



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

# PLANNING BOARD

CITY HALL ANNEX, 344 BROADWAY, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

## AGENDA

**Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Second Floor Meeting Room, 344 Broadway, Cambridge, Massachusetts**

### **General Business**

Update from the Acting Assistant City Manager for the Community Development Department

Adoption of Meeting Transcript(s)

Board of Zoning Appeal cases

BZA 6489-2015 – 704 Huron Avenue, Special Permit for modification of existing antenna and addition of 6 antennas

BZA 6364-2015 – 245 First Street, Variance to convert a portion of the parking facility to technical office use.

BZA 6360 – 2015 – 154 Pleasant Street, variance to demolish rear portion of a dwelling and construction of an addition in the setback.

### **Public Hearing**

7:00 p.m. Chestnut Hill Realty Zoning Petition to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge, Section 20.600 Basement Housing Overlay District by including language to clarify the intent of the provisions to apply to multifamily structures that are wholly or partially located in Residence C, C-1, C-1A, C-2A, C-2B, C-3, C-3A, or C-3B base zoning districts.

The purpose of the Basement Housing Overlay District, as currently described in the Zoning Ordinance, is to allow for the creation of studio or one-bedroom apartment units in appropriate unused basement level space of certain existing multifamily residential buildings that have one or more existing basement level apartment units. The regulations are meant to promote the maintenance and improvement of older buildings, including improved stormwater and wastewater management, and provide additional housing without building new structures or increasing the size of existing structures. The Overlay District includes the corridor along Massachusetts Avenue between Harvard Square and Porter Square.

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