



City of Cambridge

Executive Department

YI-AN HUANG
City Manager

CMA 2026-206
IN CITY COUNCIL
June 22, 2026

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I am writing to recommend the appointments of the following people as members of the Community Preservation Act Committee (CPAC) for terms of five years, effective June 22, 2026:

- Teresa Cardosi (Affordable Housing Trust representative)
- Elaine DeRosa (Cambridge Housing Authority representative) (reappointment)

The Community Preservation Act Committee makes recommendations to the City Council for the appropriation of Community Preservation Act funding in support of affordable housing, historic preservation, and open space. According to state law (G.L. c. 44B) and the Community Preservation ordinance (c. 2.122), the CPAC consists of nine members, including representatives from the Cambridge Housing Authority, the Historical Commission, the Planning Board, the Conservation Commission, and a member with the responsibility for oversight of the City's parks. CPAC has also traditionally had a representative of the Affordable Housing Trust.

Appointments:

Teresa Cardosi, Affordable Housing Trust. Teresa is a resident who has been an advocate for tenants and affordable housing for many years. Teresa brings the perspective of a renter to the Trust. Teresa has helped many tenants navigate their search for affordable housing to help residents find a permanent, affordable place to live. Teresa has also been active in discussions of affordable housing policy matters in the city for many years.

Reappointments:

Elaine DeRosa, Cambridge Housing Authority. Elaine DeRosa spent four decades working at Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee, Inc. (CEOC), including 30 as Executive Director. At CEOC, Ms. DeRosa provided individual tenant advocacy and developed and advocated for public policy for the preservation and development of affordable housing in Cambridge and statewide.

She also currently serves as the chair of the Cambridge Housing Authority Board of Commissioners and as a member of the Affordable Housing Trust. Ms. DeRosa will bring decades of commitment and



passion of insuring affordable housing for low-income individuals and families throughout Cambridge. Elaine has served since 2023.

I appreciate the willingness of Elaine DeRosa to serve and look forward to her continued contributions on the Community Preservation Act Committee; and with your approval, look forward to Teresa Cardosi's appointment.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yi-An Huang". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Yi-An Huang
City Manager



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Agenda Item No. 23
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ORDERED: That the recommendation of City Manager, Yi-An Huang, on the appointment of Teresa Cardosi as a member of the Community Preservation Act Committee (CPAC) for terms of five years, effective June 22, 2026, 2026 be approved: