

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to a COVID-19 and Monkeypox update.
2. A communication transmitted from Owen C. O'Riordan, City Manager, relative to a summary report of all requests for approval of Surveillance Technology Impact Reports (STIRs) received by the City Council since the last summary report date.
3. A communication transmitted from Owen C. O'Riordan, City Manager, relative to a Surveillance Technology Impact Report which describes social work case management software, requested by the Library.
4. A communication transmitted from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to a recommendation from the Cambridge Election Commission regarding the assignment of thirty-two (32) police officers and any additional officers as required to the City's polling locations for all elections in FY23, pursuant to G.L. c. 54, §72.
5. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to a request from the Board of Election Commissioners recommending the relocation of the Ward 1 Precinct 1 polling site, in accordance with Chapter 255 of the Acts of 2020, as amended by Chapter 5 of the Acts of 2021 and Chapter 29 of the Acts of 2021.
6. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the MassDOT Winter Recovery Assistance Program (WRAP) grant, in the amount of \$402,397.94 to the Public Investment Fund Public Works Extraordinary Expenditures account, which will be used to support additional paving projects.
7. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appointment of Michael Shear as a new member of the Cambridge Health Alliance Board of Trustees for a 1-year term.
8. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Cambridge Food Pantry grant received from the Cambridge Health Alliance for \$15,000.00 to the Grant Fund Human Services Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to support the Cambridge Food Pantry Network.
9. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Cambridge Public Health Department \$1,000 mini grant to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used for healthy eating and physical activity classroom materials.
10. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Adult and Community Learning Services grant received from DESE in the amount of \$1,270,049 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$1,237,716), to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$31,508), and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Travel and Training account (\$825) which will be used for core English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) and additional services.
11. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) grant in the amount of \$79,992 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$47,084), and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$32,908) which will be used to provide an integrated education and training program to adults who want to start a career in the Information Technology field.
12. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the MassSTEP (MA Skills, Training and Education Programs) Adult and Community Learning Services grant received from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), in the amount of \$117,990 to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$61,154) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$56,836) which provides funding for 2 CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) training programs for second language learners.
13. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program (EFSP) grant in the amount of \$10,000 which will be used annually to supplement fuel assistance payments.
14. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appropriation of MASSCAP Inc. funds received in the amount of \$356.39 which will be used to provide fuel assistance to fuel assistance clients.
15. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$84,942 in funds received from the Cambridge Housing Authority to the Grant Fund Human Service Department Programs Salary and Wages account which will be used to maintain the capacity of the Cambridge Employment Program.
16. Transmitting communication from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Shannon Grant received from the Metropolitan Mayors Coalition/Shannon Community Safety Initiative through the Executive Office of Public Safety, in the amount of \$24,800, to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Salary and Wages account (\$22,800) and to the Grant Fund Human Service Programs Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$2,000), which will be used to support the design and implementation of the City Peace program.
17. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, requesting a reduction of \$18,654 in the allocated amount for the FY23 Community Development

Block Grant (CBDG) funding due to a lower HUD allocation that estimated.

Agenda Item Number 17 Aug 1, 2022

WHEREAS: The City's estimated CDBG appropriation of \$2,634,010 was included as part of the City's FY23 Budget, adopted in June 2022, however the final HUD allocation was \$18,654 lower than the City estimated, now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council vote to rescind \$18,654 in the allocated amount for the FY23 Community Development Block Grant (CBDG) funding.

18. A communication transmitted from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 22-31, regarding funding received through the housing linkage program.
19. A communication transmitted from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to the submission of the Affordable Housing Overlay Annual Report.
20. A communication transmitted from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 21-35 regarding options to update the HomeBridge and Homeownership Programs.
21. A communication transmitted from Owen C. O'Riordan, Acting City Manager, relative to a request that the City Council extend its prior authorization for the City Manager to grant street obstruction approvals, which are required for restaurants to operate outdoor dining on the sidewalk or street until June 30, 2023.

Agenda Item Number 21 Aug 1, 2022

ORDERED: That from this date until June 30, 2023, due to the restaurant community's need to expand outdoor dining services in response to COVID-19 and consistent with the extension of the legislation which temporarily waives some of the time-consuming procedural requirements for restaurants that are licensed to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption that are applying to operate outdoor dining services, temporarily waives the requirement that the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission approve such requests, and temporarily waives zoning requirements that may prohibit outdoor dining services, and consistent with the City's updated Outdoor Dining Policy, until June 30, 2023, all applications for temporary street obstructions for outdoor dining services will hereby be referred to the City Manager with authorization to act.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of appropriation and authorization to borrow \$4,500,000 to provide funds for the design and construction of building renovations to the vacant City owned property at 105 Windsor Street. [Charter Right – Zondervan, June 27, 2022]
2. That the City Manager is requested to more fully review the dramatically growing need for expanded Traffic Calming, Traffic Signals and Vision Zero infrastructure through the city. [Charter Right – Simmons, June 27, 2022]

ON THE TABLE

3. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Director of the Traffic, Parking, and Transportation Department to limit the blocking off of Memorial Drive to vehicular traffic to Sundays. [Charter Right – Toner, May 23, 2022; Tabled June 6, 2022]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. Amendment to Article 22 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge entitled "SUSTAINABLE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT" to insert a new section. [Referred to Ordinance Committee Feb 7, 2022]

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Karine Ernest representing Le Macaron, requesting permission for a projecting sign at the premises numbered 1374 Massachusetts Avenue approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutter.
2. An application was received from Erica Swartz representing Planet Fitness, requesting permission for Two (2) projecting sign at the premises numbered 625 Massachusetts Avenue approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and proof of abutters mailing has been provided.
3. An application was received from Ricky Zeng representing Brooklyn Bagel factory, requesting permission for an awning at the premises numbered 168 Hampshire Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutters.
4. An application was received from Edward Batten representing El Jefer's Taqueria, requesting permission for a projecting sign at the premises numbered 14 Brattle Street approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutter.
5. An application was received from Andy layman representing Tasty Burger, requesting permission for three (3) projecting signs at the premises numbered 21 Prospect Street. approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutter. [Note: The agenda brief gives the address as 353 Prospect Street (near the intersection with Cambridge Street), and one of the included maps suggests this, yet all of the photos indicate the address as 21 Prospect, in the large building at the corner of Mass. Ave.]
6. An application was received from Anna Haluch representing Insomnia Cookies, requesting permission for a projecting sign at the premises numbered 65 Mount Auburn Street approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutters proof of mailing has been provided.

7. An application was received from MIT List Visual Arts Center requesting permission for 35 temporary banners to be placed on lamp posts across Ames Street, Memorial Drive to Main Street. Ames Street, Main Street to Broadway. Broadway, Ames Street to Third Street. Third Street, Broadway to Main Street. Main Street, Third Street to Broadway announcing Symbionts from Sept 1, 2022 through Feb 15, 2023.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Andrew E. Sharpe, regarding THANK YOU for repainting the Traffic Signal Electrical Box at the Intersection of Rice Street and Massachusetts Avenue in Cambridge.
2. A communication was received from Annette LaMond, regarding Brattle Street Separated Bike Lanes. OPPOSED.
3. A communication was received from Brian Pfeffeifer, regarding Brattle Street Separated Bike Lanes. OPPOSED.
4. A communication was received from Bruce Berzin, regarding Brattle Street Separated Bike Lanes. OPPOSED.
5. A communication was received from Chuck Hinds, regarding Letter from ECPT to City Council regarding Eliminating the 80 87 and 88 busses.
6. A communication was received from Cynthia Broner, regarding OPPOSED - Brattle Street Separated Bike Lanes.
7. A communication was received from George Sommer, regarding City Council Meeting at 1pm on July 26, 2022 concerning the Building Energy Use Ordinance (BEUDO).
8. A communication was received from Hasson Rashid, regarding Agenda Item.
9. A communication was received from Hasson Rashid.
10. A communication was received from Lawrence Hartmann, regarding Brattle Street Separated Bike Lanes. OPPOSED.
11. A communication was received from Lawrence Neil Bailis, regarding Brattle Street Separated Bike Lanes. OPPOSED.
12. A communication was received from Luis E. Cotto, regarding Tasty Burger in Central Square.
13. A communication was received from Matt Goldstein, regarding end parking requirements across Cambridge. [Note: The letter writer lives in a single-family home with parking.]
14. A communication was received from Robert J. La Tremouille, regarding Friends of the White Geese Memorial Drive Phase 3 The Fraud on the Charles River Gets Thicker.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Congratulations on the retirement of Sarah Drewicz from the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner
2. Congratulations on the retirement of Deputy Chief Patrick Haggerty from the Cambridge Fire Department. Councillor Toner
3. Congratulations on the retirement of Lieutenant Antonio Ayala from the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toner

4. Congratulations on the retirement of Joseph Pagliaro as Head Golf Coach of CRLS. Councillor Toner
5. Congratulations on the retirement of Richard Moschner from Emergency Communications. Councillor Toner
6. Congratulations on the retirement of Mary Shinkwin from CRLS. Councillor Toner
7. Congratulations to Maria Rondeau, JuanMa Calderón, and La Royal on being named 2022 Best of Boston Best New Restaurant. Vice Mayor Mallon
8. Congratulations on the retirement of Linda Prosnitz from the Community Development Department. Councillor Toner
9. Congratulations on the retirement of Lolita Roland from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Councillor Toner
10. Congratulations on the retirement of Jose Silva from the Water Department. Councillor Toner
11. Congratulations on the retirement of Karen Cooke from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Councillor Toner
12. Congratulations on the retirement of Linda Costa from the Cambridge Public Schools. Councillor Toner
13. Congratulations on the Retirement of Cheryl DePasquale from the Cambridge Public Schools. Councillor Toner
14. Congratulations on the retirement of William Hansis from the Cambridge Public Schools. Councillor Toner
15. Congratulations on the retirement of Stephen Hardy from the Water Department. Councillor Toner
16. Congratulations on the retirement of Joanne Johnson. Councillor Toner
17. Congratulations on the retirement of Yanny Kavanagh from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Councillor Toner
18. Congratulations on the retirement of Maria Cabral from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Councillor Toner
19. Congratulations on the retirement of Evelyn Garcia from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Councillor Toner
20. Congratulations on the retirement of Gene Gnerre from the Department of Public Works. Councillor Toner
21. Congratulations on the retirement of Yanick Lubin from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Councillor Toner
22. Congratulations on the retirement of Lester Starr from the City Manager's Office. Councillor Toner
23. Congratulations on the retirement of Patricia Lewis from the Cambridge Health Alliance. Councillor Toner
24. Congratulations to Coach Lance Dottin on being inducted into the Massachusetts Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Councillor Toner
25. Resolution on the death of James P. Rita. Councillor Toner
26. Congratulations to Maya Reddi Lownie on the completion of her dance Arangetram. Vice Mayor Mallon, Mayor Siddiqui
27. Resolution on the death of Mary E. "Mickey" (Garten) Greene. Councillor Toner

28. Resolution on the death of Phyllis Glendora Brathwaite. Councillor Toner, Councillor Simmons
29. Resolution on the death of Paul B. Courtney. Councillor Toner
30. Resolution on the death of Jean L. Toomey. Councillor Toner, Councillor McGovern
31. Resolution on the death of Mary Galgay. Councillor Toner
32. Resolution on the death Ronald F. Mason. Councillor Toner
33. Resolution on the death of Carole R. Chaet. Councillor Toner
34. Happy 46th Anniversary to Robert and Sandra Murrell. Councillor Simmons
35. Resolution on the death of Frances C. Ciccolo. Councillor Toner
36. Resolution on the death of Rosemary Dorothy O'Neill. Councillor Toner
37. Congratulations on the Retirement of Thomas Mulford from the Housing Authority. Councillor Toner
38. Congratulations on the Retirement of Denise Sullivan from the Cambridge Public Schools. Councillor Toner
39. Congratulations on the Retirement of Maryellen Carvello from The City Manager's Office. Councillor Toner
40. Congratulations on the Retirement of Denis DeOliveira from the Housing Authority. Councillor Toner
41. Congratulations on the Retirement of Luis Ortiz from The Cambridge Housing Authority. Councillor Toner
42. Congratulations on the Retirement of Thomas Riordan from The Department of Public Works. Councillor Toner
43. In Appreciation of Marty Collins and His Family. Councillor McGovern, Councillor Azeem
44. Congratulations to Firefighter Aaron Young. Councillor McGovern

ORDERS

1. That the Ordinance Committee of the City Council meet to amend the Cambridge Municipal Code by adding a chapter numbered 6.24, titled Sale of Fur Apparel Products. Councillor McGovern
2. That the City Manager is requested to work with all relevant City Departments to either keep the restrooms at Russell Field open to the public during hours of operation or provide portable toilets, similar to those at Daney Park. Councillor McGovern, Councillor Toner, Vice Mayor Mallon
3. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Emergency Communications Department and the Election Commission to use the Code Red Text Alerts to send out information regarding the new polling locations for the primary election, and all elections thereafter. Vice Mayor Mallon, Mayor Siddiqui
4. That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from

- Councillor McGovern to find a suitable location for a street sign dedication in the vicinity of 167 Windsor Street to honor Murrell Weeks. Councillor McGovern
5. City Council support of additional MBTA bus service in Alewife and East Cambridge. Councillor Azeem, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Nolan, Councillor Zondervan
6. Policy Order re ID Badges For City Employees. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Azeem
7. Policy Order re Establishing a Task Force on Cambridge's African American/Black Residents. Councillor Simmons
8. Black Men and Boys Commission. Councillor Zondervan, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Azeem, Mayor Siddiqui
9. Cannabis Industry Information PO. Councillor Zondervan, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Azeem
10. Incentive Zoning Program Data. Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Azeem
11. 105 Windsor Community Process. Councillor Zondervan, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Carlone
12. Bristol and Cardinal Medeiros Intersection Improvements. Councillor Zondervan, Councillor Azeem, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Nolan
13. That the City Manager report back on ways in which we can prepare for a Monkeypox outbreak in the City of Cambridge. Councillor Azeem, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Simmons, Mayor Siddiqui
14. Water Drought Emergency. Councillor Nolan, Councillor Azeem, Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon
15. That the City Manager work with the City Solicitor to ask for a legal opinion on whether a tiered linkage fee system by square footage and/or a marginal rate system would be permitted under the current petition parameters and what was previously advertised. Councillor Azeem, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor McGovern
16. Policy Order to investigate shared free bus service and E bike delivery program. Councillor Toner, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Azeem
17. That the City Council goes on record in support of the alternative route (S11C) instead of the preferred route (S1A) for Eversource's plans to connect the proposed substation to existing substations. Councillor Azeem

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The **Neighborhood & Long-Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts & Celebration Committee** met on Mar 17, 2022 to conduct a public hearing to discuss the appropriateness of laboratories in neighborhood retail districts. [[Text of Committee Report](#)]
Present: Carlone, Zondervan, McGovern, Mallon, (Toner)
Absent: Nolan
2. The **Human Services and Veterans Committee** met on Mar 23, 2022 to hold a public hearing on Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 5:00pm to discuss the final report from the Ad Hoc Working Group on Homelessness released on Jan 31, 2022. [[Text of Committee Report](#)]

Present: McGovern, Mallon, Zondervan, (Siddiqui, Carlone)

Absent: Azeem, Toner

3. The **Ordinance Committee** met on June 22, 2022 to continue a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Building Energy Use Disclosure Ordinance (Ordinance #2021-26). [[Text of Committee Report](#)]

Present: McGovern, Zondervan, Carlone, Mallon, Nolan, Toner, Siddiqui, Azeem

Absent: Simmons

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Diane P. LeBlanc City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity.
2. A communication was received from Councillor Nolan, transmitting updated version of the [final CCWG report](#), amended per the last Health & Environment Committee meeting.
3. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui and Councillor Azeem, transmitting information regarding the Fare Free Working Group. [[Ridership Information](#)] [[Cost-Estimate](#)] [[Bus Routes and NRS Areas](#)] [[Fare-Free Bus Report](#)]
4. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information regarding the Charter Review Committee. [The Committee is expected to take up to one year to complete its work with the first meeting scheduled for August 16 at 5pm. A dedicated page on the City website will be available in the coming weeks for residents to follow the process and provide input.]
5. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee.
6. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting updates from the UPK Ad-Hoc meetings.
7. A communication was received from Councillor Zondervan, transmitting historical information about the city-owned property at 105 Windsor Street.
8. A communication was received from Councillor Zondervan, transmitting information about the long history of traumatic crashes at the intersection of Cardinal Medeiros, Bristol, and Binney.

HEARING SCHEDULE

[Sullivan Chamber & Zoom unless otherwise noted]

Mon, Aug 1

5:30pm Special City Council Meeting

Wed, Aug 3

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will meet to conduct a public hearing on (Ordinance #2022-5), an ordinance amending Parking minimums and maximums.

Mon, Sept 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Sept 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Oct 3

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Oct 17

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Oct 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Oct 31

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Nov 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Nov 14

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Nov 21

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Nov 28

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Dec 5

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Dec 12

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Dec 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting

TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: Over 100 million animals are killed annually for their fur; and

WHEREAS: These animals are bred and confined and forced to live in cramped, wire bottom cages and deprived of the ability to engage in natural behaviors; and

WHEREAS: Egregious animal cruelty is the norm in the fur industry. Animals are killed in inhumane ways such as crude gassing or anal electrocution; and

WHEREAS: There are no federal laws or animal welfare standards to protect animals on fur farms leading to immense suffering; and

WHEREAS: The fur trade poses serious risks to public health, for example, in wildlife markets in China, foxes and raccoon dogs were found to have been infected with the SARS coronaviruses and on US and European fur farms, mink tested positive for the virus that causes COVID19, resulting in the death of over 5 million mink and the Dutch government said it is "very likely" that the farmed mink spread the virus to humans; and

WHEREAS: The fur industry also poses serious environmental threats. On fur farms, waste runoff from animals pollutes the soil and waterways and the tanning and dying process uses toxic and carcinogenic chemicals like chromium and formaldehyde to prevent the skin from decaying; and

WHEREAS: Banning fur sales eliminates the demand for cruel products and ensures that humane minded consumers can shop with confidence; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge, currently does not have stores that sell fur, but nothing in our municipal code would prevent fur shops or sales; and

WHEREAS: Communities in Massachusetts including, Plymouth, Brookline, Weston, and Wellesley have passed local ordinances to prevent this cruel industry from operating in their municipalities; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Ordinance Committee of the Cambridge City Council meet to amend the Cambridge Municipal Code by adding a chapter numbered 6.24, titled Sale of Fur Apparel Products.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE *That the Municipal Code of the City of Cambridge, Massachusetts, is hereby amended by adding a chapter, to be numbered Chapter 6.24, which said Chapter reads as follows:*

Chapter 6.24 Sale of Fur Apparel Products.

6.24.010 – Council Findings

- (a) The City Council finds that animals that are slaughtered for their fur endure tremendous suffering. Animals raised on fur farms typically spend their entire lives in cramped and filthy cages. Fur farmers typically use the cheapest killing methods available, including suffocation, electrocution, gas and poison.
- (b) The City Council finds that fur farms are reservoirs and transmission vectors for dangerous zoonotic diseases, including SARS coronaviruses, that threaten public health, including in the City of Cambridge. COVID-19 infections have been confirmed at fur farms in Europe and the United States, and scientific studies have linked mink, raccoon dogs, and foxes – the animals most commonly farmed for their fur – to a variety of coronaviruses.
- (c) The City Council finds that the fur production process is energy intensive and has a significant environmental impact, including air and water pollution. Runoff from the fur production process contains high concentrations of phosphorus and nitrogen, which are the most common forms of water pollution in the United States. In addition, the tanning and dyeing processes used in fur production use toxic chemicals and heavy metals like chromium and formaldehyde.
- (d) Considering the wide array of alternatives for fashion and apparel, the City Council finds that the demand for fur products does not justify the unnecessary killing and cruel treatment of animals, harm to the environment, and the public health risks to the people of the City of Cambridge caused by these practices.
- (e) The City Council believes that eliminating the sale of fur products in the City of Cambridge will decrease demand for these cruel and environmentally harmful products and promote community awareness of animal welfare and, in turn, will foster a more humane environment in the City of Cambridge and enhance the reputation of the City.

6.24.020 - Definitions

The following definitions shall apply in this section:

- (a) *Fur* shall mean any animal skin or part thereof with hair, fleece, or fur fibers attached thereto, either in its raw or processed state.
- (b) *Fur product* shall mean any article of clothing or covering for any part of the body, or any fashion accessory, including but not limited to handbags, shoes, slippers, hats, earmuffs, scarves, shawls, gloves, jewelry, keychains, toys or trinkets, and home accessories and décor, that is made in whole or part of fur. “Fur product” does not include any of the following:
 - (1) An animal skin or part thereof that is to be converted into leather, or which in processing will have the hair, fleece, or fur fiber completely removed;
 - (2) Cowhide with the hair attached thereto;
 - (3) Deerskin with the hair attached thereto;
 - (4) Lambskin or sheepskin with the fleece attached thereto; or
 - (5) The pelt or skin of any animal that is preserved through taxidermy or for the purpose of taxidermy.
- (c) *Non-profit organization* shall mean any corporation that is organized under 26 U.S.C. Section 501(c)(3) that is created for charitable, religious, philanthropic, educational or similar purposes.
- (d) *Taxidermy* shall mean the practice of preparing and preserving the skin of an animal that is deceased and stuffing and mounting it in lifelike form.
- (e) *Ultimate consumer* shall mean an individual who buys a fur product for their own use, or for the use of another, but not for resale or trade.

- (f) *Used fur product* shall mean a fur product that has been worn or used by an ultimate consumer.

6.24.030 – Prohibition

No person shall sell, offer for sale, display for sale, trade, or otherwise distribute for monetary or nonmonetary consideration a fur product within the City of Cambridge. For purposes of this section, the sale of a fur product shall be deemed to occur in the City of Cambridge if:

- (1) The buyer takes physical possession of the fur product in the city; or
- (2) The seller is located in the city.

6.24.040 - Exemptions

This Chapter shall not apply to the sale, offer for sale, displaying for sale, trade, or distribution of:

- (1) A used fur product by an individual (excluding a retail transaction), non-profit organization, or second-hand store, including a pawn shop;
- (2) A fur product required for use in the practice of a religion;
- (3) A fur product used for traditional tribal, cultural, or spiritual purposes by a member of a federally recognized Native American tribe; or
- (4) A fur product where the activity is expressly authorized by federal or state law.

6.24.050 – Penalty

Any person who violates this Chapter shall be subject to a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars. As an alternative penalty, any person who violates this Chapter may be penalized by a noncriminal disposition as provided in General Laws Chapter 40, Section 21D. Each act of violation and every day upon which any such violation shall occur shall constitute a separate offense. Each fur product involved in a violation of this Chapter shall constitute a separate act of violation.

6.24.060 – Severability of Sections

It is declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and words of this Chapter are severable and if any word, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Chapter shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid by the judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining words, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this Chapter since the same would have been enacted by the city council without the incorporation in this code of any such unconstitutional or invalid word, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

6.24.070 – Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect following approval of the Attorney General and compliance with the provisions of G.L. c.40, § 32, and no earlier than January 1, 2023.

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COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR TONER

VICE MAYOR MALLON

WHEREAS: Russell Field is an active, open space used by many Cambridge residents of all ages; and

WHEREAS: Russell Field is equipped with restrooms that are locked to the public except during city sponsored events; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with all relevant City Departments to either keep the restrooms at Russell Field open to the public during hours of operation or provide portable toilets, similar to those at Danehy Park.

O-3 Aug 1, 2022

VICE MAYOR MALLON

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: There is an upcoming State primary election on Tues, Sept 6, 2022; and

WHEREAS: Many [polling locations](#) in Cambridge have moved; and

WHEREAS: The City and Election Commission should make an effort to inform registered voters in Cambridge of all upcoming elections in addition to where they can cast their ballots; and

WHEREAS: The [Cambridge Alert System](#) can be used for this task, as the Code Red Text Alerts can be sent to any registered resident; and

WHEREAS: Many other municipalities make good use of the Code Red Text Alerts, such as Lawrence, Bedford, Hamilton, and many more; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Emergency Communications Department and the Election Commission to use the Code Red Text Alerts to send out information regarding the new polling locations for the primary election, and all elections thereafter; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back on this matter before the Sept 6, 2022.

O-4 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Councillor McGovern to find a suitable location for a street sign dedication in the vicinity of 167 Windsor Street to honor Murrell Weeks; and be it further

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

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COUNCILLOR AZEEM

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) proposed the first iteration of their plans for a [bus network redesign](#) on account of shifting demographics, emerging employment districts, increasing traffic congestion, and changing travel patterns within the Greater Boston Area in recent years; and

WHEREAS: The MBTA cites the following projected systemwide benefits from the redesign:

- 25% more bus service
- 70% more weekend service
- 275,000 more residents would be near high-frequency service (buses running every 15 minutes or better, 5 AM – 1 AM, seven days a week)
- 115,000 residents of color and 40,000 low-income households would gain access to high-frequency service; and

WHEREAS: These changes will impact routes that operate within the City of Cambridge, as was discussed during a recent Transportation and Public Utilities Committee [hearing](#); and

WHEREAS: Cambridge will see several positive changes with the redesign, including five new high-frequency routes, among them:

- Kendall to Lechmere, Charlestown, East Somerville, Medford
- Central to Longwood Medical Area, Jamaica Plain
- Kendall and Central to Watertown and Waltham

WHEREAS: The redesign also adds more service in Central Square while reducing the need for buses to wait (layover) in the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS: The changes outlined in the redesign also brought on a lot of concern from community members and city staff:

- Reduced service on Concord Avenue in the Alewife Quadrangle
 - o Where a significant amount of affordable residential development has recently been constructed
 - o We expect more residential and commercial development in the near term
- Reduction of service on Broadway, proposed to be peak only
- Elimination of all routes from East Cambridge to Somerville (80, 87, 88)
- Change of Route 83 from Central to Kendall; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record in support of more bus service in the Alewife region as well as in East Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to representatives at the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-6 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

WHEREAS: In recent years, the City has established new measures, such as issuing key fobs to City employees and stationing a Cambridge Police Officer inside City Hall to greet visitors, to better ensure the safety of City employees and members of the public who utilize the City's public buildings; and

WHEREAS: One additional measure that the City should consider is the establishment of photo ID badges for City employees to carry with them as they move about City buildings, as these would offer an additional level of assurance that those who are inside our public spaces can be easily identified as City employees and can more easily be of assistance when approached by members of the public; and

WHEREAS: This simple measure, which is the standard practice in a number of [other municipalities and organizations](#), would add a new layer of safety for all those who utilize our public buildings; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate City to determine how and when such a City Employee ID badge program can be implemented, and to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner.

O-7 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: In recent years, a variety of factors – including but not limited to the Covid-19 pandemic, the [related economic turbulence](#), [healthcare disparities](#), ongoing [gang activity](#) and [violence](#), the persistence of an Achievement Gap in [our public schools](#), and a lack of opportunities for family-sustaining employment – has had a disproportionately negative impact upon Cambridge's African American/Black community; and

WHEREAS: A number of organizations have arisen in the hopes of addressing these issues, a number of individuals have stepped forward to offer their assistance and support, but a truly comprehensive, holistic, City-led effort is still needed to better understand precisely how all these different factors are combining to impact our local African American/Black community; and

WHEREAS: Only once the City has truly gained a firm grasp on the status and the needs of this community can we begin to develop and implement the programs, strategies, and initiatives necessary to lift up and improve the lives of our local African American/Black population; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the appropriate City staff to establish a Task Force To Examine the Status and Wellbeing of the City's African American/Black Population, to recruit members of this taskforce from within and throughout the Cambridge community, to establish a clear mission statement and timeline for the work of this task force, and to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner.

O-8 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: Despite an extensive history of important contributions to Cambridge and to the world, significant inequities have effectively limited the advancement of Black Cantabrigians since the late 1630's; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has taken tremendous strides to improve quality of life and access to resources for all, but Black Cantabrigians remain severely impacted by historic and present day inequities that have plagued the city; and

WHEREAS: 80% of Black households are renters, and just 6% of the owner-occupied housing units in the city are owned by Black residents (while 79% are owned by white residents); and

WHEREAS: Racial and ethnic opportunity gaps persist for the more than 1600 Black students in the Cambridge Public Schools, including substantially lower benchmark MCAS scores at nearly every level in comparison with their white peers; and

WHEREAS: Nearly one-third of Black households with children are headed by a single adult, substantially more than any other group; and

WHEREAS: 80% of Cambridge adults hold at least a Bachelor's Degree and more than 60% hold a Master's Degree or higher, yet just 33% of Black Cantabrigians hold these degrees; and

WHEREAS: Disparities in education credentials translate to a striking gap in access to the city's innovation economy, and less than 5% of Black Cantabrigians work in the innovation economy; and

WHEREAS: Black Male Cantabrigians continue to face discrimination and the disproportionate impacts of violence including a disproportionate number of Black males directly impacted by gang violence, gun violence, and incarceration; and

WHEREAS: There is urgent need for a holistic focus on the status of Black men and boys in Cambridge, building on the important work of the Men of Color Task Force, the Men of Color Health Initiative, and the Men's Health League; and

WHEREAS: A Commission on the Status of Black Men and Boys would examine every aspect of our government and our city and make policy recommendations to the City Manager and City Council on how to address these injustices and better meet the needs of Black Men and Boys living in Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Areas of focus for the Commission should include (but not be limited to) housing, economic opportunity, education, out of school time, gang and gun violence, incarceration, environmental justice, food justice, healthcare, public health outcomes, internet access, and mental health; and

WHEREAS: The Commission should include (but not be limited to) representation from the following areas: Black community leaders and activists, high school and college youth, faith leaders, educators, caregivers, tenants of subsidized housing, institutional leaders, members of the small business community; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to establish a Commission on the Status of Black Men and Boys during the FY23 budget year, based on the attached proposal; and be it further

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

O-9 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with relevant staff to provide an update at the Sept 12, 2022 meeting of the City Council which includes the following:

- Information on the number of Economic Empowerment (EE) and Social Equity (SE) applicants seeking to open in Cambridge and where they stand in the process, including how many Host Community Agreements have been signed, how many are being reviewed, and how many are expected
- Information on the ways in which city staff have worked with EE and SE applicants to help them get through the process as swiftly as possible
- Information on the total number of EE and SE operators that are open for business in Cambridge and local tax revenue generated by those businesses to date

O-10 Aug 1, 2022

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

ORDERED: That the City Manager work with the Community Development Department to provide the City Council a breakdown of the \$44 million dollars received since 2019 through the current incentive zoning program by project size; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager reports back to the City Council as soon as possible.

O-11 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: The city-owned property at 105 Windsor Street has a more than 200 year history of being used for active community purposes including as a school, a recreation center, a health clinic, a veterans hall, a branch library, and for elder care; and

WHEREAS: The city's proposal to renovate this historic building is an important opportunity to address some of the unique and long-unmet needs of the Port neighborhood; and

WHEREAS: The design process should be guided by an inclusive, city-led community process to hear from as many diverse voices as possible in an effort to build consensus; and

WHEREAS: Such a city-led community process should engage a wide range of stakeholders including (but not limited to) residents of affordable housing, all residents of The Port, Margaret Fuller House, Community Art Center, Cambridge Health Alliance, Cambridge Housing Authority, local small businesses, faith communities, Fletcher-Maynard Academy community, Cambridge NAACP, My Brother's Keeper, The Black Response, and the Port Organizing Group; and

WHEREAS: The newly-acquired building located at 689 Mass Ave is proposed to be used for city offices without any input from the community, and a similar outcome must be avoided at 105 Windsor Street; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the appropriate departments to begin a thorough and open community process that will determine the future use of 105 Windsor Street, including (but not limited to) a series of events, some offered virtually and some in person at key neighborhood sites like the Community Art Center and the Pisani Center in an effort to engage as many diverse voices as possible and build consensus; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the Council on the nature and timeline of the planned community process as soon as possible and ahead of commencing the outreach.

O-12 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that there has once again been a traumatic crash at the intersection of Cardinal Medeiros Avenue, Binney Street, and Bristol Street a couple of weeks ago; and

WHEREAS: This intersection has long been dangerous, with near misses almost every day, particularly because Bristol Street is often used as a cut-through by drivers, visibility for drivers to anticipate cross traffic is extremely poor, and this section of Cardinal Medeiros is straight and induces speeding by drivers who are often lacking intimate knowledge of the particular hazards; and

WHEREAS: Most of the recent crashes at the intersection have involved cars turning from Bristol Street or Binney Street onto Cardinal Medeiros Avenue or attempting to cross Cardinal Medeiros Avenue to go straight on Binney Street; and

WHEREAS: Limiting cut-through traffic on Bristol Street would improve traffic safety at the intersection while creating additional opportunities for recreation, pedestrian and bicycle access, and safe outdoor dining at Vincent's; and

WHEREAS: Other ways to improve safety at the intersection include installing on Cardinal Medeiros Avenue a push button crosswalk with flashing lights to slow down speeding drivers, or sensor triggered flashing lights to alert drivers to cross traffic, and/or an automated speed detection sign alerting drivers to excess speed and asking them to slow down, or full-intersection traffic controls (lights or 4-way stop) to regulate traffic flow and reduce speeding; and

WHEREAS: The City Council already passed a [policy order](#) about this intersection on June 14, 2021; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Traffic & Parking Department to take immediate action and make safety improvements to the intersection of Cardinal Medeiros Avenue, Binney Street, and Bristol Street, and to implement longer term changes as soon as possible; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back to the Council on these matters as soon as possible.

O-13 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: Monkeypox has recently been declared a global health emergency by the World Health Organization (WHO); and

WHEREAS: The CDC is tracking an outbreak of monkeypox that has spread across several countries that don't normally report monkeypox, including the United States; and

WHEREAS: Monkeypox symptoms are similar to smallpox symptoms, but milder, and monkeypox is rarely fatal. The [CDC recommends certain precautions](#) you can take to limit your risk of contracting the virus; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record urging citizens to take further precautions as suggested by the CDC and the Cambridge Health Department in regards to monkeypox; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back on ways in which we can prepare for a Monkeypox outbreak in our city (testing centers, vaccine distribution, public outreach initiatives, etc.) as soon as possible.

O-14 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

VICE MAYOR MALLON

WHEREAS: The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, over the last three months, has gone from 0% of the state being in any drought condition to [100% being categorized by the national monitoring entity as abnormally dry](#), as measured by the national drought monitoring agency and on July 21 the Commonwealth's Drought Management Task Force categorized one-third of Massachusetts including all of Cambridge's watershed as [Level 3, Critical Drought conditions](#); and

WHEREAS: In the past the City Council has asked the city administration for a more comprehensive and effective response to drought conditions, based on past instances in 2016 and 2020 when the city's projections were inaccurate and led to much later water restrictions than nearby towns; and

WHEREAS: The City Council has urged for more public communication about conserving water, and asked for long-term projections of water use as a result of changing climate conditions; and

WHEREAS: Development continues to add residents and work spaces that increase the city's water consumption, which without conservation efforts may lead to ongoing future issues with our long term water supply; and

WHEREAS: Notwithstanding the need to conserve water, there has been a decline in our tree canopy which has environmental justice implications and future public health consequences, which has prompted the city to plant thousands of trees the last few years, which are at risk during the current drought and need watering on a consistent basis; and

WHEREAS: The City Council wants the City to be prepared in the case of the current dry conditions worsening and in the long term; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to consult with the Water Department and report back to the City Council by the end of the month on the status of the long term water projections promised a year ago and on what measures could be taken to conserve water including potential bans on unnecessary

waterings, and plans for monitoring the situation, for robust communication on conserving water and for instituting water savings measures, and to inform the Water Board of this request; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to work with all relevant departments of the city on how best to ensure that trees throughout the city received adequate water to survive current conditions, and include consulting with neighborhood groups and youth groups on how to mobilize volunteers, and utilizing all communication vehicles available to the city for requesting volunteer help from residents in this emerging crisis; and further be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to declare a drought emergency and use all available means of communication to ask the community to save water and to water trees across the city.

O-15 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: Raising the City's incentive zoning rate is being discussed in the Ordinance Committee as part of a City Council petition; and

WHEREAS: There has been a desire to explore alternative ways to structure the linkage fee, through tiered rates, marginal rate system, or other means; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager work with the City Solicitor to ask for a legal opinion on whether a tiered linkage fee system by square footage would be permitted under the current petition parameters and what was previously advertised; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager work with the City Solicitor to ask for a legal opinion on whether a marginal rate system would be permitted under the current petition parameters and what was previously advertised; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back to the City Council as soon as possible.

O-16 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR TONER

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

WHEREAS: Cambridge is seeking to increase pedestrian and cyclist safety, reduce traffic and carbon emissions generated by automobile and truck use in the city; and

WHEREAS: The Council wants to encourage residents and visitors to the City of Cambridge to use alternative transportation and reduce our collective reliance on automobiles through the installation of protected bicycle lanes and bus priority lanes, the reduction of minimal parking requirements for new development and other methods; and

WHEREAS: The reliability and efficacy of the MBTA with its present challenges and reduction in service and bus lanes is not conducive to increasing public transit and not meeting the needs of many of our residents; and

WHEREAS: The City Council wants to meet the needs of all our residents, including those with mobility issues, in providing quick, efficient modes of transportation throughout the city; and

WHEREAS: The City Council emphatically supports our local businesses along major business corridors such as Massachusetts Avenue and Cambridge Street and in our squares that have all seen a reduction in available metered and guest parking; and

WHEREAS: Harvard, MIT, Lesley and many of our largest employers currently operate shuttle services throughout the city for their students and employees; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Economic Development and University Relations Committee and the Transportation and Parking Committee work with CDD and the Traffic, Transportation, and Parking Department to conduct a hearing in partnership with our university and business partners who currently operate shuttle services to determine if there could be a shared shuttle plan and service that could also be utilized by residents; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to develop a pilot program in which the city would purchase several EV or Hybrid shuttle buses or other vehicles that would operate free of charge on a much more frequent schedule on our major commercial corridors of Massachusetts Avenue and Cambridge Street encouraging residents, tourists, and visitors to patronize our local businesses while making it easier for them to get around the city; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to develop a pilot program in which the city would purchase E Bikes and hire city residents to create a city-based delivery service for our restaurants and local businesses to reduce the costs paid by businesses and customers of current home delivery services.

O-17 Aug 1, 2022

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

WHEREAS: Eversource has a proposal to place a new high-voltage electrical line along Hampshire St. to connect the proposed substation to existing substations on the alternative route (S11C) instead of their preferred route (S1A); and

WHEREAS: Eversource's Preferred Route (S1A) uses Columbia and Hampshire streets while Eversource's Alternate Route (S11C) utilizes the train tracks between Cardinal Medeiros Ave. and Fulkerson St; and

WHEREAS: Several residents are concerned that the preferred route (S1A) route would negatively impact over 150 residential units, small businesses as well as hundreds of daily commuters (pedestrians, bicyclists, drivers, and MBTA users); and

WHEREAS: Several community members have requested that Eversource consider their Alternate Route (S11C), which utilizes the train tracks between Cardinal Medeiros Ave. and Fulkerson St, to mitigate the negative impacts of running the wires down the S1A preferred route; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council goes on record in support of the alternative route (S11C) instead of the preferred route (S1A) for Eversource's plans to connect the proposed substation to existing substations.