



# CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA • MARCH 21, 2021

Regular Meeting

Sullivan Chamber 5:30 PM

Cambridge City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02139

### I. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

1. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a request to designate First Assistant City Solicitor Megan Bayer as the City of Cambridge liaison to the State Ethics Commission effective April 1, 2022.

*CMA 2022 #53*

*This item was adopted on the consent agenda. No discussion took place.*

2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the reappointment of Edward Otero as a Constable Without Power to serve civil process for a term of three years, effective the first day of January, 2022.

*CMA 2022 #54*

*This item was adopted on the consent agenda. No discussion took place.*

3. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Shannon Grant for \$40,228.40 received from the Metropolitan Mayors Coalition's Community Safety Initiative through the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to the Grant Fund Police Department Salary and Wages account (\$32,518.40) and the Grant Fund Police Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$7,710.00) which will be dedicated to hot spot patrols, youth violence reduction strategies, and the Focused Deterrence program, and will support a Teen Public Art Program at the Community Art Center.

*CMA 2022 #55*

*This item was adopted on the consent agenda. No discussion took place.*

4. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the FY22 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) STOP Grant for \$15,945.00 received from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) to the Grant Fund Police Department Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used to help support a regional "Trauma Informed Approach to Law Enforcement" training in collaboration with the Cambridge Domestic and Gender- Based Violence Prevention Initiative.

*CMA 2022 #56*

*This item was adopted on the consent agenda. No discussion took place.*

- Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the FY2022 Cultural Investment Portfolio Program Grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council in the amount of \$13,800 to the Grant Fund Historical Commission Salaries and Wages account (\$12,500) and the Grant Fund Historical Commission Other Ordinary Maintenance account (\$1,300) which will be used to support part-time archives assistants, as well as for the purchase of archival storage supplies.

***CMA 2022 #57***

This item was adopted on the consent agenda. No discussion took place.

- Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the appropriation of a Recycling Dividends Program Grant received from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in the amount of \$97,500 to the Grant Fund Public Works Other Ordinary Maintenance account which will be used for various City’s recycling programs including carts for business and residential recycling.

***CMA 2022 #5***

This item was adopted on the consent agenda. No discussion took place.

- A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to recommendations for the block rates for water consumption and sewer use for the period beginning April 1, 2022 and ending March 31, 2023.

***CMA 2022 #59***

The recommendations for the block rates for water consumption and sewer use are based on both previous year consumption and use as well as the need for upcoming repairs, especially in the Port neighborhood. It was noted that there is a 10-year report in progress on the anticipated repairs throughout the City as well. To read the full report, click [here](#).

The following block sewer and water consumption rates will be in effect for the period beginning April 1, 2022 and ending March 31, 2023:

	Annual Consumption*	FY22 Water Rate	FY23 Proposed Water Rate	FY22 Sewer Rate	FY23 Proposed Sewer Rate
<b>Block 1</b>	0 – 40 CcF	\$3.05	\$3.11	\$13.51	\$14.59
<b>Block 2</b>	41 – 400 CcF	\$3.27	\$3.33	\$14.28	\$15.42
<b>Block 3</b>	401 – 2,000 CcF	\$3.47	\$3.54	\$15.34	\$16.57
<b>Block 4</b>	2,001 – 10,000 CcF	\$3.69	\$3.76	\$16.52	\$17.84
<b>Block 5</b>	Over 10,000 CcF	\$4.00	\$4.08	\$17.56	\$18.96

\*All rates are per CcF. CcF is an abbreviation of 100 cubic feet. One CcF is approximately 750 gallons.

This item was placed on file.

## II. CALENDAR

### CHARTER RIGHT

1. Transmitting Communication from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to the appropriation of the Emergency Management Performance Grant from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency in the amount of \$39,600.00 to the Grant Fund Fire Extraordinary Expenditures account which will be used to support the purchase of a new vehicle for the Emergency Preparedness and Coordination office.

**CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR NOLAN IN COUNCIL MARCH 7, 2022.**

**CMA 2022 #38**

There was discussion about the City's [Green Fleet policy](#). The policy requires that "each vehicle request identify three options and compare them on the basis of fuel economy and emissions using the US EPA Green Vehicle Guide." Since we were not provided with the options that the green fleet committee was provided with, we asked for this additional information, as well as an additional week for DPW and the Fire Department to fully explore what options are available to make a more informed decision as well as ensuring we have a standardized template of how we see the options considered and why the most energy efficient option was not chosen.

This item was placed on the table by a vote of 6-3. Councillors McGovern, Simmons, and Toner voted no.

2. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to a request from the Massachusetts Department of Conservation (DCR) to reactivate the parking meters installed last year on segments of Memorial Drive near the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and along Cambridge Parkway.

**CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR AZEEM IN COUNCIL MARCH 7, 2022**

**CMA 2022 #45**

**ON THE TABLE**

There was discussion about the City's generosity to the DCR by not asking for funds sharing, and it was noted that the City hopes for a continued symbiotic relationship with the DCR in the future.

This item was placed on file.

3. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to approval requested for new appointments and reappointment to Open Data Review Board for a term of two year.

**CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY VICE MAYOR MALLON  
IN COUNCIL FEBRUARY 28, 2022**

**PLACED ON THE TABLE IN COUNCIL MARCH 7, 2022  
CMA 2022 #24**

No action was taken.

4. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to approval requested for reappointment and new appointment to the Water Board.  
**CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY VICE MAYOR MALLON  
IN COUNCIL FEBRUARY 28, 2022  
PLACED ON THE TABLE IN COUNCIL MARCH 7, 2022 CMA 2022 #26**

No action was taken.

5. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to approval requested for reappointments to the Fresh Pond Master Plan Advisory Board.  
**CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY VICE MAYOR MALLON  
IN COUNCIL FEBRUARY 28, 2022  
PLACED ON THE TABLE IN COUNCIL MARCH 7, 2022 CMA 2022 #27**

No action was taken.

6. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to approval requested for new appointments and reappointments to the Mid Cambridge Neighborhood Conservation District Commission.  
**CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY VICE MAYOR MALLON  
IN COUNCIL FEBRUARY 28, 2022  
PLACED ON THE TABLE IN COUNCIL MARCH 7, 2022  
CMA 2022 #29**

No action was taken.

7. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to approval requested for a new appointment and reappointments to the Avon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District Commission.  
**CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY VICE MAYOR MALLON  
IN COUNCIL FEBRUARY 28, 2022  
PLACED ON THE TABLE IN COUNCIL MARCH 7, 2022  
CMA 2022 #30**

No action was taken.

8. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to approval requested for reappointments to the Half Crown-Marsh Neighborhood Conservation District Commission.  
**CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY VICE MAYOR MALLON**

**IN COUNCIL FEBRUARY 28, 2022  
PLACED ON THE TABLE IN COUNCIL MARCH 7, 2022  
CMA 2022 #31**

No action was taken.

9. A communication transmitted from Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager, relative to approval requested for a new appointment and reappointments to the Historical Commission. **CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY VICE MAYOR MALLON  
IN COUNCIL FEBRUARY 28, 2022  
PLACED ON THE TABLE IN COUNCIL MARCH 7, 2022 CMA 2022 #32**

No action was taken.

10. That the City Manager is requested to amend all existing Community Host Agreements previously issued by the City by reducing the Impact Fee to 0.05% of Gross Revenue and to refrain from placing this burden upon any future HCAs that may yet be issued. **CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN  
IN COUNCIL FEBRUARY 28, 2022  
PLACED ON THE TABLE IN COUNCIL MARCH 7, 2022  
POR 2022 #27**

The rules were suspended to pull this item off of the table.

Councillor Simmons (red font) was happy to present collaborative language from both her and Councillor Zondervan (blue font):

WHEREAS: At least seven Economic Empowerment (EE) and Social Equity (SE) applicants in Cambridge have so far received their business permits, and Cambridge is poised to soon have one of the highest concentrations of equity adult use cannabis retail establishments in the state, yet to date, only one business has been able to open their doors; and

WHEREAS: A variety of factors have contributed to the slow start of establishing local recreational dispensaries, including but not limited to procedural delays caused by the pandemic, litigation, and the significant costs associated with obtaining licenses, securing product, securing and holding retail space during an international pandemic, and the hiring and training of staff; and

WHEREAS: The two-year delay caused by the Covid-19 pandemic has presented a particularly difficult challenge for local Equity Empowerment (the "EE") and Social Equity (the "SE") applicants to navigate, as those who secured retail space two or more years ago in anticipation of offsetting their monthly rent with their monthly profits have instead had to absorb two years' worth of rent without any sales to offset these costs, threatening the fiscal viability of some these fledgling enterprises; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge's pioneering exclusivity period has built a strong foundation for equitable development of the emerging adult-use cannabis industry, but it is imperative to consider additional ways to assist EE and SE applicants through the immense challenges they face; and

WHEREAS: Another significant cost will be the local "Impact Fees," which the City defines in all its HCAs as "...the amount of three percent (3%) of the Applicant's gross revenues derived from the Cannabis Business' sales...[because]...[t]he Parties anticipate that, as a result of the Applicant's operation of the Cannabis Business, the City will incur additional expenses and impacts upon its road system, law enforcement, inspectional services, permitting

services, administrative services, educational services and public health services, in addition to potential unforeseen impacts upon the City,” and these fees must be paid to the City on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS: Massachusetts has collected \$74.2 million from cannabis sales as of December 2021, the excise tax of 10.75% on recreational cannabis comprising **less than** half of the total tax revenue being collected for cannabis, as there is also a 6.25% state sales tax, plus the local tax **of 3% and the** Impact Fees of up to 3% of gross revenue, which all added up to \$208 million in total tax revenue last fiscal year; and

WHEREAS: Due to substantial and negative impact of the 3% (Impact Fees) on the viability of these EE and SE Cannabis Dispensaries, and in light of the supporting evidence from **other Massachusetts municipalities that the removal of these Impact Fees would not have any appreciable impacts upon the community or add significant additional costs to the City**, it would be a small but significant action if the City were to remove or reduce this additional financial hurdle for local EE and SE applicants, in an effort to support the viability of these businesses during such uncertain times for brick and mortar businesses; and

WHEREAS: The City Council has repeatedly declared its strong support for creating favorable conditions that would provide EE and SE applicants with the greatest chances for success, and to that end it would be just and equitable for the City to **conditionally waive impact fees for all Cannabis Businesses until and unless the city is required to expend funds to mitigate specific impacts from Cannabis Businesses, and to exempt EE and SE applicants from any such charges to the maximum extent permissible** ; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to adopt a policy of conditionally waiving all impact fees until and unless the city is required to expend funds to mitigate specific impacts from Cannabis Businesses, providing at least **six** months advance notice to all businesses before any such fee must be paid, to amend all existing HCAs to reflect this policy, **and this should become applicable upon adoption of this policy order**; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to work with relevant staff to provide a comprehensive, data-driven update on Cambridge’s emerging cannabis industry at a future hearing of the Finance Committee, including (but not limited to):

- Information on the number of EE and SE applicants seeking to open in Cambridge and where they stand in the process
- Information on the ways in which city staff have worked with EE and SE applicants to help them get through the process as swiftly as possible
- Information on revenue generated by adult-use cannabis businesses in Cambridge to date
- An itemization of expenditures that the city has so far been required to make or anticipates having to make in order to mitigate specific impacts of Cannabis Businesses
- A legal opinion on the possibility of completely exempting EE and SE applicants from impact fees that may be assessed, or to charge them proportionally less than other applicants, as a matter of equity
- **An itemization from the City Manager listing all the fees imposed upon EE and SE applicants from the issuing of the special permit to the issuing of the Certificate of Occupancy**
- **An accounting of the approximate amount of time, on average, it takes an applicant to progress from expressing an interest in opening their business in the City to being issued the Certificate of Occupancy; and be it further**

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to provide this update to the Finance Committee shortly after the FY23 budget is adopted by the City Council.

**This policy order was amended unanimously. This policy order was adopted as amended.**

**The rules were suspended to vote on reconsideration. Reconsideration failed, making all action on this item final tonight.**

### III. APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. An application was received from Joseph Bednar requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 266 Rindge Avenue; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association.

***APP 2022 #11***

Councillor Nolan exercised her Charter Right on this item, halting all discussion until the next regular Council meeting.

2. An application was received from Mathew Marshall, requesting permission for a curb cut at the premises numbered 221 Columbia Street; said petition has received approval from Inspectional Services, Traffic, Parking and Transportation, Historical Commission and Public Works. No response has been received from the neighborhood association.

***APP 2022 #12***

Councillor Simmons exercised her Charter Right on this item, halting all discussion until the next regular Council meeting.

3. An application was received from David Randa representing Life Alive Organic Cafe, requesting permission for two (2) canopies and one (1) projecting sign at the premises numbered 415 Main Street approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Department of Public Works, Community Development Department and proof of abutter mailing and return receipt.

***APP 2022 #13***

This application was approved.

### IV. COMMUNICATIONS

1. A communication was received from Tania Maxwell, regarding Mass. Ave. Redesign for Bike, Bus Lanes Porter Square.

***COM 309 #2022***

This communication was placed on file.

2. A communication was received from Peter Lowber, regarding Proposed Safety Plan.

***COM 310 #2022***

This communication was placed on file.

3. A communication was received from Merry White, regarding changes in traffic parking bus and bike movement.

***COM 311 #2022***

This communication was placed on file.

4. A communication was received from Louise Ciampi, regarding Bike Lane Implementation.  
**COM 312 #2022**

This communication was placed on file.

5. A communication was received from Ken Smith, regarding I Support Porter Sq. Bike Lanes.  
**COM 313 #2022**

This communication was placed on file.

6. A communication was received from Kavish Ghandi, regarding Housing Committee 316.  
**COM 314 #2022**

This communication was placed on file.

7. A communication has been received from Hope Turner, regarding ARPA funding for Cambridge HEART.  
**COM 315 #2022**

This communication was placed on file.

8. A communication was received from Henry Lieberman, regarding Support for Mass Ave bike lanes Harvard Sq to Fresh Pond.  
**COM 316 #2022**

This communication was placed on file.

9. A communication was received from Hasson Rashid, regarding Agenda Item.  
**COM 317 #2022**

This communication was placed on file.

10. A communication was received from Fatima P. Aziz, regarding mass ave bike lane construction.  
**COM 318 #2022**

This communication was placed on file.

11. A communication was received from F. William Green, regarding the importance and effectiveness of the code user consideration is being short changed.  
**COM 319 #2022**

This communication was placed on file.



12. A communication was received from Don Thompson, regarding Endorse the BluePrint for Peace.  
*COM 320 #2022*

*This communication was placed on file.*

13. A communication was received from Diana Yousef, regarding Please revise the Bike Safety Ordinance.  
*COM 321 #2022*

*This communication was placed on file.*

14. A communication was received from Claire Dahill, regarding Save Mass Ave.  
*COM 322 #2022*

*This communication was placed on file.*

15. A communication was received from Aušra Kubilius, regarding HALT AND STUDY.  
*COM 323 #2022*

*This communication was placed on file.*

16. A communication was received from Arks Smith, regarding Proposed changes to Mass Ave from Roseland St to Beech St in Porter Square.  
*COM 324 #2022*

*This communication was placed on file.*

17. A communication was received from Aram Harrow, regarding linkage fee.  
*COM 325 #2022*

*This communication was placed on file.*

## **V. RESOLUTIONS**

1. Congratulations on the retirement of Superintendent Leonard DiPietro from the Cambridge Police Department.  
**Councillor Toner**  
*RES 2022 #51*

*This resolution was adopted unanimously.*

2. Happy 100th Birthday to Marion A. Sullivan.  
**Councillor Simmons**  
*RES 2022 #52*

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

3. Resolution on the death of Muriel C. Greene.

**Councillor Simmons**

***RES 2022 #53***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

4. Resolution on the death of Kenneth Singleton.

**Councillor Simmons**

***RES 2022 #54***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

5. Resolution on the death of Herminia B. (Nunes) Martins.

**Councillor Toner**

***RES 2022 #55***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

6. Resolution on the death of Carol Lawlor.

**Councillor Toner**

***RES 2022 #56***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

7. Happy Birthday wishes to Renee Townes.

**Councillor Simmons**

***RES 2022 #57***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

8. Happy 90th Birthday to Moses Moore.

**Councillor Simmons**

***RES 2022 #58***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

9. Congratulations on the retirement of Debra Deegan.

**Councillor Toner**

***RES 2022 #59***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

10. Congratulations on the retirement of Bryce Platt.

**Councillor Toner**

***RES 2022 #60***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

11. Resolution on the death of Charles T. Hinds, Sr.  
**Councillor Carlone, Councillor Zondervan**  
***RES 2022 #61***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

12. Congratulations to Connor EpsteinKraus and Liz Epstein on the birth of their son, Benjamin Jacob Epstein.  
**Councillor Zondervan, Councillor Simmons**  
***RES 2022 #62***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

13. Congratulations on the retirement of John Gallagher from the Cambridge Fire Department.  
**Councillor Toner**  
***RES 2022 #63***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

14. Resolution on the death of Lawrence Hudson.  
**Mayor Siddiqui, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Simmons, Councillor Toner**  
***RES 2022 #64***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

15. Resolution on the death of Charles F. "Chuck" Mountain.  
**Councillor Toner**  
***RES 2022 #65***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

16. Congratulations on the Retirement of Lieutenant Daniel Reagan from the Cambridge Police Department.  
**Councillor Toner**  
***RES 2022 #66***

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

## **VI. POLICY ORDER AND RESOLUTION LIST**

1. That the City Manager is requested to work with the Police Department to look into specific pedestrian safety interventions that can be placed at the intersection of Broadway and Highland Avenue.

**Vice Mayor Mallon**

***POR 2022 #42***

This policy order asks the City Manager and the CPD to look into safety improvements that can be made at the intersection of Broadway and Highland Ave. This is a particularly dangerous intersection because of its proximity to multiple Cambridge Public Schools as well as Cambridge Hospital and nearby doctor's offices. This intersection has also been the site of a recent rollover crash and several near-misses. For the safety of everyone in the area, it is imperative that we examine and exhaust all possible improvements.

This policy order was amended to include the Traffic, Parking, & Transportation Department in the first "ordered" paragraph, and Councillor Zondervan was added as a cosponsor.

This policy order was adopted as amended.

2. That the City Manager is requested to direct the Community Development Department to immediately convene an Alewife Overlay District Zoning Proposal Working Group.

**Councillor Toner, Councillor Nolan, Councillor Simmons, Vice Mayor Mallon**

***POR 2022 #43***

This policy order asks the City Manager to direct the Community Development Department to convene an Alewife Overlay District Zoning Proposal Working Group. This group would begin meeting immediately to begin a robust community engagement process that the Alewife area, and all areas of development within the City, deserve. There was an amendment proposed to prioritize housing in this policy order.

This policy order was amended. This policy order was adopted as amended.

3. That the City Manager is requested to work with the appropriate city departments and the American Red Cross to establish a workforce development program for lifeguarding in Cambridge.

**Councillor Zondervan, Vice Mayor Mallon, Councillor Toner, Councillor Carlone**

***POR 2022 #44***

This policy order asks the City Manager to work with relevant departments and the American Red Cross to create a workforce development program for lifeguards in Cambridge. The development of such a program would increase the number of certified lifeguards in Cambridge, in turn increasing the hours of pool usage and solving a staffing shortage Cambridge pools have been facing for the past few years.

This policy order was adopted.

4. That the City Manager is requested to work with the appropriate City departments and staff of the BB&N school to provide a solution to the idling issues at the start and end of the school day.

**Councillor Nolan**

***POR 2022 #45***

This policy order asks the City Manager to work with relevant departments and Buckingham, Browne, & Nichols School staff to resolve car idling during drop off and pick up hours. This has been an ongoing issue for the surrounding neighborhoods of BB&N's multiple campuses and is not in line with the City's aggressive climate goals. This policy order will help to create more harmony between BB&N and the City's goals.

This policy order was adopted.

## **VII. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM OTHER CITY OFFICERS**

1. A communication was received from Anthony Wilson, City Clerk, transmitting an update regarding legislative activity.

***COF 2022 #33***

This communication was placed on file.

2. A communication was received from Vice Mayor Mallon, transmitting a memorandum regarding updates on the City Manager search.

***COF 2022 #30***

This communication provides an update on the current happenings in the City Manager Search. Phase 2 is now underway as applications for the position continue to be collected. While the Executive Search Firm, Randi Frank LLC collects applicants, the Ad Hoc Search Committee will begin creating the Initial Screening Committee. This group of 15-19 people will have the opportunity to review applicants and help decide who moves on as a finalist. Those who would like to apply will need to be available on the following days from 9am – 5pm:

Wednesday, May 4th

Thursday, May 12

Friday, May 13

This communication was amended to include the date change of Tuesday, May 3 to Wednesday, May 4 due to the holiday Eid.

Amended date adopted unanimously.

This communication was placed on file as amended.

3. A communication was received from Mayor Siddiqui, transmitting information from the School Committee  
**COF 2022 #31**

This communication from Mayor Siddiqui highlights happenings from the School Committee. On March 15th, the Health, Safety, and Facilities Group and Superintendent Dr. Greer met to discuss the updated [COVID Framework](#). The presentation includes updates to:

- Guest access & parent meetings
- Before/after school events
- In school staff & student events
- Spectators/audiences
- Field trips
- Meals/snacks

The director of English Language Learning (ELL) also presented at the last School Committee meeting, sharing that roughly 30% of CPS students have a home language other than English and 75+ different languages are spoken at home. For the full report, click [here](#).

This communication was placed on file.

4. A communication was received from Councillor Zondervan, transmitting an update on the Wage Theft Ordinance.  
**COF 2022 #32**

This communication was placed on file.

## VIII. LATE RESOLUTIONS AND POLICY ORDERS

Councillor Toner

WHEREAS:	The City Council was deeply saddened at learning of the death of Joyce Marie McClure on March 18, 2022; and
WHEREAS:	Joyce, fondly known as “Joycee”, was survived by her husband Leonard Nunley, her high school love whom she joined in matrimony on October 10, 2010; and
WHEREAS:	Joycee’s passing will leave a void in the lives of all her surviving family, her sons: Lamar and his wife Angela, and Romal, many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, special daughters, nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends; and

WHEREAS:	Joycee was born and raised in Cambridge, daughter of the late William H. and Dorothy M. Dilworth; and
WHEREAS:	Joycee loved to travel filling her family trips with joy and happiness. She will be especially remembered for the love and caring that was expressed through the selfless giving of her time; and
WHEREAS:	Joycee was beloved by generations of Cambridge children while working at the Graham and Parks and Morse schools, always showing respect and supporting students in and out of the classroom. She will be sorely missed by all she touched and loved; now therefore be it
RESOLVED:	That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy for the family of Joyce at this time of such personal loss; and be it further
RESOLVED:	That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the McClure family on behalf of the entire City Council.

Councillor Simmons was added as a cosponsor.

This resolution was adopted as amended.



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March 21, 2022

COUNCILLOR AZEEM  
VICE MAYOR MALLON  
COUNCILLOR ZONDERVAN  
COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN

- WHEREAS: The use of electric bicycles, or e-bikes, continues to grow rapidly across the United States year after year as the electric motor used on these bicycles expands accessibility of biking to new audiences - particularly seniors, people with disabilities and people traveling with children or large loads; and
- WHEREAS: E-bikes are shown to reduce dependence on single occupancy vehicles, reduce overall vehicle miles traveled, and lower aggregate carbon emissions in the transportation sector; and
- WHEREAS: Under Massachusetts state law there is no legal designation for e-bike riders, leaving ambiguity in where people are allowed to ride electric bicycles, ultimately preventing their use in bikeshare systems; and
- WHEREAS: Incorporating e-bikes in the BlueBikes system would make it more equitable and reliable, particularly in low-income communities that could rely on it as another mode of public transportation; and
- WHEREAS: Several other major US cities, including New York, San Francisco, Chicago, Philadelphia, Seattle and Los Angeles, have introduced e-bikes in their respective bikeshare systems with great success; and
- WHEREAS: There is proposed legislation on the state level in Massachusetts that would grant e-bikes the legal classification necessary for implementing them in BlueBikes municipalities, including Cambridge; and
- WHEREAS: H.3457/SD.2309, An Act Relative to Electric Bicycles, submitted by State Representatives Dylan Fernandes and Steven Owens and State Senator Sal DiDomenico would:
- Define e-bikes under three different categories based on power, top speed, and method of electric assist (pedal vs throttle)
  - Grant e-bike riders the same rights, privileges and duties afforded to other bicyclists
  - Ensure that a municipality, local authority or state agency having jurisdiction over a bike path or shared-use path may prohibit the operation of class 1, class 2, or class 3 electric bicycles on that path if they choose to do so; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record supporting H.3457/SD.2309 in the 192nd Session of the Massachusetts General Court.

This policy order asks the Council to support House Bill H.3457/Senate Bill S.2309 which has been introduced by Cambridge's representatives in the State House, State Representative Steve Ownes and Senator Sal DiDomenico. This bill would reclassify e-bikes in their own category to help eliminate some of the gray area surrounding them.

This resolution was adopted.