

## **CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA**

1. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of \$64,230 from Free Cash to the General Fund Elections Department Salary and Wages account (\$24,700), to the Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$38,930) and to the Travel and Training account (\$600), to cover the additional costs associated with the Special State Primary and Special State Election for the 1st Suffolk and Middlesex Senate District to fill the vacancy formerly held by State Senator Joseph A. Boncore.
2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of Kimberly Massenburg, Ph.D., Executive Director of the Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House as a member of the Community Benefits Advisory Committee for a term of three years, effective Dec 13, 2021, as recommended by the Cambridge Nonprofit Coalition.
3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appointment of Police Department Deputy Superintendent Frederick Cabral as a member of the Human Services Commission for a term of three years, effective Dec 13, 2021.
4. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 21-87, regarding a report on senior scam prevention efforts.
5. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to new appointments and reappointments of the following persons as members of the Cambridge Immigrant Rights & Citizenship for a term of three years, effective Dec 13, 2021 - New Appointments: Eva Gottschalk, Abhishek Raman and Joe Manok. Reappointments: Karim El Razzaz and Jennifer Sparks.
6. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to new appointments and reappointments of the following persons as members of the Human Rights Commission for a term of three years, effective Dec 13, 2021 - New Appointments: Stephen Curran and Judith Laguerre and Reappointments: Yasmin Padamsee Forbes.

## **CHARTER RIGHT**

1. That the City Clerk is requested to forward the Home Rule Petition establishing a Net Zero emissions requirement for building construction in Cambridge in accordance with its Net Zero Action Plan, adopted in 2015, to the entire state legislative delegation for immediate adoption. [Charter Right Exercised By Councillor Zondervan In Council Dec 6, 2021]

## **ON THE TABLE**

2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 21-13, regarding next steps on implementation of Universal Pre-K. [Tabled May 17, 2021]
3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 21-

41, regarding a report on closing Mass Ave from Prospect Street to Sidney Street on Friday and Saturday evenings. [Charter Right – McGovern, June 28, 2021; Tabled Aug 2, 2021]

4. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to Awaiting Report Item Number 21-56, regarding improvements to Jerry's Pond and along Rindge Avenue. [Table – Siddiqui, Sept 13, 2021]
5. That the attached Home Petition titled "Petition For An Act Authorizing The City Of Cambridge To Enact An Ordinance To Limit And Monitor Campaign Donations In Local Elections By Individuals Seeking Financial Reward From The City Of Cambridge" be forwarded to the General Court for adoption. [Tabled Dec 6, 2021]

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

6. That the City Council adopt a municipal ordinance to reduce or limit campaign donations from donors seeking to enter into a contract, seeking approval for a special permit or up-zoning, seeking to acquire real estate from the city, or seeking financial assistance from the city; Ordinance #2020-27. [Tabled Nov 8, 2021; Passed To 2nd Reading Dec 6, 2021; To Be Ordained on or after Dec 20, 2021]

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

1. A communication was received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission, regarding Fiscal Year 2023 Appropriation.
2. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding Review Comments for North Mass Ave Cycling Ordinance Implementation Contract in support of POR 2021 #259.
3. A communication was received from Young Kim, regarding Policy Order 1.
4. A communication was received from Saul Tannenbaum, regarding As a matter of digital equity Carl Barron Plaza needs full and robust WiFi coverage.
5. A communication was received from Robert Camacho, regarding Quick Build Bike Safety Ordinance.
6. A communication was received from Lori DiLiddo, regarding To Human Services Veterans Meeting Re: Carl Barron Plaza.
7. A communication was received from Guillemette Simmers, regarding Green New Deal Petition.
8. A communication was received from Annette Osgood, regarding Support Policy Order 259 For a business impact report an implementation process and an evaluation of the protected bike lanes.
9. A communication was received from Hasson Rashid, regarding Homeless Persons' Memorial Day is commemorated annually.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution on the death of Georgina Ober (Estrella). Councillor Toomey
2. Resolution on the death of Idalyn (Parise) Nicoloro. Councillor Toomey

3. Retirement of Loyd Lewis from the Cambridge Police Department. Councillor Toomey
4. Congratulations to Rachael Rollins. Councillor Simmons, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor McGovern
5. Wishing Danielle Mishkin a Happy Birthday. Councillor Simmons
6. Congratulations to Dr. Norma Finkelstein. Councillor Nolan, Mayor Siddiqui
7. Congratulating Silkroad Ensemble. Mayor Siddiqui

## **ORDERS**

1. Fossil Fuel Special Permit Policy Order. Councillor Nolan, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Zondervan, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler
2. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Election Commission to send voter notification cards for both primary and general special elections. Vice Mayor Mallon, Mayor Siddiqui
3. COVID19 Expert Advisory Panel. Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Nolan, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler
4. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Department of Human Service Programs, the Cambridge Police Department, and other relevant departments to create a publicly accessible, comprehensive list of violence prevention programs that exist in the city and to place this list on the City's website. Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Simmons, Councillor McGovern
5. Reaffirming Commitment to the Goal of 100% Renewable by 2035. Councillor Zondervan, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Nolan
6. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Director of Traffic, Parking, and Transportation and Divco West regarding the spending plan and possible reallocation for the anticipated GLX refunds, and to report to the City Council on the use of GLX Project Participation Agreement funding in a timely manner. Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler, Vice Mayor Mallon, Mayor Siddiqui, Councillor Zondervan

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. The Ordinance Committee met on Sept 9, 2021 to discuss the possibility of amending the ordinance to extend the preference period, and to explore what additional financial assistance the City may be able to help Economic Empowerment applicants obtain during that extended period, and to provide an opportunity to hear from stakeholders on this.
  - A. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the City Solicitor to provide a report to the City Council on ways either the City or another entity can provide financial assistance to Group A Priority applicants in order to assist them in opening their businesses. Councillor Simmons, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler,

Councillor McGovern, Councillor Nolan, Councillor Zondervan

- B. That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Community Development Department in collaboration with EE and SE applicants create a standard operating procedure document and that the City determine a single point of contact throughout the process to assist applicants in streamlining the application process. Councillor Simmons, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Sobrinho-Wheeler, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Nolan, Councillor Zondervan

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

1. A communication was received from Anthony Wilson, City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity.
2. A communication was received from Councillor Simmons, transmitting an update to the members of the City Council and to the public on the process around the search for the City's next city manager.

Mr. Anthony Wilson  
Clerk of Cambridge  
Cambridge City Hall

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Please include this correspondence on the agenda as part of *Communications and Reports from City Officers* for the City Council meeting being held on December 13, 2021. As Chair of the Government Operations and Rules Committee, I wish to provide a brief update to the members of the City Council and to the public on the process around the search for the City's next city manager.

Earlier this term, I led the [Government Operations and Rules Committee](#) through a series of hearings in which the Committee members discussed what we would all like to see as part of this search process, and it was agreed that the best course of action would be to hire an outside consultant to lead us forward. On August 19, the Purchasing Department issued a [Request For Proposals For Consultant Services For Executive Recruitment For City Manager](#), which stayed open until September 9. Following this period, an RFP Evaluation Committee, which included some members of the City Council, was convened to review what had been submitted to the City. On December 8, the Purchasing Department extended an offer to engage the services of Randi Frank Consulting, LLC.

The next steps of this process will involve the finalizing of this agreement between the City and the consultant, as well as the City's appointment of a lead liaison to the consultant. Once Randi Frank Consulting, LLC officially embarks upon this endeavor, I anticipate more details of this process shall be made public early in the new year. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
City Councilor E. Denise Simmons

3. A communication was received from Councillor Zondervan, transmitting proposed amendments to Calendar #1.
4. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting Communication from the School Committee.

#### HEARING SCHEDULE

##### **Mon, Dec 13**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Wed, Dec 15**

5:30pm The Ordinance Committee will meet to conduct a public hearing on the Off-Street Parking

##### **Thurs, Dec 16**

5:30pm The Human Services and Veterans Committee will hold a public hearing to receive a report from the Department of Human Services Programs regarding changes made to DHSP after school programs. (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Dec 20**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Dec 27**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Jan 3**

10:00am Inaugural City Council Meeting and Election of the Mayor (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Jan 10**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Jan 24**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Jan 31**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Feb 7**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Feb 14**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Feb 28**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Mar 7**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Mar 14**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Mar 21**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Mar 28**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Apr 4**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Apr 11**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, Apr 25**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, May 2**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, May 9**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, May 16**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, May 23**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, June 6**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, June 13**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, June 20**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

##### **Mon, June 27**

5:30pm City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

#### TEXT OF ORDERS

O-1 Dec 13, 2021

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER

WHEREAS: The climate crisis poses an extreme and existential threat to society, and scientists agree that current and planned actions on all levels of government will not be enough to escape the worst symptoms; and

WHEREAS: The continuous addition of greenhouse gasses (GHGs) into the atmosphere through the burning of fossil fuels is a public health threat and deepens inequities faced by our most vulnerable residents as environmental injustices continue to grow; and

WHEREAS: The City Council has started a number of initiatives related to climate, including joining the Cities for Climate Protection in 1999, and launching various programs the past two decades, including a Climate Protection Action Plan, The Cambridge Compact for a Sustainable Future, a Net Zero Action Plan, a Climate Resiliency Task Force, all of which have worked to address the need to reduce GHG emissions and prepare for a changed world; and

WHEREAS: Despite concerted efforts, Cambridge's community emissions have remained relatively flat for the last decade, and building emissions overall have not decreased, and the City has never achieved past goals to reduce community emissions despite these many efforts and the stated need for dramatic reduction; and

WHEREAS: Approximately 80% of Cambridge's GHG emissions come from buildings, the City has appropriately focused on ways to reduce that number as key to meeting goals for overall reductions; and

WHEREAS: The elimination of burning fossil fuels (particularly through the electrification of buildings) is the most impactful way to meet climate goals, and the City Council in 2017 [voted unanimously](#) to go on record supporting a goal of using 100% clean and renewable energy in Cambridge, including in building energy use and transportation, by 2035; and

WHEREAS: The challenge of reducing all existing buildings to zero emissions is already daunting, and if new buildings are allowed to increase emissions with new fossil fuel infrastructure the climate crisis will only worsen; and

WHEREAS: State law allows municipalities to attach conditions to special permits, which provides a way for Cambridge to move more quickly to a zero-emissions city; and

WHEREAS: The Town of Brookline has recently passed a [bylaw](#) that would place conditions on permits for construction projects and major renovations by issuing special permits without a time condition to all zero emissions buildings and time-limited permits to buildings that choose to install new fossil fuel infrastructure; and

WHEREAS: This approach incentivizes electrification for all new buildings and substantial renovations, using the special permit process to send a clear signal to the market about the immediate need for zero emissions; and

WHEREAS: Brookline has thoroughly researched to ensure no conflicts with state law and has established a [clear legal rationale](#) for this type of ordinance; and

WHEREAS: An ordinance change would incentivize developers to construct without fossil fuel infrastructure while simultaneously encouraging the use of renewable energy sources; and

WHEREAS: This ordinance change would work in tandem with the BEUDO amendments and Green New Deal proposal to target Cambridge's building stock, the City's largest emitters, while the state develops an option for a net-zero stretch code; and

WHEREAS: The current climate actions as written into ordinance and the Net Zero Action Plan are not sufficient to reach our emissions reduction goals, and new buildings are in planning now, making new and more aggressive plans crucial in the climate emergency; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the city's zoning staff to propose possible zoning language that would achieve the goals of incentivizing all construction to be fossil fuel free through a possible special permit process, and consider the attached documents, the Brookline example and a possible Cambridge-based example, in the review; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council in a timely manner, and by February 1, 2022.

#### CAMBRIDGE POSSIBLE DRAFT:

Amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge to include the language below:

In Article 10.000 Appeals, Variances, and Special Permits, add a Section 10.60 On-Site Fossil Fuel Infrastructure that reads as follows:

#### Section 10.60: On-Site Fossil Fuel Infrastructure

##### 1. Purpose

This section is adopted by the City of Cambridge, to protect the health and welfare of the inhabitants of the City from air pollution, including greenhouse gas emissions that cause climate change and thereby threaten the City and its inhabitants.

##### 2. Definitions

As used in this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"New Building" is defined as a building not in existence on the date of an application for a special permit that is subject to this section.

"On-Site Fossil Fuel Infrastructure" is defined as fossil fuel piping that is in a building, in connection with a building, or otherwise within the property lines of premises, including piping that extends from a supply source; provided, however, that "On-Site Fossil Fuel Infrastructure" shall not include:

- a. Fuel gas piping connecting a supply source to a meter or to the meter itself; or
- b. Fossil fuel piping related to backup electrical generators, cooking appliances or portable propane appliances for outdoor cooking and heating.

"Significant Rehabilitation" is defined as an alteration, requiring a building permit, to a building in existence on the date of an application for a special permit that is subject to this section, and that:

- a. For existing buildings regulated by the 9th Edition of the Massachusetts State Building Code 780 CMR 51.00, the Massachusetts Residential Code, includes the reconfiguration of space or building systems, in which the Work Area is more than 75% of the gross floor area as defined in the Zoning Ordinance prior to the project; or
- b. For existing buildings regulated by the 9th Edition of the Massachusetts State Building Code 780 CMR 34.00, the Massachusetts State Basic Commercial Code, includes the

reconfiguration of space and/or building systems, in which the Work Area is more than 50% of the gross floor area, as defined by the Massachusetts Building Code, prior to the project.

"Work Area" is defined as the aggregate area of those portions of a building affected by alterations for the reconfiguration of space or building systems, including new floor area added as a result of the alteration, as indicated in the drawings associated with a building permit application. Excluded from the calculation of Work Area are those portions of a building where only repairs, refinishing or incidental work occur or where work not initially intended by the applicant is specifically required by an inspector from the Building Department pursuant to the applicable building code.

#### 3. Applicability

The requirements of this section shall apply to all special permit applications for New Buildings or Significant Rehabilitations proposed to be located in whole or in part within the City or for uses to be located within such New Buildings or Significant Rehabilitations, as well as to applications for the continuation of New Buildings, Significant Rehabilitations or uses authorized by a special permit previously issued subject to this section, except as follows:

- a. The requirements of this section shall apply only to project proposals that
  1. Require a special permit pursuant to section 10.40 for the proposed structure, alteration or use; not including 100% affordable housing projects and
  2. Include a New Building or Significant Rehabilitation as defined in this section.
- b. The requirements of this section shall not apply to any application for a special permit granted on or before the later of March 1, 2022 or the date of first issuance of Planning Board guidelines pursuant to paragraph 7 of this section.
- c. The requirements of this section shall not apply to the piping, in buildings with floor areas less than 10,000 square feet, required to produce potable or domestic hot water from centralized hot water systems if the Engineer of Record certifies that no commercially available electric hot water heater can meet the building's hot water demand for less than 150% of installation or operational costs, compared to a conventional fossil-fuel hot water system.
- d. The requirements of this section shall not apply to the extension or modification of heating systems via HVAC system modification, or modification of radiator, steam, or hot water piping if fossil fuel piping is not installed.
- e. The requirements of this section shall not apply to health care uses that require licensure or certification as a healthcare facility by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.
- f. The requirements of this section shall not apply to repairs or replacement of any existing portions of a fuel piping system deemed unsafe or dangerous by the Plumbing and Gas Fitting Inspector.
- g. The requirements of this section shall not apply to any required back-up emergency system.
- h. The requirements of this section shall not apply to any application for a special permit, made pursuant to the Design Review requirements of section 5.09, if no other special permit is otherwise required.
- i. The requirements of this section shall not apply to any application for a special permit for the renovation, reconstruction, alteration or extension of a nonconforming single or two-family residence, where the only relief needed



represents an increase or intensification of a nonconformity lawfully in existence at the time the applicable provision of the Zoning Ordinance became effective.

4. Climate Responsive Conditions for Approval of Special Permits  
Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Planning Board or Board of Zoning Appeal shall not approve any special permit application made pursuant to section 10.40 unless the Board finds that:

- a. The proposal does not involve the installation of any new On-Site Fossil Fuel Infrastructure or the continuation of any On-Site Fossil Fuel Infrastructure installed pursuant to a special permit previously issued subject to this section; or
- b. The proposal involves the installation of On-Site Fossil Fuel Infrastructure or the continuation of any On-Site Fossil Fuel Infrastructure installed pursuant to a special permit previously issued subject to this section; provided, however, that either:
  1. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph 4, subparagraph b(2) of this section, the special permit shall be conditionally approved for a term not to exceed five years from the date of its first exercise or until January 1, 2030, whichever is later; or
  2. Where a special permit has previously been issued subject to paragraph 4, subparagraph b(1) of this section, it may, for good cause, be renewed, one or more times, for a term not to exceed one year; or

5. Waivers

A waiver from the requirements of paragraph 4 of this section may be approved by the Planning Board or Board of Zoning Appeal, in its special permit decision, upon a finding:

- a. If supported by a detailed cost comparison provided by the applicant, that strict compliance with the requirements of paragraph 4 would be financially infeasible, including after utilizing available rebates and credits, or otherwise impractical to implement; or
- b. That strict compliance with the requirements of paragraph 4 would result in the loss of new affordable housing units eligible for inclusion in the Department of Housing and Community Development Chapter 40B Subsidized Housing Inventory.

No modification of a special permit, the rights under which have previously been exercised, shall grant a waiver from the requirements of this section. In considering any waiver request, the Planning Board or Board of Zoning Appeal shall evaluate whether particular portions of a project are financially infeasible or impractical to implement, or would result in the loss of new affordable housing units, and the Board shall issue waivers narrowly for those portions, where appropriate, rather than for an entire project.

6. Notices

For a special permit granted subject to paragraph 4, subparagraph b of this section, any notice that is required to be recorded pursuant to M.G.L. c.40A, §11, shall include a statement detailing the condition upon which the special permit was granted.

For all properties subject to a special permit conditioned on a time limitation pursuant to paragraph 4, subparagraph b(1) of this section, the City Manager or designee will provide notice to the owner of record of the expiration of said special permit and the requirement of compliance with this section. Such notice will be first provided not less than three (3) years prior to the expiration of such a special permit, and annually thereafter; provided, however, that the failure of the City Manager or designee to issue timely notices pursuant to this paragraph shall not be

deemed to prevent the Building Commissioner from seeking to enforce the requirements of this section or otherwise to operate as a defense to any such enforcement action.

7. Rules, Regulations, and Guidelines

No later than March 1, 2022, the Planning Board or Board of Zoning Appeals shall adopt, and may in its discretion thereafter amend, guidelines for procedures and waivers that will provide for the uniform and equitable application of this section. The Planning Board or Board of Zoning Appeal may consider such guidelines in making special permit decisions subject to this section.

O-2 Dec 13, 2021

VICE MAYOR MALLON

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

WHEREAS: Special elections that occur outside the normal election season have historically lower voter turnout rates; and

WHEREAS: The Election Commission is responsible for keeping and disseminating timely information about upcoming elections; and

WHEREAS: Many Cambridge voters rely on the informational postcards from the Election Commission to remind them of upcoming elections and voter registration deadlines; and

WHEREAS: Special elections, for either the primary or general special election, are not currently included in the Election Commission's scope for reminder postcards; and

WHEREAS: Adding special elections to the scope would have a direct impact on voter turnout for these elections that are just as critical as elections that occur at regularly scheduled times; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Election Commission to send voter notification cards for both primary and general special elections; and further be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager respond by the December 20th regular City Council meeting.

O-3 Dec 13, 2021

MAYOR SIDDIQUI

VICE MAYOR MALLON

COUNCILLOR NOLAN

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER

WHEREAS: The City originally launched a COVID19 Expert Advisory Panel in March 2020 at the onset of the Coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS: The panel was comprised of medical experts as well as epidemiologists; and

WHEREAS: The panel provided invaluable insight and information about best practices during a time of great uncertainty; and

WHEREAS: As the COVID19 virus continues to mutate into new variants such as Delta, Omicron, and others it is important for the City to stay abreast on the details of these mutations, and how we as a city can best prepare and respond using these informed public health strategies; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to reconvene the COVID19 Expert Advisory Panel with a specific focus on combating variants; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back on this matter to the City Council by the December 20th regular City Council meeting.

O-4 Dec 13, 2021

VICE MAYOR MALLON  
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS  
COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

WHEREAS: This past summer we saw the tragic effect of gun violence and conflict on the young people in our community many times; and

WHEREAS: Anti-violence and violence prevention programming has proven to be successful for engaging young people and preventing instances of gun violence; and

WHEREAS: While there are a number of violence prevention programs operating in Cambridge, there is currently no publicly accessible, comprehensive list of violence prevention programs in the City detailing who they serve, what ages, number of participants, duration of programming, how the programs are accessed, and how often the programs run; and

WHEREAS: In order to continue to best serve the young people in our community, having such an easily accessible list would better enable the City Council to understand what programs already exist, who they are serving, and where gaps may exist; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Department of Human Service Programs, the Cambridge Police Department, and other relevant departments to create a publicly accessible, comprehensive list of violence prevention programs that exist in the city and to place this list on the City's website; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back with his findings in a timely manner.

O-5 Dec 13, 2021

COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN  
COUNCILLOR CARLONE  
COUNCILLOR NOLAN

WHEREAS: The City Council went on [record](#) in 2017 in supporting the goal of "using 100% clean and renewable energy in Cambridge, including in building energy use and transportation, by 2035"; and

WHEREAS: The City Manager responded in June 2018 with a [report](#) on the city's progress towards this goal; and

WHEREAS: The climate crisis has only gotten worse since then, and the IPCC recently issued a report stating that it is unequivocal that human influence has warmed our Earth at an unprecedented rate and that our weather extremes will only become more severe; and

WHEREAS: Los Angeles [will transition to](#) 100% renewable energy by 2035, a decade sooner than originally planned, and numerous other cities have also made at least this commitment; and

WHEREAS: The City Council is actively considering amendments to the Building Energy Use Disclosure Ordinance ([BEUDO](#)) that could significantly impact our ability to achieve the goal of using 100% clean and renewable energy in Cambridge by 2035; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record renewing its commitment to the goal of using 100% clean and renewable energy in Cambridge, including in building energy use and transportation, by 2035; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report on progress made towards achieving that goal no later than January 2022.

O-6 Dec 13, 2021

COUNCILLOR SOBRINHO-WHEELER  
VICE MAYOR MALLON  
MAYOR SIDDIQUI  
COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN

WHEREAS: The MBTA's Green Line Extension project is [approximately 85 percent complete and estimated to finish under-budget](#) with a \$58.6 million surplus, thanks in part to American Rescue Plan Act funding; and

WHEREAS: After budget overruns cast the viability of the [mandated](#) Green Line Extension into doubt in 2016, the Cambridge City Council joined Somerville in signing onto a [Project Participation Agreement](#) with MassDOT and the MBTA to move it forward, with Cambridge pledging \$25 million and Somerville pledging \$50 million; and

WHEREAS: Because the project is expected to finish significantly under-budget, Cambridge's future payments will now be waived and the city will be [entitled to full a pro rata refund](#) on contributions already made; and

WHEREAS: Once the City Manager agrees to the terms of the refund, the City of Cambridge will receive a rare windfall of funding specifically earmarked for transit expansion and improvement; and

WHEREAS: Divco West [contributed \\$12.5 million](#) towards Cambridge's funding and will be receiving their portion of rebated funds, which could potentially be used for other transit improvements, including opportunities related to the Green Line Extension; and

WHEREAS: Several transit priorities could be fully funded with the \$25 million freed up by this development, including:

- [Fare-free bus pilots](#), most easily for the 68 and 69 routes, which are entirely within Cambridge;
- [Extended bus-only lanes and signal priority technologies](#) for high-traffic corridors like Route 1 or Route 76 along Mass Ave;
- [24 hour service](#) on key routes; and
- Expansions of [existing fare discount programs](#) to low-income Cambridge residents; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with the Director of Traffic, Parking, and Transportation to draft a Cambridge transit spending plan for the anticipated \$25 million in GLX refunds; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to initiate discussions with Divco West regarding the possible re-allocation of their portion of the GLX funding to support transit enhancements and improved connectivity in East Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on the use of GLX Project Participation Agreement funding in a timely manner.