



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

AUGUST 7, 2023

5:30 PM

SULLIVAN CHAMBER

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MEETING

Monday, August 7, 2023

TIME

5:30 PM

PRESIDING OFFICER

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui

CALL TO ORDER

| Attendee Name | Present | Absent | Late | Arrived |
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| Burhan Azeem | <input type="checkbox"/> Remote | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Dennis J. Carlone | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Alanna Mallon | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Marc C. McGovern | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Patricia Nolan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| E. Denise Simmons | <input type="checkbox"/> Remote | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7:19 PM |
| Paul F. Toner | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5:35 PM |
| Quinton Zondervan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Sumbul Siddiqui | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

**MINUTES OF THE CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL SUMMER MEETING**

Monday, August 7, 2023

A Special Summer Meeting of the Cambridge City Council was held on Monday, August 7, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by the Honorable Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui. Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, adopted by Massachusetts General Assembly and approved by the Governor, this public meeting was hybrid allowing participation in person and via Zoom.

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

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Present/Remote

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Present/In Person

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Present/In Person

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Present/In Person

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Present/In Person

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Absent*

Councillor Paul Toner – Absent*

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Present/In Person

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Present/In Person

Present-7, Absent-2. Quorum established.

*** Councillor Toner joined at 5:35 p.m. and was in person. Councillor Simmons joined at 7:19 p.m. and was remote.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Public Comment

Jenine Turner-Trauring, 139 Oxford Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order 2023 #17 and outdoor dining, noting that the City should be able to enjoy both.

Suzanne Blier, 5 Fuller Place, Cambridge, MA, urged the Council to add historic and religious buildings to BEUDO, and offered comments on the Fossil Fuel Free demonstration and NCD's.

Erin Berja, 52 Dickens Street, Boston, MA, urged the Council to pass Policy Order 2023 #129 and support the Philippine Human Rights Act.

Ayesha Wilson, 15 Concord Avenue, Cambridge, MA, offered comments and shared support for Policy Order 2023 #141.

Randy Stern, 12 Kenwood Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order 2023 #17 and offered suggestions on how the Cycling Safety Ordinance could be successful.

Joshua Abalos, 27 Tralee Lane, Shrewsbury, MA, Malaya Movement Massachusetts, shared their support for Policy Order 2023 #129 and offered comments towards the Philippine Human Rights Act and the Human Rights Crisis.

Graciela Berman Reinhardt, 128 Birch Street, Cambridge, MA, urged the Council to pass Policy Order 2023 #129 with no amendments to take a stance against the weapons manufacturing company that calls Cambridge home.

Susan Filene, 117 Chilton Street, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #100 and requested the Council pass an Ordinance to keep backyard chickens.

Itamar Turner-Trauring, 139 Oxford Street, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #17 and noted the importance of reducing emissions and use of motor vehicles.

Laura Stenzel, 115 Chilton Street, Cambridge, MA, shared their support for Policy Order 2023 #100 and their excitement for having fresh eggs and a cultural connection to roots.

Tony Clark, Elm Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of the Cambridge Promise which will help make Cambridge more innovative.

Lynn McGregor, 301 Huron Avenue, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order #17 and having protected bike lanes and outdoor dining at the same time.

Katu Casio, 26 Beacon Street, Burlington, MA, spoke in favor of and offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #129 and to protect the Philippine Human Rights Act.

Ian McGoldrick, 100 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order 2023 #17 and urged the Council to promote bicycle safety and continue outdoor dining.

Gleb Bahmutov, 19 Winslow Street, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #17 and urged the Council to keep and expand bike lanes as well as supporting outdoor dining.

Ragini Shah, 22 Harris Street, Cambridge, MA, urged the Council to pass Policy Order 2023 #129 without amendments and shared their support for the Philippine Human Rights Act.

Julie Duncan, 11 Norton Place, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #17 and urged the Council to consider more protected bike lanes and to find a way to have more protected bike lanes with outdoor dining.

Sanjay D'Souza, 22 Harris Street, Cambridge, MA, urged the Council to pass Policy Order 2023 #129 without amendments.

Denise Jillson, 2203 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA, Harvard Square Business Association, spoke in opposition to the Fossil Fuel Free Demonstration program and shared how it will negatively impact residents and smaller property owners.

Ruthann Rudel, 205R Rindge Avenue, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #17 and the Cycling Safety Ordinance.

Allan Espejo, 7 Hesston Terrace, spoke in favor of Policy Order 2023 #129 and offered comments towards the Philippine Human Rights Act.

Nicolas Fernandez, 1 Whittemore Avenue, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #17 and spoke in favor of protecting bike lanes.

Safiyyah Ogundipe, 229 Vassar Street, Cambridge, MA, urged the City Council to pass Policy Order 2023 #129 with no amendments.

Jason Doo, 2 Bennett Street, Cambridge, MA, Chef/Owner of Wusong Road, member of the BIPOCC Committee and member of the LGBTQ Committee, spoke in favor of electrifying their restaurant equipment and also shared concerns about electric costs prices for smaller businesses.

Lawrence Adkins, 45 Hayes Street, Cambridge, MA, urged the Council to speak with residents from Riverside.

Federico Muchnik, 82 Richdale Avenue, Cambridge, MA, offered comments and concerns on the Affordable Housing Overlay.

Robert Camacho, 24 Corporal Burns Road, Cambridge, MA, offered comments in protest of the removal of the Architectural Preservation Ordinance.

Evan Feldberg-Bannatyne, 3 Linnaean Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order 2023 #129 and the Philippine Human Rights Act.

Joan Pickett, 59 Ellery Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order 2023 #13 and #17 and shared they were opposed to CMA #4.

Brandon Espejo, 7 Hesston Terrace, Boston, MA, spoke in favor of Policy Order 2023 #129 with no amendments and the Philippine Human Rights Act.

Marilee Meyer, 10 Dana Street, Cambridge, MA, offered comments in opposition to the proposed NCD amendments.

Caroline Jones, 22 Meadow Way, Cambridge, MA, shared their excitement for the work that has been done towards the Cycling Safety Ordinance and protected bike lanes.

Asia Korkmaz, 44 Elm Street, Cambridge, MA, urged the Council to pass Policy Order #129 with no amendments and offered comments on the Philippine Human Rights Act and Elbit Systems.

Jason Alves, 544 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, MA, East Cambridge Business Association, offered comments on the Fossil Fuel Pilot and the financial challenges restaurants may face and spoke in favor of Policy Order 2023 #17.

Victor Agran, 49 Fresh Pond Place, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #17 and shared that design and opportunities will help solve problems and spoke in favor of protected bike lanes.

Kathryn Nassberg, 29 Dana Street, Cambridge, MA, shared they were strongly in favor of keeping protected bike lanes and offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #17.

Nike Tirman, 50 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA, shared concerns about the dangerous parking situation in front of their property.

Justin Saif, 259 Hurley Street, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on the proposed amendments to NCD.

Aicha Belabbes, 25 Eighth Street, Cambridge, MA, spoke in support of Policy Order 2023 #129 with no amendments and offered comments on the Philippine Human Rights Act and Elbit Systems.

Jaswinder Kaur, 17 Central Sq, India Pavilion Restaurant, Cambridge BIPIC Business Advisory Committee, urged the Council to consider the Fossil Fuel Pilot program and the impact it will have on minority business owners.

Reva Stein, 2 Seagrave Road, Cambridge, MA, shared their support for the proposed amendment to the Fossil Fuel Pilot program by Councillor Nolan.

Caroline Hunter, 23 Rockwell Street, Cambridge, MA, School Committee Member, spoke in favor of the Cambridge Promise Pilot and urged the Council to move the proposal forward and share their support.

Malcolm Bliss, 127 Raymond Street, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #17 and shared their support for the protection of outdoor dining and urged that cyclists be protected too with bike lanes.

Sarah Bayer, 39 Prince Street, Cambridge, MA urged the Council to pass Policy Order 2023 #129 without amendments.

Heather Hoffman, 213 Hurley Street, Cambridge, MA, shared concerns about the opinion from the Law Department relative to public comment. Heather Hoffman also spoke about trees, repaving, improving transit access, the proposed amendments to the NCD, the irrigation system at Danehy Park, and the Election Commission.

Charles Franklin, 162 Hampshire Street, Cambridge, MA, shared that they strongly support the Fossil Fuel Free Demonstration program and offered comments on Policy Order 2023 #17.

Dan Totten, 54 Bishop Allen Drive, Cambridge, MA, shared their support for Policy Order 2023 #129 and shared concerns about proposed neighborhood studies.

David Rabkin, 184 Huron Avenue, Cambridge, MA, Climate Committee, offered comments on the Fossil Fuel Free Demonstrations and exemptions.

Amer Koudsi, 115 Chilton Street, Cambridge, MA, shared that they were in favor of keeping backyard chickens in Cambridge.

Owen Elrifi, 22 Water Street, Cambridge, MA, urged the Council to pass Policy Order 2023 #129 with no amendments and opposed Elbit Systems.

Paolo Padova, 9 Ware Street, Cambridge, MA, offered their support for Policy Order 2023 #129 with no amendments and is opposed to Elbit Systems.

Christopher Cassa, 103 Gore Street, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #17 and outdoor dining as well as having protected bike lanes.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone who made a motion to close public comment at approximately 7:19 p.m.

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.

SUBMISSION OF THE RECORD

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion to accept the minutes from the Regular City Council Meetings held on May 22, 2023 and June 26, 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.

CITY MANAGER’S AGENDA

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who made a motion to adopt the appropriation orders and place on file the balance of City Manager Agenda items including

CMA 2023 #193, CMA 2023 #197, CMA 2023 #198, CMA 2023 #199, CMA 2023 #200, CMA 2023 #201, CMA 2023 #202, CMA 2023 #210, CMA 2023 #211, CMA 2023 #212, CMA 2023 #213, CMA 2023 #214, CMA 2023 #215, CMA 2023 #216, and CMA 2023 #217.

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 #194 relative to the reappointment of an Election Commissioner for a term of four years. Councillor Nolan acknowledged that this communication was simply informational and asked questions relative to the process for reappointment. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui also recognized Councillor Simmons and Councillor Zondervan for comments and questions. Executive Director Tanya Ford and the City Manager responded.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #194 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 McGovern on CMA 2023 #195 relative to the explanation of the legal standard used to compel changes or deny projects reviewed by the Historical Commission or Neighborhood Conservation District Commissions.

Councillor McGovern made a motion to suspend the rules to bring forward CMA 2023 #196 and Ordinance Committee Report # 9, also related to this matter.

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 explained that the documents associated with CMA 2023 #196, that were initially provided were an old version that was updated by the City Manager's Office earlier in the day and the new version was updated online. However, given the limited time to review, the suggested action is to refer this CMA and CMA 2023 #195 to the petition where they can be addressed at the September 11, 2023 meeting. Councillor McGovern also noted that the recommended action coming out of Committee was to pass to a second reading so the process can move forward but stressed that this is not the end of the process, noting again the opportunity to amend on September 11, 2023, and potentially after, if the Council is not ready to ordain.

Councillor McGovern made a motion to refer CMA 2023 #195 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 McGovern made a motion to refer CMA 2023 #196 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 McGovern who made a motion to pass Ordinance 2022 #11, as amended in committee, amending the City of Cambridge Municipal Code, Chapter 2.78 Historic Buildings and Landmarks, to a second reading.

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 and place on file Ordinance Committee Report #9 relative to Historic Buildings and Landmarks,

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 CMA 2023 #203 relative to Climate Committee Appointments. Councillor McGovern noted that he would be recusing himself from this vote to avoid the appearance of a conflict. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who noted that she was recusing herself to avoid the appearance of a conflict.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to place CMA 2023 #203 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 – RECUSED
Councillor Patricia Nolan – RECUSED
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-7, Recused-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan on CMA 2023 #204 relative to proposed amendments to Article 4.30 and Article 11.800 of the Zoning Ordinance and proposed changes to the Municipal Code/Cannabis Business Permitting Ordinance.

Councillor Zondervan made a motion to suspend the rules to bring forward Ordinance Committee Report #12 related to this matter.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
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, Absent-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to Pass to a Second Reading, the language approved in Committee, relative to proposed Ordinance to amend Article 4.30 and Article 11.800 of the Zoning Ordinance. Councillor Zondervan then made a subsidiary motion to amend the language approved in Committee by substitution with the new language proposed by CDD in CMA 2023 #204.

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 who made a motion Pass to a Second Reading, the language relative to proposed Zoning Ordinance to amend Article 4.30 and Article 11.800 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 Zondervan who made a motion to refer the proposed language relative to changes to the Municipal Code/Cannabis Business Permitting Ordinance to the Ordinance Committee 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.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #204 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 #205 relative to an appropriation to the Public Investment Fund Community Development Extraordinary Expenditures account and the Grant Fund Community Development Salary and Wages account.

Councillor Zondervan made a motion to suspend the rules to bring forward CMA 2023 #206, relative to appropriations so that both could be discussed at the same time.

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 who noted that he fully supported the appropriations. Councillor Zondervan asked questions to which Assistant City Manager for Community Development, Iram Farooq, responded.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to adopt the appropriation orders associated with CMA 2023 #205 and CMA 2023 #206 and place the 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.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan on CMA 2023 #207 relative to accepting Massachusetts General Law Chapter 23M. Councillor Nolan noted that she was excited to see this and thanked the staff involved. Councillor Nolan asked questions to which Iram Farooq and Susanne Rasmussen responded.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion that the Council vote to accept Massachusetts General Law Chapter 23M.

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 place CMA 2023 #207 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 #208 relative to the project update on the Central Square Municipal Property Needs Assessment and

Planning Study. Councillor Zondervan offered comments and asked a series of questions, in particular regarding 105 Windsor. City Manager Huang and his team, Deputy City Manager Owen O’Riordan, Iram Farooq, and Melissa Peters responded. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui also recognized Councillor Carlone and Councillor Simmons for comments and questions to which the team responded. City Manager Huang noted that direction from the Council regarding priorities is important. Mayor Siddiqui also offered comments and asked about the timeline. Iram Farooq responded, noting that they hoped to have recommendations to the Council in November, 2023.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #208 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 McGovern on CMA 2023 #209 relative to the submission of the 2023 Affordable Housing Overlay Annual Report. Councillor McGovern noted that there are many things in the report to be proud of and excited about as well as some things that perhaps could have been done better. Councillor McGovern noted in particular the six projects in the pipeline that will produce over 600 units of affordable housing. Councillor McGovern asked questions about the chart that was provided, particularly around the projects that did not come to fruition. Housing Director Chris Cotter responded. The Chair Mayor Siddiqui also recognized Councillor Simmons, Councillor Carlone and Councillor Nolan for comments.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #209 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 #213, relative to a report from the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) which makes recommendations regarding the release of an officer's name after a critical incident. Councillor Nolan offered comments and asked questions to which Commissioner Elow and City Solicitor Glowa responded. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui also recognized Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Simmons, and Councillor Zondervan for comments and/or questions to which Commissioner Elow and City Solicitor Glowa responded.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to place CMA 2023 #213 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 #218, relative to the possibility of acquiring the property at 450 Concord Avenue, owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and utilized by the National Guard Armory of Cambridge. Councillor Nolan indicated that she was thrilled to see this moving forward but noted that she worries that the City continues to overpay for things. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui also recognized Councillor Toner, Councillor McGovern, and Councillor Carlone for comments and/or questions. Deputy City Manager O'Riordan and Consultant Bob Reardon responded.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion to authorize the City Clerk to transmit the Special Act Legislation to the State Delegation.

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 place CMA 2023 #218 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 Vice Mayor Mallon on CMA 2023 #219. Vice Mayor Mallon made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property and to reconvene in open session.

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 noted that going into Executive Session with the City Council are City Manager Yi-An Huang, Deputy City Manager Owen O’Riordan, Acting Assistant City Manager for Fiscal Affairs Michelle Kincaid, Budget Director Taha Jennings, City Solicitor Nancy Glowa, Kathy Watkins, DPW Commissioner, Bob Reardon, Consultant, Becky Fuentes, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Gail Willet, Director of Assessing, Megan Bayer, Deputy City Solicitor, City Clerk Diane LeBlanc, Deputy City Clerk Paula Crane, and Assistant to the City Council Naomie Stephen.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui noted that all remote participants, including City Councillors, would need to log back into the regular city council zoom meeting upon completion of the executive session.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui reconvened the City Council in open session at approximately 9:55. p.m. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #219 on file.

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 Toner who made a motion to suspend the rules to bring forward Policy Order POR #135, and Policy Order POR #142.

Councillor Toner noted he wanted to discuss these two items while the City Manager's staff was 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 Zondervan on POR 2023 #135.

Councillor Zondervan asked if the Law Department had any concerns and about the number of complaints received. The Chair Mayor Siddiqui also recognized Councillor McGovern, Councillor Toner, and Councillor Azeem for comments and questions. Councillor Toner asked if the Health Department had any concerns. Peter McLaughlin, Derrick Neal, and Nancy Glowa responded to questions.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #135 relative to standards for chicken keeping.

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 POR 2023 #142 relative to reporting to the City Council on outstanding lawsuits involving CPD. Councillor

Zondervan offered comments on why he thought this policy order is needed. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who asked about the types of cases that the City's Law Department gets involved with. City Solicitor Glowa responded noting the various types of

cases and stated that they do not spend a lot of money on outside counsel. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who offered comments, raised questions, and expressed concerns. City Solicitor Glowa responded. **Councillor Simmons exercised her Charter Right relative to POR 2023 #142.**

CALENDAR/CHARTER RIGHT

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan on POR 2023 #127 relative to measures to improve the Cycling Safety Ordinance Business Impact Study.

Councillor Nolan offered comments and made a motion to place POR 2023 #127 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 – Absent

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, Absent-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan on POR 2023 #129 relative to support for the Philippine Human Rights Act. Councillor Zondervan offered comments in support of keeping the existing language. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who expressed support for the Philippine Human Rights Act but noted her concern with the last whereas and one of the references in the last resolved.

Councillor Nolan made a motion to amend POR 2023 #129 by striking out the entire last whereas statement that references Elbit Systems Inc. and removing the words “as well as to the Elbit America Cambridge Innovation Center” from the last resolved.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Azeem who raised the question of the Council getting involved in foreign policy issues and how much impact it has. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who offered comments and noted that she appreciated the amendments brought forth.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Present

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 – No

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – No

Yes-6, No-2, Present-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #129 as amended.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Present

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 – Present

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-7, Present-2. Motion Passed

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Azeem on POR 2023 #130 regarding the creation of a BEUDO Compliance Advisory Committee. Councillor Azeem noted that he thought this was duplicative of what was already in place. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who noted the intent of the policy order was for people to get advice up front. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who explained that this body would be proactive rather than reactive, focusing on what you should know about BEUDO. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who noted that he appreciated the intent but that the City already has a technical assistance program to provide needed information. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who noted there are other mechanisms including Electrify Cambridge to assist residents. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who asked CDD if this was needed. Assistant City Manager Iram Farooq responded, noting that what is being put in place will provide customer support.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who made a motion to place POR 2023 #130 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/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan on the **Fossil Fuel-Free Demonstration Ordinance 2023-3** that was passed to a second reading on June 26, 2023.

Councillor Zondervan made a motion to suspend the rules to bring forward Ordinance Committee Report #15 and Communications from Other City Officers, COF #139. 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 who made a motion that the language passed to a second reading be amended by substitution with the language provided in Committee by CDD.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a subsidiary motion to amend the CDD language as follows:

§ 15.30.40 b.i.7.

A waiver may be granted by the Commissioner of Inspectional Services for any commercial cooking equipment used in a restaurant ~~in a building that has applied for a building permit prior to January 1, 2035~~ if, as demonstrated by the applicant, electrical cooking equipment comparable to desired fossil fuel equipment is not available or is unreasonably cost prohibitive in the judgment of the Commissioner. provided that the electrical panel has sufficient capacity for the later installation of fully electric food preparation equipment.

Any existing fossil fueled equipment on the premises of a restaurant that is moved temporarily to be serviced, cleaned or maintained may be reinstalled in the restaurant.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan, Councillor Azeem, Councillor McGovern, Councillor Zondervan, Councillor Carlone, and Councillor Simmons for comments, questions, and discussion on the amendment. City Manager Huang and City Solicitor Glowa responded to questions.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – No

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – No

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – No

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – No

Councillor Paul Toner – No

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-4, No-5. Motion Failed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to amend the CDD language by changing the year from 2035 to 2030.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Present

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – No

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – No

Councillor Patricia Nolan – Yes

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – No

Councillor Paul Toner – No

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-4, No-4, Present-1. Motion Failed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who restated his motion that the language passed to a second reading be amended by substitution with the language provided by CDD.

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 recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to Ordain the Fossil Fuel Free Demonstration Ordinance 2023 -3 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 accept Committee Report #15 and place it on file and to place COF 2023 #139 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 who made a motion to suspend the rules to allow reconsideration on the motion to Ordain the Fossil Fuel Free Demonstration Ordinance.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

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

Yes-6, Absent-3. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to reconsider the vote to Ordain the Fossil Fuel Free Demonstration Ordinance as amended.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – No
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – No
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
Councillor Marc C. McGovern – No
Councillor Patricia Nolan – No
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – No
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – No
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – No

Yes-1, No-7, Absent-1. Motion Failed.

APPLICATIONS & PETITIONS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who made a motion to adopt the orders for Applications, APP 2023 #38, APP 2023 #39, APP 2023 #40, APP 2023 #41, APP 2023 #42, APP 2023 #43, APP 2023 #44, APP 2023 #45, and APP 2023 #46.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

RESOLUTIONS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who made a motion to adopt the orders for the balance of the Resolutions; RES 2023 #198, RES 2023 #200, RES 2023 #202, RES 2023 #203, RES 2023 #205, RES 2023 #206, RES 2023 #207, RES 2023 #208, RES 2023 #209, RES 2023 #210, RES 2023 #211, RES 2023 #212, RES 2023 #214, RES 2023 #217, RES 2023 #218, RES 2023 #219, RES 2023 #220, RES 2023 #221, RES 2023 #222, and RES 2023 #223 making them unanimous upon adoption.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who made a motion to amend RES 2023 #197, RES 2023 #200, RES 2023 #204, and RES 2023 #215 to add Councillor Simmons as a cosponsor.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who made a motion to amend RES 2023 #216 to add Councillor Nolan as a cosponsor.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt the orders for RES 2023 #197, RES 2023 #200, RES 2023 #204, RES 2023 #215, and RES 2023 #216, as amended.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who made a motion to amend RES 2023 #201 to add Councillor Toner as a cosponsor.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent

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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt the order for RES 2023 #201 as amended.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent

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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui noted that RES 2023 #213 was a duplicate and withdrawn.

POLICY ORDERS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt the balance of the Policy Orders; POR 2023 #131, POR 2023 #132, POR 2023 #133, POR 2023 #134, POR 2023 #135, POR 2023 #136, POR 2023 #137, POR 2023 #138, POR 2023 #139, POR 2023 #140, POR 2023 #142, POR 2023 #144, POR 2023 #146, and POR 2023 #148.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent

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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui spoke on POR 2023 # 141 that the City Manager is requested to finalize the grant agreement with Bunker Hill Community College and appropriate the \$50,000 in contributions made by MIT and Harvard University to the College Success Initiative to provide scholarships to 30 students entering Bunker Hill Community College.

Mayor Siddiqui noted the importance of this partnership and thanked everyone involved in moving this forward. Councillor Azeem suggested adding the entire City Council to the policy order as co-sponsors.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to amend POR 2023 #141 to add the entire City Council as cosponsors.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent

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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #141 as amended.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent

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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who spoke on POR 2023 #143 that the City Manager is requested to consult with relevant departments on an enhanced communication strategy to inform residents about implementation of the Cycling Safety Ordinance.

Councillor Nolan made a motion to amend POR 2023 #143 to add Councillor McGovern as a cosponsor.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent

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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion that POR 2023 #143 be adopted as amended.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who spoke on POR 2023 #145 relative to a pilot program providing subsidized, on-demand transit to low income residents, people with disabilities and seniors, with a goal of expanding the program to service the region in ways that supplement the MBTA system via a fare-free, on-demand transit for everyone.

The Chair Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who exercised his Charter Right on POR 2023 #145.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who spoke on POR 2023 #147 that the City Manager is requested to report back to the City Council on whether a change in language to the Cycling Safety Ordinance is necessary to enable outdoor dining.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who exercised his Charter Right on POR 2023 #147.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to accept the balance of the Committee Reports; #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #10, #11, and #14, noting that #9, #12, and #15 were already disposed of.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent

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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan on Ordinance Committee Report #13.

Councillor Zondervan made a motion to pass the Quadrangle (AOD-Q) and design guidelines ordinance language to a second reading.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to accept Committee Report #13 and place it on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER CITY OFFICERS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion to place Communications from Other City Officers, COF 2023 #135, COF 2023 #136, COF 2023 #137, and COF 2023 #138 on file.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent

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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

LATE ITEMS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who spoke on late filed Resolution, RES 2023 #224, on the death of Professor Charles Ogletree. Councillor Simmons made a motion to adopt the order for RES 2023 #224. City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

ADJOURN

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who made a motion to adjourn.

City Clerk LeBlanc called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Absent
Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Absent
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-7, Absent-2. Motion Passed.

The Cambridge City Council adjourned at approximately 11:49 p.m.

Attachment A: Written comments received from the public during public comment, per Council Rule 22.

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.

Please note that there are two separate links for this meeting because there was an executive session. Part 1 can be viewed at:

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Part 2 can be viewed at:

https://cambridgema.granicus.com/player/clip/557?view_id=1&redirect=true&h=9df1e7dd265908fe5bde4b0dca65a265

Taylor, Bernice

From: Sara Barcan <sbarcan@homeownersrehab.org>
Sent: Monday, August 7, 2023 5:44 PM
To: Planning Board Comment
Cc: City Clerk
Subject: Affordable Housing Overlay

Dear Members of the Cambridge Planning Board:

While I am unable to testify at tomorrow night's hearing, I strongly urge you to support of the proposed changes to Cambridge's Affordable Housing Overlay.

As you know, the need for affordable housing in Cambridge remains desperate, with lengthy waitlists for our developments as well as those owned by the CHA, Just-A-Start and other developers. We frequently receive calls and emails from families who seek housing in Cambridge. Many of them have lived here previously, or grew up here and want to return with their children to allow them to attend Cambridge's excellent schools, play in the parks, and grow up near family and community. Our residents often tell us of friends or family who can no longer afford to live in Cambridge.

I note that not every site will be suitable for the increased height allowances under the new overlay. For instance, at 1627 Massachusetts Avenue, our current AHO project, we did not elect to build to the highest allowable height even under the current overlay, choosing to limit our building to six stories. We and our architects felt that was the correct treatment, both due to neighborhood context and added cost.

However, in locations where we can build higher, we need to do so. Land in Cambridge is among the most expensive in the country. When we or other developers purchase a site, we should maximize affordable housing opportunities on that site. At some locations, a taller building will allow us to achieve maximum density with a smaller footprint. In those cases, we can plan for additional open space on our site. Alternatively, we can build on sites that would otherwise be too small for an affordable housing development.

Again, I ask that each of you vote in favor of the proposed changes to the Affordable Housing Overlay. Thank you for your time, and for your support of affordable housing in Cambridge.

Sincerely,

Sara Barcan



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Taylor, Bernice

From: Eric Grunebaum <eric.grunebaum@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 7, 2023 5:59 PM
To: City Council; Huang, Yi-An
Cc: City Clerk
Subject: Support Policy Order: Encouraging De-Paving Throughout the City

Dear Mayor Siddiqui, Councillors and City Manager Huang,

I support this small but meaningful Policy Order which can accelerate de-paving on public and private property in the City. Given the significant heat and storm water benefits, this is a small but important step worth taking.

On a directly related matter, it is worth noting that there are more than two acres of pavement around Jerry's Pond under a thin layer of topsoil.

Cambridge has acknowledged the potential for depaving this land by listing it as a *"Possible Project Enhancement [which would] create even more benefits for users of Jerry's Pond."*

The enhancement is described as *"Remov[ing] asphalt paving and install[ing] planting soil, native seeds, trees and shrubs to help restore ecological processes."*

Cambridge could encourage and assist the owner, IQHQ, in the depaving of this land during the site's development. Depaving here would be directly responsive to the City's current [Hazard Mitigation Plan](#) update and response since it would increase water infiltration and tree growth which in turn reduces flood and heat risks for our largest environmental justice communities along Rindge Ave.

To leave this land paved in perpetuity -- as is currently planned by IQHQ -- would be a significant error, putting residents at greater risk of harm, given what we know about the accelerating risks of flooding and heat, particularly in the Alewife/North Cambridge neighborhood which has some of the highest heat and floods risks in Cambridge and most vulnerable populations.

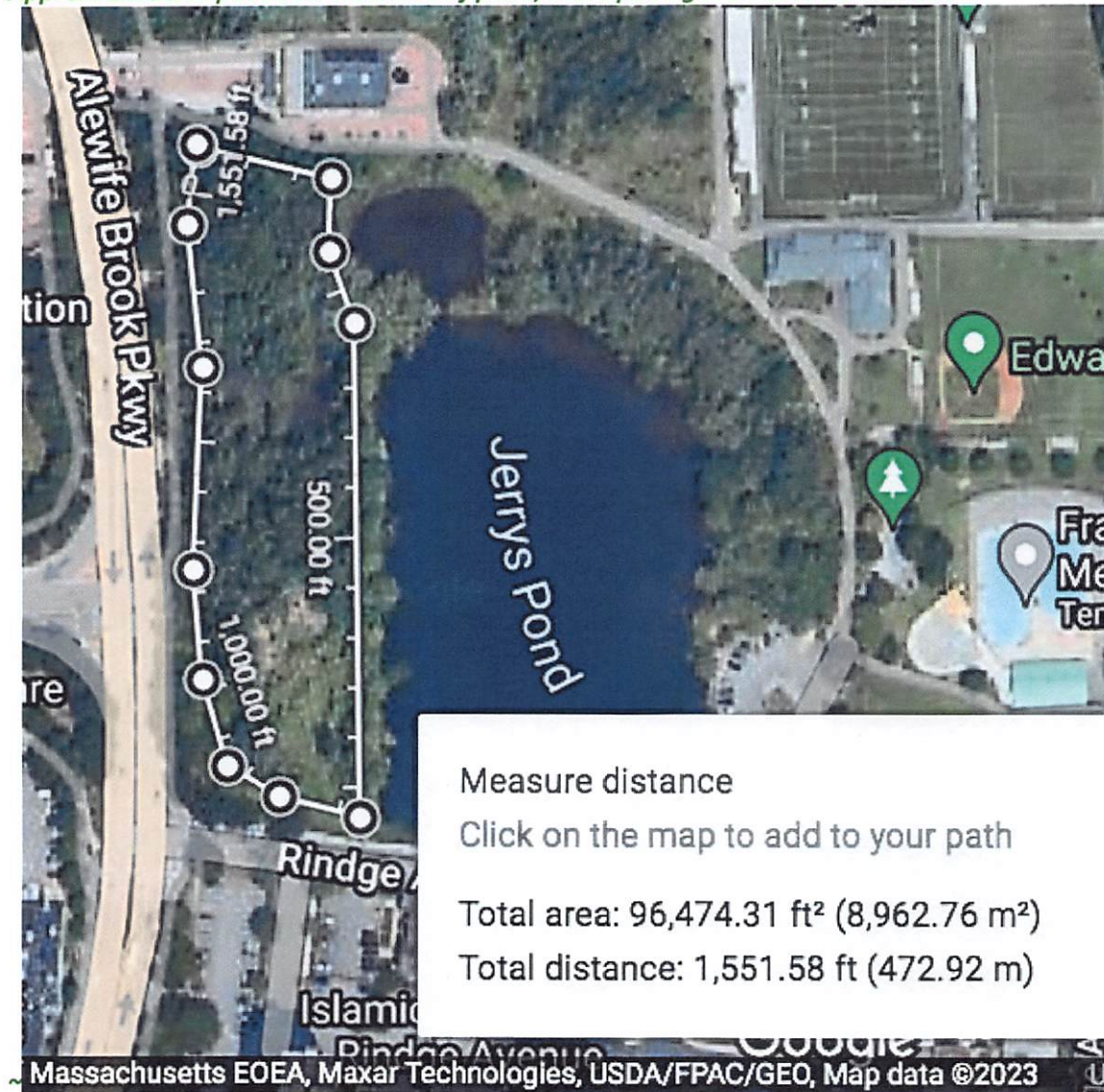
Thank you for your consideration ~ [Please include this in the council record.]

Best,
Eric Grunebaum
98 Montgomery St., Cambridge, MA 02140

1978; paved land around Jerry's Pond



Approx. 2.2 acres paved on west side of pond, more paving is on east side as well



Taylor, Bernice

From: Joan Pickett <jpickett7@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 7, 2023 6:41 PM
To: City Council; City Clerk
Cc: City Manager
Subject: For PO 13 and 17 and against CMA #4

Dear City Councillors,

I am speaking in support of policy orders 13 and 17 both of which relate to the Cycling Safety Ordinance and against CMA agenda item #4 related to NCD proposed amendments.

I am glad the city council has recognized the need for enhanced communication of CSO efforts to residents and businesses. In your communications, I hope the city will be clear what is happening---- everyone is in favor of Safety Improvements Projects. So it is important to clearly call out the details such as on street parking removal, relocation of loading zones and bus stops and adjustments to handicap parking.

I also support the addition of the buffered bike lane definition to the CSO if it is required. This is the first acknowledgement that design flexibility is needed. The concept of buffered bike lane is included along with many other bike infrastructure options in CDD's Bicycle tool box. The ability of the city to achieve cycling safety should allow for the selection of the best infrastructure option for the street or street section in collaboration with neighborhoods as one size does not fit all. My expectation is the opportunity for buffered bike lanes will be equitably available throughout the city and there will be a transparent process with the criteria to qualify well understood by restaurant owners.

I do not support CMA #4, NCD proposed amendments, as presented which materially changes the core NCD's functions. At a minimum, any revisions to the NCD must include the counter amendments offered by Executive Director, Charles Sullivan. The counter amendments update some of the ordinance language, maintains the 10 person petition, maintains key professional criteria for appointment and allows non-binding review for affordable housing. The review is not intended to delay projects but to make the design better and there is nothing wrong with that as a goal and the review process benefits from having members who have professional and technical experience that add value. I strongly urge the council to include the counter amendments offered by the Executive Director in any amendments to the Ordinance.

Thank you

Joan Pickett
59 Ellery St

Taylor, Bernice

From: Ilana Strauss <ilana.e.strauss@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 7, 2023 6:45 PM
To: City Council
Cc: City Clerk
Subject: Cycling Safety Ordinance

Hi there,

I'm a Cambridge resident (Cedar St.) watching the council going on at the moment. I didn't sign up to speak, so I'm writing in support of separated bike lanes. I rely on my bike to get everywhere, and separated bike lanes make me feel comfortable traveling down streets that would otherwise make me worried for my safety. My roommates would like to bike but are afraid of cars; more separated bike lanes could get them and many others to start biking.

Anyways, thank you for all the really wonderful work you have been doing with bike infrastructure. Things have been getting much better.

Best,
Ilana

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 7, 2023
SPEAKING TO CHARTER RIGHT #1

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With the implementation of the Garden Street Safety Improvement Project, installed October 2022, our home at 50 Garden Street is the sole driveway on the west side of Garden Street that has tandem parking adjacent to our driveway. It has been and continues to be a hazard.

We were not able to participate in the planning sessions. If you'd like further information on that aspect please let me know. We have repeatedly made numerous phone calls, sent numerous emails with photos to a variety of City of Cambridge employees expressing our deep concern that an accident will occur as we access and egress our deeded property.

The traffic backs up several times a day, year round and we have no visibility as we turn into our driveway. We have very limited visibility exiting as our view of the bike lane is blocked as is our view of oncoming traffic.

We have asked that the parked vehicles be moved across the street to the 360' feet of unbroken curb that parallels the Hilles building.

The Traffic department deems either setup safe. We have asked if that decision takes into account the frequent traffic backing up,

no longer giving us a way of knowing if cyclist or pedestrians are traversing our driveway. We await an answer.

The Traffic Dept. is currently taking a survey of 52 Garden Street a 42 unit apartment building to see where they would like the parking.

The Traffic Dept. is basing their safety decision on the opinion of the apartment tenants/owners.

We will not participate in this survey.

It is not the way our City should make life or death safety decisions.

We will continue to send communications conveying our near collisions which happen weekly.

This is an ongoing hazard and it's our belief that an accident will occur causing injuries and or deaths.

This is rectified by moving the parked cars across the street, as it is on the rest of the Garden Street Safety Improvement Project.

If I can clarify or you would like further information please contact me, Nike Timan.

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