (CM23#90)
2. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 23-11, regarding a review of the current state of mental health resources, particularly for underserved communities, within the CHA. (CM23#91)
3. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Shannon Grant received from the Metropolitan Mayors Coalition's Community Safety Initiative through the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, in the amount of \$40,595.32, to the Grant Fund Police Department Salary and Wages account (\$32,518.40) and the Grant Fund Police Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$8,076.92), which will be dedicated to hot spot patrols, youth violence reduction strategies, and the Focused Deterrence program, and to support a Teen Public Art Program at the Community Art Center. (CM23#92)
4. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the supplemental appropriation of the FY22 Shannon Grant for \$377.29 received from the Metropolitan Mayors Coalition's Community Safety Initiative through the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to the Grant Fund Police Department Salary and Wages account (\$377.29), these funds are dedicated to hot spot patrols in support of youth violence reduction strategies and the Focused Deterrence program. (CM23#93)
5. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$78,000 from Free Cash to the General Fund City Clerk Other Ordinary Maintenance account to pay for costs associated with required legal advertising for legal notices, Council meeting agendas, hearings and petitions through the end of the fiscal year, as well as anticipated printing and postage costs. (CM23#94)
6. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 21-71, regarding placing a cricket field in one of the Cambridge parks. (CM23#95)
7. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a [communication from DCR to the City regarding Memorial Drive closures](#). (CM23#96)
8. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a [2023 Quarter One update](#). (CM23#97)

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Siyu Xiao, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 25 Suffolk 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#18)
2. An application was received from Heather Dudko representing CAVA, requesting permission for a projecting sign at the premises numbered 18 Brattle Street approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutters proof of mailing has been provided. (AP23#19)
 3. A request was received from Alexandria representing East Boston Savings Bank, regarding Revocation of Bond #107135183 for East Boston Savings Bank, 1739 Massachusetts Avenue. Response from the Inspectional Services Department has been received confirming said sign has been removed. (AP23#20)
- ## COMMUNICATIONS
1. A communication was received from Sue Stafford, regarding strong support for the BEUDO amendments.
 2. A communication was received from Pina Morganti, regarding strong support for the BEUDO amendments.
 3. A communication was received from Bridget Hanna, regarding strong support for the BEUDO amendments.
 4. A communication was received from Charles Teague, regarding opposition to Barrett Upzoning Petition on North Mass Ave.
 5. A communication was received from Paola Cappellaro, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 6. A communication was received from Marianna and David Rowlands, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 7. A communication was received from Susie Jang, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 8. A communication was received from Steve Garafalo, regarding support after school policy order.
 9. A communication was received from Pete Warrington, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 10. A communication was received from Haining Gouinlock, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 11. A communication was received from Andrea Love, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 12. A communication was received from Tracy Barbaro and Zenas Lu, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 13. A communication was received from Diana Smith, regarding strong support for the BEUDO amendments.
 14. A communication was received from Rachel Wyon, regarding strong support for the BEUDO amendments.
 15. A communication was received from Elinor Actipis, regarding support for the after school policy order.
 16. A communication was received from Rebecca Richman Cohen, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 17. A communication was received from Leah Nickel, Paul Worster, Ayla and Emmy Worster, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 18. A communication was received from Juliet Simpson, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 19. A communication was received from Mara E Murray Horwitz, regarding supporting after school policy order.
 20. A communication was received from Sam Fentress, regarding supporting after school policy order.

21. A communication was received from Sudha Natarajan, regarding supporting after school policy order.
22. A communication was received from Jill Linnell, regarding supporting after school policy order.
23. A communication was received from Peter Glick, regarding support for PO#52 - Garden Street.
24. A communication was received from Nicole Lim, regarding supporting after school policy order.
25. A communication was received from Alexandra Grassian, regarding support for PO#59.
26. A communication was received from Kristen Roggemann, regarding support of after school PO#59.
27. A communication was received from Arthur MacEwan, regarding BEUDO and action to help avert disastrous climate change.
28. A communication was received from Annie Michaelis, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
29. A communication was received from Margery Davies, regarding strong support for the BEUDO amendments.
30. A communication was received from Elizabeth Henry, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
31. A communication was received from Ashley Miller, regarding support of the after school policy order.
32. A communication was received from Gina Solman, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
33. A communication was received from Dariana Vasquez, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
34. A communication was received from Tina Lieu, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
35. A communication was received from Sahithi Madireddy, regarding strong support for the BEUDO amendments.
36. A communication was received from Crystal Komm and Chris Potter, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
37. A communication was received from Greg Jordan, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
38. A communication was received from Maria Cortes, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
39. A communication was received from Amar Bhide, regarding the Traffic Department's report on the Garden and Linnaean Street neighborhood bike lanes and traffic patterns.
40. A communication was received from Anna Spera and Jean Spera, regarding support for PO#52.
41. A communication was received from Emily Axelrod, regarding support of Paul Toner's proposals contained in Charter Right #1.
42. A communication was received from Patricia McGrath, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
43. A communication was received from Chris Willard and family, regarding Garden Street.
44. A communication was received from Nathan Hasson, regarding Garden Street.
45. A communication was received from Neil Goodwin, regarding Garden Street.
46. A communication was received from Bonnie Miller, regarding support of Charter Right Agenda Item #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
47. A communication was received from Joan Pickett, regarding support of Charter Right Agenda #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
48. A communication was received from Catalina Arboleda, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
49. A communication was received from John Pena, regarding the Garden and Linnean Street proposed modifications.
50. A communication was received from Nina Herrera, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1.
51. A communication was received from Elizabeth Neustadt, regarding the Garden Street Policy Order.
52. A communication was received from David E. Sullivan, regarding support in principle for the Barrett zoning petition.
53. A communication was received from Mary Jane Kornacki, regarding support for policy order for Garden Street accommodations.
54. A communication was received from Candace Young, regarding Charter Right Agenda #1.
55. A communication was received from Vickey Bestor, regarding Charter Right Agenda #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
56. A communication was received from Tania Yannas, regarding support for Garden Street Policy Order.
57. A communication was received from Christine Falzone, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
58. A communication was received from Barbara Bliss, regarding the Garden Street proposal.
59. A communication was received from Ausra Kubilius, regarding Charter Right Agenda #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
60. A communication was received from Nicole Lopes, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
61. A communication was received from Arif Hussain and Sarah Figge Hussain, regarding support for PO#59.
62. A communication was received from Clare Rager, regarding support of expanding after school availability (PO #59).
63. A communication was received from John Hanratty, regarding support for Garden Street Policy Order.
64. A communication was received from Nike Tirman, regarding Traffic Department Mar 30 – Traffic Analysis.
65. A communication was received from Glover Taylor, regarding the Garden Street Policy Order.
66. A communication was received from Don Lessard, regarding Garden Street.
67. A communication was received from Eileen McCullough, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
68. A communication was received from Sam and Frank Reece, regarding Garden Street/Walker Street Traffic Department improvements.
69. A communication was received from Denis Sukachev, regarding Garden Street bike lanes.
70. A communication was received from Shelagh Hadley, regarding Garden Street bike lanes, etc.
71. A communication was received from A. Jarrard, regarding Garden Street cycling.
72. A communication was received from Paula Cortes, regarding the Garden Street Policy Order.
73. A communication was received from Shawdee Eshghi, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1.
74. A communication was received from Michael A. Connolly, regarding Garden Street.

75. A communication was received from Helen Snively, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1.
76. A communication was received from Austin Ledzian, regarding POR 2023 #52.
77. A communication was received from Rob Cannata, regarding supporting after school policy order.
78. A communication was received from Beth Gamse and Judy Singer, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
79. A communication was received from Vi Nguyen, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
80. A communication was received from John Bright, regarding support for Charter Right #1 (Policy Order for Garden Street Accommodations).
81. A communication was received from Ester Schiano-Brown, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
82. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding City Manager Agenda Item #3 and Charter Right Item #1 regarding Garden Street Accommodations.
83. A communication was received from Malcolm D Bliss, regarding Charter Right Item #1.
84. A communication was received from Zoë and Dan Anderson, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1.
85. A communication was received from Shellburne Thurber, regarding proposed alternatives to the present traffic configuration in north Cambridge.
86. A communication was received from Scott Ehrmann, regarding Policy Order for Garden Street Accommodations.
87. A communication was received from Hannah Goodwin, regarding the 2400 Mass Ave Zoning Petition (North Mass Aven BA-5 Zoning District Petition - Ordinance #2022-21).
88. A communication was received from Miriam Goldstein, regarding supporting after-school policy order.
89. A communication was received from Itamar Turner-Trauring, regarding Policy Order #4.
90. A communication was received from Gavin Lund, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1/PO #52.
91. A communication was received from Tim Russell, regarding 4/3 City Council Meeting: Vote No on Charter Right Item #1.
92. A communication was received from Scott Brightly, regarding Charter Right Item #1.
93. A communication was received from Andrew Lawrie, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
94. A communication was received from Elizabeth Houghteling, regarding Garden Street.
95. A communication was received from Arthur P Dempster, regarding Garden Street/Walker Street Traffic Department Improvements.
96. A communication was received from Eugenia Schraa and Amanda Beatty, regarding supporting PO #59/Petition for expanded after school with 480+ signers.
97. A communication was received from Hurst and Ann Hannum, regarding the Garden Street Policy Order.
98. A communication was received from Madeleine Aster, regarding opposition to the Barrett Petition.
99. A communication was received from Laurie Pessah, regarding the Garden Street design.
100. A communication was received from Mark Steffen, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
101. A communication was received from Lee Stabert, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
102. A communication was received from Anna Gosline, regarding support for after school PO#59.
103. A communication was received from Ju Yon Kim, regarding supporting after school policy order.
104. A communication was received from Becca Lester, regarding supporting PO #59 - Petition for expanded after school.
105. A communication was received from Kerry Ryan Chance, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
106. A communication was received from Ryan Grams, regarding Charter Right Item #1 (Garden Street).
107. A communication was received from John Martin, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
108. A communication was received from Caleb Hurst-Hiller, regarding PO#59 – supporting after school expansion/access.
109. A communication was received from Kate Skubecz, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
110. A communication was received from Matt Goldstein, regarding supporting PO#59.
111. A communication was received from Barbara Anthony, regarding the Garden Street Policy Order.
112. A communication was received from Jose Jimenez, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
113. A communication was received from Abigail Starr, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
114. A communication was received from Peter Lowber, regarding Garden Street.
115. A communication was received from Andrea Gabert, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
116. A communication was received from Patrick Ward, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
117. A communication was received from Michael Mahoney, regarding Charter Right Item #1.
118. A communication was received from Tiffany Clapp, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
119. A communication was received from Patrick Barton, regarding #22-79 Garden Street, CMA 2023 #89.
120. A communication was received from Aaron Greiner, regarding Garden Street.
121. A communication was received from Annette LaMond and Joe Moore, regarding support for Garden Street Policy Order.
122. A communication was received from Chi-Chi Zhang, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
123. A communication was received from Allyson Goose, regarding supporting after school PO#59.
124. A communication was received from Alison Munroe, regarding support for Cambridge Afterschool programs/policy update.
125. A communication was received from Ben Flaim, regarding Garden Street plea.
126. A communication was received from Eugenia Schraa and Ming-Tai Huh, regarding support for Barrett Petition/ORD 2022 #21.
127. A communication was received from Wendy Harman, regarding Charter Right Agenda Item #1 (Garden Street Policy Order).
128. A communication was received from Marilee Meyer, regarding support of Chart Review extension.

129. A communication was received from Michael McIntosh, regarding support for Policy Order #3 (first proposed Mar 20).
130. A communication was received from Joanne Moore, regarding Garden Street Policy Order.
131. A communication was received from Rose Mous, regarding City Manager Agenda Item #3 and Charter Right Item #1 regarding Garden Street Accommodations.
132. A communication was received from Angela Bisanti, regarding City mandate to reduce greenhouse gas.
133. A communication was received from Heather Hoffman, regarding Barron v. Kolenda.
134. A communication was received from Susanne Freidberg, regarding exempting condominiums from proposed BEUDO amendment.
135. A communication was received from Jerome Berkeley, regarding BUEDO condominium exemption.
136. A communication was received from John MacDougall, regarding support for BEUDO amendments.
137. A communication was received from Harold D. Spilker III, regarding exemption condominium BEUDO amendments.
138. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding Traffic congestion at Alewife Brook Pkwy and Mass. Ave. 8:30AM (SeeClickFix#12524562).
139. A communication was received from Sam Fentress, regarding disappointment that Riverbend Park Saturdays are ending.
140. A communication was received from Hazel Malcolmson, regarding BEUDO.
141. A communication was received from Andrew Ray, regarding Riverbend Park.
142. A communication was received from John Leo, regarding recent Department of Conservation and Recreation Memorial Drive decision.
143. A communication was received from Duncan MacArthur, regarding letter to City Council.
144. A communication was received from Mike Nakagawa, regarding the Barrett Petition.
145. A communication was received from Talia Brown, regarding after school programs.
146. A communication was received from former City Clerk, D. Margaret Drury, thanking the City Council on the resolution regarding her retirement from the Board of Cambridge Redevelopment Authority.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations on the retirement of Lieutenant Robert Grey from the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner
2. Congratulations on the retirement of Patrol Officer Jerry Jean-Baptiste from the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner
3. Congratulations on the retirement of Lieutenant Thomas Ahern from the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner
4. Congratulations on the retirement of Patrol Officer Hercot Miller from the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner
5. Congratulations on the retirement of Maureen Van Stry. Councillor Toner

6. Congratulations on the Retirement of Sergeant Susan Kale from the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner
7. Congratulations on the retirement of Jean Kuropatkin. Councillor Toner
8. Congratulations on the retirement of Debra Morris. Councillor Toner
9. Congratulations on the retirement of Matilde Santos. Councillor Toner
10. Congratulations to Christine Burke on her 50th Birthday. Councillor Toner
11. Congratulations on the retirement of Arthur Moy from the Cambridge Fire Department. Councillor Toner
12. Congratulations on the retirement of Patrick Quirke. Councillor Toner
13. Congratulations on the promotion of Temporary Lieutenant Ameer A. Moustafa from the Cambridge Fire Department. Councillor Toner
14. Congratulations on the promotion of Temporary Lieutenant Victor M. Clarke. Jr. from the Cambridge Fire Department. Councillor Toner
15. Congratulations on the promotion of Firefighter Cameron R. Moyer from the Cambridge Fire Department. Councillor Toner
16. Congratulations on the promotion of Firefighter William B. Whalen from the Cambridge Fire Department. Councillor Toner
17. Resolution on the death of Ned Handy. Councillor Carlone, Councillor Toner
18. Resolution on the death of Barbara Fox. Councillor Toner
19. Resolution on the death of Annette Kathleen Hyness Eng. Councillor Toner
20. Congratulations to Club Recreativo Lusitania on the occasion of the Club's 100th Anniversary. Councillor Toner
21. Congratulations to the Cambridge Program's Cambridge Warrior Basketball Team - 6th time Mass State Division 1 Special Olympics Basketball Champions. Councillor Toner
22. Thanks to Nancy Woods for her service to the Cambridge Public Library. Mayor Siddiqui
23. Congratulations to the nonprofits working with the City for their commitment and service to Cambridge residents, and urge all citizens to recognize the Community Development Programs and the important role they play in our community. Mayor Siddiqui

ORDERS

1. City Manager Performance Review Ad Hoc Committee. Mayor Siddiqui (PO23#64)
2. That at the City Manager is requested to light up City Hall blue, pink, and yellow on Apr 19, 2023, for Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Awareness. Mayor Siddiqui (PO23#65)
3. The City Council go on record celebrating the work of 911 professionals who work tirelessly every single day, and

recognizing the week of Apr 9 - Apr 15 as National Telecommunicators Week. Mayor Siddiqui (PO23#66)

4. That the City Manager is requested to direct the City Solicitor to provide the City Council with a legal opinion on the earliest possible date that potential changes to the charter could be voted on by the electorate, assuming the Charter Review Committee submits proposed changes to the City Council by the new Dec 31, 2023 deadline. Councillor Zondervan (PO23#67)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The **Health and Environment Committee** conducted a public hearing on June 7, 2022 to discuss the adverse impacts of gas-powered leaf blowers and recent bans on their use in other jurisdictions. [[text of report](#)]
2. The **Neighborhood & Long-Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts & Celebrations Committee** held a public meeting Mar 22, 2023 to discuss potential amendments to the Affordable Housing Overlay. [[text of report](#)]
3. The **Finance Committee** held a public meeting Mar 23, 2023 to review the FY24 Police Department's budget before it is submitted to the City Manager, and to review any budget proposal items related to body cameras. [[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#62)
2. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee. (COF23#63)

HEARING SCHEDULE

Mon, Apr 10

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Apr 11

12:30pm The Health and Environment Committee will hold a public meeting to review plans for solar and renewable energy installations in the city, including report on solar expansion and works by the CEA (Cambridge Energy Alliance) and potential for solar on city owned water supply land, and any other items related to renewable energy.

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

Wed, Apr 12

5:30pm 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.

Thurs, Apr 13

9:30am The Housing Committee will hold a public meeting to continue discussing potential amendments to the Affordable Housing Overlay district as outlined in the Nov 21, 2022 policy order adopted by the City Council.

3:30pm The Ordinance Committee will meet to hold a Public Hearing on the Citizens Zoning Petition received from Michael Monestime et al. regarding Outdoor Use Zoning in the Central Square Cultural District.

Mon, Apr 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Apr 25

3:00pm The Health and Environment Committee will hold a public meeting to review and discuss the update on Urban Forest Master Plan and to discuss how to improve tree health and tree canopy across the City.

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

Wed, Apr 26

12:30pm The Ordinance Committee will meet to continue the discussion on potential changes to Chapter 2.78 Historical Buildings and Landmarks, Proposed Ordinance #2022-11, as amended in Committee on Mar 7, 2023.

Mon, May 1

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Wed, May 3

3:00pm The Ordinance Committee will hold a public hearing on Citizens Zoning Petition from Craig Kelley, et al. – Cambridge Transportation Emissions Reduction and Car Sharing Act (APP 2023 #9).

Mon, May 8

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, May 9

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the City and School budgets covering the fiscal period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

Wed, May 10

6:00pm The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the School Department budget covering the fiscal period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

Mon, May 15

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, May 16

10:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the City and School budgets covering the fiscal period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

Thurs, May 18

9:00am The Finance Committee will conduct a public hearing (if necessary) to discuss the City and School budgets covering the fiscal period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

Mon, May 22

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Wed, May 24

3:00pm The Ordinance Committee will hold a public hearing on the Citizens Zoning Petition received from Charles Jessup Franklin et al., regarding allowing new construction that is similar in size and shape as existing buildings for the purpose of promoting housing and first floor retail.

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 Apr 10, 2023

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: The City Council is tasked to administer a performance review on the City Manager on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS: The annual performance review process was determined by the full City Council in February of 2023, and included that the Mayor designate a City Manager Performance Review Ad Hoc Committee with a Chair to coordinate the process; and

WHEREAS: That City Manager Performance Review Ad Hoc Committee of the Cambridge City Council be formed for the purpose of evaluating the City Manager with the following four (4) City Council members:

- Councillor Toner (Chair)
- Vice Mayor Mallon
- Councillor Simmons
- Councillor Nolan

Now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager Performance Review Ad Hoc Committee confers with the Law Department prior to any meeting to discuss confidentiality and open meeting law issues; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager Performance Review Ad Hoc Committee will ensure the full City Council has input into the City Manager's evaluation.

O-2 Apr 10, 2023

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge shares a strong concern for children and families fighting Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDH); and

WHEREAS: CDH is a birth defect that affects 52,000 babies each year, occurring when a baby's diaphragm fails to fully form, allowing abdominal organs into the chest cavity and preventing lung growth where 50% of babies born with CDH do not survive; and

WHEREAS: Many locations around the world light up on April 19th for Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Awareness to raise awareness and honor those children and families that fight so hard in testing circumstances; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That at the City Manager be and is hereby requested to light up City Hall blue, pink, and yellow on April 19, 2023, for Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Awareness.

O-3 Apr 10, 2023

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: In 1991 the United States Congress declared the second week of April to be National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, celebrating 911 professionals who serve as public safety telecommunicators; and

WHEREAS: National Telecommunicators Week honors those who are the first point of contact in an emergency, who work 24/7 and 365 days of the year in a range of emergencies; and

WHEREAS: Every year, we celebrate and uplift the work of the Cambridge Emergency Communications Department, but the last two years, their work has been more important than ever as they responded to a public health crisis; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Emergency Telecommunications Dispatchers (ETD) during the COVID-19 response screened patients with over 4,600 calls for COVID symptoms, responded to social distance violations and provided residents with information to safeguard them from exposure to the virus in addition to their day-to-day duties and responsibilities associated with supporting Police, Fire and EMS operations; and

WHEREAS: In 2022, the Emergency Telecommunications Dispatchers answered an average of 124 emergency calls and approximately 308 non-emergency calls per day, totaling approximately 181,000 calls and 124,000 calls for service per year, with increased projections for FY23; now therefore be it

ORDERED: The City Council go on record celebrating the work of 911 professionals who work tirelessly every single day, and recognizing the week of Apr 9 - Apr 15 as National Telecommunicators Week.

O-4 Apr 10, 2023

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the City Solicitor to provide the City Council with a legal opinion on the earliest possible date that potential changes to the charter could be voted on by the electorate, assuming the Charter Review Committee submits proposed changes to the City Council by the new Dec 31, 2023 deadline; and be it further

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