

To the Honorable, the Cambridge City Council,

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Riverside Neighborhood Protective Zoning Proposal

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In order to preserve and enhance the residential character and existing scale of Riverside Neighborhood in Central Cambridge, establish zoning uniformity, and encourage compatibility of use consistency in height, density, design, yards and other development standards among abutting parcels, the undersigned Cambridge property owners, registered voters, and residents hereby respectfully petition the City Council to amend the Zoning Map of the City of Cambridge and the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge as follows:

1. Change the current zoning designation for the parcels within the Putnam Ave - Franklin Street and River Street boundaries from C-1 to C zoning. This would not affect the areas that are presently designated a zone other than C-1.
2. As indicated on the attached map, rezone the existing zoning of C-1 to C within the boundaries identified.
3. Revise the language of CZO as needed to conform with these changes to the Zoning Map.

It is the purpose of this change in zoning to create a more harmonious and consistent image in Riverside:

- To encourage good building design and discourage new development that is inappropriate in both scale and design.
- To ensure that changes within the neighborhood are compatible with the scale and character of the abutting dwellings that define the Riverside Neighborhood.
- To encourage the retention of existing dwellings of historical value and the preservation of green space that presently exists within the boundaries of the Riverside Neighborhood

We believe in retaining existing single family home parcels and the green space that surrounds them as good for the neighborhood and community and believe that the change in zoning will help serve to protect this basic concept and value that we hold as a neighborhood.

Respectfully Submitted,

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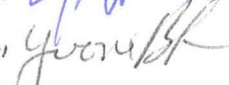
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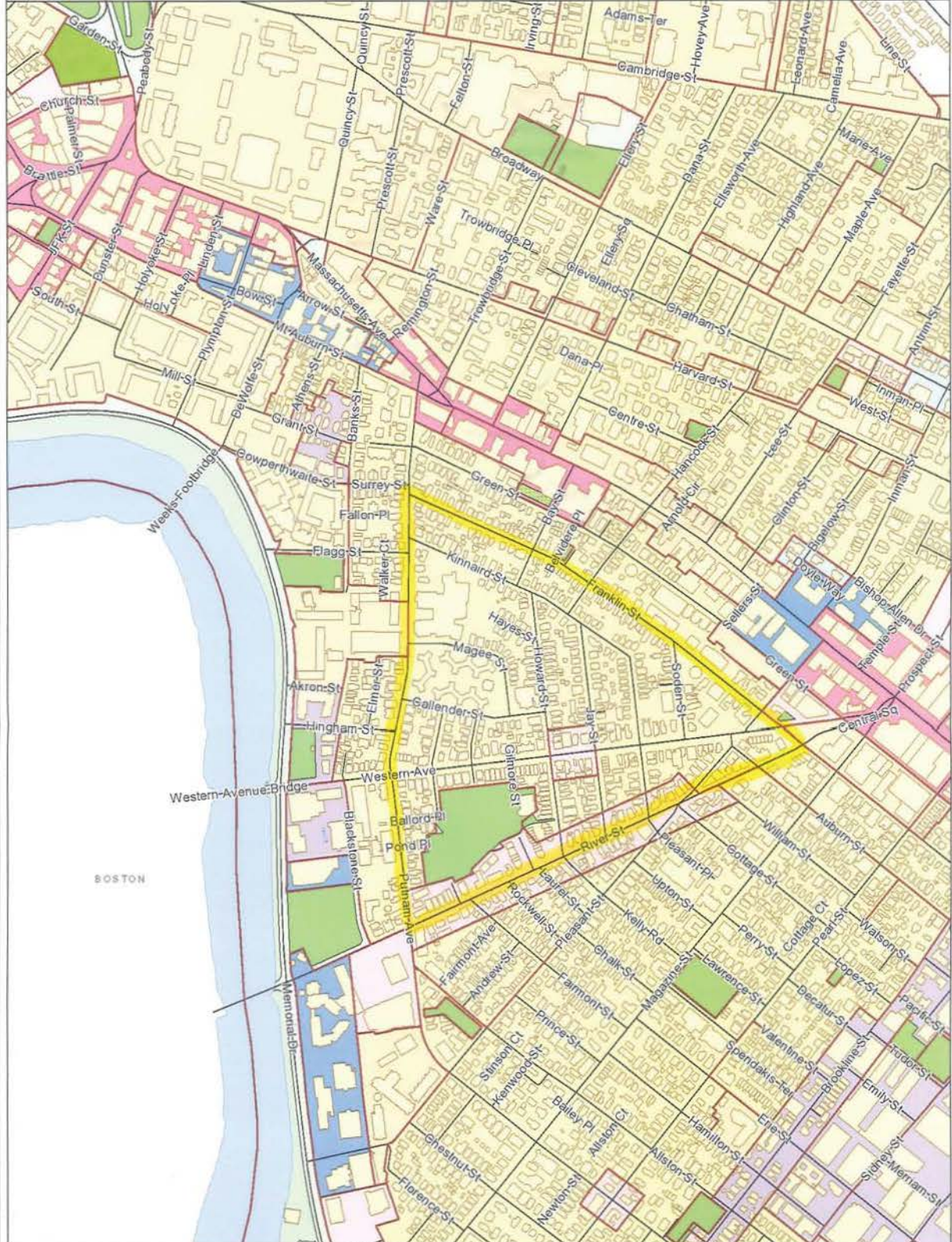
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- Zoning Bounds
- City Boundary
- Buildings
- Open Water
- River
- Pond
- Wetland
- Stream

- Zoning Districts
- Residence A-1
- Residence A-2
- Residence B
- Residence C
- Residence C-1
- Residence C-1A
- Residence C-2
- Residence C-2A
- Residence C-2B
- Residence C-3
- Residence C-3A
- Residence C-3B
- Office-1
- Office-2
- Office-2A
- Office-3
- Office-3A
- Business A
- Business A-1
- Business A-2
- Business A-3
- Business B
- Business-1
- Business-2
- Business C
- Industry A-1
- Industry A-2
- Industry A
- Industry B-1
- Industry B-2

