Note: There will be a Special City Council Meeting starting at 2:30pm for the purpose of conducting interviews with the four finalists for the position of Cambridge City Clerk: Anthony Wilson, Jeanne M. Survell, Niko Vangjeli, and Timothy Phelan. The **Regular Meeting** is scheduled to begin at the usual 5:30pm starting time.

#### CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

- Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$29,343.28 from individual donations, to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account. Funds were donated through various sources and will be used to support all participant and program needs including team uniforms, Special Olympic entry and travel costs, theatrical production costs, mobility and physical therapy equipment, art supplies and field trips.
- 2. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$79,059.00 from the Cambridge Housing Authority, to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account. These funds will be used to maintain the capacity of the Cambridge Employment Program (CEP) by continuing to fund a vocational case manager to provide career counseling and case management services to Cambridge residents seeking employment, particularly those residing in public housing.
- 3. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$42,689.17 received from various donations to the Council on Aging, to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$17,000.00) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$25,689.17). These donations will be used to support a variety of services for Cambridge Seniors, including food and entertainment for senior parties, the purchase of fans for low-income seniors, provision of minor home adaptation equipment, support for the food pantry, and transportation for special senior center events and trips.
- 4. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$10,000 from additional Golf Course revenue, to the Public Investment Human Service Programs Extraordinary Expenditures account. These funds will be used to purchase an electric greens roller for the Golf Course to replace an existing gaspowered unit. The purchase is consistent with the 10-year replacement plan at Fresh Pond Golf Course, which includes the goal of ensuring that the Golf Course and the abutting reservation is maintained properly, provides uninterrupted service to our patrons, and limits environmental impacts by investing in green technology.
- 5. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$226,672,

from the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) of the Office of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD, to the Grant Fund Human Services Programs Salary and Wages account (\$17,000) and to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$209,672). The funds will be used for shelter operating costs, providing essential services to homeless persons outside of the shelter setting, rapid re-housing and homelessness prevention case management, short and medium-term rental assistance, and financial assistance needed to gain or retain permanent housing.

- 6. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$549,215 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the HOME Program to the Public Investment Fund Community Development Extraordinary Expenditures account (\$544,315) and to the Grant Fund Community Development Salary & Wages account (\$4,900). Development activities may include acquisition, moderate rehabilitation, substantial rehabilitation and new construction of housing units for low- and moderate- income families and individuals. The majority of the HOME funds, \$544,315, will be used towards those activities; and \$36,310 will be used for the Community Development Department's administration of the HOME program. This appropriation will continue the development and rehabilitation of affordable housing in the City of Cambridge.
- 7. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$352,640.66 received from Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program income to the Public Investment Community Development Extraordinary Expenditures Account, which will increase funds available to continue the development of affordable housing for residents.
- A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 19-67, regarding setting up a series of informational and interactive community engagement meetings on the Affordable Housing Overlay.
- A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 19-44, regarding the installation of additional metered parking spots in business districts that do not currently have parking meters.
- 10. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 19-32, regarding a report on the number of fines for failure to clear sidewalks issued from the winter of 2014-15 through the winter of 2018-19, received from Owen O'Riordan, Commissioner of Public Works.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to proposed amendments to the following ordinance: and proposed amendments to Chapter 14.04 of the Cambridge Municipal Code (the "Fair Housing Ordinance"). Fair Housing (passed to a 2nd reading) [AWAITING HOME RULE LEGISLATION-BEFORE PROPOSAL CAN BE ORDAINED]
- 2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 18-108, regarding a report on offering early voting in City Council and School Committee Elections. [PENDING RESPONSE FROM LEGISLATURE]
- 3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the proposed Cannabis Business Permitting Ordinance. [ON OR AFTER APR 22, 2019 THE QUESTION COMES ON PASSAGE TO BE ORDAINED]
- 4. An application was received from East Boston Savings Bank, requesting permission for one internal illuminating projecting sign and four awnings at the premises numbered 1739 Massachusetts Avenue approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutter.
- 5. A communication was received from Interim City Clerk Paula M. Crane, transmitting memorandum from Vice Mayor Devereux regarding a special public meeting for the City Clerk interviews.

#### APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

- An application was received from New City Microcreamery, requesting permission for 2 Benches in front of the premises numbered 403 Massachusetts Avenue.
- 2. A petition was received from Stephan Bardige et al, regarding amending the Municipal Code, Title 2, Chapter 2.78.090 subparagraph E and I by changing six months to twelve months twice in each paragraph to permit the Cambridge Historical Commission to delay the issuance of a demolition permit for twelve months.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. A communication was received from Peter Valentine, regarding the cotton weed tree poisoning our oxygen.
- 2. A communication was received from Richard Krushnic, 20 Oak Street, regarding Affordable Housing Overlay and increased funding.
- 3. A communication was received from Russell Windman, 78 Fresh Pond Parkway, regarding State jurisdiction over Cambridge residents.
- 4. A communication was received from Tara R. Greco, regarding support of the special permit criteria zoning petition.
- 5. A communication was received from Gregory E. Golding, 50 Spring Street, regarding support for the Leggat-McCall

plan for the redevelopment of the Sullivan Courthouse at 40 Thorndike Street.

- 6. A communication was received from Guangwen Tang, 143 Third Street, regarding moving forward with the Leggat-McCall plan.
- 7. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, regarding massive tree destruction and funding games, coming Magazine Beach destruction, part 5.
- 8. A communication was received from Phyllis Burgess, 1221 Cambridge Street, regarding support of the redevelopment of the Sullivan Courthouse.
- 9. A communication was received from Alice Pedro, 14 Roosevelt Towers, regarding support of the redevelopment of the Sullivan Courthouse.
- 10. A communication was received from Diane Bodine, 14 Roosevelt Towers, regarding support of the redevelopment of the Sullivan Courthouse.
- 11. A communication was received from George W. VanPelt, 14 Roosevelt Towers, regarding support of the redevelopment of the Sullivan Courthouse.
- 12. A communication was received from James Jmili, 14 Roosevelt Towers, regarding support of the redevelopment of the Sullivan Courthouse.
- 13. A communication was received from Patricia Goodrich, 14 Roosevelt Towers, regarding support of the redevelopment of the Sullivan Courthouse.
- 14. A communication was received from Judy Jhonson, 14 Roosevelt Towers, regarding support of the redevelopment of the Sullivan Courthouse.
- 15. A communication was received from Virginia Carter, 14 Roosevelt Towers, regarding support of the redevelopment of the Sullivan Courthouse.

#### RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Resolution on the death of Peter V. Greco. Councillor Toomey
- 2. Congratulations on retirement of John Taylor, Jr. Mayor McGovern
- 3. Resolution on the death of Manuel Pacheco. Councillor Toomey
- 4. Resolution on the death of Ronald C. Caton. Councillor Toomey
- 5. Resolution on the death of Phyllis (Tracy) Vera. Councillor Toomey
- 6. Retirement of Jean Cusack from the Finance Department. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Toomey
- 7. Happy 70th Birthday wishes to Joanne Smith. Mayor McGovern
- 8. Resolution on the death of John "Sean" J. Leddy. Councillor Toomey

- 9. Resolution on the death of Rosemary Nicholson. Councillor Toomey
- 10. Retirement of Dr. Gary Setnik from Mount Auburn Hospital's Emergency Department. Councillor Toomey
- Congratulating local restaurant owner and chef, Will Gilson, on his forthcoming restaurant in Cambridge Crossing. Councillor Toomey

### ORDERS

- City Council support of S.2213, An Act Relative to Gender Identity on Massachusetts Identification. Mayor McGovern, Councillor Simmons
- 2. That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council regarding rubbish handling at Comeau Field and Francis J. McCrehan Memorial Swimming Pool. Councillor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Devereux, Councillor Kelley, Councillor Mallon
- 3. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate City staff and report back to the City Council in greater detail as to why the construction cost estimates for the Inman Square redesign project were so inaccurately low, what steps are being taken to ensure that the project will not lead to further cost estimate overruns, how such inaccurate cost estimates will be avoided for all projects in the future and interim steps that are being taken to ensure maximum safety in this area. Councillor Kelley, Councillor Toomey, Councillor Simmons
- 4. That the City Manager is requested to confer with the appropriate City staff and Eversource personnel to determine why the signals at Broadway and Elliott, which add an element of confusion to this intersection, were installed without Eversource's being able to connect them to the grid in a more responsive manner. Councillor Kelley, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Toomey, Mayor McGovern
- City Council support for access to a safe and legal abortion. Councillor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Devereux, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Mallon

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A communication was received from former City Clerk, Donna P. Lopez, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Jan Devereux, Chair of the Government Operations, Rules & Claims Committee, for a public hearing held on May 28, 2019 to receive an update on the Election Commission's discussion of potential changes to the ballots used for Municipal Elections that would limit voters to marking only up to 15 candidates.
- A communication was received from former City Clerk, Donna P. Lopez, transmitting a report from Councillor Dennis J. Carlone, Co-Chair and Councillor Craig A. Kelley, Co-Chair of the Ordinance Committee, for a public hearing held on May 28, 2019 to discuss a petition received from Verizon New England, Inc. to amend the zoning map

of the City of Cambridge by creating a new Overlay Zoning District entitled "Ware Street Innovation Space Overlay District": encompassing 10 Ware Street and to amend article 20.000 of the Zoning Ordinance by creating a section entitled "Ware Street Innovation Space Overlay District".

# HEARING SCHEDULE

### Mon, June 17

2:30pm SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING the purpose of the meeting is to hold public interviews for the four finalists for the position of City Clerk. The candidates are: Timothy Phelan, Jeanne M. Survell, Niko Vangjeli and Anthony Ivan Wilson. (Sullivan Chamber - <u>televised</u>)
5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

# Wed, June 19

2:00pm The Human Services and Veterans Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the results of the City Manager's Opioid Task Force Report and the recommendations that could be implemented to reduce the harmful effects of the opioid crisis in the City of Cambridge. (Sullivan Chamber - <u>televised</u>)

### Mon, June 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

# Tues, June 25

2:00pm The Housing Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the Affordable Housing Trust's recommendations for the City's Inclusionary Housing Program's preferences on selecting residents for available units. (Sullivan Chamber - <u>televised</u>)

# Wed, June 26

3:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a petition received from Self Storage Group, LLC to amend the Zoning Ordinance by creating a New Street Overlay District. (Sullivan Chamber - <u>televised</u>)

# Thurs, June 27

3:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to continue discussions on a proposed amendment to the Municipal Code to add a new Chapter 5.50 entitled "Cannabis Business Permitting Ordinance." (Sullivan Chamber - <u>televised</u>)

# Tues, July 2

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create an Affordable Housing Overlay District. (Sullivan Chamber - <u>televised</u>)

# Mon, July 8

12:00pm The Government Operations, Rules & Claims Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss a report from the City Manager and City Solicitor on proposals for a "Cambridge Publicly Financed Municipal Election Program," a "Cambridge Municipal Election People's Pledge," and to discuss the feasibility of convening a task force or working group to discuss publicly financed elections in Cambridge. (Sullivan Chamber - <u>televised</u>)

#### Thurs, July 11

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss the refiled petition from Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc. to amend the Zoning Ordinance in Article 20 to add at the end thereof the creation of a Grand Junction Pathway Overlay District. (Sullivan Chamber televised)

#### Wed, July 24

2;00pm The Transportation & Public Utilities Committee will conduct a public hearing to receive information about the draft Policy and Regulations for Small Cell Wireless Installations on Public Ways under consideration by the Pole & Conduit Commission and the Historical Commission. (Sullivan Chamber - televised)

#### Mon, July 29

5:30pm Special City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

#### **TEXT OF ORDERS**

O-1 June 17, 2019

MAYOR MCGOVERN

#### COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

- WHEREAS: Cambridge strives to be a welcoming city for all, including our transgender and gender non-binary friends and neighbors; and
- WHEREAS: Cities across the Commonwealth have already moved forward in proposing and enacting regulation that allows for a gender X option on a birth record; and
- WHEREAS: The City Council has made progress in offering a third gender category, and removing barriers for residents born in this city to amend their birth certificates; and
- WHEREAS: Bill S.2213, "An Act Relative to Gender Identity on Massachusetts Identification" would permit parents or legal guardians to request the sex indicated on their child's record of birth be designated as "X" for the child's gender in lieu of "male" or "female;" and
- WHEREAS: A person over the age of eighteen, an emancipated minor, or the parents of a minor may request a change in the sex on a birth record to include, but not be limited to "female," "male," "X," with an "X" designation indicating non-binary, intersex, undesignated, or other gender; and
- WHEREAS: The Registry of Motor Vehicles shall permit a person submitting an application under certain sections, to designate "X," "M," or "F" for gender on an application for a driver's license, learner's permit, identification card, or liquor purchase identification card; no documentation shall be required for such a designation; and
- WHEREAS: The Secretary of Administration and Finance shall develop a plan to ensure that any state form or document issued by a state agency that requires an individual to indicate the individual's gender shall provide

an opportunity for the individual to choose a gender option other than male or female; provided that the secretary shall ensure that such a form or document complies with applicable federal rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS: Bill S.2213 passed the senate in April 2019, and was referred to the House Ways and Means Committee; and

- WHEREAS: A statewide bill would encourage acceptance and inclusion for our transgender and non-binary neighbors; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the City Council go on record in strong support of enacting Bill S.2213 "An Act Relative to Gender Identity on Massachusetts Identification," and urge the House Ways and Means Committee to advance the bill with a favorable recommendation as soon as possible, and that a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution be sent to the Cambridge state delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-2 June 17, 2019

#### COUNCILLOR SIDDIQUI VICE MAYOR DEVEREUX COUNCILLOR KELLEY COUNCILLOR MALLON

- WHEREAS: At its Apr 1, 2019 Meeting, the City Council adopted Policy Order #11 requesting the City Manager confer with the Department of Public Works to investigate:
  - 1. Additional options for effectively addressing the excessive rubbish issue at the 83 Bus Shelter and surrounding Rindge Avenue/Comeau Field area, including the inappropriate disposal of domestic waste; and
  - 2. Appropriate solutions to the public and environmental health and safety issues of inadequate trash and recycling disposal and persistent rodent activity in the Rindge Avenue area; and
- WHEREAS: The Department of Public Works has replaced some outdated trash receptacles with "big belly" bins on the right side of Comeau Field, adjacent to Jerry's Pond; and
- WHEREAS: Some older, open receptacles remain on the left side of Comeau Field [see attached photos]; and
- WHEREAS: With the opening of the Francis J. McCrehan Memorial Swimming Pool, a heavy increase in pedestrian activity is anticipated on the left side of Comeau Field, therefore resulting in the accumulation of a high volume of rubbish; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: The City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Department of Public Works on addressing and accommodating:
  - 1. The rubbish accumulation in the area surrounding the Francis J. McCrehan Memorial Pool (i.e. the left side of Comeau Field, towards Clifton Street) with the placement of additional "big belly" bins and closed recycling receptacles; and

- 2. The increase in foot traffic and activity associated with the opening of the Francis J. McCrehan Memorial Pool through an increase in general trash pickup in the adjacent parking lot and surrounding grassy areas; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner.

O-3 June 17, 2019 COUNCILLOR KELLEY COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

### COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

- WHEREAS: The controversial Inman Square redesign project was originally projected to be under \$3 million dollars; and
- WHEREAS: As finally approved by the City Council, the construction costs for this project were estimated to be \$6 million dollars; and
- WHEREAS: Current bids for the project came in at \$7.9 million dollar, which is approximately 30% higher than the earlier \$6 million-dollar construction estimate; and
- WHEREAS: It is essential for the City Council to be able to rely on accurate project cost estimates when setting policy and budget allocations for projects in order to avoid the City being put in the position of adding money to a project simply because earlier estimates were low, and in this case, extremely low; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City staff and report back to the City Council in greater detail than in the attached email as to why the construction cost estimates for this project were so inaccurately low, what steps are being taken to ensure that the project will not lead to further cost estimate overruns, and how such inaccurate cost estimates will be avoided for all projects in the future; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City staff and report back to the Council on what interim steps have and are being taken to ensure maximum safety in this area, to include enforcing the "No Left Turn" provisions, guiding cyclists through the construction site, and ensuring that sidewalk bicycling is reviewed and allowed where appropriate and stenciled/signed as unlawful where appropriate.

# O-4 June 17, 2019

COUNCILLOR KELLEY COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

# MAYOR MCGOVERN

- WHEREAS: Traffic signals were installed on Broadway at the intersection of Elliot Street near the Main Library months ago; and
- WHEREAS: These traffic signals still do not work and in their inoperative condition add a layer of dangerous confusion for

pedestrians, cyclists and drivers for this already challenging intersection; and

- WHEREAS: Direct requests to City staff and, through staff, to Eversource to prioritize connection of these signals to supporting infrastructure have had no impact; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City staff and Eversource personnel to determine why the signals, which add an element of confusion to this intersection, were installed without Eversource's being able to connect them to the grid in a more responsive manner, to include what communications City staff have had with Eversource to emphasize the importance of this issue as well as how future traffic installations will be coordinated with Eversource to ensure more efficient connection installation; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to communicate directly with Eversource about the importance of these traffic signals becoming functional in the immediate future; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on this issue by the summer meeting.

O-5 June 17, 2019

- COUNCILLOR SIDDIQUI
- VICE MAYOR DEVEREUX
- COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

# COUNCILLOR MALLON

- WHEREAS: An individual's freedom to make reproductive decisions is vital to their safety, wellbeing, economic opportunity, and ability to participate equally in society; and
- WHEREAS: The landscape of reproductive freedom in the United States is dangerously shifting, with the Trump-Pence Administration's vehement attacks on and consistent pledges to limit access to abortion, reproductive health care, and health care generally, and further with the 2018 confirmation of anti-choice Justice Brett Kavanaugh to the United States Supreme Court; and
- WHEREAS: States across the United States including Alabama, Kentucky, Georgia, and Missouri have passed legislative measures posing unconstitutional barriers to safe and legal abortion, intentionally poised to serve as test cases for the Supreme Court to overturn its 1973 Roe V. Wade decision, upheld in subsequent Supreme Court cases such as Planned Parenthood v. Casey (1992) and Whole Women's Health v. Hellerstedt (2016); and
- WHEREAS: If health insurance coverage for abortion is restricted, this restriction harms most those who already face significant barriers to receiving high-quality health care, such as individuals with low-income, immigrants, individuals lacking documentation status, young people,

people of color, and transgender and gender-nonconforming individuals; and

- WHEREAS: The Massachusetts State Senate is currently considering S.1209, "An Act to Remove Obstacles and Expand Abortion Access," also known as the "ROE Act," co-sponsored by State Senator Joanne N. Comerford, and the Massachusetts House is considering H.3320, "An Act Removing Obstacles and Expanding Access to Women's Reproductive Health," co-sponsored by State Representative Lindsay N. Sabadosa, both bills serving as a buttress to the 1981 Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court's codification of the right to abortion in the Commonwealth by:
  - Removing prejudicial language in the general law;
  - Removing gestational age from the language so termination may still occur for fetal abnormalities;
  - Allowing additional monies to be used to fund procedures for those who do not qualify for MassHealth; and
  - Removing judicial bypass, which is particularly crucial for minors in the foster care system and other situations; and
- WHEREAS: State Representative Lindsay N. Sabadosa has introduced in the House HD.3658, "An Act to Require Public Universities to Provide Medication Abortion" calling for the establishment of a "fund to be known as the Public University Health Center Sexual and Reproduction Health Preparation Fund for medical abortion readiness" to be administered by the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women and calling for a "grant of \$200,000 to each public university health center to pay for the cost, both direct and indirect, of medical abortion readiness;" and
- WHEREAS: At the federal level, the U.S. Senate is considering S.758, co-sponsored by Massachusetts Senators Edward J. Markey and Elizabeth Warren, and the U.S. House is considering HR.1692, both bills known as the "Equal Access to Abortion Coverage in Health Insurance (EACH Woman) Act of 2019," to ensure equal, affordable access to abortion for all woman equally, and among other provisions, prohibits political interference with decisions of private health insurance companies to offer coverage for abortion care and requires federal health insurance programs, including Medicaid, Medicare and CHIP, to provide coverage for abortion services; and
- WHEREAS: Senators Markey and Warren are co-sponsoring S.1645 – "A bill to protect a woman's ability to determine whether or not to bear a child or end a pregnancy, and to protect a health care provider's ability to provide reproductive health care services, including abortion services" also known as "The Women's Health Protection Act" (WHPA), and in the House, Representative James P. McGovern is co-sponsoring H.R.2975 – "The Women's Health Protection Act," that create federal protections against state restrictions on reproductive health care by

establishing a statutory right for health care providers to provide, and their patients to receive, abortion services free from medically unnecessary restrictions, limitations, and bans that delay, and at times, completely obstruct, access to abortion; now therefore be it

- RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council go on record stating its enduring commitment to the protection of abortion rights, reproductive health care rights, and individuals' rights to make reproductive decisions about their own bodies; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council declare its support for the immediate passage of Massachusetts Senate Bill S.1209, "An Act to Remove Obstacles and Expand Abortion Access," House Bill H.3320, "An Act Removing Obstacles and Expanding Access to Women's Reproductive Health," and HD.3658, "An Act to Require Public Universities to Provide Medication Abortion" to reinforce the Commonwealth's Constitution that recognizes the legal right to abortion; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council declare its support for the immediate passage of S.758 and HR.1692, both known as the "Equal Access to Abortion Coverage in Health Insurance (EACH Woman) Act of 2019," to ensure equal access to reproductive and abortion health care to all individuals across the United States no matter their income level, source of health care coverage, immigration status, race, age, or gender identity; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council declare its support for the immediate passage of S.1645 and H.R.2975 – "The Women's Health Protection Act" to assure 4 the right to access abortion care free from bans, obstacles, and restrictions not required for other health care services; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward suitably engrossed copies of this resolution to U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren; U.S. Senator Edward J. Markey; U.S. Representative James P. McGovern; Massachusetts Governor Charles Baker; lead sponsor of S.1209, State Senator Harriet L. Chandler; lead sponsors of H.3320, State Representatives Patricia A. Haddad and Jay D. Livingstone; State Senator Joanne N. Comerford; and State Representative Lindsay N. Sabadosa on behalf of the entire City Council.