



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 20, 2023

5:30 PM

REMOTE MEETING

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MEETING

Monday, March 20, 2023

TIME

5:30 PM

PRESIDING OFFICER

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui

CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Burhan Azeem	<input type="checkbox"/> Remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Dennis J. Carlone	<input type="checkbox"/> Remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Alanna Mallon	<input type="checkbox"/> Remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Marc C. McGovern	<input type="checkbox"/> Remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Patricia Nolan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5:32 PM
E. Denise Simmons	<input type="checkbox"/> Remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Paul F. Toner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5:38 PM
Quinton Zondervan	<input type="checkbox"/> Remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sumbul Siddiqui	<input type="checkbox"/> Remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**MINUTES OF THE CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

Monday, March 20, 2023

A regular meeting of the Cambridge City Council was held on Monday, March 20, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by the Honorable Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui. Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2022 adopted by Massachusetts General Assembly and approved by the Governor, this public meeting was fully remote via zoom.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui called the meeting to order and asked the Clerk to call the roll. City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Present/Remote

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Present/Remote

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Present/Remote

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Present/Remote

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Absent*

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Present/Remote

Councillor Paul Toner – Absent*

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Present/Remote

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Present/Remote

Present-7. Absent-2. Quorum established.

***Councillor Nolan joined at 5:32 p.m. and Councillor Toner joined at 5:40 p.m. Both were remote.**

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance and called for a moment of silence.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized individuals for public comment. The following individuals participated in the public comment portion of the meeting, each being allowed up to 2 minutes to speak:

Beth Gamse, 14 Walker Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in strong support of Policy Order #3 and shared they have seen increased speed and volume in their neighborhood.

Itamar Turner – Trauring, 139 Oxford Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke on Policy Order #3 and offered comments around the Policy Order and urged the Council to look at data before choosing a traffic design.

Rabbi Yoni, spoke in favor of the Charles Franklin petition and believes it is a well thought out approach and offered examples of why they were in favor of the petition.

Judith Singer, 14 Walker Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in strong support of Policy Order #3 and thanked the Councillors for working together and crafting a proposal to the response of concerns from residents.

Stephen Helfer, 3 Crawford Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order #3 and urges the Council to listen to residents in the neighborhood for some modifications to Garden Street.

Meg Stone, 32 Essex Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order #7 and noted that Cambridge is a City of innovation, and that innovation should go towards Cambridge HEART.

Elaine Wen, 51 Inman Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Starlight Square and shared how unused space can be utilized into something positive and build a community together.

Suzanne Blier, 5 Fuller Place, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order #3 and offered comments on CMA 2023 #84 and the Charles Franklin petition.

Edith Murnane, Bishop Allen Drive, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Policy Order #53, the permanency of Starlight Square and the ability to create a vibrant and healthier community space.

Lee Farris, 269 Norfolk Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke on Charter Right #1 and hopes that the Council will pass Charter Right #1 and believes that it is time for HEART to get funding and contract for services.

Debra Wise, 20 Worcester Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke on Charter Right #1 and alternative policing and shared their experiences with CPD.

Tony Clark, 301 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA, spoke on Policy Order #53 and believes that Starlight offers a sense of community and empowers people to think creatively. They also offered comments around the Police Review Board.

Oliver Wilson, 148 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA, urged the Council to pass Charter Right #1 and stated it has taken too long to establish an alternative police response.

Larry Ward, 372 Broadway, Cambridge, MA, thanked the City Council for all of the work they do to make sure the Council runs well and spoke on Policy Order #53 and shared that Starlight Square has helped and supported many people.

Young Kim, 17 Norris Street, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #3 and had clarifying questions for the City Councillors.

Nancy Ryan, 4 Ashburton Place, Cambridge, MA, spoke on Policy Order #53 and the positive response it had during Covid and believes it should be something permanent. They also shared their support for Cambridge HEART.

Christopher Cassa, 103 Gore Street, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #3 around data collection and noted what positive impacts and opportunities Starlight Square has provided.

Manraj Gill, 252 Windsor Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Charter Right #1 and the implementation of Cambridge HEART,

Caitlin Johnson, 24 Alberta Terrace, Cambridge, MA spoke in support of the Council passing Charter Right #1 and urged the City fund HEART.

Miriam Cohen, 10 Beech Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Charter Right #1 and liked the idea that HEART can be connected to 911 calls and be a part to the City's response.

Elise Moore, 12 Avon Place, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order #3 and shared that safety should be number one.

Nefisa Siraj, 140 Harvard Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Starlight Square and shared how her small business was able to benefit from the opportunity of using Starlight.

Nadeem Mazen, 10 Springfield Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Starlight Square and shared how it is a good opportunity for new and small businesses and the community.

Joseph Poirier, 87 ½ Sherman Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Starlight Square and believes it is an investment for the City and urged the City Council to help preserve it. They also offered comments on Policy Order #3 and spoke in support of Garden Street being a one-way street.

Charles Franklin, 162 Hampshire Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of his petition, Application #1, and offered comments around promoting more housing.

Carolyn Magid, 71 Reed Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Charter Right #1 and believes that HEART is the alternative policing program Cambridge has been waiting for.

Aelen Unan, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Starlight Square and shared how it has helped them as a small business owner.

Dylan Russell, 40 Cottage Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Policy Order #53 and shared that the events that Starlight puts on brings together people from all parts of the community.

Louise Parker, 1 Warwick Park, Cambridge, MA, spoke in strong support of Cambridge HEART and for it to grow it needs government funding and support.

Julius Francis, 10 Centre Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Starlight Square and shared that it has been vital in bringing people back together.

Jonathan King, 40 Essex Street, Cambridge, MA, shared they are a strong supporter of Starlight Square and believes it is one of the best things that has happened to Central Square and cultural vibrancy.

Valerie A Bonds, 812 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, MA, wanted to recognize the contribution of female allies, activists, and public servants and spoke in favor of keeping Starlight Square permanent. They also expressed their concern for the loss of murals in different areas of the City.

Eddy Desir, 40 Leonard Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Starlight Square and encouraged the Council to look at some of the vendors that are using the space, including an 11-year-old girl.

Sharon Lozada, 208 Pearl Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Starlight Square and how it provides positive experiences, joy, and space for the community.

Malene Council, 11 Putnam Gardens, Cambridge, MA, spoke in strong support of Starlight Square and how it offers inclusiveness for everyone.

Stephanie Guirand, 67 Pleasant Street, Cambridge, MA, from Cambridge HEART, spoke in support for Charter Right #1 and offered comments around how HEART would be beneficial for the City and shared the services that would be offered through HEART.

Rachel Wyon, 283 Sidney Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Charter Right #1 and shared how Cambridge HEART would be a positive response team for some of the 911 calls.

John Pitkin, 18 Fayette Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Policy Order #3 to improve safe conditions for the one way on Garden Street and the surrounding neighborhoods.

Eleanor Craig, 91 Boylston Street, spoke in favor of Charter Right #1 and urged the City to pass as is right away.

Sana Belle, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order #53.

Phyllis Berthholtz, 65 Antrim Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of both Charter Right #1 and Policy Order #53. They shared that HEART has earned its right to serve the City and how Starlight Square brings the community and city together.

Michael Monestime, 620 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA, from the CSBID, spoke in favor of Starlight Square and shared all of the positive impacts it has provided in the City.

Marilyn Frankenstein, 75 Holworthy Street, Cambridge, MA, shared their support for Cambridge HEART and alternative policing.

Suryani Dewa Ayu, 177 Erie Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of HEART and Starlight Square, and shared Starlight Square is a safe space where you can connect with the community.

Elijah Lee-Robinson, 26 Chauncy Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in strong support of Starlight Square and the positive impact it has had towards youth.

Andy Nash, 18 Worcester Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Charter Right #1 and Cambridge HEART and shared how it has gotten a strong community support.

Mark Boswell, 105 Walden Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke against Policy Order #3 and believes that the current traffic flow is successful.

Kenneth Reeves, 340 Harvard Street, Cambridge, MA, from the Cambridge NAACP, spoke in favor of Starlight Square and ask that the City invest in a permanent structure that will continue

the use of the Square. They also offered comments on Cambridge HEART and offered suggestions around funding.

James Williamson, Churchill Avenue, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on the Barrett Petition and spot zoning, and offered comments around Starlight Square and the concerns of immediate neighbors.

Donald Madrey, 6 Perkins Square, Jamaica Plain, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order #53 and believes that it is a positive resource to Central Square and Cambridge.

Julia Z, 25 Cameron Avenue, Cambridge, MA, spoke on Policy Order #7 and shared they support alternative policing and crisis response.

Jillian Girardin, 53 Putnam Avenue, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Policy Order #53 and shared how Starlight Square has made a huge impact in Central Square and Cambridge as whole, bringing the community back to life.

Lauren Marshall, 47 Pemberton Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Policy Order #53 and shared how it offers a lifeline to artists and small businesses.

Geeta Pradhan, 99 Bishop Allen Drive, Cambridge, MA spoke in support of Policy Order #53 and urged the City to make innovation happen and asked for it to be a permanent home for the community to come together.

Mike Nakagawa, 51 Madison Avenue, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Cambridge HEART and shared their experiences with Cambridge Police.

Erik Sarno, 88 Columbia Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order #53 and Starlight Square as a permanent project in the City. They shared the sounds that happen in Central Square is what makes it a special place.

Heather Hoffman, 213 Hurley Street, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on municipal broadband, real estate transfer fee, and the Police Review and Advisory Board.

Nina Berg, 11 Perry Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in strong support of Policy Order #53 and shared they have been involved with and proud of Starlight Square.

Matthew Boyes-Watson, 25 Atherton Street, spoke in support of Policy Order #53 and the creation of a permanent square in the square and shared it will provide a community gathering that the City needs.

Teresa Cardosi, 7 Woodrow Wilson Court, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order #53 and shared the benefits it has provided to the Cambridge community. They also shared support for Charter Right #1 and asked the City fund HEART.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who made a motion to close public comment.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion passed.

CITY MANAGER’S AGENDA

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who made a motion to adopt the orders and appropriation orders for CMA 2023 #75, CMA 2023 #78, CMA 2023 #79, CMA 2023 #81, to place CMA 2023 #85 on file, and refer CMA 2023 #86 to the petition.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner on CMA 2023 #76 relative to body cameras. Councillor Toner asked Police Commissioner Elow what the barriers to implementation are and if there are any supply chain concerns. Commissioner Elow responded that everything will be explicitly outlined in the policy and she did not expect any supply chain issues. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who asked about the checks and balances to ensure that there are no problems with the software especially as it related to facial recognition. Commissioner Elow responded that they have followed the recommendations of the task force report and would continue to do so. Superintendent Cabral also responded. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who noted that this is a complicated

issue, and he was pleased to see a thorough plan for moving forward and asked about the time line. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who said she was pleased to see the work moving forward and that there would be a Finance Committee meeting on March 23, 2023 specifically on the FY24 Police Department Budget. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who noted that he is not supportive of body cameras.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #76 on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui first spoke on CMA 2023 #77 relative to engaging a third party to review and examine the Cambridge Police Department's policies and practices regarding de-escalation methods, mental health calls for service, training, and more.

Mayor Siddiqui asked about the decision-making process and the timeline. Commissioner Elow responded noting that they have chosen Police Executive Research Forum (PERF), a national leader in this area that was recommended by the Vice Mayor. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who asked what other entities were looked at and if there was a bidding process and if the review would include using unarmed police officers. City Manager Huang responded noting that this work was specialized and not subject to the bidding process and that everything would be on the table. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who noted that de-escalation is something that the Cambridge Police Department has been doing and it takes real intentionality to further examine this for any biases and also noted that we should be doing this in all of our departments. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon who noted that she was glad to see this work moving forward and that it goes beyond what was in the original policy order. Vice Mayor Mallon thanked the City Administration for moving so quickly and asked who the point person would be. City Manager Huang noted that he and the Commissioner would be the joint point of contact. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone who noted that sometimes what a consultant will say publicly is controlled and asked if the consultant would be at a meeting where Councillors could ask direct questions. Commissioner Elow noted that they would be available to appear before the City Council and answer questions. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who said she was happy to see this moving so quickly and echoed the comments of Vice Mayor Mallon and Councillor Carlone. Vice Mayor Mallon noted that this is a good example of the City moving forward with speed and thoughtfulness. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui noted that she wants to see the scope and looks forward to hearing more as the work progresses.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #77 on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan on CMA 2023 #80 relative to recommendations for the block rates for water consumption and sewer usage. Councillor Nolan spoke on the matter, noting that events are still happening, and we are paying to maintain and improve the system. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Commissioner Watkins who spoke on how the rate is set and noted several projects that are funded with this money that will reduce flooding, improve how the system functions and decrease the CSO.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #80 on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan on CMA 2023 #82 relative to the Salvation Army Shelter and Daytime Program. Councillor Zondervan thanked City Manager Huang for addressing the problem and moving forward with a solution. Councillor Zondervan asked about the cost and how it will be funded. Councillor Zondervan also asked if there would be operational changes. City Manager Huang acknowledge the work of Ellen Semonoff and the team and noted how excited everyone is to make this happen and partner with the Salvation Army. It was noted that the cost would be \$1,080,000 annually and that the initial costs can be covered but that funds will need to be requested for FY24. Assistant City Manager Semonoff noted that hours and services would be expanded and include City staff on site to help provide services and referrals. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who thanked City Manager Huang and his team led by Ellen Semonoff for getting this done noting how critically important this is. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner

who asked if the City would be funding the entire amount in FY24. Ellen Semonoff noted that the City is working with the state to secure funding but there is no guarantee of that and regardless the City will need to provide some funding. Ellen Semonoff further noted that the City is working on the assumption that it will be the full funder for FY24.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #82 on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan on CMA 2023 #83 relative to the Allocation Plan for Cambridge’s Home-ARPA funds. Councillor Nolan thanked City Manager Huang and his team for getting this together and putting it in context. Councillor Nolan noted that if Councillors had questions, now was the time to ask. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan, Councillor McGovern, and Councillor Carlone for comments and questions. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui, also offered comments. City Manager Huang and Assistant City Manager Iram Farooq responded noting that it made the most sense to use the funds on capital projects rather than operational needs and that the City Council will have the opportunity to approve any appropriations.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #83 on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone on CMA 2023 #84 relative to a summary of a Planning Board Meeting on the 2022 Town-Gown Reports and Presentations. Councillor Carlone noted that the report contained tremendous information that highlights institutions are expanding in the busiest areas. Councillor Carlone also noted that it

shows that the Planning Board is fulfilling its responsibility to look at Harvard and MIT, and he applauded the Board for doing so.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #84 on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

CALENDAR

CHARTER RIGHT

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan on POR 2023 #48 relative to the HEART initiative. Councillor Nolan noted that she is a sponsor of this policy order and that she believes in walking the talk relative to collaboration. Councillor Nolan said that after further consultation, in the spirit of collaboration, she was proposing to amend the first “Ordered” to read as follows: **“ORDERED:** That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to distribute the ARPA funds allocated to the HEART initiative and complete negotiating a contract for services with HEART as quickly as possible, to include but not limited to HEART responding to certain 911 calls starting in the fall of 2023; and be it further”

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who made a motion to suspend the rules to bring forward COF 2023 #47 transmitting questions regarding requests to fund HEART using City funds.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who said he appreciated the amendments but still has major questions noting further that he wants to have criteria in place for

putting out the request for proposals so that HEART can bid on it. Councillor Toner noted that there are still concerns around liability that need to be addressed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who noted that he would be supporting Councillor Nolan's amendments. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who shared that City Manager Huang had told him that the City is allowed to contract with a non-profit without going out to bid. Councillor McGovern also noted that he supported the amendments and that the City has had many conversations with HEART and that contract negotiations are already happening. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who referenced COF 2023 #47 that addresses her concerns. Councillor Simmons noted that the City needs to make sure that whoever gets this work is equipped to do the job. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who noted that the intent of this policy order is simply for the City Council to go on record in support of HEART.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to accept Councillor Nolan's amendments.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #48 as amended.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Present

Councillor Paul Toner – No

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-7, No-1, Present-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to place COF 2023 # 47 on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons on POR 2023 #49 relative to City departments ensuring that multi-family properties on the market are reviewed as quickly as possible for potential affordable housing acquisitions. Councillor Simmons spoke on the order and reviewed her amendments that she stated she was putting forward to address concerns she has heard. Councillor Simmons moved to amend the first “Ordered” to read: “ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the appropriate City departments and affordable housing providers to determine the feasibility and efficacy of creating a program that would ensure multi-family properties on the market, and those that may be headed towards the market in the near future, are reviewed as quickly as possible as potential affordable housing acquisitions; and be it further” The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who noted that she was happy to support the amendments.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion to further amend POR 2023 #49 by adding Councillor McGovern and Councillor Carlone as cosponsors.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui moved adoption of POR 2023 #49 as amended.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes
Yes-9. Motion Passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan on Green Jobs, Ordinance 2022 #6. Councillor Zondervan made a motion to ordain Green Jobs, Ordinance 2022 #6. Copy attached.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone who thanked Councillor Zondervan for his work and noted that this was a win/win for everyone. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Azeem who noted how excited he was to see this pass. Mayor Siddiqui also noted that she too was excited to see the work come to fruition. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who acknowledged the work of Councillor Simmons on this many years ago and who inspired him to work on this.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes
Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes
Yes-9. Motion Passed.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who made a motion to adopt the orders for APP 2023 #13 for 70 banners at the MIT Museum, APP 2023 #14 for a curb cut at 149 Upland Road, and APP 2023 #15 for two projecting signs at 678 Massachusetts Avenue.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes
Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes
Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern on APP 2023 #11, Citizens Zoning Petition from Charles Jessup Franklin et al. Councillor McGovern made a motion to send the Petition to the Ordinance Committee and Planning Board for Hearing and Report.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Present

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, Present-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern on APP 2023 #12, Citizens Zoning Petition from Michael Monestime et al. Councillor McGovern made a motion to send the Petition to the Ordinance Committee and Planning Board for Hearing and Report.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who made a motion to place 113 communications on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

RESOLUTIONS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt the orders for RES 2023 #77 and RES 2023 #79.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons on RES 2023 #78 in gratitude to Margaret Drury for her many years of tireless service to the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority and the City of Cambridge. Councillor Simmons spoke on the wonderful work done by Margaret Drury at the CRA and as the City Clerk. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who noted that former City Clerk Drury married him and his wife. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who said how much he truly appreciated Margaret and offered his thanks. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone who noted that Margaret was smart and had a wonderful sense of humor. Mayor Siddiqui also wished Margaret well and thanked her for her service.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who made a motion to adopt RES 2023 #78.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

POLICY ORDERS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone on POR 2023 #50 relative to supporting Enabling Legislation for a Real Estate Transfer Fee. Councillor Carlone noted

that the City Council previously submitted a Home Rule Petition on this and if passed it would generate 23 million more for Cambridge for affordable housing.

Councillor Carlone made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #50.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone on POR 2023 #51 relative to a request to dedicate a street corner in honor of Ned Handy. Councillor Carlone spoke on Mr. Handy’s contributions and made a motion to adopt the order to refer the request to the Dedication Committee.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner on POR 2023 #52 relative to Garden Street accommodations. Councillor Toner noted that this comes from feedback from people who live in the neighborhood and he wants these suggestions considered. Councillor Toner noted that nothing being suggested would violate the Cycling Safety Ordinance. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan.

Councillor Zondervan exercised his Charter Right.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui spoke on POR 2023 #53 that the City Manager work with the Central Square Business Improvement District and provide a license agreement, as well as direct financial and regulatory support for the continued and uninterrupted operation of Starlight Square. Mayor Siddiqui noted how critically important and urgent it was for this City Council to go on record in full support of a permanent Starlight Square. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Nolan, Councillor Zondervan, Councillor Carlone, Councillor Azeem, Vice Mayor Mallon and Councillor Toner, all who spoke in strong support.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to amend POR 2023 #53 by adding the entire City Council as cosponsors.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #53 as amended.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who made a motion to accept and place on file Committee Reports #2 through #9.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who made a motion to amend the roll call sheet for Committee Report #1, Finance Committee meeting on May 17, 2023 so that the roll call reflected that the following individuals were present:

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes
Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who made a motion to accept Committee Report #1 as amended and place it on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes
Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

ROUNDTABLE MINUTES

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who made a motion to accept the Roundtable Minutes from February 14, 2023.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes
Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER CITY OFFICERS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon who made a motion to place COF 2023 #45 and COF 2023 #46 on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes
Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes
Yes-9. Motion Passed.

LATE RESOLUTIONS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui asked the Clerk if there were any late resolutions. City Clerk LeBlanc noted that there were 3; RES 2023 #80, Condolences to the family of Annette Williams, RES 2023 #81 Condolences to the family of Cynthia Roberts and RES 2023 #82, Happy 91st Birthday to Moses Moore. The Chair Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who wished Moses Moore a very happy birthday and made a motion to adopt all three late resolutions.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes
Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes
Yes-9. Motion Passed.

LATE POLICY ORDERS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui noted that she and Vice Mayor Mallon had submitted a late policy order and made a motion to suspend the rules to accept POR 2023 #52, that the City Manager be and hereby is requested to light up City Hall in light blue, light pink, and white from March 26, 2023 until April 2, 2023, in honor of Transgender Day of Visibility. City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes
Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who asked to be added as a cosponsor.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to add Councillor Simmons as a cosponsor. City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to add the entire Council as cosponsors.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #54 as amended.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who made a motion to suspend the rules to be recorded in the affirmative for all votes that were missed at the beginning of the meeting.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes
Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes
Yes-9. Motion Passed.

**The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion to adjourn.
City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.**

Councillor Burhan Azeem - Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Yes
Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes
Yes-9. Motion Passed.

The Cambridge City Council adjourned at approximately 10:18 p.m.

Attachments:

- A. Green Jobs Ordinance 2022 #6, AS ORDAINED
- B. Written communications received during public comment.

Clerk's Note: The City of Cambridge/22 City View records every City Council meeting and every City Council Committee meeting. This is a permanent record. The video for this meeting can be viewed at:

https://cambridgema.granicus.com/player/clip/467?view_id=1&redirect=true&h=b3d09d0b3b3bed59a57f48f4c8539cd8

ATTACHMENT A

ORDINANCE #2022-6, GREEN JOBS - ORDAINED, MARCH 20, 2023

Article III Green Jobs

2.66.100 Definitions

“Eligible Cambridge Residents” are those individuals or families earning less than 80% of Area Median Income (AMI).

“Green Jobs” Green jobs are those that contribute to preserve or restore the environment, be they in traditional sectors such as manufacturing and construction, or in new, emerging green sectors such as renewable energy and energy efficiency. Green jobs help:

- Improve energy and raw materials efficiency
- Limit greenhouse gas emissions
- Minimize waste and pollution
- Protect and restore ecosystems
- Support adaptation to the effects of climate change

Occupational areas considered Green Jobs include: HVAC and Energy Efficiency technology, Solar Panel installation, Green Forestry, Electric Vehicle Technology, Renewable Energy Technology, Building Automation, and more. Other areas that may be added via regulation or amendment.

“Green Jobs Training Programs” shall mean any training programs approved by the City of Cambridge as providing for training in Green Jobs and meeting the requirements set forth in Section 2.66.120.

2.66.110 Establishment

Within 6 months of the effective date of this ordinance, the City Manager shall establish through the Community Development Department and Department of Human Service Programs a Green Jobs Initiative that will provide recruitment, information, referral, and support services to Eligible Cambridge Residents in training for jobs considered to be congruent with the city’s greenhouse gas emissions reductions and other environmental mitigation goals.

2.66.120 Requirements

- A. Recruitment and training may be provided directly by city departments, or via third parties, approved by the City of Cambridge, and may receive direct funding from the city and/or other funding sources.
- B. All approved programs available to Eligible Cambridge Residents shall be free of charge and shall comply with all requirements of federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations related to non-discrimination.
- C. When selecting training partners offering paid work-based learning components, the City shall prioritize programs that pay a Living Wage (as defined in Section 2.121.030 of the Municipal Code) for any labor provided through internships, apprenticeships, or other arrangements where trainees are performing actual labor.

2.66.130 Approval of Green Jobs Training Programs

- A. The Green Jobs Initiative shall continuously identify any existing programs that meet the Requirements from the Green Jobs Initiative, and shall approve as many such programs as feasible.
- B. Approved Green Jobs Training Programs shall be advertised on the city website, with clear instructions for how residents can participate, including eligibility and how to apply for scholarships or financial aid, as necessary and how to receive help in completing their applications.
- C. The Green Jobs Initiative shall continually seek out opportunities to create a City Green Jobs Training Program or partner with third parties to support or create Green Jobs Training Programs based on demand and opportunity.

2.66.140 Annual Reporting and Establishment of new Programs

- A. Within one year from the effective date of this ordinance, and annually thereafter, the Green Jobs Initiative shall produce a Green Jobs report presented to the City Council containing the following information:
 - a. An industry overview identifying Green Jobs growth in the industries listed in Section 2.66.100, including unmet demand, and future prospects for the Boston metro-region. The industry overview may incorporate or refer to data and reports provided by third party entities compiling similar information.
 - b. A listing of all Green Jobs Training Programs approved by the city, including Cambridge resident participation, successful completion numbers and rates, and other relevant information.
 - c. An overview of the Green Jobs Initiative's outreach and support provided to Cambridge residents applying for and participating in programs. This includes a breakdown of supplemental support and pre-training services provided, barriers to participation, and other information as needed.
- B. Within six months of the most recent annual report, the City Manager shall establish through partnerships with training providers any additional Green Jobs Training Programs identified in the annual report as being of the highest potential value and need. If no such programs are identified the City Manager shall provide to the City Council a rationale for why no additional programs are required at that time.

2.66.150 Regulations

The Assistant City Manager for the Department of Human Service Programs may promulgate regulations to implement the provisions of this Chapter.

Perez, Lori

From: JOHN DOUCET <johndoucet@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:45 PM
To: City Council
Cc: JOHN DOUCET; City Clerk
Subject: HEART Support

Mayor Siddiqui and City Council members,

Our family supports HEART AND CHARTER RIGHT #1, and we would like to see you pass a policy order that the City fund HEART and negotiate a contract for services including responding to certain 911 calls.

The reason for this is that our family has had direct involvement with the mental health system here in Cambridge, and we have suffered greatly from the lack of training and empathy necessary when dealing with someone in a mental health crisis.

As the Program Director for NAMI Cambridge-Middlesex, I have heard the stories of countless negative encounters with persons in authority, including: police, security personnel, poorly trained doctors and caregivers...the list is endless. HEART is independent, and is specifically designed to offer an empathetic and positive response that can de-escalate a potentially devastating situation.

I can speak from personal experience that the mere presence of uniformed, armed police arriving at our home when our loved one was in crisis is a trigger that makes situations worse, not better. Please support HEART, as we feel it will be a remarkable improvement for those facing mental health challenges.

John Doucet
68 Jackson Street Cambridge, MA 02140
johndoucet@comcast.net
617-899-0955

Perez, Lori

From: Jenny Netzer <jennynetzer@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:56 PM
To: City Council; City Clerk
Subject: Fwd: Support for Expanding the Affordable Housing Overlay

I understand there is a meeting this week on the Affordable Housing Overlay. I am unable to attend the meeting but wanted to express my support for the proposed amendments to the Overlay to allow taller structures, making it easier to build affordable housing in Cambridge . I have worked on affordable housing issues nationwide for over 30 years and I know that zoning restrictions are the single biggest obstacle to increasing the housing supply where it is most needed.

I know that the proposed changes could affect the nature of my neighborhood but it's time for those of us who lucked into the housing market when prices were lower to make room for everyone else.

Jenny Netzer
57 Crescent Street

Perez, Lori

From: Ruth and Stefan Economou <chez.economou@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:54 PM
To: City Council; City Clerk
Subject: Writing in Support of HEART program for Cambridge

Dear Council members,

I am writing in support of funding the HEART program for our city. For historical, economic, and community fabric issues, there is a need for an alternative response to crisis besides the police. While the council has given lip service to this idea, the HEART program has not been properly funded and is set up to fail without the financial support of the city. I urge the council to pass charter Right # 1 and give the resources to this needed alternative.

Ruth Economou
Cottage Court
Cambridge, MA

Perez, Lori

From: Connolly, Mike - Rep. (HOU) <Mike.Connolly@mahouse.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:30 PM
To: City Council
Cc: City Clerk; City Manager
Subject: Support for HEART (Charter Right #1)

To the Honorable, the Cambridge City Council:

I am writing to once again offer my strong support for the Cambridge HEART program. I respectfully encourage you to move forward with Charter Right #1 on tonight's agenda to enter into a contract for services, including responding to certain 911 calls.

It has been incredible to witness the collaborative and community-based process that led to the development of the HEART proposal here in Cambridge, including the endorsement it has received from the CAHOOTS program and the efforts that so many in our community have made to recruit co-directors, certified peer responders, an EMT responder, and an office manager to help prepare the HEART program for emergency calls.

In the wake of the police killing of Sayed Arif Faisal in Cambridgeport earlier this year and with an ongoing mental health crisis that appears to be getting worse by the month, it is clear the HEART proposal is timelier than ever. It can complement other related initiatives on both the city and state levels. I hope the City will move quickly to build upon the promising efforts of our residents in creating this holistic emergency response model.

Thank you kindly for your consideration of these comments.

Yours in service,

Mike

Rep. Mike Connolly
26th Middlesex District
State House Room 156
Boston, MA 02133
Office: (617) 722-2240
Cell: (857) 236-1901

Perez, Lori

From: muralista@earthlink.net
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:59 PM
To: City Council
Cc: City Clerk
Subject: Support for CR # 1 Cambridge Heart

Dear Cambridge City Mayor and City Councilors, I want to voice my strong support for the Cambridge Heart proposal (CR #1). I feel that Cambridge Heart needs to be funded by the City as soon as possible in order to help prevent a repeat of the tragic death of Arif Sayed Faisal. We cannot continue to treat the mental health crises of our citizens in such a brutal manner. Arif was a former student of mine who worked on murals with me when he was still a student at Somerville High School. His death did not need to happen when he was so young with his whole future ahead of him. I sincerely believe that if Cambridge Heart had been implemented before now, then it is quite possible that trained responders would have been able to prevent the tragic use of violence that took place.

We know that many young people are suffering from increased mental health issues due to the social problems and social dislocation caused by COVID, so I can easily imagine more instances like what happened to Arif. I would urge the city to tackle this problem immediately by implementing Cambridge Heart.

Thank you and best wishes,

David Fichter
20 Worcester St.
Cambridge

Perez, Lori

From: Lee Farris <Lee@LeeFarris.net>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:51 PM
To: City Council; City Clerk
Subject: Residents Alliance in favor of PO #1, Transfer Fee Enabling Act

3/20/23

Dear Mayor and Councilors,

I am writing for the Cambridge Residents Alliance in favor of PO #1, which supports passage of enabling legislation for a real estate transfer fee, specifically SD.1982 by Senator Comerford and HD.2857 by Representative Connolly.

Existing sources of funding for affordable housing are inadequate, and do not sufficiently fund the programs needed to prevent displacement in our communities. A transfer fee would provide millions in annual funding for affordable housing in Cambridge, leading to many more units of desperately needed affordable housing. It would be part of our comprehensive strategy to address the shortage of housing affordable for low-, moderate- and middle-income residents.

In a report from the National Low Income Housing Coalition, Massachusetts was ranked the 3rd least affordable state in the nation. Affordable housing continues to be a major issue in Cambridge, which has experienced a decline in the percent of deed-restricted affordable housing and a rise in the displacement of long-term residents and families. Cambridge needs significantly more funds to be able to meet its goal of increasing the percent of affordable housing in the city.

The City of Cambridge's Comprehensive Housing Plan issued a recommendation for a Real Estate Transfer Fee. The housing recommendations of the Envision citywide planning effort, on which I served for 2 years, listed the local real estate transfer fee as a high priority. The city council unanimously passed its HRP in June 2021. Many organizations in Cambridge support a transfer fee dedicated to affordable housing. We are part of the Local Option for Housing Affordability Coalition, a statewide coalition working to pass a real estate transfer fee enabling act.

By slowing displacement, we want to stabilize neighborhoods and foster a sense of community. The transfer fee can serve as an anti-displacement measure for communities that are currently experiencing high volumes of displacement and for communities that are on the verge of such market shifts.

I hope you will pass PO #1 to support a real estate transfer fee bill enabling act.

We also ask you to pass Charter Right #2 asking the city to purchase multi-family buildings as affordable housing.

Thank you for your consideration,

Lee Farris, President
Cambridge Residents Alliance: *Working for a Livable, Affordable and Diverse Cambridge*
<https://www.cambridgeresidentsalliance.org/>

Perez, Lori

From: Brian Cafferelli <brianc@protonmail.ch>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:46 PM
To: City Council; City Clerk
Subject: RE Policy Order #306

I am a resident of The Port and I would like to voice my support for Policy Order #306. Like many American cities, Cambridge is suffering from an affordable housing crisis. The City Council has recognized this reality, by taking bold action in 2020 in passing the Affordable Housing Overlay. This was an important step, and key residential developments have gone up since then, which would have been defeated otherwise. However, too many excellent projects were still thwarted after the AHO passed. And hard-working, vulnerable people still need to wait for several years on a CHA list over twenty thousand names long to be able to secure a home in our city. The long-term question we should be acting is, what steps must be taken so the underserved can find housing within 2-3 months of applying, rather than 2-3 years?

PO 306 is another step in the right direction. It represents a reasonable, incremental change to the AHO which will improve equity and affordability. I urge the council to pass the order and I thank you for all your hard work on this.

Brian Cafferelli
Cambridge Resident

Perez, Lori

From: Manraj Gill <manraj@mit.edu>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:43 PM
To: City Council
Cc: City Clerk
Subject: Public Comment on Charter Right #1: HEART

Hi all,

My name is Manraj and I've been a resident of Cambridge at 252 Windsor Street for the past 4.5 years. I'm writing today to ask you all to pass Charter Right #1 **as written**.

We all are well aware of the failure of the previous City Manager's office to urgently and sufficiently support programs that could offer alternative (non-Police and non-co-responder) responses.

Over the past couple years, we have continuously told you of the urgency with which the City Manager's office needed to allocate public funding away from the Cambridge Police Department and towards the HEART Program. Now, Charter Right #1 presents you all with an opportunity to call on the City Manager to fund HEART and enter into a contract for services that includes HEART responding to certain 911 calls.

HEART is ready to initiate a pilot and it just needs additional funding to sustain itself as a thriving alternative emergency response program.

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I wish to speak in favor of the City's consideration of alternatives to police intervention, in the current formation of a Community Safety Department, and - specifically tonight - the serious consideration of Charter Right #1, entering into a contract for services from HEART, which is ready to develop innovative alternative responses in Cambridge. It is more than abundantly clear that our City needs to move decisively, creatively and collaboratively in this direction, after the police killing of Arif Faisal. I have personal experiences, too, that inform my firm belief that new perspectives are essential; a member of my family was beaten by a police officer in a back room of the police station, an incident that led to a suit against the Cambridge police. In addition, when my mother passed away at Youville, I felt verbally abused and mistreated by a condescending police officer who belittled my grief when I arrived to see my dead mother. I hate to think that others might have similar experiences, when compelling alternatives are being brought to our attention.

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