

## **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to an update on COVID-19.
2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 20-32, regarding the feasibility of identifying one evening or day per week that the Fresh Pond Golf Course can be open to the public for general use.
3. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$175,000, from Free Cash to the Public Investment Public Works Extraordinary Expenditures account to launch a COVID-19 sewer testing program.
4. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of a Community Compact grant of \$15,000, received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Executive Office for Administration and Finance to the Grant Fund Community Development Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account support the development of an online dashboard specific to the Net Zero Action Plan (NZAP).
5. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$50,000 received from the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER) Innovate Energy Efficiency Grant Program, to the Grant Fund Community Development Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to support the Cambridge Multifamily Energy Retrofit Program, which aims to increase the energy efficiency of multifamily buildings with 5-49 units by offering technical, solar, and financing support.
6. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 20-21, regarding a report on developing a Vacant Storefront Registry.
7. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 20-5, regarding implementing traffic calming measures on Upton Street.
8. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$50,000 from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund Executive Department Extraordinary Expenditures Account for the City's third annual contribution to the MBTA Green Line Extension project.
9. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 20-49, regarding a report on the feasibility of closing several blocks of streets in Harvard Square to vehicular traffic, with the exception of deliveries.
10. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 20-

51, regarding the installation on Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacons.

11. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 20-25, which requested that the City work with the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) to identify the bus stop at the corner of Massachusetts Avenue at Churchill Avenue as serving Matignon High School.
12. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a response to Policy Order O-13 of Oct 5, 2020, regarding a draft Truck Safety Ordinance.
13. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 20-50, regarding a report on publicizing and enforcing and publicizing the eviction moratorium.
14. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Zoning Recommendations for Retail Uses and Home Occupations.

## **CHARTER RIGHT**

1. An application was received from Anthony Papatonis, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 159 Allston 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. [CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR CARLONE IN COUNCIL OCT 5, 2020]
2. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Cambridge Historical Commission and other relevant City Departments to ensure that any report or recommendation for a new Neighborhood Conservation District in Cambridge presented to the City Council include an analysis of the potential effects on City housing affordability based on current research, as well as any mitigations that the Cambridge Historical Commission recommends, so that the City Council may holistically evaluate the matter. [CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR CARLONE IN COUNCIL OCT 5, 2020]

## **ON THE TABLE**

3. Fossil Fuels impacting Public Health and quality of life [Tabled on motion of Councillor Carlone in Council Oct 5, 2020]
4. An application was received from David Biancaville, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 10 Acorn Park Drive; 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 exercised by Councillor Zondervan in Council July 27, 2020. Information updated as of Oct 15, 2020. Additional information provided in Communication #12.]

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

5. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 18-108, regarding a report on offering early voting in City Council and School Committee Elections. [Pending response from Legislature]
6. The City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the City of Cambridge Law Department to review the above changes to the language of the Domestic Partnerships Ordinance and report back to the Council. [Passed to a Second Reading in Council July 27, 2020. To be ordained on or after Sept 14, 2020]

## **APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

1. A Zoning Petition Has been received from Arvind Srinivasan regarding zoning language relative to the Alewife Quadrangle Northwest overlay
2. An application was received from The Sign Center representing Playa Bowls, requesting permission for a projecting sign at the premises numbered 71 Mount Auburn Street. approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutter.
3. An application was received from Charles Doty, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 810 Main 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.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

1. A communication was received from Elizabeth and Michael Brennan, regarding AHO.
2. A communication was received from Maria Linberg, regarding Covid potentially spread by joggers.
3. A communication was received from Saul Tannenbaum, regarding Public Safety Committee ShotSpotter impact report.
4. A communication was received from Lee Farris, regarding Envision plan.
5. A communication was received from Young Kim, 17 Norris Street, regarding 100% Affordable Housing and Parking.
6. A communication was received from Lee Farris, regarding traffic enforcement by police.
7. A communication was received from Janet Moses, 73 School Street, regarding Public Safety public comment.
8. A communication was received from Samuel Field, regarding Fresh pond golf course.
9. A communication was received from Alan Greene, regarding large scale development interests.
10. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding Parking Assessment for proposed 2072 Mass. Ave. Project.

11. A communication was received from Jason Korb, regarding 100% Affordable Housing and Parking.
12. A communication was received from Patrick Conte, Adams & Rafferty, regarding 10 Acorn Park Drive curb cut.
13. A communication was received from Kathy Watkins, 90 Fawcett Street, regarding masks in residential buildings.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

1. Congratulations to Dominique Capasso and Alex Burakoff on the birth of their first child. Councillor McGovern
2. Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Siddiqui
3. Resolution on the Death of Rita Queen. Councillor Simmons, Councillor McGovern
4. Resolution on the Death of Clarence Anderson. Councillor Simmons
5. Resolution Wishing Daniel Queen a Swift Recovery. Councillor Simmons
6. Resolution on the death of Ralph A. Mazzei, Jr. Councillor Toomey
7. Congratulations to Louise Glück for Receiving the 2020 Nobel Prize in Literature. Councillor Toomey, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Simmons, Vice Mayor Mallon
8. Congratulations to Claude Jacob, Chief Public Health Officer for the City of Cambridge, for being honored with the 2020 Mitch Snyder Award. Councillor McGovern
9. Resolution on the death of Vincent Albergo. Councillor McGovern
10. Wishing Adam DuPaul, a Happy 50th Birthday. Councillor McGovern
11. Resolution on the death of Eugene T. O'Brien, Sr. Councillor Toomey
12. Congratulations to Rozann Kraus and Dan Epstein on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Councillor Zondervan
13. Resolution on the death of Ernest Ciampa. Councillor McGovern, Councillor Nolan, Councillor Toomey

## **ORDERS**

1. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the City Solicitor's Office and other relevant departments to determine what impact the Executive Order on Combating Race and Sex Stereotyping may have on the City of Cambridge and its community partners, what options the City may have to work around this order, and to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler, Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon
2. That the City Council go on record as supportive of PACE and requests that City Manager work with relevant city departments on how Cambridge might participate in PACE Massachusetts pursuant to the PACE Act including

- exploring all options for incentivizing participation. Councillor Nolan, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler, Mayor Siddiqui
3. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the City Solicitor on an ordinance requiring the city to only purchase goods that are made in full compliance with USA environmental and labor standards. Councillor Nolan, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler, Councillor McGovern, Mayor Siddiqui
  4. That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Councillor Marc McGovern to identify a suitable location to dedicate to Rita Queen. Councillor McGovern
  5. That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Councillor Marc McGovern to identify a suitable location to dedicate to Vincent Albergo, who passed away on Oct 9, 2020 after residing his entire 75 years in Cambridge. Councillor McGovern
  6. That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to work with staff and Eversource representatives to set up a public meeting with residents. Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler, Councillor Toomey, Councillor Zondervan, Councillor Nolan
  7. That the City of Cambridge stands in solidarity with the Armenian people in Cambridge, throughout the Commonwealth and world, and the Republic of Artsakh. Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Nolan, Councillor Zondervan
  8. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with Claude Jacob, Chief Public Health Officer of the Cambridge Public Health Department, to expand COVID-19 testing dates and locations in Cambridge. Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Toomey
  9. That the City of Cambridge call upon Senator Warren and Senator Markey to call for an end to immigration detention in the United States, the immediate reunification of immigrant families and the release of migrant children and parents from detention, and also to afford these families due process by allowing them the full and fair opportunity to seek protection from the United States. Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler
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  12. That the City Manager is hereby requested to instruct the Finance Department to provide a dollar amount and percentage of money used by every department to address racial and economic equity in the 2022 Fiscal Year Budget, highlighting additional areas to be considered and that the City Manager present plans for implementation in the 2022 Fiscal Year Budget. Councillor Carlone, Councillor Simmons
  13. Policy Order calling for Judge Roanne Sragow to be reinstated to her position and remain in Cambridge. Councillor McGovern, Vice Mayor Mallon, Mayor Siddiqui

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Mallon, Chair of the Economic Development and University Relations Committee, for a public hearing held on Sept 30, 2020 the purpose of receiving final recommendations from the Community Development Department on updating the commercial land use classification system within the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance.
- A. Proposed zoning amendments for Retail Users and Home Occupations sent to the full City Council and Community Development Department with a favorable recommendation. Councillor Zondervan
3. A communication was received from Paula Crane, Deputy City Clerk, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Mallon, Chair of the Economic Development and University Relations Committee, for a public hearing held on July 30, 2020 to discuss to receive an update on the Retail Land Use Initiative and Retail Table of Land Use Update.

## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

1. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee held on Oct 6, 2020.

## HEARING SCHEDULE

### Mon, Oct 19

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber - televised)

### Wed, Oct 21

2:00pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Harvard Square Conservation District Study Committee Report. (Sullivan Chamber - televised)

### Thurs, Oct 22

5:30pm The Housing Committee will conduct a public hearing to receive an update from the Community Development Department and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund on potential changes made to the eligibility

preferences for the Inclusionary Housing program.  
(Sullivan Chamber - televised)

**Mon, Oct 26**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber -  
televised)

**Wed, Oct 28**

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public  
hearing to discuss the Real Estate Transfer Home Rule  
Petition. (Sullivan Chamber - televised)

**Mon, Nov 2**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber -  
televised)

**Mon, Nov 9**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber -  
televised)

**Thurs, Nov 12**

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public  
hearing on the PUD-CDK District Zoning. (Sullivan  
Chamber - televised)

**Thurs, Nov 19**

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will conduct a public  
hearing on the KSURP Zoning Ordinance Amendment.  
(Sullivan Chamber - televised)

**Mon, Nov 23**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber -  
televised)

**Mon, Nov 30**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber -  
televised)

**Mon, Dec 7**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber -  
televised)

**Mon, Dec 21**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber -  
televised)

**Mon, Dec 28**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber -  
televised)

**TEXT OF ORDERS**

O-1 Oct 19, 2020

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

VICE MAYOR MALLON

WHEREAS: On September 22, Donald Trump issued the "[Executive Order on Combating Race and Sex Stereotyping](#)" from the White House, which seeks to tamp down on cultural and diversity sensitivity trainings in workplaces across the country as a part of his efforts to drive wedges between people and shore up support among his base; and

WHEREAS: Workplace diversity trainings are designed to foster better understanding and stronger relationships between people of differing backgrounds and experiences, yet this Executive Order

falsely promotes the idea that such trainings are divisive and full of "un-American propaganda"; and

WHEREAS: The fallout from this Executive Order has had a chilling effect, as the New York Times reports, for example, that at the University of Iowa, "...fearing a loss of federal research grants, paused programs across the university, including training for university employees on race or sex stereotyping and scapegoating," and it remains to be seen what impact this order may have on Cambridge and in what ways our community can work around this order; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the City Solicitor's Office and other relevant departments to determine what impact the Executive Order on Combating Race and Sex Stereotyping may have on the City of Cambridge and its community partners, what options the City may have to work around this order, and to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner.

O-2 Oct 19, 2020

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: WHEREAS, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 23M (the "PACE Act"), the Commonwealth has established a commercial sustainable energy program known as the Massachusetts Property Assessed Clean Energy Program ("PACE Massachusetts") to provide a financing mechanism to private owners of commercial and industrial properties for certain qualifying commercial energy improvements; and

WHEREAS: The PACE Act was passed in 2016, and as of July 2020, the financing became available for qualifying buildings; and

WHEREAS: Twenty-eight Massachusetts municipalities have opted into PACE Massachusetts (as of Sept 29, 2020); and

WHEREAS: Cambridge is behind on its goals of reducing community emissions and establishing a PACE program could incentivize property owners to make energy improvements; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge Climate Protection Action Committee discussed the PACE program in their September 2020 meeting, and believe that it would be beneficial to Cambridge to consider entering this program; and

WHEREAS: The City's Envision Climate and Environment Plan lists expanded use of PACE as a possible action to take to meet sustainability goals; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record as supportive of PACE and requests that City Manager work with relevant city departments on how Cambridge might participate in PACE Massachusetts pursuant to the PACE Act including exploring all options for incentivizing participation, and further be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council in a timely manner.

O-3 Oct 19, 2020

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: The Purchasing department is responsible for putting out bids and securing contracts for Cambridge, buying millions of dollars of goods and services each year with taxpayer dollars; and



WHEREAS: The Purchasing Department ensures that “...all purchases of goods and services are made in accordance with State law and City Ordinance and are open, fair, competitive, and obtained at the lowest possible cost”; and

WHEREAS: The Purchasing Department already has specific requirements or suggestions, such as encouraging participation of and outreach to minority, local and women-owned businesses, and a living wage [requirement](#) for all labor, in an effort to use taxpayer dollars in an equitable manner; and

WHEREAS: The City’s commitment to fighting for sustainability and ensuring all employees a living wage should be borne out in the dollars we spend; and

WHEREAS: Every taxpayer should be confident that all money spent by the city supports fair and equitable labor practices, wages, safety standards and health standards and complies with our country’s and state’s environmental standards, rules, laws and regulations; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the City Solicitor on an ordinance requiring the city to only purchase goods that are made in full compliance with USA environmental and labor standards; and further be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back to the Council before the end of the year.

O-4 Oct 19, 2020

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Councillor Marc McGovern to identify a suitable location to dedicate to Rita Queen; 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.

O-5 Oct 19, 2020

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

ORDERED: That the Executive Assistant to the City Council confer with the Dedication Committee to consider the request from Councillor Marc McGovern to identify a suitable location to dedicate to Vincent Albergo, who passed away on Oct 9, 2020 after residing his entire 75 years in Cambridge; 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.

O-6 Oct 19, 2020

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

WHEREAS: Eversource has recently contacted Cambridge residents and commercial abutters about upgrades to a substation on Wheeler Street and to a facility owned by the energy company on New Street; and

WHEREAS: Eversource should seek to answer questions including what steps are being taken to address flood risk in the Alewife area, how fencing around the sites will be improved and maintained, the anticipated timelines for construction at the two sites, and any potential impacts to the easement near the substation; and

WHEREAS: Recent plans by Eversource for a substation in East Cambridge were complicated by frustration on the part of residents and the City Council due in part to communication issues; and

WHEREAS: A presentation and discussion by Eversource with neighborhood stakeholders and City staff to address these questions would allow residents and staff a time to ask questions and consider how the upgrades will affect City plans for the area; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to work with staff and Eversource representatives to set up a public meeting with residents on how the City’s understanding of present and future citywide energy needs and local flood risk, as well as plans for the surrounding neighborhood, are addressed by Eversource.

O-7 Oct 19, 2020

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: From 1919 to 1923, the Ottoman Government and Republic of Turkey slaughtered, raped and marched 1.5 million Armenians to their deaths in an effort to eliminate the Armenian Nation in the first modern genocide in history; and

WHEREAS: The premeditated and systematic cleansing of the Armenian Nation included the removal and seizing of historical artifacts, permanent damage to historical buildings and monuments, and the seizing of thousands of churches; and

WHEREAS: To this day, the Republic of Turkey has vehemently denied the occurrence of the genocide targeting Armenians, despite an overwhelming amount of proof of the existence of such intent; and

WHEREAS: From Switzerland to Argentina, the international community overwhelmingly recognizes the Armenian genocide; and

WHEREAS: The history of the genocide plays a critical role in the recent attacks in the Republic of Artsakh; and

WHEREAS: On Sept 26, 2020, Azerbaijan’s military forces launched a deadly and unprovoked attack against the Republic of Artsakh, including that country’s capital city, Stepanakert, and that attack has already taken innocent civilian lives; and

WHEREAS: The region of Artsakh has been the eastern portion of the Armenian homeland for over two millennia, and during the formation of the Soviet Union, the Armenian regions of Artsakh and Nakhichevan were attached to Azerbaijan to placate Turkey and maintain ethnic tensions in the region that remain to this day; and

WHEREAS: The United Nations has called for a ceasefire around the world due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but Azerbaijan has renewed its warfare, violating its ceasefire agreement with Armenia, causing death, terror and destruction; and

WHEREAS: Turkey has extended its financial and military support to Azerbaijan’s invasion and has threatened Armenia, with the inference that the Azeri invasion carries the echoes of generations of pan-Turkish nationalist commitment to erasing the Armenian population and culture from the world; and

WHEREAS: For two weeks in a row, Azerbaijan continues to violate the ceasefire and show aggression against civilians, and the United States has yet to comment on Azerbaijan’s responsibility in provoking and continuing attacks during a pandemic; and

WHEREAS: The United States has a moral obligation to work with our ally Turkey, to ensure peace and stability in this region; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge stands in solidarity with the Armenian people in Cambridge, throughout the Commonwealth and world, and the Republic of Artsakh.

O-8 Oct 19, 2020

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Since the COVID-19 outbreak, the Cambridge Public Health Department has offered free COVID-19 testing to Cambridge residents via stand-alone testing centers, as well as testing in nursing homes, senior centers and homeless shelters; and

WHEREAS: Throughout the summer and into the Fall, CHA has continued to offer free testing twice a week for residents; and

WHEREAS: The Commonwealth reports community-level data on key COVID-19 metrics as part of the Baker-Polito Administration's efforts to partner with cities and towns to slow the spread of the virus, including categorizing cities and towns by color; and

WHEREAS: Based on the average daily cases per 100,000 residents, each city or town has been designated as a higher risk (red), moderate risk (yellow), or lower risk (green) community; and

WHEREAS: While Cambridge remains in the lower risk (green) community category, the COVID19 positivity rate has increased in neighboring cities like Somerville, Everett and Boston, which are all in the Commonwealth's higher risk (red) community category; and

WHEREAS: In order to combat the increasing positivity rate in surrounding areas, we must increase testing in Cambridge; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with Claude Jacob, Chief Public Health Officer of the Cambridge Public Health Department, to expand testing dates and locations in Cambridge.

O-9 Oct 19, 2020

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER

WHEREAS: Cambridge has a long and proud history of welcoming immigrants of all backgrounds into our community; and

WHEREAS: Over the course of centuries, immigrants in the United States have contributed to the very fabric of the country through their work across various sectors; and

WHEREAS: Research and studies have confirmed that our diversity makes us stronger, and thus the diverse and immigrant communities that make up the United States are an asset; and

WHEREAS: The United States has had a long and proud history of welcoming immigrants, and providing asylum to those fleeing violence or persecution in their countries of origin; and

WHEREAS: The United States has historically served as an international leader in protecting refugees and advocating for human rights; and

WHEREAS: The treatment of immigrants and the separation of children from their parents at the border and in the interior of the

country is inhumane, unconstitutional, and goes against the United States' long-standing ideal of upholding and advocating for human rights; and

WHEREAS: There are more than 2,000 immigrants detained in the state who cannot afford a lawyer, and as immigration arrests rise across the state, guaranteeing due process and access to legal representation has become even more urgent; and

WHEREAS: Immigrant families and their children are detained in unacceptable conditions, in many cases without adequate food, water, or access to necessary hygiene and sanitary products; and

WHEREAS: The unsanitary conditions and lack of access to adequate health care is causing migrant men, women, and children in these detention centers to get sick and seven children have died after being in Border Patrol custody; and

WHEREAS: The US has held nearly 70,000 immigrant children in detention in 2019, and minors detained without their parents in these detention centers often receive inadequate education, mental health services, and other care; and over 1,000 children per year have been sexually assaulted; and

WHEREAS: The detention of immigrants and their children during the COVID-19 pandemic has and will cause irreversible damage to the health, well-being and very lives of immigrants and their families, especially since there are no separated quarantine quarters or isolated areas for COVID-19 positive individuals; and

WHEREAS: The Department of Homeland Security's response to COVID-19 has been inadequate – in addition to ignoring the health crisis within facilities, they are also putting the public health of all communities at risk by transferring people across the country and overseas, including moving people from pandemic hot spots to detention centers with fewer documented cases of COVID-19 - it's vital that they immediately release people from detention to protect their lives, and to flatten the curve; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge condemns the inhumane treatment of immigrants at our borders and in the interior of the country especially during the COVID-19 pandemic which creates a breeding ground for disease in detention centers and places immigrants at significant risk; and be it further

RESOLVED: We affirm that as history and law have dictated, all men, women, and children who come to our borders have a right to due process and to the full and fair opportunity to seek protection in the United States; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge call upon Senator Warren and Senator Markey to call for an end to immigration detention in the United States, the immediate reunification of immigrant families and the release of migrant children and parents from detention, and also to afford these families due process by allowing them the full and fair opportunity to seek protection from the United States.

O-10 Oct 19, 2020

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge recently enacted the 2020 Tenants' Rights and Resources Notification Ordinance, which went into effect on Oct 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS: The Ordinance was enacted to inform Cambridge residents of their housing rights and the resources available to them at both the start of tenancies and when tenancies are terminated in

order to maintain housing and community stability for the City’s tenants, owners, and neighborhoods; and  
RESOLVED: While the State’s Eviction Moratorium is set to expire on Oct 17, 2020, the City of Cambridge’s Eviction Moratorium, issued on April 3, 2020, will continue to protect tenants from forcible evictions but not from filing eviction actions; and  
WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge could strengthen its Moratorium to protect tenants from the pending eviction wave; and  
WHEREAS: Cambridge’s Eviction Moratorium does not include enforcement language, which is critical to ensure residents are not wrongfully removed from their residences; now therefore be it  
ORDERED: That the City Manager confer with the Legal Department on the feasibility of making Cambridge’s Eviction Moratorium stronger to protect our tenants from displacement.

O-11 Oct 19, 2020  
COUNCILLOR CARLONE  
COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN  
COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge recently invested time and financial resources to restore the Harvard Square Kiosk and surrounding plaza, which form the heart of Harvard Square; and  
WHEREAS: During that same time period two people were tragically victims of fatal traffic accidents in Harvard Square; and  
WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge announced a new “quick-build separated bike lane” due in part to these accidents, but these efforts primarily entail painted lanes on asphalt and do not fully address the concerns around cyclist and pedestrian safety in Harvard Square; and  
WHEREAS: A six-inch raised curbed and planters appropriately spaced will more safely separate bicycles from cars, slow down traffic, and strongly discourage pedestrians from crossing mid-block; and  
WHEREAS: Additional and functional planting areas in place of the painted asphalt areas will more significantly beautify the Square and be more consistent with the City’s investment in the Kiosk and Plaza restoration efforts; now therefore be it  
ORDERED: That the City Manager is hereby requested to instruct the Commissioner of Public Works to utilize continuous planting strips along bike lanes and at all reduced roadway areas in Harvard Square rather than painted buffer zones in Harvard Square to fully address bike and pedestrian safety in Harvard Square.

O-12 Oct 19, 2020  
COUNCILLOR CARLONE  
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge prides itself on its history of socially conscious and progressive values, and is known as a leader on issues such as racial equity, LGBTQ protections, environmental issues and social services; and  
WHEREAS: One of the City’s goals is to assist people of all backgrounds through allocation of financial resources and educational opportunities; and  
WHEREAS: Black people and people of color in Cambridge experience gaps in wealth, health, educational achievement, business ownership and more, compared to white residents; and  
WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge invests significant resources to address racial and economic equity, however, the amount of programming and allocation of financial resources is not readily apparent; and

WHEREAS: City agencies such as the Department of Public Works, Inspectional Services, Traffic and Parking and other public resources are often allocated based on public demand, which may not distribute resources in an equitable manner; and  
WHEREAS: The perception of uneven distribution of resources and under-representation in community decision making processes from diverse and low-income stakeholders requires the City Council to ensure equitable distribution of resources; and  
WHEREAS: The 2022 budgeting process will begin this month of October; now therefore be it  
ORDERED: That the City Manager is hereby requested to instruct the Finance Department to provide a dollar amount and percentage of money used by every department to address racial and economic equity in the 2022 Fiscal Year Budget; and be it further  
ORDERED: That the City Manager is hereby requested to instruct the Budget Department to highlight in the 2022 Fiscal Year Budget what programs the city offers to address racial and economic inequity; and be it further  
ORDERED: That the City Manager is hereby requested to instruct the Budget Department to highlight additional areas being considered to address racial and economic inequity in the 2022 Fiscal Year Budget; and be it further  
ORDERED: That the City Manager and his team appear before the Committee on Finance to discuss implementation of the above orders in the 2022 Fiscal Year Budget; and be it further  
ORDERED: That this policy order be referred to the Finance Committee for deliberation and discussion.

O-13 Oct 19, 2020  
COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN  
VICE MAYOR MALLON  
MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that Judge Roanne Sragow, who has served exceptionally as First Justice of the Cambridge District Court for 22 years, has been relieved of her position; and  
WHEREAS: As First Justice, Judge Sragow has served the Cambridge community firmly but with compassion, vision, and leadership which has earned her the trust and respect of not only those who serve the law, but those who come before her court; and  
WHEREAS: Judge Sragow has led the Homeless Court at First Parish Church in Cambridge, gaining national attention, and more importantly, changing the lives of hundreds of the most vulnerable members of the community; and  
WHEREAS: Judge Sragow’s mental health sessions for defendants has provided those struggling with mental health issues the support and caring they need, resulting in positive outcomes for both the individual and the community; and  
WHEREAS: During this time of the Covid-19 pandemic, which only further increases the life and death struggle for those who are unhoused in our community, as well as those who are struggling with mental health and substance use issues, removing Justice Sragow at this time is particularly cruel and dangerous; and  
WHEREAS: Removing Judge Sragow further hurts the Cambridge community, which is still struggling with the illegal removal of the Cambridge District Court from our city; and  
WHEREAS: Justice Sragow has consistently advocated for the return of the Cambridge District Court to Cambridge, at times putting her at odds with her superiors, which further clouds her removal and suggests retaliation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council go on record in opposition to the removal of Judge Roanne Sragow, First Justice of the Cambridge District Court; and further be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council call for Judge Sragow to be reinstated to her position and remain in Cambridge where she has served exceptionally for the past 22 years and has become an integral member of the community and where she has worked closely with city departments, local clergy and non-profits, to care for our most vulnerable; and further be it

ORDERED: That the City Clerk send a suitably engrossed copy of this order to Governor Charlie Baker, Lt. Governor Karen Polito, who Chairs the Governor's Council, and to Chief Justice Dawley and Chief Justice Carey on behalf of the entire Cambridge City Council.