

## **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

1. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$43,329 to the Grant Fund Human Rights Salary and Wages Account (\$37,729) and the Grant Fund Human Rights Travel and Training Account (\$5,600). The grant award is used to cover a portion of the salary of the Cambridge Human Rights Commission (CHRC) Attorney-Investigator, who works on Fair Housing Assistance Program (FHAP) cases.
2. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of 15,000 to the Grant Fund Human Rights Other Ordinary Maintenance Account. The Partnership Grant was awarded to the Cambridge Human Rights Commission (CHRC) for proposed fair-housing related outreach efforts.
3. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number #23-19 regarding Automated External Defibrillators at all public parks and practice fields.
4. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$270,000, from Free Cash to the Public Investment Fund, Department of Public Works, Extraordinary Expenditures account to fund the procurement and installation of twenty-seven (27) Automated External Defibrillator (AED) devices to be placed at twenty-three (23) recreation facilities throughout the city.
5. Transmitting Communication from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$2,091,000 from Free Cash to the Mitigation Revenue Stabilization Fund. During FY23, the City received mitigation revenues from various developers as a result of commitments related to zoning ordinance amendments and special permit conditions. By law, all mitigation revenues must be deposited into the General Fund and can only be appropriated after the Free Cash Certification is complete.
6. A communication transmitted from Yi-An Huang, City Manager, relative to the appointment of Claire Spinner as Assistant City Manager for Fiscal Affairs.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. An Ordinance has been received from City Clerk, relative to proposed changes to Cannabis Business Permitting Proposed Ordinance 2023-6. [Passed to 2nd Reading Oct 16, 2023; To Be Ordained on or after Nov 7, 2023]
2. An Ordinance has been received from City Clerk, relative to 2.76.020 enacted is to protect the human rights of all the residents of the City Protect Family Inclusion and Relationship Diversity. [Passed to 2nd Reading Oct 2, 2023; Eligible to be Ordained]
3. An Ordinance has been received from City Clerk, relative to a Zoning Petition by the Cambridge City Council to amend Articles 2.000, 4.000, 5.000, and 23.000 of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of allowing henkeeping as a permitted accessory use to principal residential (excluding transient accommodations as defined in Section

4.31.i), religious, and educational uses; with limitations and subject to regulation and permitting by the Cambridge Public Health Department. [Passed to 2nd Reading Oct 16, 2023; To Be Ordained on or after Nov 7, 2023; Expires Jan 8, 2024]

## **APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

1. An application from Nina Quinlan, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 63 Sixth 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.
2. An application from Jason Stockman, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 7 Cornelius Way; 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.
3. An application from Mehmet Sahin representing Revere Hair Studio, requesting permission for a projecting sign at the premises numbered 290 Concord Avenue approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and abutters proof of mailing has been provided.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

1. A communication from Philip Cre, regarding Signed petition comm. AHO.
2. A communication from Aaron Rosenthal, regarding In Favor of AHO Amendments.
3. A communication from Alex Van Praagh, regarding Please vote in favor of Policy Order #9\_2023-187 to have Linear Park restored.
4. A communication from Alida Castillo, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
5. A communication from Alison and Duncan Sanders-Fleming, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
6. A communication from Amy Meltzer, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
7. A communication from Amy Waltz, regarding AHO 2\_0 Needs Appropriate Study Including Environmental Review - Embodied Carbon from Building increasing from 11% to 75%!.
8. A communication from Anuj A. Shah, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
9. A communication from Barbara Rubel, regarding AHO 2.
10. A communication from Becca Schofield, regarding in support of the AHO amendments.
11. A communication from Bess Emanuel, regarding support for affordable housing amendments.
12. A communication from Beth Gamse, regarding AHO 2.0.
13. A communication from Camilla Elvis, regarding Pass the AHO.
14. A communication from Candace Young, regarding Linear Park (24).
15. A communication from Carl Nagy-Koechlin, regarding Support AHO amendments!.
16. A communication from Carl Rothenhaus, regarding VOTE YES ON AHO.

17. A communication from Carolyn Greenberg, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
18. A communication from Carolyn Shipley, regarding PO23#187 Linear Park.
19. A communication from Catherine LeBlanc, regarding SUPPORT Restore Linear Park policy order.
20. A communication from Cathy Higgins, regarding Strong support for AHO amendments.
21. A communication from Yoorie Chang, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
22. A communication from Charles Teague, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
23. A communication from Cynthia Hibbard, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
24. A communication from Daniel Hidalgo, regarding 2 AHO Reform.
25. A communication from Daniel Sprague, regarding Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
26. A communication from David Denison, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
27. A communication from David Halperin, regarding Support AHO amendments.
28. A communication from Dennie Frederick, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
29. A communication from Desiree Koh, regarding Linear park.
30. A communication from Dexter Eames, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
31. A communication from Diana Dumit, regarding OPPOSE \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
32. A communication from Elena Stone, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
33. A communication from Elizabeth Gilmore, regarding Oct 16 Council Meeting Re\_ AHO 2.0.
34. A communication from Elizabeth Gombosi, regarding ORD23#7.
35. A communication from Elizabeth Gombosi, regarding PO23#187.
36. A communication from Erin Shackelford, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
37. A communication from Linda S. Escoll, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
38. A communication from Gabriel Dubinsky, regarding OPPOSE \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
39. A communication from Gary Dmytryk, regarding Support PO23#187.
40. A communication from Hannah Gold, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
41. A communication from Hannah Goodwin, regarding Please SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
42. A communication from Jonathan Harris, regarding Please save Linear Park!.
43. A communication from Helen Kobek, regarding Change of mind on policy order #9\_2023-187 - I would NOT want you to support it.
44. A communication from Helen Kobek, regarding Support \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
45. A communication from Jack Heavner, regarding Please Oppose Policy Order #9\_2023-187.
46. A communication from Jacqueline Lutz, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
47. A communication from Janet Innes, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
48. A communication from Janie Katz-Christy, regarding Policy Order 187. Please review latest plans before voting to delay Linear Park upgrades.
49. A communication from Janie Katz-Christy, regarding Policy Order 187\_ Please review latest plans before voting to delay Linear Park upgrades.
50. A communication from Janis T. Kaas, regarding Vote NO on the AHO.
51. A communication from Jay Yesselman, regarding hazardous condition at intersection of Fayerweather St and Brattle St.
52. A communication from Jeb Mays, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
53. A communication from Jennifer Bannon, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
54. A communication from Jennifer Van Campen, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
55. A communication from Joan D. Krizack, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
56. A communication from Joel Patterson, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
57. A communication from Joel Patterson, regarding SUPPORT 100% Affordable Housing Overlay (AHO) amendments.
58. A communication from Joel Shapiro, regarding AHO (55).
59. A communication from John Klensin, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
60. A communication from John Patrick, regarding My support for POR 2023 #177 relative to banning or limiting the sale of nips in Cambridge.
61. A communication from John Pitkin, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
62. A communication from John Racine, regarding OPPOSE \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
63. A communication from Josef X Biberstein, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
64. A communication from Joseph Aunce, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
65. A communication from Judy Johnson, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
66. A communication from Julia Schlozman, regarding Vote Yes on AHO Amendments.
67. A communication from Julie C. Baer, regarding Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
68. A communication from Julie Ray, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
69. A communication from Julie Vargus, regarding No to AHO2.0.
70. A communication from Justin Green, regarding subject\_ OPPOSE \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
71. A communication from Kaleb Abebe, regarding Please Vote Against PO23#187 - \_Restore Linear Park\_.
72. A communication from Katherine Beaty, regarding PO23#187 - base the future of Linear Park on fact not fear.
73. A communication from Kevin Moses, regarding In Support\_ AHO Amendments.
74. A communication from Kevin Moses, regarding OPPOSE \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.

75. A communication from Kristen, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
76. A communication from Lahra Tilman, regarding Affordable Housing Overlay 10/16.
77. A communication from Leslie Borden, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
78. A communication from Leslie Ditrani, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
79. A communication from Linda Moussouris, regarding Writing -- once again -- in opposition to Affordable Housing Overlay 2.0 coming before City Council Tonight.
80. A communication from Liz Murphy, regarding \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
81. A communication from Lowry Hemphill, regarding Please restore instead of redesigning Linear Park.
82. A communication from Madeleine, regarding A SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
83. A communication from Maggie Schulz, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
84. A communication from Margaret Studier, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
85. A communication from Margery Davies, regarding PLEASE VOTE IN FAVOR OF PO23#187 -- Restore Linear Park.
86. A communication from Marie Elena Saccoccio, regarding AHO 2\_0\_Zoning restrictions were born from the slums of our city.
87. A communication from Marie Elena Saccoccio, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
88. A communication from Marilee Meyer, regarding AGAINST THE REDESIGN OF LINEAR PARK AS PLANNED.
89. A communication from Mark Goodman, regarding Monday's vote on the AHO amendment.
90. A communication from Marsha Hunter, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
91. A communication from Mary Shetterly, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
92. A communication from Matt DelSordo, regarding OPPOSE \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
93. A communication from Matthew Aronson, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
94. A communication from Melissa Ludtke, regarding Urge your support for \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
95. A communication from Mica Agate-Mays, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
96. A communication from Michael Hoff, regarding AHO Amendments Support.
97. A communication from Michael J. Johnston, regarding CHA Comment for AHO Amendment.
98. A communication from Nancy Lange, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
99. A communication from Neheet Trivedi, regarding 2 Letter in support of City's Linear Park improvement plans.
100. A communication from Neil Miller, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
101. A communication from Neil Miller, regarding Support more green\_ affordable homes.
102. A communication from Nina Herrera, regarding AHO.
103. A communication from Nonie Valentine, regarding Do not support AHO2.
104. A communication from Patrick Knight, regarding Opposition to \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
105. A communication from Paul Barringer, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
106. A communication from Paula V. Cortes, regarding favor of PO23#187 Linear Park.
107. A communication from Pina Morganti, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
108. A communication from Preston Gralla, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
109. A communication from Alex Wang, regarding Proposed Ordinance #2023-7.
110. A communication from Rachel Sandalow-Ash, regarding Cambridge resident supporting the AHO Amendments.
111. A communication from Karen Falb, regarding \_AHO 2.0.
112. A communication from Elena Stone, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
113. A communication from Rebecca Merzius, regarding Funding for Thanksgiving Community Dinner.
114. A communication from Ethan Frank, regarding Replacement digital signs outside City Hall.
115. A communication from Elena Fagotto, regarding Restore Linear Park - Support PO23#187.
116. A communication from Max Rottersman, regarding Restore Linear Park policy order.
117. A communication from Judy Hikes, regarding Restore Linear Park.
118. A communication from Lee Farris, regarding Residents Alliance support for AHO2.
119. A communication from Heather Hoffman, regarding Restore Linear Park\_ don't ruin it.
120. A communication from Nonie Valentine, regarding Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
121. A communication from Sharon deVos, regarding Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
122. A communication from Rika Welsh, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
123. A communication from Robert Camacho, regarding AHO 2.0.
124. A communication from Roberta L. Rubin, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_.
125. A communication from Robin Bledsoe, regarding SUPPORT Restore Linear Park policy order.
126. A communication from Rosa Knudsen, regarding Save Linear Park.
127. A communication from Rose Hanig, regarding Support the Affordable Housing Overlay Amendments.
128. A communication from Ruth Loetterle, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
129. A communication from Raman Solanki, regarding opposition to proposed Portland Loo location in Cambridge Common Park.
130. A communication from Samuel Burgess, regarding Strong Support for Expanding the Alewife Linear Path (OPPOSE PO23#187).
131. A communication from Sara Barcan, regarding Please pass the AHO amendments.
132. A communication from Scott Brightly, regarding OPPOSE \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.

133. A communication from Sebastian Lourido, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
134. A communication from Sharon Block, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
135. A communication from Sharon Herman, regarding AHO.
136. A communication from Steve Bennett, regarding SUPPORT Restore Linear Park policy order.
137. A communication from Susan Ringler, regarding Please Vote YES on PO23#187.
138. A communication from Suzanne Blier, regarding AHO 2.0 - (climate!) FW\_ Getting Building Height Right for the Climate \_ Greentech Media.
139. A communication from Trudi Cohen, regarding SUPPORT Restore Linear Park policy order.
140. A communication from Valerie Hammond, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
141. A communication from Vickey Bestor, regarding Housing \_ Climate\_ and Cambridge's Future.
142. A communication from Vicki Paret, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
143. A communication from Victor Luchangco, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
144. A communication from Vivian Poey, regarding SUPPORT \_Restore Linear Park\_ policy order.
145. A communication from Wayne Welke, regarding Oct 16, 2023 City Council Meeting - Support the 100% AHO Amendments.
146. A communication from Young Kim, regarding My Oral Comment.
147. A communication from Young Kim, regarding Proposed AHO2 must be reviewed in light of CDD's just released Affordable Housing (AH) Stock Data.
148. A communication from Young Kim, regarding Reevaluation of Housing Contribution Rate.
149. A communication from Gabreila Romanow, regarding Linear Park.
150. A communication from Isa Gold, regarding Linear Park Council Order.
151. A communication from Catherine Coleman, regarding Linear Park planning.
152. A communication from Jane Knowles, regarding Linear Park.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

1. Condolences to the family of Marie DiDomenico. Councillor Simmons
2. Condolences to the family of Gale Roseanne Harris. Councillor Simmons
3. Congratulations to Denise Cosby and Faye Rackley for being among the 2023 awardees at this year's Women of Courage and Conviction Awards. Councillor Simmons
4. Congratulations to Paul Glass and Charles D. Evans on their well-deserved 2023 AARP Massachusetts Andrus Award for Community Service. Councillor Simmons
5. Congratulations to the 2023 Tribute to Outstanding Women Honorees, Lilly Marcelin, Rev. Lorraine Thornhill, Nicola Williams, Grace Clemente and Adelina Escamilla-Salomon. Councillor Simmons
6. Condolences to the family of Anna Spera. Councillor Simmons
7. Happy 106th Birthday to Mafalda "Muffie" Gargano. Councillor Toner

8. That the City Council go on record urging all residents to honor the people who have defended our country, as well as those who are serving today, by commemorating Veterans Day on Nov 11, 2023. Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Toner, Councillor McGovern
9. Congratulations to Norma Wassel on being awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award by the National Association of Social Workers. Mayor Siddiqui

## **ORDERS**

1. That the City Manager is requested to work with relevant City staff regarding the feasibility of adding outdoor fitness areas near Rindge Field, St. Peter's Field and other parks throughout the city. Councillor Azeem, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Toner
2. That the City Manager is requested to engage with the Cambridge Housing Authority to collaboratively explore possible solutions and mitigations regarding the immediate parking concerns for the residents in and around Clifton Place during the construction of Jefferson Park Apartments. Councillor Simmons
3. City Council support of 32BJ SEIU Employees. Councillor Simmons, Councillor Azeem, Councillor McGovern
4. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Public Works Department to assess, repave, and repair the stretch of sidewalk between Rivermark Apartments and the River Street Walgreen's. Councillor Simmons
5. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Community Development Department and the City Solicitor to look at possible base zoning changes for a new residential use that has a first-floor mixed-use option or other zoning alternative, to review the city's permit policy for extending construction hours/days & propose changes that more significantly protect residents' quality of life, and to work with the Department of Public Health to look at ways the City's board of health, under the Nuisance Law, might further restrict undue noise. Councillor Carlone, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Nolan
6. That the City Manager is requested to work with relevant departments and the consultant team and deliver an update on Municipal Broadband and Digital Equity by December 2023. Councillor Nolan, Mayor Siddiqui
7. That the City Manager is requested to work with relevant departments to engage with various stakeholders including recycling advocates, package store owners, and business associations, and report back to the city council with a list of recommendations to reduce the use of miniature liquor bottles. Councillor Nolan
8. That the City Manager is requested to work with relevant departments to report back to the City Council with an update to the Mar 23, 2021 report on the process of banning various single-use plastics in line with the discussion during the Health and Environment Committee meeting and actions by the state and by various municipalities. Councillor Nolan



9. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Traffic, Parking, and Transportation Department, the Police Department, and other relevant City departments to meet with residents of the neighborhood and develop an action plan to improve safety on Clinton Street and reduce speeding vehicles. Councillor Nolan
10. City Council support of letter to State Lawmakers on the Mass Clean Heat Platform. Councillor Nolan, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Zondervan
11. That the City Manager is hereby requested to light up City Hall teal on Nov 2, 2023 in honor of Alzheimer's Awareness Month. Mayor Siddiqui (PO23#198)
12. That the Regular City Council Meeting on Nov 27, 2023, following the Thanksgiving Holiday, be and hereby is cancelled. Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Simmons
13. City Council support of H. 872 An Act establishing a climate change superfund and promoting polluter responsibility, and the companion bill S. 481. Councillor Zondervan, Councillor Carlone
14. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Law Department and other relevant City departments and prepare a report regarding the efficacy of establishing a dual reporting system for the Director of Public Health, the process by which the City could establish by ordinance a Commissioner of Public Health who would report directly to the City Manager, and the reestablishment of a Health Policy Board. Councillor Nolan, Vice Mayor Mallon

#### **COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS**

1. A communication from Diane LeBlanc, City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity.
2. A communication from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee.

#### **HEARING SCHEDULE**

##### **Wed, Oct 25**

3:00pm The **Health and Environment Committee** will hold a public meeting from 3:00pm-5:00pm to discuss, review, and evaluate the Zero Waste Master Plan and plan reports and updates, and to discuss possible ways to further reduce waste in Cambridge including exploring how the city might eliminate single-use plastics including but not limited to nips, bottled water, and utensils.

##### **Mon, Oct 30**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Tues, Oct 31**

12:00pm The **Finance Committee** will hold a public hearing from 12:00pm-2:00pm to discuss two status updates: Participatory Budgeting and on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding in Cambridge.

##### **Mon, Nov 6**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Tues, Nov 7**

5:30pm The **Charter Review Committee** (Zoom only)

##### **Wed, Nov 8**

3:00pm The **Public Safety Committee** will hold a public hearing from 3:00pm-5:00pm to discuss the results of the inquest regarding the Police shooting of Arif Sayed Faisal. **[CANCELLED]**

##### **Thurs, Nov 9**

1:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will hold a public hearing from 1:00pm to 3:00pm to consider changes to the Cambridge Municipal Code that would establish an American Freedmen Commission, PO23#185.

##### **Mon, Nov 13**

3:00pm Roundtable/Working City Council Meeting to receive an update from the City Manager and relevant departments on the Central Square City Lots Study.

##### **Wed, Nov 15**

3:00pm The **Public Safety Committee** will hold a public hearing from 3:00pm-5:00pm to discuss and receive updates from the Community Safety Department and HEART.

##### **Mon, Nov 20**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Tues, Nov 21**

12:30pm The **Transportation and Public Utilities Committee** will hold a public hearing from 12:30pm-2:30pm to discuss bicycle ridership and bike lane usage data.

5:30pm The Charter Review Committee (Zoom only)

##### **Mon, Nov 27**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Tues, Nov 28**

12:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will hold a public meeting from 12:00pm to 2:00pm to continue the discussion on an amendment to the Building Energy Use Disclosure Ordinance that would require new covered properties to achieve net zero by 2030.

##### **Wed, Nov 29**

2:00pm The **Ordinance Committee** will hold a public hearing at 2:00pm on a Zoning Petition by Allene R. Pierson et al. to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge by amending Section 4.31(i)(3) of the Table of Use Regulations such that "Lodging House" is changed from a permitted use ("Yes<sup>7</sup>") to a prohibited use ("No") in the Residence C, C-1, C-1A, C-2, C-2A, C-2B, C-3, C3A, and C-3B zoning districts.

##### **Mon, Dec 4**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Tues, Dec 5**

5:30pm The **Charter Review Committee** (Zoom only)

##### **Mon, Dec 11**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Mon, Dec 18**

5:30pm City Council Meeting

##### **Tues, Dec 19**

5:30pm The **Charter Review Committee** (Zoom only)

#### **TEXT OF ORDERS**

O-1 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

COUNCILLOR TONER

WHEREAS: Outdoor gym equipment exists in several of our parks, including Magazine Beach and the recently renovated Sennott Park; and

WHEREAS: They are popular amongst residents who wish to get a low-cost workout in while enjoying the outdoors; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge should look into adding more of these outdoor fitness areas with pull up bars and other calisthenics equipment to our parks; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with relevant City staff regarding the feasibility of adding

outdoor fitness areas near Rindge Field, St. Peter's Field and other parks throughout the City and report back to the City Council.

O-2 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: The City Council has been made aware of the parking difficulties experienced by residents in and around Clifton Place due to the ongoing construction and renovations of the Jefferson Park Apartments; and

WHEREAS: In an effort to address these concerns, members of the City Council have reached out to the Cambridge Housing Authority (CHA) to determine if there may be any remedies to these issues during the most acute phases of construction; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Housing Authority has responded that unfortunately, due to the nature of the construction and the space limitations in the area, they are unable to provide significant mitigation to the parking concerns and that they shall continue working with their tenants, keeping them informed of the work being done and their efforts to assist them during this period and going forward; and

WHEREAS: The City Council acknowledges that parking for residents in this neighborhood had already been challenging prior to construction, that many of these residents do rely upon their ability to drive to doctor's appointments and grocery stores and have the ability to park their vehicles at the conclusion of these trips, that this has been a growing challenge for these residents, and that the City should make every effort to determine whether there may yet be some relief that can be offered to these residents; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to engage with the Cambridge Housing Authority to collaboratively explore possible solutions and mitigations regarding the immediate parking concerns for the residents in and around Clifton Place during the construction of Jefferson Park Apartments, as well as to determine what parking options may be available to these residents at the conclusion of this construction, and to report back to the City Council in a timely manner.

O-3 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

COUNCILLOR AZEEM

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: The collectively bargained agreement covering 12,000 cleaners in New England who are members of 32BJ SEIU, including over 1,200 individuals working in Cambridge, is set to expire on Nov 15, 2023; and

WHEREAS: While many of Greater Boston's office workers were able to work from home during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, these essential workers risked their own health to maintain safe and healthy spaces for on-site employees, researchers, and visitors at many valuable Cambridge properties; and

WHEREAS: These cleaners were also essential to enabling the continued innovation and growth of critical life science and high-tech industries, supporting hundreds of thousands of high-income jobs in the region, and maintained some of the most valuable commercial real estate in the entire country; and

WHEREAS: These essential workers, mostly immigrants and people of color, have shouldered an outsized share of the economic burden on their communities, which have felt the worst health and socio-economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as the civil and human rights injustices highlighted throughout the past several years; and

WHEREAS: The pandemic also highlighted the importance of extending more opportunities for full-time jobs providing health coverage for more families; and

WHEREAS: These negotiations are an opportunity to recognize the sacrifices made by our essential workers during the past several years, and their continued importance to our local economy; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council go on record strongly encouraging building owners and cleaning employers to support high standards for cleaners and a fair contract that ensures strong wage increases, more opportunities to work full-time and receive employer-provided family health coverage, improved benefits and paid time off, so that these essential workers, their families, and their communities, can continue to create a fairer economy for all; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to SEIU Local 32BJ – New England District 615 on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-4 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that residents of Rivermark Apartments have cited concerns about their ability to walk from their building to the Walgreen's on River Street due to the uneven nature of the sidewalk; and

WHEREAS: Especially for those with mobility impairments, making their way along this stretch of sidewalk can be dangerous due to the variety of bumps, cracks, pockmarks, and the general sense of disrepair that is found there; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Public Works Department to assess, repave, and repair the stretch of sidewalk between Rivermark Apartments and the River Street Walgreen's, and to report back to the City Council on this matter in a timely manner.

O-5 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

WHEREAS: In recent years, the Council has received numerous resident complaints concerning loud noises early in the morning and late at night caused by rubbish truck pick-ups and extended construction work hours; and

WHEREAS: Public Health studies have established a correlation between poor sleep and adverse effects on mental and physical health, which often can be exacerbated by loud and/or sustained noise; and

WHEREAS: While Cambridge's noise control ordinance (Cambridge Municipal Code (CMC) 8.16.080) limits noise from the unloading of garbage cans or similar objects to the hours of 7am-9pm on weekdays and 9am-9pm on weekends and holidays, and limits construction-related noise to the hours of 7am-6pm on weekdays and 9am-6pm on weekends and holidays, there are several loopholes that diminish the effectiveness of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS: Massachusetts General Law (MGL) Chapter 111 Section 31A states that, while a permit from the board of health is required in order to transport garbage through the streets of a given city/town, "no rules or regulations shall restrict the hours of the day when garbage, offal or other offensive substances may be collected in areas zoned for business, commercial or industrial use"; and

WHEREAS: In line with the goal of expanding the quantity of housing units in the city, residential development has been

encouraged in former industrially zoned areas and in Planned Unit Development (PUD) zoning districts with a Special Permit, and such development remained allowed in Mixed-use Districts such as Massachusetts Ave and other major corridors; and

WHEREAS: The greatest percentage of these areas have a base zone that is Office, Business or Industrial, which, according to the State law cited above, allows commercial building trash pick-up at any hour in base zone areas that are not residential even immediately adjacent to residential neighbors; and

WHEREAS: Construction companies for the MBTA and private developers have further requested and received city permission to expand construction hours including longer daily hours and work on weekends, which further spreads related construction noise during normally quieter hours for nearby residents; and

WHEREAS: The “Nuisance Law” (MGL Chapter 111 Section 122) grants local boards of health the power to regulate, among other things, “nuisances... which may, in its opinion, be injurious to the public health... and shall make regulations for the public health and safety relative thereto...”; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Community Development Department and the City Solicitor to look at possible base zoning changes for a new residential use that has a first-floor mixed-use option or other zoning alternative that is in accordance with Massachusetts General Law; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to review the city’s permit policy for extending construction hours/days & propose changes that more significantly protect residents’ quality of life and need for quiet, restful time; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Department of Public Health to look at ways the city’s board of health, under the Nuisance Law, might further restrict undue noise from garbage pickups, construction, or other regulatable sources of excessive, early morning/late night noise; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on these directives by Dec 1, 2023.

O-6 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: The City Council held a roundtable meeting on Mar 13, 2023 for the purpose of receiving an update on the Municipal Broadband Feasibility Study from the City Manager and the consultant team; and

WHEREAS: The Digital Equity Study conducted by the City of Cambridge pointed out serious issues with affordability of internet services and the recommendations included several important recommendations to address digital equity challenges including conducting a feasibility study on municipal broadband services; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with relevant departments and the consultant team and deliver an update on Municipal Broadband and Digital Equity by December 2023.

O-7 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

WHEREAS: The Health and Environment Committee met on Oct 25, 2023 and voted favorably that the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with relevant departments to engage with various stakeholders including recycling advocates, package store owners, and business associations, and report back to the City

Council with a list of recommendations to reduce the use of miniature liquor bottles; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with relevant departments to engage with various stakeholders including recycling advocates, package store owners, and business associations, and report back to the City Council with a list of recommendations to reduce the use of miniature liquor bottles.

O-8 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

WHEREAS: The Health and Environment Committee met on Oct 25, 2023 and voted favorably that the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with relevant departments to report back to the City Council with an update to the Mar 23, 2021 report on the process of banning various single-use plastics in line with the discussion during the Health and Environment Committee meeting and actions by the state and by various municipalities; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with relevant departments to report back to the City Council with an update to the Mar 23, 2021 report on the process of banning various single-use plastics in line with the discussion during the Health and Environment Committee meeting and actions by the state and by various municipalities.

O-9 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

WHEREAS: It has been brought to the attention of the City Council that residents and neighbors of Clinton Street have been concerned with high speed vehicles consistently driving above the speed limit and reportedly sometime at speeds exceeding 50 mph; and

WHEREAS: A number of residents want the City to take action to reduce the speed of vehicles for the safety of the people living on Clinton Street, including children and elderly residents, with their desire to have speed tables installed in front of 25 Clinton Street and 10 Clinton Street; and

WHEREAS: Clinton Street connects Harvard Street and Massachusetts Avenue and often sees vehicles turning off of Harvard Street to cut through to Massachusetts Avenue; and

WHEREAS: It is an ongoing mission of the City to reduce traffic speeds to improve road safety, often through traffic enforcement and through infrastructure traffic smoothing measures, often at the request of community members; and

WHEREAS: Traffic calming measures help safety and improve quality of life in neighborhoods, and the city has taken many approaches to slow the speed of traffic and increase safety including speed tables, sidewalk neck downs, and roadway markings; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Traffic, Parking, and Transportation Department, the Police Department, and other relevant City departments to meet with residents of the neighborhood and develop an action plan to improve safety on Clinton Street and reduce speeding vehicles by improving traffic enforcement and traffic smoothing efforts in the area and report back to the City Council in a timely manner.

O-10 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: On May 1, 2023, the City Council unanimously passed a policy order in support of a comment letter on potential Clean Heat Standard regulations prepared by several environmentally

focused groups and sent to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection; and  
WHEREAS: These environmentally focused groups, including CLF, Green Energy Consumers, Acadia Center, PLAN, Mothers Out Front, and HEET, have now worked to develop a letter to the Massachusetts State Legislature with a specific legislative platform which they call the Mass Clean Heat Platform; and  
WHEREAS: The letter these groups produced highlights many of Cambridge's climate goals and may be supported by signing onto the letter; now therefore be it  
RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record endorsing the attached letter and supporting the Mass Clean Heat Platform; and be it further  
RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the sponsors of the letter on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-11 Oct 30, 2023

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: Alzheimer's Awareness Month occurs every November to honor and spread awareness about Alzheimer's disease; and  
WHEREAS: This disease affects more than 6.2 million Americans and that number is expected to increase; and  
WHEREAS: Alzheimer's disease is one of the top ten leading causes of death in the U.S.; and  
WHEREAS: Thurs, Nov 2, 2023, landmarks around the world will light up in teal as part of the Alzheimer's Foundation of America's annual Light the World in Teal initiative for Alzheimer's Awareness Month; and  
WHEREAS: Last year, more than 400 landmarks around the globe participated by turning their lights to teal to show their support of the Alzheimer's Foundation of America's efforts to educate people about the Alzheimer's disease and the importance of early detection; now therefore be it  
RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record recognizing November 2nd as the annual Light the World in Teal initiative for Alzheimer's Awareness Month; and be it further  
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to light up City Hall teal on Nov 2, 2023 in honor of Alzheimer's Awareness Month.

O-12 Oct 30, 2023

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS

ORDERED: That the Regular City Council Meeting on Nov 27, 2023, following the Thanksgiving Holiday, be and hereby is cancelled.

O-13 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: This legislative session, H. 872, *An Act establishing a climate change superfund and promoting polluter responsibility* by Representative Steve Owens, and a companion bill S. 481 was filed by Senator James Eldridge, which if passed would establish a climate change superfund and require the largest oil and gas companies to pay \$75 billion over 25 years; and  
WHEREAS: Climate change poses multiple threats to the City of Cambridge, including extreme heat, flooding, poor air quality, and other extreme weather and secondary impacts; and  
WHEREAS: Oil and gas companies bear responsibility for exacerbating the climate crisis and have consistently misrepresented the destructive impacts of fossil fuel combustion on the global climate; and

WHEREAS: To pay for climate adaptation and resilience projects, our city will require external funding, and the passage of these bills in the State House and Senate would generate \$75 billion over 25 years, providing the means for Cambridge to adapt to climate impacts in a just and meaningful manner; and  
WHEREAS: The proposed legislation mandates that 40% of the funding be allocated to projects benefiting environmental justice communities, while also strongly encouraging adherence to prevailing wage laws and the utilization of apprenticeship programs; now therefore be it  
RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record in support of H. 872 and S. 481; and be it further  
RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to our State delegation on behalf of the entire City Council.

O-14 Oct 30, 2023

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

VICE MAYOR MALLON

WHEREAS: On Oct 17, 2023, the Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee and the Health and Environment Committee held a joint meeting to discuss the relationship between the city and the Cambridge Health Alliance including a review of the operations and budget of the Public Health Department, the Cambridge Health Alliance annual contract with the City of Cambridge, legal options for structuring the public health board, and other ways to best serve the community's public health needs; and  
WHEREAS: Ideas suggested during the meeting to analyze the relationship included: ensuring yearly reporting requirements are complete and up to date, ensuring both parties are in compliance with current contract requirements, ensuring the City is in compliance with current ordinances, and hiring a consultant to review the relationship; and  
WHEREAS: During the meeting a number of questions were raised regarding the reporting structure of the Cambridge Health Alliance, the makeup of certain advisory boards, and the process by which the City could make changes to the relationship between the Cambridge Health Alliance and the City; now therefore be it  
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Law Department and other relevant City departments and prepare a report responding to several questions raised during the meeting, including: the efficacy of establishing a dual reporting system for the Director of Public Health, the process by which the City could establish by ordinance a Commissioner of Public Health who would report directly to the City Manager, and the reestablishment of a Health Policy Board; and be it further  
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to consider hiring a consultant to review the current relationship between the Cambridge Health Alliance and the City to help the City better understand optimal configuration for the public health department to provide for the public health of city residents; and be it further  
ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council with a report and recommendations in a timely manner.