



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

MAY 15, 2023

5:30 PM

SULLIVAN CHAMBER

~MINUTES~

MEETING

Monday, May 15, 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 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"/>	6:26 PM
Paul F. Toner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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
REGULAR MEETING**

Monday, May 15, 2023

A regular meeting of the Cambridge City Council was held on Monday, May 15, 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 – Present/In Person

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Present/In Person

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Present/In Person

Present-8. Absent-1. Quorum established.

*** Councillor Simmons joined at 6:26 p.m. and was 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 allowed up to 2 minutes to speak:

Young Kim, 17 Norris Street, Cambridge, MA, urged the Council to vote no on adopting Committee Report #1 because the report is not presented properly and shared that the survey was a misuse of valuable resources.

Matthew Kennedy, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Simmons, to vote yes on PO #88.

Meilyn Hug, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Nolan, to vote yes on PO #88.

Tahmid Rahman, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Mayor Siddiqui, to vote yes on PO #88.

Hannah Didehbani, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Nolan, to vote yes on PO #88.

Jeffrey Shen, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Azeem, to vote yes on PO #88.

Mandy W, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Toner, to vote yes on PO #88.

Ana Velarde, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor McGovern, to vote yes on PO #88.

Vanessa Phipps, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Carlone, to vote yes on PO #88.

Rafeya Raquib, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Mayor Siddiqui, to vote yes on PO #88.

Chiamaka Chukwu, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Simmons, to vote yes on PO #88.

Kay W, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor McGovern, to vote yes on PO #88.

Gabriel T, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Nolan, to vote yes on PO #88.

Michelle Liang, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Nolan, to vote yes on PO #88.

Jordan Billings, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Carlone, to vote yes on PO #88.

Izzy Luca, MA, was unable to attend in person and had a friend speak for them, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors to vote yes on PO #88.

Kaelyn D, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Simmons, to vote yes on PO #88.

Daven McQueen, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Simmons, to vote yes on PO #88.

Ximena H, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor McGovern, to vote yes on PO #88.

Prema B, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Mayor Siddiqui, to vote yes on PO #88.

Court Reed, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Vice Mayor Mallon, to vote yes on PO #88.

Mari Arrindell, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Simmons, to vote yes on PO #88.

Samuel Evans, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Carlone, to vote yes on PO #88.

Aisha C, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Mayor Siddiqui, to vote yes on PO #88.

Patrick Carberry, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Carlone, to vote yes on PO #88.

Husayn K, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Azeem, to vote yes on PO #88.

Cole Stevens, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Carlone, to vote yes on PO #88.

Amari Butler, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Councillor Simmons, to vote yes on PO #88.

Amina Adeyola, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors to vote yes on PO #88.

Susanna Chen, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #88 and asked for answers and transparency in the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal and Officers involved in use of force incidents and urged all the Councillors, specifically Vice Mayor Mallon, to vote yes on PO #88.

Jolie Jourdan, Walden Square, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on Policy Order #6 and shared that Grace Alan Johnson and Florence Hope Luscomb both achieved many great things and advocated for women's rights.

Heather Hoffman, 213 Hurley Street, Cambridge, MA, shared they were in favor of IPM and the geothermal pilot and offered comments on affordable housing and the purchase of Webster Avenue.

James Williamson, Churchill Avenue, Cambridge, MA, shared they were supportive of Policy Order #88 and offered comments on the Webster Avenue property being used for affordable housing.

Greg Kaplan, 2218 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA, offered comments on CMA #4 and shared they wanted to raise awareness to the City of mismanagement and health concerns on the property that is affecting the neighborhood and businesses.

Alessandra Santos offered comments on Policy Order #88 and shared concerns about being safe in their neighborhood and on the police incident involving Arif Sayed Faisal.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon who made a motion to close public comment at approximately 6:44 p.m.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 – No

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, No-1. Motion Passed.

CITY MANAGER’S AGENDA

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt the appropriation orders for CMA 2023 #135 for \$150,000 and CMA 2023 #136 for \$20,000.

Deputy City Clerk Crane called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – Yes

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – Yes

Vice Mayor Alanna M. Mallon – Yes

Councillor Marc C. McGovern – Absent

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 Nolan on CMA 2023 #134, a communication relative to a recommendation from the Board of Election Commissioners for the City Council to vote to authorize in-person early voting for the November 7, 2023 Municipal Election in accordance with “The VOTES Act”. Councillor Nolan asked questions relative to in person early voting and what was being done to increase participation. Tanya Ford responded noting outreach efforts as well as the impact of other options including vote by mail. Tanya Ford noted that many people wait until election night to drop off their ballot. Councillor Nolan commented that if in-person/early voting is not what people prefer, the city should respond accordingly. City Manager Huang noted that the COVID pandemic resulted in many more voting options and that the city would be doing some fine tuning going forward.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion to authorize in-person early voting for the November 7, 2023 Municipal Election.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 #137 relative to the opening of the Hildebrand Family Self-Help Center, Inc. family shelter at 2222

Massachusetts Avenue. Vice Mayor Mallon asked how families are being placed and how the management is being handled, specifically noting the issues raised during public comment.

Assistant City Manager for Human Services Ellen Semonoff responded that placement is through DHCD as all placements are and that this site houses 12 families. City Manager Huang spoke to the sewer issue raised in public comment and noted the City has been in communication with the management and would work to ensure that the families are supported and that the neighborhood is involved in the conversation. Vice Mayor Mallon commented that it is important that we are helping however we can and that Cambridge is a welcoming City. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who noted that he had communicated with the management and that DPW responded quickly to the sewer situation. Councillor Zondervan noted that this is the result of a policy order that was unanimously adopted by the City Council and that he appreciated the work of staff on this. Councillor Zondervan noted that he did have some concerns and noted the many recommendations made in the task force report. City Manager Huang noted that the city has made and is willing to make additional investments to support the unhoused community and that the city is trying to make wise investments. Assistant City Manager for Human Services, Ellen Semonoff also responded. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who noted that he appreciated this moving forward and that there is much more to be done. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who noted that he appreciated the City Manager trying to make wise investments. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who noted this is positive in that it provides housing for 12 unhoused families and that she was glad the issues raised in public comment were being addressed. Councillor Nolan asked specifically about what outreach was being done in the neighborhood. Assistant City Manager for Human Services, Ellen Semonoff responded. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone who noted that old buildings are not always maintained the way they should be and that sewer issues are not uncommon. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who noted that Hildebrand is a good and experienced organization that runs other family shelters and do it very well. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui noted that this is not an either/or, this is a good decision and there are many short term, middle term, and long-term recommendations that the City needs to follow up on and that she would discuss a possible roundtable with City Manager Huang.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon who made a motion to place CMA 2023 #137 on file.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 #138 relative to an update on 333 Webster Avenue.

Vice Mayor Mallon made a motion to suspend the rules to bring forward Charter Right Item 1 on 333 Webster Avenue and Policy Order, POR 2023 #86 related to 333 Webster Avenue.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 who noted that the CMA underscores the commitment of the City relative to this property and that she appreciated that the City Manager listened and is very supportive of moving this forward. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who noted that she still had the same concerns that she expressed last week and new concerns in light of questions raised in the Cambridge Day. Councillor Nolan asked questions about the property and Consultant Robert Reardon and Director of Assessing Gail Willet responded. Councillor Nolan noted that after other Councillors spoke, she intended to make a motion to table. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who noted that the CMA helps to clarify the City's commitment and POR 2023 #86 requires that the property be eventually used for affordable housing, and that he is fully supportive of this purchase. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone who said that we need to buy whatever we can get our hands on and that the resolution presented makes all the sense in the world, and he is fully supportive. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who noted that he agreed with Councillor Carlone that we need to buy and then we can decide what to do with the property. Councillor McGovern noted that if, in the long term, this property was not used for affordable housing, it would be a tremendous loss. Councillor McGovern asked what the implications of tabling this matter would be. Consultant Robert

Reardon responded. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who noted he agreed with Councillor Carlone and Councillor McGovern and he would not support a motion to table. Councillor Toner asked City Solicitor Glowa if the city had any recourse if there are any shenanigans. City Solicitor Glowa responded noting that once the City takes the property by Eminent Domain, it is ours, and the City would not be paying for the property until the deed is recorded. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who asked about the per acre value of other properties. Director of Assessing Gail Willet responded.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who made a motion to table Charter Right Item 1 relative to 333 Webster Avenue.

Deputy City Clerk Crane called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – No

Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – No

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 – No

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – No

Yes-1, No-8. Motion Failed.

Relative to CMA 2023 #128, a communication transmitted from Yi-A Huang, City Manager, relative to a recommendation that the City Council approve an Order to take by “friendly” eminent domain proceeding parcels of land located at 319 Webster Avenue, Cambridge (as shown on Cambridge Assessors Map 81, Parcel 21), 333 Webster Avenue, Cambridge (as shown on Cambridge Assessors Map 81, Parcel 23), and 455 Columbia Street (as shown on Cambridge Assessors Map 81, Parcel 16) (collectively “Cambridge Parcels”), and approve an Order authorizing the purchase of a parcel of land located at 94 Webster Avenue, Somerville (as shown on Somerville Assessors Map 96, Parcel B-7) (“Somerville Parcel”) (collectively, the “Premises”), all of which are owned by Webster Avenue Ventures LLC (“WV”), the Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made six separate motions as follows:

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to vote to approve/adopt the appropriation order \$3,101,250.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 – No

Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes

Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes

Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, No-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to vote to Approve the Order of Taking

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 – No
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, No-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to vote to approve/adopt the appropriation order \$10,276,750.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 – No
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, No-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to vote to Approve Order of Purchase.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 – No
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, No-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to vote to approve/adopt the appropriation order \$1,022,000.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 – No
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes

Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, No-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to vote to approve/adopt the appropriation order \$1,000,000.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 – No
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, No-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who moved suspension of the rules to allow reconsideration of votes taken relative to 333 Webster Avenue.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 – No
Councillor E. Denise Simmons – Yes
Councillor Paul Toner – Yes
Councillor Quinton Y. Zondervan – Yes
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, No-1. Motion Passed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who moved reconsideration of the six votes taken relative to 333 Webster Avenue.

Deputy City Clerk Crane called the roll.

Councillor Burhan Azeem – No
Councillor Dennis J. Carlone – No
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 – No
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – No

Yes-1, No-8. Motion Failed.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon who made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #86 and place CMA 2023 #138 on file.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 Zondervan who made a motion to adopt the orders for APP 2023 #25, APP 2023 #26, APP 2023 #27, APP 2023 #28, APP 2023 #29, and APP 2023 #30.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 APP 2023 #24 for a curb cut at 96 Otis Street. Councillor Zondervan exercised his Charter Right.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who made a motion to place one hundred and seventeen communications on file.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 COM 2023 #1153 from residents of the YMCA Central House, 820 Massachusetts Avenue, requesting better living conditions. Councillor Zondervan read the petition into the record and spoke about what he and Councillor McGovern have done to address the issues raised with the new leadership and committed to continuing to work on these issues along with Councillor McGovern. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who thanked Councillor Zondervan for his work on this and noted that he was impressed with the new leadership and looks forward to continuing to work with them to resolve resident issues.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who made a motion to place COM 2023 #1153 on file.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 recognized Councillor McGovern who made a motion to adopt the orders for RES 2023 #145, RES 2023 #146, RES 2023 #147, RES 2023 #148, and RES 2023 #149.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #84 relative to support for SD 487 and HD 825, and POR 2023 #89 relative to a dedication request.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 POR 2023 #85, That the City Manager is requested to work with the Community Development Department and other Relevant departments to fund and implement the grant proposal submitted to DOE GTO to design and implement a community-scale geothermal heating and cooling system in Cambridge. Councillor Nolan spoke noting that this is exactly the type of work the Council has been talking about, the ground work has all been done, and the request is that it be funded using City funds. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone who said this is common sense and a major step forward and asked to be a cosponsor. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who offered comments in strong support. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon who asked to be added as a cosponsor. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner said the entire Council should be added.

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

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 #85 as amended.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 #87, That the City Manager is requested to work with the appropriate departments to produce the petition(s) necessary to accomplish the goal of lowering the speed limit as much as possible on all state highways that fall within Cambridge’s geographic boundaries. Councillor Zondervan noted that the policy order simply asks what the City is allowed to do by state law. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner who asked what are the state highways in Cambridge and what is the intention relative to how low the speed limit will go. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who responded that Memorial Drive and McGrath Highway are state highways and there may be others and that the limit would probably be 25 miles per hour. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon who noted that Rt. 16 is a state highway so Aberdeen Ave is involved, and also noted that she supports this moving forward. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone who said he supports this moving forward and that parts of Massachusetts Ave would be involved.

**The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #87.
Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 #88, That the City Manager is requested to work with the relevant departments to establish a policy of releasing the names of officers involved in any use of force incident, up to and including those incidents resulting in injury or death. Councillor Zondervan made the following remarks: “I submitted this order because I agree with the public’s observation that the decision around whether to release the name of the officer is not yet actually in the hands of the city manager -- because we haven’t yet asked him to do so. I believe that the public has a right to know where the council stands on this issue. Of course, it is important to acknowledge that the asks contained in this order are wholly insufficient. As some members of the public have pointed out, this is just a first step. Knowing the identity of the officer isn’t going to change anything about what happened or make it any less likely to happen next time -- because this isn’t about

just weeding out a few bad apples. The institution of policing itself is fundamentally broken and we must move away from it as quickly as possible, towards true investment in our community. I'm aware that some of my colleagues have produced a substitute order whitewashing the original ask to release the name of the officers involved in the killing of Faisal. While I'm heartened to see the council finally engaging with this ask, and glad to see that my colleagues agree that most forward-thinking police departments release the names of officers involved with use of force even when awaiting the results of investigations, it is disappointing but not surprising to see the ask to release the officers' names immediately be completely erased by this substitute. To give my colleagues an opportunity to reconsider, I exercise my charter right."

Councillor Zondervan exercised his Charter Right.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Toner on Committee Report #1, Economic Development and University Relations Committee meeting held on May 2, 2023. Councillor Toner provided an update on the meeting, noting it was useful. Councillor Toner spoke relative to the survey and the economic impact study, and thanked Councillor Nolan for asking tough questions.

Councillor Toner made a motion to accept the Committee Report and place it on file.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 the Ordinance Committee Report from May 3, 2023.

Councillor McGovern made a motion to Pass the Craig Kelley, et al. – Cambridge Transportation Emissions Reduction and Car Sharing Act Petition to a Second Reading.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Zondervan who noted that while he is supportive of this, he still has questions. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Carlone who said he has some reservation relative to the impact on neighborhoods. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan who spoke in full support. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who detailed the process moving forward noting that the Petition expires on August 1, 2023.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 – No
Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui – Yes

Yes-8, No-1. Motion Passed

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

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 made a motion to place COF 2023 #92 and COF 2023 #94.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 spoke on COF 2023 #93, A communication transmitting information regarding WinnCompanies Property Management. Mayor Siddiqui noted that she wanted to talk about this to acknowledge the work that has been done and the work that is ongoing. Mayor Siddiqui noted that the impetus for this effort was the many residents that had come to her office and shared with her their living situations. Mayor Siddiqui said that she wanted to make sure that their voices were being heard by WinnCompanies Property Management. Mayor Siddiqui shared that she and the Vice Mayor started by sending a letter to the Trust and after that there were many, many meetings over the last year and a half to achieved the progress outlined in this communication that have led to better outcomes for our residents in the Walden Square Community. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon

who thanked the Mayor and her staff, especially Adrienne Klein, Director of Constituent Services, for taking a lead role in communication with the management company and with supporting the residents through the process. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Nolan followed by Councillor McGovern, each who thanked the Mayor and her team for their efforts to improve the lives of the residents.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to place COF 2023 #93 on file.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 ITEMS

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui asked if there were any late resolutions. Deputy Clerk Crane noted there were two, one from Councillor Simmons and another from Councillor McGovern. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor Simmons who noted that RES 2023 #150 is on the 91st birthday of Artis Spears. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who noted that RES 2023 #151 is on the death of James Shearer.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui made a motion to adopt the orders for RES 2023 #150 and RES 2023 #151.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 asked if there were any late policy orders. Deputy City Clerk Crane noted that there was one late policy order from Councillor McGovern.

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who made a motion to suspend the rules to allow a late filed policy order.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 spoke on POR 2023 #89 relative to the installation of a Crossing Light at Soden and Western. The late order that was shown on the screen and reads: Ordered: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with all relevant Departments to install a blinking, yellow pedestrian crossing light at the crosswalk on the corner of Soden Street and Western Ave. The Chair, recognized, Councillor Nolan, who expressed dissatisfaction at the late item because she did not understand why it could not have waited until next week, but stated she would support it. The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Councillor McGovern who made a motion to adopt POR 2023 #89.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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

ADJOURN

The Chair, Mayor Siddiqui recognized Vice Mayor Mallon who made a motion to adjourn.

Deputy City Clerk Crane 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 8:34 p.m.

Attachments: Written communications received during public comment.

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Perez, Lori

From: Henchman, Anna A <henchman@bu.edu>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 5:22 PM
To: City Council
Cc: City Clerk; info.ma.cambridge@mothersoutfront.org
Subject: Please support Policy Order 2023 #85 - a pilot geothermal in Cambridge

Dear city council:

Please support policy order 2023 #85 to fund the design and implementation of a pilot community-level geothermal heating and cooling district in Cambridge. Cambridge is an ideal place to explore shared geothermal heating and cooling, and because the groundwater temperatures are so close to ideal temperatures during the summer and winter, this is an extremely efficient and promising technology once it has been set up.

Thank you in advance for considering this!

All best, Anna Henchman
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