



City of Cambridge

Executive Department

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City Manager

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To the Honorable, the City Council,

I am writing to share an update regarding the membership of the **Cambridge Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Plus (LGBTQ+) Commission** and to share my recommendations regarding appointments for a term of three (3) years, effective **September 28, 2026**.

- **Bridget (Bridge) Kiley (appointment)**
- **Christine Moad (appointment)**
- **Dana Gauthier (appointment)**
- **Jo Quest Neubert (appointment)**
- **Joshua (Josh) Samuels (appointment)**

The following residents are recommended for reappointments to the LGBTQ+ Commission effective September 28, 2026.

- **Frank Arce (reappointment)**
- **Gregory (Greg) MacDonough (reappointment)**
- **Linden Huhmann (reappointment)**
- **Noelani (Noe) Kamelamela (reappointment)**
- **Zachary (Zack) Dresser (reappointment)**

The LGBTQ+ Commission was established under Chapter 2.125 of the Cambridge Municipal Code. The function of the Commission is to advocate for a culture of respect and monitor progress toward equality of all persons by promoting policies and practices that have a positive effect on the health, welfare, and safety of all persons who live, visit or work in the City with respect to sexual orientation and gender identity and expression.

Commissioners must live or work in Cambridge and be knowledgeable about the rights of LGBTQ+ individuals.

The City Manager's office posted a request for applications for the Cambridge LGBTQ+ Commission on the website and through various other channels periodically beginning in May of 2026. Applications were open through August of 2026. The Executive Director, Program Manager, and Commission members also shared the opening through email and at various community events through other partners. There were



nine applicants total, eight of whom were interviewed. One applicant withdrew from the process. The Commission staff and available members served as the interview panel. We recommend the appointment of five (5) new members.

I am pleased to recommend these individuals whose expertise and experience will enable them to be valuable members of the Cambridge LGBTQ+ Commission.

- **Bridget (Bridge) Kiley (appointment)**

Bridge is a therapist who has spent a lot of time supporting LGBTQ+ people in her work. She has a desire to support the community that she's part of and this Commission feels like a natural opening for her. Bridge looks forward to devoting herself to deepening the work and showing up in whatever way is necessary according to the moment.

- **Christine Moad (appointment)**

Christine is a talented musician who began her work for LGBTQ+ advocacy in Iowa. They were the first non-binary person elected to represent Bernie Sanders at the Democratic National Convention and offer trainings on asexuality and being gender-queer. Christine believes that they have an important perspective to add to the Commission and especially wants to see more opportunities for involvement from people in their 30s and 40s.

- **Dana Gauthier (appointment)**

Dana has previously worked to support community pride at CRLS and is eager to do community outreach and engagement. They are interested in policy work and hope to plan things to bring different parts of the city together. Dana looks forward to working with different organizations and departments to foster safe and inclusive spaces.

- **Jo Quest-Neubert (appointment)**

Jo has been an advocate since he was a teenager. He sees opportunity to bridge the advocacy work being done in different pockets of the City. Jo wants Cambridge to be great for everyone and wants to work to make it happen by scaling things so that they can be consistent and institutionalized.

- **Joshua (Josh) Samuels (appointment)**

Josh has a background in film and production and focuses on how people are able to commune with/find one another. He wants to work to ensure that LGBTQ+ people are able to find each other around Cambridge. Josh has a desire to give back and believes that this Commission aligns with his schedule, lived experience, and values. Josh looks forward to doing work that supports our most vulnerable LGBTQ+ community members.

I am pleased to recommend the following individuals for reappointment. Their continued commitment to building a more inclusive, informed, and joyous Cambridge is a gift to our community. Each of the individuals below devote significant time and energy to the work of the Commission. They are active members of sub-committees, freely sharing all of their knowledge, experience, and networks to support Cambridge. Their commitment is immeasurable. I want to take a moment to celebrate and appreciate them while recommending them for reappointment.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yi-An Huang', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Yi-An Huang
City Manager