



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

PLANNING BOARD

CITY HALL ANNEX, 344 BROADWAY, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

The Planning Board of the City of Cambridge will hold a public hearing on **June 29, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.**, conducted remotely (see below for directions) on a Zoning Petition by the City Council to amend Article 22.000 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge to add a new section 22.24.4 Emissions Accounting.

The proposed amendments would require applicants of most Green Building Projects to provide an accounting of the emissions generated by construction to the Community Development Department (CDD) before receiving an occupancy permit. This requirement would not apply to any residential buildings that include affordable units. The submission would include information about expected annual emissions, lifetime expected emissions, and total emissions. The Zoning Petition identifies specific types of emissions that shall and shall not be included in each of these calculations. The amendments would also require applicants to present a payment schedule for how to zero out the total emissions of the building, using a social cost of carbon formula approved by CDD, with the outstanding balance acting as a lien on the property in case it is sold and a specified list of acceptable offsets.

Copies of the petition are on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts and at the Community Development Department, 344 Broadway, and online at www.cambridgema.gov/cdd/zoninganddevelopment/zoning/amendments. Questions concerning the petition may be addressed to Daniel Messplay at 617-349-4652 or dmessplay@cambridgema.gov.

PLEASE NOTE: This meeting is being scheduled as an in-person meeting at City Hall Annex, 344 Broadway, Second Floor Meeting Room as Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic will end on June 15, 2021 unless extended by the state legislature. If the suspension of certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law is extended, the meeting may be changed from an in-person only meeting to a combination of in-person and remote or just a remote meeting. Accordingly, you must check the City's website at www.cambridgema.gov/citycalendar for any updated information on the meeting and how to access it if attendance is going to include remote participation. You can also call the Community Development Department at 617-349-4668.

Members of the public can view the meeting online and provide comments before the meeting in writing to planningboardcomment@cambridgema.gov. E-mail is preferred, but comments may also be mailed to Cambridge Planning Board, 344 Broadway, Third Floor, Cambridge, MA 02139. Written comments received by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting will be considered by Board Members in advance of the meeting. Comments received later will be entered into the record.

The City of Cambridge does not discriminate on the basis of disability. The City of Cambridge will provide reasonable accommodations to people with disabilities upon request. Please make requests for alternative formats at least two weeks in advance by contacting Swaathi Joseph, Planning Board staff, at 617-349-4668, sjoseph@cambridgema.gov.