

CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to a public health update. (CM22#191)
2. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's (EOPSS) Municipal Road Safety (MRS) Program in the amount of \$64,950 to the Grant Fund Police Department Salary and Wages account. (CM22#192)
3. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Partnership Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of \$15,000 for fair-housing related outreach efforts. (CM22#193)
4. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Fair Housing Assistance Program Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of \$35,609. The grant is used to cover a portion of the salary of the Cambridge Human Rights Commission (CHRC) Attorney-Investigator. (CM22#194)
5. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 22-59, regarding repairing the grass at Greene-Rose Heritage Park, and to establish a long- term plan of action. (CM22#195)
6. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Children's Trust Fund grant for the Center for Families program in the amount of \$179,500, to support a portion of salary and benefit costs of staff who lead parenting education and support programming across the city. Funds will also be used for staff training, technology upgrades and direct support to families, including participation incentives and parenting books. (CM22#196)
7. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program grant in the amount of \$80,731 funded by the Federal Department of Health and Human Services and administered in Massachusetts by the Commonwealth's Department of Housing and Community Development. This is the first of a number of Fuel Assistance grants that DHSP will receive for FY23. (CM22#197)
8. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) National Board Program grant in the amount of \$12,000. These funds are used annually to supplement fuel assistance payments. (CM22#198)
9. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to an additional appropriation of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) grant in the amount of \$25,000 funded by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development. (CM22#199)

10. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Housing Contribution made under the Incentive Zoning provisions of the Zoning Ordinance in the amount of \$1,565,953 from DIV 35 CPD, LLC to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. (CM22#200)
11. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Action Grant, in the amount of \$150,000. The Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program is an initiative of the Commonwealth to foster greater preparedness and resilience at the municipal level to natural disasters and climate change. (CM22#201)
12. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, [regarding the Accessory Parking Requirements Zoning Petition](#). (CM22#202)
13. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Policy Order O-12 dated Oct 3, 2022, [regarding review of recent proposed amendments to the Incentive Zoning Rate Petition](#). (CM22#203)

CHARTER RIGHT

1. An application was received from Derek Jones, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 11 Channing Street, said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association. [Charter Right – Nolan, Oct 3, 2022] (AP22#45)
2. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Traffic, Parking, and Transportation Department to meet with and receive input from the Vision Zero, Pedestrian, Bicycle Committee, the Council on Aging, the Transit Advisory Committee, the Commission for Persons with Disabilities Advisory Board, Cambridge Police Department, and any other departments, to review and revise the Cambridge Street Code, promulgate the updated guide throughout the city, and develop recommendations for staffing and methods of improving traffic enforcement. [Charter Right – Zondervan, Oct 3, 2022] (PO22#180)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. The Ordinance Committee held a public hearing on July 27, 2022 to continue discussions around an Ordinance potentially raising the linkage fee rates. (#2022-14).
4. The Ordinance Committee held a public meeting on Sept 7, 2022 to continue the discussion around Ordinance # 2022-14, Section 11.202(b) of Article 11.000 Special Regulations Linkage Fee, proposal to amend by substitution, raising linkage fee rates.
5. That section 6.36 entitled, Schedule of Parking and Loading Requirements, of Article 6.000, entitled "Off Street Parking and Loading Requirements and Nighttime Curfew on Large Commercial Through Trucks", of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge be amended (Ordinance #2022-5) [Passed to 2nd Reading as Amended, Oct 3, 2022; To be Ordained on or after Oct 24, 2022; Expires Nov 1, 2022] (PO22#19)

6. Section 11.202(b) of Article 11.000 Special Regulations linkage fee., be amended by substitution. (Ordinance #2022-14) [Passed to 2nd Reading Sept 12, 2022; To Be Ordained Oct 17 or Oct 24, 2022] (PO22#84)
7. Fur Sales Ban (Ordinance #2022-17). [Passed to 2nd Reading as Amended Oct 3, 2022; To Be Ordained on or after Oct 24, 2022] (PO22#132)
8. That the Ordinance Committee refer Categories M (Shared Vehicle) and N (Publicly-accessible, Privately-owned Electric Vehicle Charging System) of the Cambridge Transportation Decarbonization and Congestion Mitigation Bill, along with definitions, to the full City Council with a favorable recommendation. Ordinance #2022-13 as Amended. [Expired Sept 27, 2022] (PO22#150)
9. Ordinance #2022-3 Wage Theft. [Passed to 2nd Reading Sept 19, 2022; To Be Ordained on or after Oct 10, 2022] (PO22#175)
10. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 22-61, regarding the Cambridge Birth Center. (CM22#183)

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. A Zoning Petition has been received from Suzanne P. Blier, et. al Harvard Square Zoning Petition Modification regarding Frontage of Financial Institutions. [[text of petition](#)] (AP22#46)
2. An application was received from Joseph Correia representing Central Rock Gym and F45, requesting permission for a projecting blade sign at the premises numbered 20 Brattle Street approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutter response has been received. (AP22#47)
3. An application was received from Duncan MacArthur, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 52 Standish Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. Response has been received from the neighborhood association with questions that have been answered by the applicant with notification to the neighborhood association. (AP22#48)

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Andrea Simpson, regarding support for Policy Order #9 Tree Irrigation at Danehy.
2. A communication was received from Andrew Hubble, regarding parking minimums.
3. A communication was received from Anya Sheldon, regarding support for Policy Order #9 Danehy tree irrigation.
4. A communication was received from Ausra Kubilius, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - long live trees!
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6. A communication was received from Ayah Roda, regarding Parking Minimums – Massachusetts Housing Coalition Letter.
7. A communication was received from Becky Sarah, regarding support for Policy Order #9 – tree irrigation at Danehy.
8. A communication was received from Belinda Morse, regarding support for Policy Order #9 – tree irrigation in Danehy Park.
9. A communication was received from Bill McAvinney, 12 Douglass Street, regarding eliminating parking minimums.
10. A communication was received from Carol Agate, Harvey Street, regarding trees.
11. A communication was received from Carol O’Hare, 12 Magazine Street, regarding City Council: Tree Irrigation @ Danehy Park, other parks and street trees, PO 9 (PO22#187), 10.3.22.
12. A communication was received from Charles Teague, regarding support for Policy Order #9 – tree irrigation at Danehy.
13. A communication was received from Claudia Majetich, 329 Concord Avenue, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - tree irrigation at Danehy.
14. A communication was received from Deb Biba and Rob Everts, Tania Maxwell and Chris Osborne, Kate Canfield, Newell Street, regarding Garden Street bike lane project feedback for public record.
15. A communication was received from Diane Martin, 34 Madison Avenue, regarding Policy Order PO22#187.
16. A communication was received from Dorothy King, 100 Trowbridge Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - irrigation.
17. A communication was received from Elena Fagotto, 26 Bigelow Street, regarding support for PO22#187 to save our trees and add more trees to our city.
18. A communication was received from Elena Saporta, 102 Ellery Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9.
19. A communication was received from Elizabeth Camacho, 26 Corporal Burns Road, regarding parking minimums.
20. A communication was received from Elizabeth Gilmore, Reservoir Street, regarding Policy Order #9.
21. A communication was received from Elizabeth Greywolf, 17 Buena Vista Park, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - tree irrigation at Danehy Park.
22. A communication was received from Emilian Papadopoulos, regarding support for Policy Order #9/187 - tree irrigation at Danehy Park.
23. A communication was received from Emily Greenstein, regarding support for Policy Order #9.
24. A communication was received from Franziska Amacher, 239 Mt. Auburn Street, regarding support for trees at Danehy Park and elsewhere in Cambridge.

25. A communication was received from Gabriela Romanow, 1010 Memorial Drive, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - watering trees at Danehy and throughout Cambridge.
26. A communication was received from Ginger Ryan, 35 Crescent Street, regarding support for PO22#187 - Tree Irrigation at Danehy.
27. A communication was received from Giuseppina Morganti, Bay State Road, regarding support for PO22#187 - tree irrigation at Danehy.
28. A communication was received from Guillemette Simmers, 8 Alpine Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9.
29. A communication was received from Hannah Goodwin, 94 Clifton Street, regarding support for PO22#187.
30. A communication was received from Helen Snively, Fayette Park, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - Tree Irrigation at Danehy.
31. A communication was received from Janice Ellison, 3 Michael Way, regarding Policy Order #9 for city trees.
32. A communication was received from Janice Ellison, 3 Michael Way, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - tree irrigation at Danehy.
33. A communication was received from Janie Katz-Christy, 166A Elm Street N., regarding support for PO22#187.
34. A communication was received from Jean Ann Martin, 11 Leonard Avenue, regarding protecting and strengthening Cambridge's tree canopy.
35. A communication was received from Jean E. Jackson, regarding Policy Order on Justice for American Indian/Native American/Indigenous peoples.
36. A communication was received from Judy Bright, 285 Upland Road, regarding support for Policy Order #9 (trees and parks).
37. A communication was received from Judy Hunt, 40 Bellis Circle, regarding support for Policy Order #9 tree irrigation at Danehy.
38. A communication was received from Judy Silvan, Reed Street Court, regarding Tree Irrigation: Danehy, Support PO #9.
39. A communication was received from Julie Ray, regarding support for Policy Order #9.
40. A communication was received from Katinka Hakuta, 4 Ellery Place, regarding eliminating minimum parking requirements.
41. A communication was received from Lee Farris, regarding Resident Alliance support for revised linkage fee increase.
42. A communication was received from Leslie Borden, 12 Saginaw Avenue, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - tree irrigation at Danehy.
43. A communication was received from Liz McNerney, 32 Garfield Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9 Tree Irrigation at Danehy Park.
44. A communication was received from Liza Oliver, regarding joint letter of support for #2022-17 on the sale of fur products.
45. A communication was received from Lois Markham, regarding support for PO22#187.
46. A communication was received from Lowry Hemphill, Marie Avenue, regarding support for PO22#187.
47. A communication was received from Macky Buck, 18 Gold Star Road, regarding tree canopy.
48. A communication was received from Madeleine Aster, regarding support for PO 4 and 9 - Save our parks, trees, and turn the water back on.
49. A communication was received from Margaret Studier, 14A Allen Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - Tree irrigation at Danehy.
50. A communication was received from Margery Davies, 35 William Street, regarding PO22#187 -- Please vote YES.
51. A communication was received from Maria Hottet, regarding support for Policy Order #9 – tree irrigation at Danehy.
52. A communication was received from Marilyn Wellons, 651 Green Street, regarding Policy Order No. 9, irrigation system for trees at Danehy Park.
53. A communication was received from Mary Ann Donofrio, 120 Gore Street, regarding ending parking minimums.
54. A communication was received from Mary Buchinger Bodwell, regarding support Policy Order #9 – tree irrigation at Danehy.
55. A communication was received from Melissa Ludtke, 30 Buena Vista Park, regarding support for PO22#187 to install in Danehy Park a state-of-the-art irrigation system.
56. A communication was received from Mike Nakagawa, 51 Madison Avenue, regarding Cambridge Birth Center.
57. A communication was received from Mike Nakagawa, 51 Madison Avenue, regarding support for Policy Order #9.
58. A communication was received from Nick Couldry, 13 Hollis Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - tree irrigation at Danehy.
59. A communication was received from Nonie Valentine, regarding support for Policy Order #9 – tree irrigation at Danehy.
60. A communication was received from Patrick W. Barrett III, [regarding public safety](#).
61. A communication was received from Patrick W. Barrett III, [regarding linkage labs and Central Square](#).
62. A communication was received from Paul Barringer, 1 Russell Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - Tree Irrigation at Danehy.
63. A communication was received from Phil Wellons, 651 Green Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9.
64. A communication was received from Preston Gralla, regarding support for Policy Order #9 – tree irrigation at Danehy.

65. A communication was received from Renee Kasinsky, regarding support for PO22#187.
66. A communication was received from Robin Bledsoe, regarding support for Policy Order #9 – tree irrigation at Danehy.
67. A communication was received from Sage Carbone, regarding online comment not working.
68. A communication was received from Sean Rogers, 177 Pemberton Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - tree irrigation at Danehy.
69. A communication was received from Sharon deVos, 118 Antrim Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9.
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72. A communication was received from Sheli Wortis, 106 Berkshire Street, regarding support for COF22#119 and PO22#179.
73. A communication was received from Stuart Rothman, regarding linkage labs and Central Square.
74. A communication was received from Susan Hunziker, 80 Orchard Street, regarding support for Policy Order #9, tree irrigation at Danehy.
75. A communication was received from Sylvia Fine, 6 Avon Place, regarding support for Policy Order #9.
76. A communication was received from Vicki Paret, regarding support for Policy Order #9 - tree irrigation at Danehy.
77. A communication was received from Young Kim, Norris Street, regarding: Amend and Approve Policy Order Item #2 to revise Cambridge Street Code: Rules and Etiquette.
78. A communication was received from Ann Sweeney, regarding: FW: Letter in Support of PO22#160.
79. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding: Second Reading of Ordinance #2022-5 on 10/17/2022 City Council Meeting.
80. A communication was received from Suzanne Blier, regarding parking minimums.
81. A communication was received from Joan Pickett, regarding the status of the citizens' petition signed by 97 registered voters living on or near Brattle Street.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution on the death of Beverly Anne Courtney. Councillor Toner, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Azeem
2. Congratulations to The Maignon School Celebrating its 75th Anniversary. Councillor Toner, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Simmons
3. Congratulations to Paul and Margaret Materazzo on Receiving the Cheverus Award. Councillor Toner

4. That the City Council go on record thanking Joe Barr for his service. Councillor Azeem, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor McGovern, Mayor Siddiqui
5. Support for Harvard Law Students Advocating for Reproductive Curriculum. Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Zondervan, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Nolan
6. Resolution Wishing Jean McGuire a Swift Recovery. Councillor Simmons
7. Congratulations to Jo-Ann and Neil Campbell on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Councillor Toner
8. Resolution Re Renaming Vassal Lane Upper School. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Siddiqui
9. Condolences to The Family of Randolph James Williams Jr. Councillor Simmons

ORDERS

1. That the City Manager direct the City Solicitor and City Clerk to update the posted City Council rules on the website and other locations where posted, to properly reflect the change made to Rule 24c that adds the sentence “individuals will be heard in the order that they signed up whether they are participating in person or remotely.” and to report back to the Government Operations, Rules and Claims committee when complete. Vice Mayor Mallon (PO22#265)
2. That the City Manager direct the City Solicitor to develop language to regulate car-sharing services that register vehicles to Cambridge residences. Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Azeem, Councillor Simmons (PO22#266)
3. Policy Order Seeking Development Analysis. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Toner, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Azeem (PO22#267)
4. Supporting HD 5394. Councillor Nolan, Councillor Zondervan, Vice Mayor Mallon (PO22#268)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The **Government Operations, Rules & Claims Committee** met on Apr 28, 2022, to discuss potential changes to the City Council Rules. The attached “RULES OF THE CITY COUNCIL, 2022-2023” shows the changes in red, that the Committee is putting forth to the City Council with a favorable recommendation to adopt. [[text of committee report](#)]
Present: Mallon, Simmons, Toner
Remote Present: Nolan
Absent: Carlone
 - A. That the City Manager direct the City Solicitor and City Clerk to determine appropriate wording for City Council Rule 15 to reflect the conversation regarding “present” vs. “abstain”, and whether it is appropriate to bifurcate into Rules 15a and 15b as discussed, for the next Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee on this topic. Councillor Simmons (PO22#269)
 - B. That the City Clerk provide guidance on how to add outstanding Home Rule petitions to the regular City Council agenda for the next Government Operations,

Rules and Claims Committee on this topic. Councillor Zondervan (PO22#270)

- C. That the City Manager direct the City Solicitor and City Clerk to provide language that properly reflects current public comment procedure for hybrid meetings in Rule 24b for the next Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee on this topic. Councillor Toner (PO22#271)

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Diane P. LeBlanc City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity. (COF22#125)
2. A communication was received from Diane LeBlanc, City Clerk, transmitting a letter regarding the Wage Theft Ordinance #2022-3. (COF22#126)
3. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee. (COF22#127)

HEARING SCHEDULE

[Sullivan Chamber & Zoom unless otherwise noted]

Wed, Oct 12

- 2:00pm The Health and **Environment** Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the issue of water quality from the Cambridge water supply including PFAS levels, and comparison with the MWRA system, the long-term strategy for ensuring water quality standards for all users and all other water quality related issues and concerns.

Mon, Oct 17

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Wed, Oct 19

- 1:00pm The Neighborhood & Long-Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts & Celebration Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the Cambridge Street Study: Findings and Recommendations Update.
- 4:00pm The Ordinance Committee, composed of the entire membership of the City Council, will conduct a public hearing to discuss the proposed Green Jobs Ordinance (Ordinance #2022-6).

Mon, Oct 24

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Tues, Oct 25

- 10:00am The Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss potential amendments to the Rules of the City Council.
- 3:00pm The Neighborhood & Long Term Planning, Public Facilities, Arts & Celebration Committee will conduct a public meeting on Neighborhood Conservation District Citizen's Petition: Historical Commission Proposed Response.

Wed, Oct 26

- 1:00pm The Ordinance Committee will hold a public hearing on a Zoning Petition to amend Section 11.202(d) of Article 11.000, entitled SPECIAL REGULATIONS, of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge, by substitution with

the following text: "(d) Reevaluation of Housing Contribution Rate. The City shall initiate a reevaluation of the Housing Contribution Rate and any other aspect of these Incentive Zoning Provisions at an interval of no less than three (3) years from the time of the previous reevaluation. Such reevaluation shall include a report provided to the City Council reviewing economic factors including but not limited to development activity, commercial rents per square foot, employment growth, housing trends measured in terms of, but not limited to, vacancy rates, production statistics, and prices for dwelling units, and the nexus between Incentive Projects and housing."

Mon, Oct 31

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Nov 7

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Mon, Nov 14

5:30pm City Council Meeting

Wed, Nov 16

1:00pm The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss how the City can act on the recently passed Massachusetts climate bill, including specifically how the City can implement a ban or restriction on fossil fuels in new construction projects as part of the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources 10 city pilot program and how quickly the city can adopt the state's newly promulgated energy stretch code for buildings.

Mon, Nov 21

10:00am The Health and Environment Committee will conduct a public hearing to discuss how to expand the availability of electric vehicle charging across the City and to review the effectiveness and accountability built into the City's existing Green Fleet Policy.

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 Oct 17, 2022

VICE MAYOR MALLON

ORDERED: That the City Manager direct the City Solicitor and City Clerk to update the posted City Council rules on the website and other locations where posted, to properly reflect the change made to Rule 24 c that adds the sentence "individuals will be heard in the order that they signed up whether they are participating in person or remotely." and to report back to the Government Operations, Rules and Claims committee when complete.

O-2 Oct 17, 2022

VICE MAYOR MALLON
COUNCILLOR AZEEM
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: In September 2021, a [Policy Order](#) directing the City Manager to work with the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department to return a report on “reviewing the residential parking permit program to determine whether the criteria for this program can be modified to limit the issuance of residential permits to vehicles that are primarily utilized for personal, non-commercial use” was passed by this body; and

WHEREAS: That Policy order was put forward to discover what modifications could be made to the current residential parking program to limit permits for commercial use in car sharing programs like [Turo](#), [Flexcar](#), [Avali](#) and more; and

WHEREAS: As a City, we want to create more opportunities for residents to mode shift away from car ownership and these types of permits should be allowed, but we should be seeking solutions to prevent any abuse or misuse of the residential parking permit program; and

WHEREAS: There is currently no limit to the number of cars that can be registered to an address, nor is there language outlining the regulations regarding car-rental services that operate out of residential homes using residential parking permits; and

WHEREAS: Though we have not received a formal report back from the City Manager, it is our understanding that this issue would require a legislative solution; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager direct the City Solicitor to develop language to regulate carsharing services that register vehicles to Cambridge residences; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back on this matter in a timely manner.

O-3 Oct 17, 2022

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR TONER
COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN
COUNCILLOR AZEEM

WHEREAS: In recent years, the City has worked to address a number of different, critical issues that impact the wellbeing of our community and our planet via a number of different policies and initiatives that are tied to the development of new commercial and residential buildings; and

WHEREAS: From [increasing the linkage fees](#) that developers must pay into the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, to increasing the [mandatory amount of inclusionary units](#) in new residential buildings of ten units or more, to our [Net Zero policies](#), to the proposed [BEUDO amendments](#), to the [Affordable Housing Overlay](#), to the possibility of [eliminating parking minimums](#), there have been a number of new or refreshed initiatives enacted by the City over the past half decade; and

WHEREAS: While each of these policies addresses a very real need, it would be prudent for the City to take a moment to request that an analysis be conducted to determine what impact, if any, all of these combined policies have had upon local commercial and residential development, and what impact may yet be felt by these combined policies in the near term, before the City looks to enact further policies or initiatives related to development; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Community Development Department to conduct an assessment and analysis of the impacts of the combined, above-referenced policies upon local commercial and residential development over the past half decade, and the anticipated impact

of these policies over the next half decade, and to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner.

O-4 Oct 17, 2022

COUNCILLOR NOLAN
COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN
VICE MAYOR MALLON

WHEREAS: The Governor announced earlier this year that a state law triggering a refund to taxpayers based on a calculation of surplus revenues would be used to refund a significant amount of money to taxpayers; and

WHEREAS: The Mass Budget & Policy Center has estimated that flaws in the 62F formula resulted in an overstatement of excess tax collections, which almost doubles the amount of money designated for refunds, and the formula favor very high-income individuals; and

WHEREAS: The needs of residents to be fair and equitable in disbursing funds is a value shared by the council; and

WHEREAS: Many residents are feeling the effects of the pandemic and the economic situation including rising fossil fuel costs; and the refunds are only based on income tax payments, not other tax payments that low-income residents pay, also which could be used to justify increasing the refunds based on sales tax and other payments made; and

WHEREAS: Rep. Connolly along with five co-sponsors has filed Bill HD 5394 asking that the individual refunds be capped at \$6,500 each and excess revenues allocated to residents who need the financial help the most receive more funding; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record supporting bill HD 5394 which would direct funding to those who need it most; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a copy of this resolution to House and Senate leadership and the Cambridge delegation.