

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a recommendation from the Board of Election Commissioners for the City Council to vote to authorize in-person early voting for the Nov 7, 2023 Municipal Election, in accordance with "The VOTES Act". (CM23#134)

Locations

Cambridge Water Department – 250 Fresh Pond Parkway
Cambridge Main Library – 449 Broadway
Cambridge Valente Library – 826 Cambridge Street, Side Entrance on Berkshire Street

Hours

Sat, Oct 28, 2023 from 9am to 3pm
Sun, Oct 29, 2023 from 9am to 3pm
Mon, Oct 30, 2023 from 8:30am to 8pm
Tues, Oct 31, 2023 from 8:30am to 5pm
Wed, Nov 1, 2023 from 8:30am to 5pm
Thurs, Nov 2, 2023 from 8:30am to 5:30pm
Fri, Nov 3, 2023 from 8:30am to 12pm

Now, therefore be it

ORDERED: That in accordance with the provisions of "The Votes Act", upon request of the Board of Election Commissioners, the City Council hereby authorizes early in-person voting for the November 7, 2023 Municipal Election for the hours and locations outlined above.

2. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$150,000 from the General Fund Employee Benefits (Insurance) Salary and Wages account to the General Fund Public Works Travel & Training (Judgment and Damages) account. The funds will cover medical bills and settlements for Public Works personnel injured in the course of their job. (CM23#135)
3. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Post Overdose Support Team Grant, received from Massachusetts Departments of Public Health, Bureau of Substance Abuse Addiction Services, through the Fenway Health Group, in the amount of \$20,000, to the Grant Fund Police Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$20,000). Grant funds will be used to support costs related to providing aftercare support. (CM23#136)
4. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a report communicating the opening of the Hildebrand Family Self-Help Center, Inc. family shelter at 2222 Massachusetts Avenue. (CM23#137)

CHARTER RIGHT

1. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a recommendation that the City Council approve an Order to take by "friendly" eminent domain proceeding parcels of land located at 319 Webster Avenue, Cambridge (as shown on Cambridge Assessors Map 81, Parcel 21), 333 Webster Avenue, Cambridge (as shown on Cambridge Assessors Map 81, Parcel 23), and 455 Columbia Street (as shown on Cambridge Assessors

Map 81, Parcel 16) (collectively "Cambridge Parcels"), and approve an Order authorizing the purchase of a parcel of land located at 94 Webster Avenue, Somerville (as shown on Somerville Assessors Map 96, Parcel B-7) ("Somerville Parcel") (collectively, the "Premises"), all of which are owned by Webster Avenue Ventures LLC ("WV"). [Charter Right – Mallon, May 8, 2023] (CM23#128)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$50,000,000 to provide funds for the reconstruction of the Mass Avenue between Waterhouse Street and Alewife Parkway. [Passed to 2nd Reading May 1, 2023; Referred to Finance Committee] (CM23#106)
3. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to appropriation and authorization to borrow \$35,350,000 to provide funds for the Municipal Facilities Improvement Plan. Funds will support upgrades to the 689 Mass Avenue Interior; upgrades at the Moses Youth Center; Interior fit-out of Rindge Pre-K building; electric vehicle charging station infrastructure at several municipal buildings; and additional work at Inman and East Cambridge Fire Houses; First Street Garage upgrades to stairs and elevator; and other City building upgrades. [Passed to 2nd Reading May 1, 2023; Referred to Finance Committee] (CM23#107)
4. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,500,000 to provide funds for the construction of the Peabody School Playground and Corcoran (Raymond Street) park. [Passed to 2nd Reading May 1, 2023; Referred to Finance Committee] (CM23#108)
5. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,800,000 to provide funds for financing school building upgrades. [Passed to 2nd Reading May 1, 2023; Referred to Finance Committee] (CM23#109)
6. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$51,500,000 to provide funds for the construction of sewer separation, storm water management and combined sewer overflow reduction elimination improvements within the Port and River Street areas as well as the Sewer Capital Repairs Program and climate change preparedness efforts. [Passed to 2nd Reading May 1, 2023; Referred to Finance Committee] (CM23#110)
7. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$26,000,000 to provide funds for the reconstruction of various City streets, sidewalks and bike facilities. \$15,000,000 of this loan order is attributable to the improvement project related to sewer infrastructure upgrades on River Street, which include full depth roadway reconstruction, new sidewalks, new street trees and various

other street improvements. [Passed to 2nd Reading May 1, 2023; Referred to Finance Committee] (CM23#111)

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Paul Fiore, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 96 Otis Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. Response has been received from the neighborhood association. (AP23#24)
2. An application was received from Lee Gianetti requesting permission for a temporary banner across Massachusetts Avenue in front of City Hall announcing Rise Up Cambridge from June 12, 2023 through June 18, 2023. (AP23#25)
3. An application was received from Gail Wang of the Boston Dragon Boat Festival, Inc requesting permission for a temporary banners across JFK at Mount Auburn Street announcing Dragon Boat Festival on the Charles River from May 29, 2023 through June 12, 2023 and across Massachusetts Avenue in front of City Hall from May 29, 2023 through June 12, 2023. (AP23#26)
4. An application was received from Cooper Gallery @ Harvard University requesting permission for a 38 temporary pole banners along Massachusetts Avenue near Harvard Square announcing El Pasado Mio from May 12, 2023 though June 13, 2023. (AP23#27)
5. An application was received from Cambridge Rindge and Latin requesting permission for a 17 temporary banner along Massachusetts Avenue in Central Square and Along Broadway in front of CRLS announcing Congratulations CRLS Class of 2023 on from May 22, 2023 through June 30, 2023. (AP23#28)
6. An application was received from Heritage Flag Co. representing Draper Laboratory requesting permission for a 43 temporary banners along Broadway, Portland Street and Main Street announcing Draper Laboratory on June 5, 2023 through July 7, 2023. (AP23#29)
7. An application was received from Heritage Flag Co. representing American Repertory Theater requesting permission for a eighteen temporary banners along Massachusetts Avenue announcing EVITA on June 12, 2023 through July 30, 2023. (AP23#30)

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Abby Starr, regarding After school busing GP principal and covid policies.
2. A communication was received from Anita D. McClellan regarding Affordable housing needs to go on site of Matignon High School, 1 Matignon Road.
3. A communication was received from Catalina Arboleda regarding Affordable Housing Overlay (AHO).
4. A communication was received from Young Kim regarding Beware of Unintended Consequences and Reject Charter Right #1.
5. A communication was received from Shannon Canavin regarding Affordable Housing Overlay.
6. A communication was received from Larry Borins regarding Support Affordable Housing.

7. A communication was received from Carmel Shachar regarding Concern with DHSP's updated 2023-24 afterschool plan.
8. A communication was received from Carolyn Fuller regarding Vote YES on the AHO amendment (Charter Right #1).
9. A communication was received from Dan Eisner regarding PO23#83.
10. A communication was received from Ruonan Wang regarding Affordable Housing.
11. A communication was received from Mary Jane Kornacki regarding NO to the latest AHO amendment.
12. A communication was received from Ausra Kubilius regarding NO, NO, NO on enlarging the AHO dimensions.
13. A communication was received from Wyatt Berlinic regarding Vote YES on AHO Amendment POR 2023 #75.
14. A communication was received from Maria Cortes regarding Concern with DHSP's updated 2023-24 afterschool plan: transportation less than 1 mile.
15. A communication was received from Shelagh Hadley regarding AHO petition.
16. A communication was received from McKelden Smith regarding AHO Petition.
17. A communication was received from Bojana Bosanac regarding OPPOSE AHO Amendment.
18. A communication was received from Laura Blacklow regarding AHO response.
19. A communication was received from Anne Jeka regarding Please OPPOSE the proposed affordable housing plan - These structures do not belong in Cambridge.
20. A communication was received from Larry and Lynn Cetrulo regarding AHO Petition/May 8, 2023 Submission.
21. A communication was received from Guillemette and Bill Simmers regarding AHO Amendment.
22. A communication was received from Robert Camacho regarding PO23#75.
23. A communication was received from Vickey Bestor regarding Oppose AHO up-zoning.
24. A communication was received from Amy Clarkson regarding Oppose PO23#75.
25. A communication was received from Jana Odette regarding OPPOSE the AHO Petition as it currently stands.
26. A communication was received from Jonathan Cohen regarding Vote yes on AHO overlay.
27. A communication was received from Becky Sarah regarding Please support tall buildings with affordable housing.
28. A communication was received from Sam Burgess regarding Cambridge Affordable Housing Overlay Amendments--Resident in Support.
29. A communication was received from Susan Ringler regarding NO to AHO.
30. A communication was received from Claudia Majetich regarding Opposed to AHO proposal.
31. A communication was received from Janet Reckman regarding 5/8 AHO proposal vote.
32. A communication was received from Nonie Valentine regarding Supporting AHO alternative proposal by Councillors Toner, Mallon, and Nolan, not PO #75.
33. A communication was received from Sean Hwang regarding Vote for AHO amendment.

34. A communication was received from Yukari Perrella regarding AHO amendment vote.
35. A communication was received from Martin Williams regarding AHO amendment vote; PO23#75.
36. A communication was received from Avik Chatterjee regarding Please vote Yes on the AHO amendment policy order.
37. A communication was received from Anna Spier regarding Support for Affordable Housing in Cambridge.
38. A communication was received from Gerald Bergman regarding AHO compromise amendments.
39. A communication was received from Rob Everts regarding Please oppose PO23#75.
40. A communication was received from Jennifer Chen regarding Larch Road Field.
41. A communication was received from Rebecca Pries regarding Oppose sending AHO amendment to Ordinance Committee.
42. A communication was received from Daniel B. Fisher regarding AHO petition.
43. A communication was received from Mark Kon regarding NO to “affordable” human warehousing.
44. A communication was received from D. Biba regarding Please vote to oppose AHO upzoning.
45. A communication was received from Pamela Winters regarding Affordable housing overlay.
46. A communication was received from Lisa Glover regarding Vote NO on AHO amendment.
47. A communication was received from Patrick Ward regarding positive thoughts on DHSP’s updated 2023-24 afterschool plan.
48. A communication was received from F. Daniel Hidalgo regarding Support the AHO Amendment.
49. A communication was received from John Trever regarding OPPOSE PO23#75 and SUPPORT the alternative put forward by Councillors Toner, Mallon, and Nolan.
50. A communication was received from Lin Trever, regarding I OPPOSE PO23#75.
51. A communication was received from George Anderson, regarding send the current AHO petition back to the Housing Committee.
52. A communication was received from Rose Hanig, regarding AHO amendment policy order and need for adequate funding in FY 2024.
53. A communication was received from Howard Rice, regarding Affordable Housing Overlay amendment.
54. A communication was received from Jennifer Miles, regarding OPPOSE The AHO Petition as it Currently Stands.
55. A communication was received from Joseph Leo Koerner, regarding NO to Affordable Housing Overlay amendment .
56. A communication was received from Linda Branch Dunn, regarding OPPOSE the AHO PETITION as it currently stands.
57. A communication was received from Lisa McManus, regarding I OPPOSE PO23#75 and SUPPORT the alternative.
58. A communication was received from Joan Pickett, regarding NO on AHO petition; Needs more study by CDD.
59. A communication was received from Claire D. Messud, regarding OPPOSE the AHO PETITION as it currently stands.
60. A communication was received from Judith Rosen, regarding Please vote to oppose AHO amendment.
61. A communication was received from Kevin Grinberg, regarding Comment YES on AHO Amendment PO.
62. A communication was received from Marilee Meyer, regarding please put a hold on AHO 2.0.
63. A communication was received from Ann Coyne, regarding OPPOSE THE AHO PETITION AS IT CURRENTLY STANDS 2.
64. A communication was received from Trina Abbott, regarding OPPOSE the AHO PETITION as it currently stands.
65. A communication was received from Dan Chasman, regarding OPPOSE the AHO PETITION as it currently stands.
66. A communication was received from Jacqui Fahey Sandell, regarding I oppose the proposed AHO Amendment without further public and committee review.
67. A communication was received from Nina Coslov, regarding Oppose the AHO petition as it currently stands.
68. A communication was received from Susan Connelly, regarding Speaker #57 (Susan Connelly) Public Comment re PO23#75 May 8 2023.
69. A communication was received from Olga-Louiza Tague, regarding OPPOSE the AHO PETITION as it currently stands.
70. A communication was received from Lin Trever, regarding I OPPOSE PO23#75.
71. A communication was received from Phil Wellons, regarding AHO amendment petition2.
72. A communication was received from Ann Bonney, regarding OPPOSE the AHO PETITION as it currently stands.
73. A communication was received from John Paul and Everaldo Develis, regarding Cambridge Affordable Housing Overlay Amendment.
74. A communication was received from Lauren Harder, regarding Opposition to AHO petition at City Council 5/8/2023.
75. A communication was received from Bridgette Nikisher, regarding Notice of Public Meeting – Healing Greene.
76. A communication was received from Gillien Todd, regarding AHO Petition.
77. A communication was received from Robin Greeley, regarding Oppose AHO Petition.
78. A communication was received from Marie Elena Saccoccio, regarding Opposition to Extension of AHO.
79. A communication was received from AnneMarie & Michael Mahoney, regarding Opposition of the AHO PETITION as it currently stands .
80. A communication was received from Cynthia Broner, regarding Vote no on Affordable Housing Overlay.
81. A communication was received from Mark Hoeber, regarding I oppose PO23#75 to change the Affordable Housing Overlay (AHO).
82. A communication was received from Jeannie Motherwell, regarding I oppose PO23#75 to change the Affordable Housing Overlay (AHO).
83. A communication was received from Petr Ilyinskii, regarding I oppose PO23#75 to change the Affordable Housing Overlay (AHO).
84. A communication was received from Anish Dhanda, regarding I oppose PO23#75 to change the Affordable Housing Overlay (AHO).
85. A communication was received from Weldon Pries, regarding AHO.
86. A communication was received from Malka Yaacobi, regarding Please vote NO on the AHO amendment.

87. A communication was received from Barbara Lewis, regarding I oppose PO23#75 to change the Affordable Housing Overlay (AHO).
88. A communication was received from Diana Yousef, regarding Please oppose sending the up-zoning proposal to the Ordinance Committee before there has been proper review and public input.
89. A communication was received from Pam and Don Giller, regarding Affordable Housing Overlay (AHO) revision.
90. A communication was received from Bill McAvinney, regarding Vote Yes on PO23#75 and add funds to affordable housing in this coming year's budget.
91. A communication was received from Annette LaMond & Joe Moore, regarding Please Oppose Amended AHO Petition.
92. A communication was received from Jim Banks, regarding Opposition to PO23#75 to change the Affordable Housing Overlay (AHO).
93. A communication was received from Francesca Gordini, regarding Opposition to AHO extension.
94. A communication was received from Peter Lowber, regarding AHO Petition.
95. A communication was received from Andy Zucker, regarding Affordable Housing Overlay.
96. A communication was received from Caroline Lowenthal, regarding Support for affordable housing.
97. A communication was received from Rabbi Yoni, regarding AHO Support for AHO Amendment with Height Reduction + Allowing Multifamily and Inclusionary Housing Buildings Citywide of Moderate Size.
98. A communication was received from Becca Lester, regarding After school policy.
99. A communication was received from Mark Dibble, regarding Please send the AHO petition to the Housing Committee.
100. A communication was received from Elise Moore, regarding Please send the AHO petition to the Housing Committee.
101. A communication was received from Ann Tennis and Ann Stewart, regarding AHO.
102. A communication was received from Ausra Kubilius, regarding It's dangerous to house folks especially children at Walden Mass Ave intersection.
103. A communication was received from Cathie Zusy, regarding Send the AHO petition back to Housing for further study.
104. A communication was received from Clara Wellons, regarding Against AHO Amendment.
105. A communication was received from Dan Phillips, regarding Support for Expanding the AHO.
106. A communication was received from E. A. & Julie S. Vargas, regarding AHO.
107. A communication was received from Eugenia Schraa, regarding CPS should guarantee busing for all afterschool kids AHO - add more affordable homes.
108. A communication was received from John Pitkin, regarding Opposition to extension of the AHO.
109. A communication was received from Kathryn Rowan & Peter Warrington, regarding Concern with DHSPs updated 2023-24 afterschool plan.
110. A communication was received from Lynn Cetrulo, regarding Who wants the biking overhaul.
111. A communication was received from Neil Miller, regarding Support for AHO amendments.
112. A communication was received from Nina Schwarzschild, regarding AHO Amendments.
113. A communication was received from Rachel Liao, regarding Concern with DHSPs updated 2023-24 afterschool plan.
114. A communication was received from Rosemous, regarding Writing in opposition to Affordable Housing Overlay amendments Chartered-Righted Policy Order requesting City Manager to direct the CDD to promptly draft zoning petition for filing at Council.
115. A communication was received from Teresa Cardosi, regarding please support AHO amendments.
116. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding My Oral Comment against Charter Item #1.
117. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding Third Annual Cycling Safety Ordinance Progress Report.
118. A communication was received from 19 signed residents of YMCA Central House 820 Massachusetts Avenue, regarding YMCA Central House requesting better living conditions.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations to Manny Lopes on receiving the 2023 Massachusetts Alliance of Portuguese Speaker's Person of the Year Award. Councillor Toner
2. Congratulations to Nailze Lima, MAPS 2023 Mary and Manuel Rogers Lifetime Community Service Award Recipient. Councillor Toner
3. Congratulations to Paul Ferreira, President of East Cambridge Printing Company, MAPS 2023 Alvaro Lima Outstanding Business Award Recipient. Councillor Toner
4. Congratulations and thanks to Whitney Mooney for her service to the Cambridge community. Councillor Simmons
5. Resolution on the death of John B. Donofrio Jr. Councillor Toner

ORDERS

1. City Council support of bill SD 487 and HD 825 which would require the use of Integrated Pest Management strategies and improve pesticide monitoring in Massachusetts to limit ecological damage due to rodenticides. Councillor Nolan, Councillor McGovern, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Zondervan (PO23#84)
2. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Community Development Department and other relevant departments to fund and implement the grant proposal submitted to DOE GTO to design and implement a community-scale geothermal heating and cooling system in Cambridge. Councillor Nolan, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Zondervan, Councillor Azeem (PO23#85)
3. That the City Manager is requested to initiate a planning process to determine the use of several parcels of land along Webster Avenue to accomplish Envision goals, including how to best ensure that the acquisition of these parcels results in additional affordable housing and open space. Councillor Zondervan, Vice Mayor Mallon, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Carlone (PO23#86)
4. That the City Manager is requested to work with the appropriate departments to produce the petition(s) necessary

to accomplish the goal of lowering the speed limit as much as possible on all state highways that fall within Cambridge's geographic boundaries. Councillor Zondervan, Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Carlone (PO23#87)

5. That the City Manager is requested to work with the relevant departments to establish a policy of releasing the names of officers involved in any use of force incident, up to and including those incidents resulting in injury or death. Councillor Zondervan (PO23#88)
6. That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request for a dedication in the vicinity of the street corner formed around Concord Avenue and Garden Street to Florence Luscomb and Grace Allen Johnson. Councillor Nolan (PO23#89)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The **Economic Development and University Relations Committee** held a public hearing on Tues, May 2, 2023 from 3:00pm-5:00pm to receive a report on the results of the Cambridge Business Survey conducted from January to February 2023 and to receive an update on the progress of the Economic Impact Study called for in Policy Order 2022 #29. [[text of report](#)]
Present: Toner, Nolan
Remote Present: Mallon
Absent: Azeem, Zondervan
2. The **Ordinance Committee** held a public hearing on May 3, 2023, from 3:00pm to 5:00pm on Citizens Zoning Petition from Craig Kelley, et al. – Cambridge Transportation Emissions Reduction and Car Sharing Act (APP 2023 #9). [The Committee voted favorably to send the Craig Kelley, et al. – Cambridge Transportation Emissions Reduction and Car Sharing Act Petition to the Full City Council with a favorable recommendation to Pass to a Second Reading.] [[text of report](#)]
Present: Carlone, McGovern, Nolan, Toner
Remote Present: Azeem, Mallon, Zondervan, Siddiqui, Simmons (late)
A. A Zoning Petition Has been received from Craig Kelley regarding Cambridge Transportation Emissions and Car Sharing Act. (AP23#9)

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Diane LeBlanc, City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity. (COF23#92)
2. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information regarding Winn Companies Property Management. (COF23#93)
3. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee. (COF23#94)

HEARING SCHEDULE

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

Tues, May 23

12:30pm The **Public Safety Committee** will hold a public meeting to discuss the 2022 annual surveillance reports.

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

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

Tues, June 6

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

Wed, June 7

5:30pm The **Public Safety Committee** will hold a public meeting to discuss the Police Review and Advisory Board, including CMA 2023 #27.

Mon, June 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, June 20

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

Mon, June 26

5:30pm City Council Meeting

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 May 15, 2023

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts Legislature is considering legislation via [SD 487](#) and [HD 825](#) which would better regulate the use of Second Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides (SGARs), which have deadly impacts on birds of prey and other negative ecological factors; and

WHEREAS: SGARs kill rodents by preventing blood from clotting normally and native birds and wildlife including [bald eagles](#) and [owls](#) often become unintended victims when they eat rodents that have consumed poisoned bait; and

WHEREAS: The New England Wildlife Center treat 50 to 150 birds poisoned by SGARs each year and research like the [2020 Tufts University study](#) have found extremely high positive rates of rodenticides amongst birds of prey in Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS: In 2008 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued [regulations](#) to limit the sale and use of SGARs to limit exposure among children, pets, and non-target wildlife, like birds of prey; and

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts bill would require the increased use of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) strategies and would require the digitization of pesticide use forms for better monitoring

including requirements for licensed pesticide applicators and pesticide dealers; and
WHEREAS: For many years, the City has been committed to confronting the problem of rodents in a [variety of ways](#) using noted IPM strategies such as addressing issues on public property, helping residents on private property, working to control rodents during construction projects, enforcing sanitary codes and ordinances, and [educating the public](#); and
WHEREAS: Rodent control can and should be dealt with holistically using IPM strategies and should not be at the expense of important wildlife and ecological systems; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Council go on record supporting bill SD 487 and HD 825 which would require the use of Integrated Pest Management strategies and improve pesticide monitoring in Massachusetts to limit ecological damage due to rodenticides; and be it further
ORDERED: That the Clerk is requested to forward a suitable copy of this resolution to House and Senate leadership and the Cambridge delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-2 May 15, 2023
COUNCILLOR NOLAN
MAYOR SIDDIQUI
COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN
COUNCILLOR AZEEM

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge, in partnership with Eversource and other partners, recently applied for a grant through the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Geothermal Technologies Office (GTO) for their Community Geothermal Heating and Cooling Design and Deployment initiative [to fund the design and eventual deployment](#) of community-scale geothermal heating and cooling systems; and
WHEREAS: The NetZero Action plan [calls for](#) the City to “engage with development teams and partner organizations on district energy” and the Mayor’s Climate Crisis Working Group Report [specifically calls for](#) the City to “fund and leverage Eversource programs to create a GeoGrid demonstration in Cambridge”; and
WHEREAS: DOE GTO recently [announced](#) the winners of the grant program which did not include the Cambridge proposal; and
WHEREAS: The grant application includes a fully scoped work plan ([attached](#)) for the feasibility study and confirmed through letters of interest the willingness to partner from the relevant stakeholder partners including National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Massachusetts Clean Energy Center, BrightCore Energy, and EverSource; and
WHEREAS: The project grant application total was less than \$600,000 which is an amount that the city could fund from free cash, and the work would have commenced if the federal grant had been received; and
WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge should be doing everything it can to be an innovator and follow the directives of the NetZero Action Plan and the recommendations of the Climate Crisis Working Group to fund and implement district energy solutions in Cambridge; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Community Development Department and other relevant departments to fund and implement the grant proposal submitted to DOE GTO to design and implement a community-scale geothermal heating and cooling system in Cambridge; and be it further
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council by the end of June 2023.

O-3 May 15, 2023
COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN
VICE MAYOR MALLON
MAYOR SIDDIQUI
COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is considering a purchase of several parcels of land along Webster Avenue including the former site of Phil’s Towing; and
WHEREAS: The City Manager has stated a need for this land to be used in the short term as swing space for the Department of Public Works during renovations to their Hampshire Street facility; and
WHEREAS: The City Council would like to utilize this land to accomplish the goals of Envision Cambridge, including to increase 100% affordable housing and open space; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to initiate a planning process to determine the use of these parcels to accomplish our Envision goals, including how to best ensure that the acquisition of these parcels results in additional affordable housing and open space; and be it further
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter no later than June 5, 2023, with an update on initiating the planning process.

O-4 May 15, 2023
COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN
MAYOR SIDDIQUI
VICE MAYOR MALLON
COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that the long-anticipated roadway safety bill “[An Act to Reduce Traffic Fatalities](#)” was signed into law by Governor Baker in December 2022; and
WHEREAS: The new law contains numerous provisions to improve roadway safety for all users, including first responders, people walking and biking, roadside workers, and people using wheelchairs or alternative forms of transportation; and
WHEREAS: One exciting provision of this law establishes a procedure by which municipalities can seek state approval to modify the speed limit on a state highway within their geographic boundaries; and
WHEREAS: In alignment with the City’s longstanding commitment to Vision Zero, the City Council is in full support of lowering the speed limit as much as possible on all state highways that fall within Cambridge’s geographic boundaries; now therefore be it
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the appropriate departments to produce the petition(s) necessary to accomplish the goal of lowering the speed limit as much as possible on all state highways that fall within Cambridge’s geographic boundaries; and be it further
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter no later than the June 5, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting.

O-5 May 15, 2023

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: Arif Sayed Faisal was killed by a Cambridge Police Department officer firing their department-issued firearm on January 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS: Publicly available doorbell camera footage shows that multiple Cambridge Police Department officers were involved in the incident; and

WHEREAS: Members of the public have a right to know the identities of the officers involved regardless of whether procedural violations or criminal charges are brought against those officers; and

WHEREAS: There is no statute or official Cambridge policy that prohibits the release of the name of the officers who were involved, including (but not limited to) the officer who shot and killed Arif Sayed Faisal; and

WHEREAS: There has been a widespread shift in recent years toward releasing the names of officers involved in shootings or killings, including recent examples from [Iowa](#), [New Jersey](#), [California](#), and [Arkansas](#); now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the relevant departments to release the name of these officers immediately; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the relevant departments to establish a policy of releasing the names of officers involved in any use of force incident, up to and including those incidents resulting in injury or death; and be it further

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

O-6 May 15, 2023

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

WHEREAS: Women during the 19th century had many limitations; all women's rights were essentially shadowed by their husbands when they were legally married; women couldn't vote and felt unwelcome when working outside their house; if they did, women's wages were not even half of what men got paid even when working similar positions; and

WHEREAS: It wasn't until the early 20th century that the suffrage movement was finally recognized, and with the passage of the nineteenth amendment to the constitution, it finally granted women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS: It is important to recognize that while the right to vote is essential and a hard-fought victory, the ability to vote and access was still limited for many people, especially women and men of color who faced significant barriers throughout the country, including some in Massachusetts; even with women's right to vote, it didn't necessarily give everyone the access to vote; and

WHEREAS: Florence Luscomb, an American architect and women's suffrage activist, was born in Lowell, Massachusetts but later pursued her work in Cambridge; her mother, Hannah Skinner, was a dedicated suffragist and women's rights activist; at a young age, Florence attended women's suffrage events with her mother which influenced her journey into the field; and

WHEREAS: Florence graduated from MIT in 1909 with a bachelor's degree in architecture, being among the first women to receive this degree; however, she decided to leave architecture in 1918 to pursue suffrage work full time; and

WHEREAS: Florence unsuccessfully ran for public office at least four times, though not expecting to win; she wanted her causes she spoke about to be more visible in society and bring forth more

awareness toward civil rights, peace, and women's roles in public life; and

WHEREAS: She gave speeches on suffrage all throughout New England and found a full-time job in various social organizations; she remained an activist her whole life, even becoming a prominent leader of Massachusetts suffragists while living in different parts of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Including her speeches on suffrage, Florence also opened her eyes to the injustices against African Americans; she supported the civil rights movement and collaborated with different black leaders throughout her life; and

WHEREAS: Grace Allen Johnson, an educator, suffragist, civil reformer, and lecturer, was born in Indiana in 1871 and moved to Cambridge with her husband Lewis Jerome Johnson, a Harvard professor; and

WHEREAS: Grace served as the president of the Cambridge Political Equality Association, the Cambridge women's suffrage organization founded in 1896; she became one of the three women in Massachusetts to be a delegate to the Progressive Party National Convention; and

WHEREAS: She spoke about a wide range of topics including, suffrage, the status of women, government structure, and helped people learn many public speaking techniques; and

WHEREAS: Grace attended the commission, council and the assembly of the League of Nations, the first worldwide organization whose goal was to maintain world peace, as the representative of the Massachusetts League of Nations Association; and

WHEREAS: Both women were from modest backgrounds and represented the middle-class population of Cambridge at the time and both lived and did their work in Cambridge, overcoming the obstacles women faced in the 19th to 20th century; they made significant contributions to the women's suffrage movement that are not celebrated sufficiently; by honoring these two women suffragists together, the city could inspire residents; and

WHEREAS: Jolie Jourdan, an intern to the City Council worked on identifying appropriate people to honor from among many accomplished and noteworthy Cambridge Suffragists and selected Florence Luscomb and Grace Allen Johnson after consultation with the Historical Commission and other historians, is requested to confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request to dedicate a street corner jointly in honor of these remarkable women; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request for a dedication in the vicinity of the street corner formed around Concord Avenue and Garden Street to this pair of remarkable women as one dedication; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward this order to the Dedication Committee for review and approval.