

CPA - FY22 Public Comment Form



	Created	Name	General Comment - Summary
1	06/29/21 2:04 PM	Debra Fox	I would like to see 80% of the CPA funds used for affordable housing and the other 20% for open space. Thank you for your consideration of my request. Debra Fox
2	07/07/21 7:30 PM	daniel schutzberg	to preserve and improve open space, a multi year plan is needed. to date, the CPA process 'feels' like a one year approach- and that severely limits size and scope of project initiatives. the public library (not a CPA initiative) took about 10-15 years from project approval to facility opening. this mindset is what is needed for CPA initiatives to succeed in the longer term.
3	07/07/21 8:14 PM	Kathy Brenner	Certainly, open spaces, green parks, and historic preservation are critically important to Cambridge and its residents. And while these categories carry great relevance, affordable housing is of utmost concern. We have HUD Section 8 and City of Cambridge affordable housing. However, what about middle income housing - those of us who float somewhere between lower incomes and above average incomes. So many of the new buildings are luxury apartments, not aligned with our middle incomes. Therefore, I would like to see more buildings/apartments that focus on this income segment of the local population. Thank you.
4	07/08/21 12:31 AM	Chris Maher	The city should work with Sacred Heart church on sixth Street. The iron fence in front of the church and the side of the church on Otis street should be restored.
5	07/10/21 10:04 AM	Louise E Weed	I would like to see CPA funds used for: -A new plan and tree planting at Danehy Park. So many trees have been lost there. There needs to be a concerted effort to create more greenery there, shade and just general nicer plantings. -Also I would like to see CPA money used for the City to buy land and even parking garages and turn them into: green space for both passim and active recreation. Do this all over the City. Thank you for your consideration. Louise E Weed
6	07/13/21 3:27 AM	James Williamson	Here are some of the comments upon which I may wish to elaborate during public testimony at the CPA Public Hearing, Wednesday, July 14. Thank you. (James Williamson) 1. Please insist that everyone who gives public testimony provide their home address. Many of the small number who regularly show up to favor the "80-10-10 split" for "affordable housing" are themselves in the business, and beneficiaries of that distribution, while they themselves live in the suburbs, where housing would be cheaper to build and the "density" which they advocate for us here in Cambridge is largely non-existent. 2. The Affordable Housing Trust must have at least one independent tenant member on the board. (The "Community Preservation Act" Board should probably have at least one tenant member, as well.) 3. The CPA Board should be investigating and taking into consideration how the residents/tenants in the affordable housing they fund with our money via the unselected AHT are actually treated in this housing, and how they/we feel about how we are treated. Just "a roof over our heads" is not enough! (How about a CPA public hearing exclusively for tenants of "affordable" housing??) 4. The impact of projects funded by the AHT (with CPA funds) MUST BE PART OF THE CRITERIA used by both of these bodies when deciding which projects to fund and for how much. We should not have a situation, as we do today, where OUR money is used to fund projects which are manifestly inimical to the interests and preferences of the very residents whose "community" these expenditures are meant to (PRE-)serve, including people already living in affordable housing projects, such as the Russell Apartments, whose postage-stamp-size patio will have it's sunlight blocked by the proposed new building at 2072 Mass. Ave. (funded in the millions with CPA/AHT funds) on late summer afternoons, when it is most likely to be needed and enjoyed. Remember: This is OUR money! 5. At a minimum, any open (green) space sacrificed for these ill-conceived projects should be compensated for with an increase in the proportion of CPA funds allocated for "Open Space." Jefferson Park, a likely recipient of CPA-AHT funds, will see a NET LOSS of open green space if the CHA's plans are allowed to go through in their current form. And the loss of trees will be enormous. I think it's time to consider a change in the customary, typically unquestioned and unquestionable, allocation formula.
7	07/13/21 8:55 PM	Cathleen Higgins	I strongly support the allocation of 80% of CPA funds to affordable housing projects. No greater argument can be found for the 80% allocation than in the new publication from the Cambridge Housing Authority "Stories of the Can't Wait List: Who are the 21,000?" This document contains profiles of families, elderly, people with disabilities, children who were interviewed and expressed in their own words and images what having a safe, stable home will mean to them and they spoke of the precariousness of their current situations. 5,000 unique individuals who live or work in Cambridge or who are veterans are on this waiting list. Their voices deserve to be heard in these discussions. Until they have a place to call home, 80% of funds should go toward their dreams of decent housing. Thank you.
8	07/14/21 4:26 PM	Pamela Lingel	I am interested in having Cambridge continue supporting all three of these in initiatives. With that said, too little is being allocated to green, open space. Having parkland and natural outdoor places for our residents of all income categories to go has many health benefits, as we all know having gone through this past year, as well as environmental. Please consider allocating your CPA funds on a more equitable percentages than what you've done in the past--for example 60% for affordable housing, and 20% each to historical preservation and open space. Or, at least a 70/15/15 distribution this coming year working into the 60/20/20 next year.. Thank you.
9	07/14/21 4:32 PM	Maggie Booz	Please use this valuable source of funding to pay for things that have little other options to turn to: open space and historic preservation. Efforts to fund acquisition and improvement of open space, or to support preservation of historic buildings and parks are critically important to the quality of our environment. I am in support of a 20%/20%/60% division of these resources (Historic Preservation/Open space/Affordable Housing).
10	07/14/21 4:39 PM	Decia Goodwin	I heartily support funding the \$150,000 request from Magazine Beach Partners for Phase II-2 plans for Magazine Beach Park. With past CPA support, the friends group has leveraged millions of dollars to support park improvements and added new recreation amenities. Please continue to support their commitment to this critical open space with a FY 22 grant. Thank you, Decia Goodwin

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07/14/21 4:55 PM	Brian Conway	<p>Thank you for the opportunity to share and voice my support for \$150,000 CPA request to fund Phase II-2 for the Magazine Beach Renovation Plan. Phase II-2 is important piece towards the completion of the current revitalization of Magazine Beach Park landscape plan which has been 8+ years in the making.</p> <p>Besides the monies which will fund a portion of this final phase, the funding will also act as catalyst and demonstration of partner funding that Dept. of Conservation & Recreation (DCR) deems an important piece in their developing partnership with the City and future DCR funding for the park.</p> <p>And finally, thank you for all or your prior support for Magazine Beach. Because of this continued support Magazine Beach Park is now on the way in becoming a major destination for a diverse base of residents who increasingly utilize its many open space features and recreational uses.</p>
07/14/21 5:40 PM	Candace Young	I am advocating that a higher percentage of the CPA budget be allocated to open space. Affordable housing without open space seems counterintuitive. We cannot control real green space through zoning/development of affordable housing, open space must be funded separately and should be a priority to receive a higher percentage for the community preservation act. Let's preserve communities inside and out.
07/14/21 6:37 PM	Naomi Kline	I have found that although affordable living is important. I have found that CHA has not been willing to plant trees after many years of effort on my part to ask them to add to the city' canopy. That may also be the case for other affordable housing groups. I would hope that there is serious efforts to require open and canopied space for all those who live in this community. Affordable housing is great, but there is no reason to build every inch of the property without a serious effort to add to the fresh air and health of all.
07/14/21 6:41 PM	James Williamson	I was quite shocked that when he spoke about the (ancient) retaining wall near Winthrop Street Mr. Sullivan did not mention the fact that numerous stones have, in fact, been removed in the course of major construction in that area tied to the introduction of an Eversource station (or transformer) intended to service new construction at 57 JFK for properties owned by Mr. Raj Dhanda. I did, in fact, send photographs some time ago showing the removed stones to at least Sarah Burks at the CHC who informed me that they were "aware of the condition," which was described as temporary, and that they would be replaced in the same location as they had been in this historic retention wall. I will send these photographs to Jennifer Mathews, Taha Jennings, Mr. Kale and others for your collective information. It's troubling to me to think that, if true, we are being asked to subsidize repair of work that may not have been conducted properly by the nearby owner and his construction company. If this is the case, then those responsible for any problems or inadvertent damage should be the ones obliged to pay for proper and complete restoration. I will send information as soon as possible. Thank you. (James Williamson)
08/06/21 11:08 PM	Ryan Grams	I think that most of the historic preservation that happens is a poor use of funds and I would much rather see us build more public housing and grow our stock of affordable housing with our city's resources.
09/10/21 4:17 AM	James Williamson	At the last CPA meeting (and public hearing), Mr Sullivan from the CHC requested a "placeholder" for public funding for restoring a small section of an historic "Retaining Wall" behind Winthrop Street in Harvard Square. In a memo of his made available later, I noted there was an acknowledgement that there had been major work being conducted on the Retaining Wall nearby by Mr. Dhanda and that a section of the wall had been removed when the section in question collapsed. The collapse of the nearby section was likely precipitated by this work, it seems to me (as was considered as a possibility in Mr. Sullivan's memo.) Has this likelihood been properly investigated? Were city (or other) engineers ever asked to examine what happened here and how, and offer an evaluation of who may have been responsible? Mr Sullivan is now apparently presenting a "request for funds" on behalf of both Mr Dhanda and his business neighbor, Paul Overgaag. (Interestingly, Mr Dhanda sued Mr Overgaag - evidently successfully - to block his attempt to open a pot shop. Mr. Dhanda has now arranged to lease space in his own building next door for, yes, a pot shop. Are these two really now "partners" in this "request for CPA funds," apparently "brokered" by Mr. Sullivan?? Hard to believe.) Before you approve a request for \$200,000 for repairs to a section of this Retaining Wall that may have been caused by construction work undertaken by Mr. Dhanda, a thorough evaluation of the cause should be completed. Why should we be allocating precious public preservation funds to a private landlord - with deep pockets - when he may have been responsible for this damage?? The "logic" of such suggested "largesse" escapes me. (James Williamson)
09/14/21 2:16 AM	James Williamson	Jen: In addition to my comments about the Retaining Wall behind Winthrop Street of a few days ago here, I wish to add the following: In a newer memo, Mr Sullivan seems to want to attribute the collapse of the relevant section of the wall to a period of "heavy rains." Since this section of wall had withstood at times heavy rains for over two centuries it seems unlikely that that was the main cause for the collapse of this section. It seems much more likely that the principal cause was the disassembly of the nearby section of the wall during the major construction project by Raj Dhanda for his project at 57 JFK. This should be thoroughly investigated and evaluated before CPA funds are doled out to a private owner whose construction project may very well have precipitated the collapse just 30 feet further along the wall. [Please share these comments with the CPA Committee prior to their voting this Tuesday. Thanks.] (James Williamson)

Mathews, Jennifer

From: Hasson Rashid <hasson.rashid@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2021 11:46 PM
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Peace Be Unto You,

Dear Ms. Mathews

I'm Hasson Rashid, I was not able to attend the CPA public hearing today for submission of project ideas due to circumstances beyond my control. I experienced difficulty submitting my ideas with the CPA application. I have three project ideas, that I would like to obtain CPA Funding consideration for, they briefly appear following below. They all fall under the umbrella of Affordable Housing.

1. A Tiny House Village is a low-cost way to house the city's homeless.

My project calls for the creation of a Tiny House Village (a new part of the Tiny House movements) designed to house the Homeless ([https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.shareable.net/blog/11-tiny-house-villages-redefining-home__;!!GolgDdAAPFHvrrz0!lrhlta_XnBu3leTqe5sU_xOLsPLEYlRrhqIPkRirLn23C7ilNjF2BAIFFRHDZjierCFpes4Y\\$](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.shareable.net/blog/11-tiny-house-villages-redefining-home__;!!GolgDdAAPFHvrrz0!lrhlta_XnBu3leTqe5sU_xOLsPLEYlRrhqIPkRirLn23C7ilNjF2BAIFFRHDZjierCFpes4Y$)). Tiny houses are inexpensive to buy and maintain; they require less energy and have a smaller carbon footprints; and they naturally encourage sharing and consuming less. This project calls for offering affordable housing to chronically homeless citizens in a Tiny House Village. The price of a Tiny House Village for the homeless will cost tax payers less than what it cost to not house the homeless. The creation of Tiny Houses for the homeless should be the next step toward solving homelessness in Cambridge, MA.

A Tiny House Village is a low-cost way to house the city's homeless. A "tiny house" is defined as a small structure (from 70—200 square feet in size) designed to provide temporary shelter for the homeless, usually with insulation and electrical wiring but without bathroom or cooking facilities (although they are provided nearby). Tiny homes are usually intended to be used as an interim step until permanent housing is found. These small structures are viewed as being a better option than having people sleep on the streets or in tents, especially during the cold and wet winter months. Tiny houses are not an "end all" solution, but they are a low-cost method for housing the homeless, at least on a temporary basis, and this is one approach that Cambridge, MA should consider using when addressing homelessness in the future.

2. Single Room Affordable Housing Occupancy Hotel (SROs):

This CPA project idea is for a Single Room Occupancy Hotel (SROs). They are typically developed from older hotel buildings as a way to provide affordable housing for low - income residents, seniors, and people moving out of homelessness. SROs usually provide common - area kitchens and bathrooms in lieu of separate facilities for each unit; however a few units may have individual kitchens and bathrooms.

Single Room Affordable Housing Occupancy Hotels (SROs) Means housing composed of individual efficiency dwelling units, where each unit has a minimum floor area of 150 square feet and a maximum size of 500 square feet. To qualify as a SRO, no more than 10% of the units may contain individual kitchens and bathrooms. Any unit not developed with an individual kitchen or bathroom must have access to common areas containing kitchen and bathroom facilities.

3. Unused City Vacant Property:

The city has unused vacant property, and high priority homelessness problems. This CPA project funding idea call's for the city to put vacant property to use through conversion into supportive affordable housing for the homeless.

Yours In Peace

Hasson Rashid

Board Member Alliance of Cambridge Tenants (ACT) Cambridge,MA hasson.rashid@gmail.com



HRI is sending signed CPA petitions and resident testimonials from 3 of our sites, all of which have directly benefited from CPA funds being used to preserve affordable housing. All of the petitioners are in favor of 80% of CPA funds being set aside for affordable housing and are deeply appreciative of funding being available. We're asking that 80% of CPA funds be allocated to affordable housing projects.

CPA funds helped to fully renovate Putnam Sq apartments, a 92 unit designated senior & disabled property, an improve access for mobility, lighting and common area improvements and made is possible for HRI renovate the space so that these senior residents could safely age in place.

At 808 Memorial drive we're currently in the middle of of an occupied renovation that will completely overhaul and repair unit interiors, common areas and parking structures.

Finch Cambridge a new construction affordable housing project with 98 units. CPA funds were an integral part in getting planned, built and occupied.

Kanika C - Finch Cambridge, former resident of Trolley Square

I appreciate organizations like HRI, and I know Cambridge has the 10% rule [affordable units in new constructions] ... but when you look at how many new buildings are going up, I don't think that's sufficient. New luxury buildings are pushing out people. People who are still in the city and grew up here when it wasn't as desirable. 10% is a great start, but there's room for growth there.

Places that were empty fields, are now developments. You look around Cambridge, every other house is a luxury building going up. This area [Concord Ave] in the 90s – there was nothing here. Now, it's less than a 10-minute walk from all the stores.

I was born and raised in Cambridge. I wouldn't be able to still be here if not for affordable housing. I went through the school system, my son went through the school system.

It's really sad that as far as housing in Cambridge, t's not for 1 or low-income households.

Without affordable housing, so many people would have to live in neighborhoods not as community-oriented or as safe as Cambridge. Community is how you feel like you belong.

14 years ago I moved into Trolley Square Apartments when it was new, It was spacious. Separate storage in kitchen was great there. Bigger, 2 floors. Loved the community over there. The community was good. We used to have BBQs, Christmas parties, community meetings, small enough to know names or faces. So many people were there from the beginning, you got to know them. Everyone watched out for each other's kid's. Kids would play in the courtyard. Got to know neighbors in your building really well. Loved the sense of community. Hoping to build the same thing here.

Maura & Mario – Finch Cambridge

Maura: *All housing should be affordable. It's unrealistic to say that 30% of your income will go to rent. You need 2 incomes now. It's an expensive city, it's an expensive world. Rent is one of the biggest stressors. If you have stressed parent, you will have stressed kids. Rent should be affordable for a single person, an artist. Affordable housing should be available to all.*

Mario: *There's a difference between Cambridge residents and Cambridge families. How many families living here now will be here in 2040? There are lots of transitional residents. But families who will live here the longest, the identity of Cambridge, they are the ones who will be "Cambridge" in the future. Investing in these families is investing in the city's real future.*

Maura: *Why should I have to leave the city I love to raise a family?*

Mario: *More funds should be used, but not only for walls and staircases, but for programming and training, and people in your role (Community Engagement Coordinator).*

Foos W- Finch Cambridge and Former Resident of 808 Memorial Drive

I think CPA funds should be used to help affordable housing. I hope to see less people with no roofs over their heads. I'm lucky to be part of Finch and 808 but it's sad to see veterans and families not able to afford anything.

This building is safe. It's community-organized. Everybody is helping one another, caring for another. It's a great place to live. I like the high energy efficient, new building. It's like a small village—it's diverse, we help one another. If we have issues we try to solve it the right way.

I lived at 808 (Memorial Drive) over 10 years—I liked there and I like it here. I like the environments; that both have places to walk. I lived in Boston before then, there were no parks, no resources, it was hard to raise a child there. I'm glad that I moved here. When your environment changes, your outlook in life changes. I feel like Cambridge is a better place to raise kids. So yes, keep Cambridge affordable!

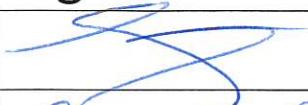
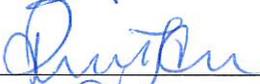
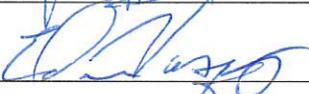
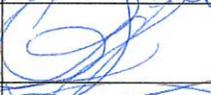
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24	Richelle Cordeiro		675 Concord Ave #109
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27	Edwin Vasquez		675 Concord Ave #207
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Putnam Square Apartments

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As part of the funding process each year, the City invites the public to recommend what percentage of funding should go to each of these three categories. Please express your support for more affordable housing through the Community Preservation Act by completing and returning this form to your manager's office.

Signing this notice of support and sharing your perspective on why affordable housing is important can help to create more housing opportunities in Cambridge.

Support of Community Preservation Act Funding for Affordable Housing

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Name: FELIX LENDEL

Address: 237 FRANKLIN ST., APT 1006
CAMBRIDGE

Why is affordable housing important to you? DO YOU REALIZE
THAT MOST SALARIES CANNOT TODAY
SUPPORT ADEQUATE COST OF LIVING
VERY UNFAIR!

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Name: MARY ANGLIER

Address: 237 Franklin St #806, Cambridge

Why is affordable housing important to you? I was born + raised in Cambridge. Once upon a time here there was affordable property, now its housing or homeless for many Cambridgeians. I wuld be on the streets.

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Name: Steven Simard

Address: 237 FRANKLIN ST Apt 1712

Why is affordable housing important to you? _____

Because There Help Me A Lot
AND I Like Living here

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Name: Lu Kun Hou

Address: 237 FRANKLIN ST APT 208
Cambridge MA 02139

Why is affordable housing important to you? _____

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Name: Christina Winter

Address: 237 Franklin St 206 Cambridge, MA 02139

Why is affordable housing important to you? Affordable housing is important to myself is to keep me from homelessness.

I am a disableable women in her 50 that can not work anymore so I get some with they money I recive

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Name: James Bick

Address: 237 Franklin St #608

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Equality for those in need

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Name: TANJORE VASANTHA

Address: 237 Franklin Street Apt 1110

Why is affordable housing important to you? _____

Stay safe and living
independently with all benefits like Home Health
Nurse, visitor and physical worker nurse

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Name: ARNE & LYNDIA BRATTOYA

Address: 237 FRANKLIN ST UNIT 1809

Why is affordable housing important to you? I and my wife
live in Affordable Housing.
There is simply NOT enough of it
for everyone in need.

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Name: Karen Richmond

Address: 237 Franklin St Camb Mass Apt 1701

Why is affordable housing important to you? _____

I am on SSDI & cannot
afford regular housing
& there are great services here.

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Name: Dana J Kaplan

Address: 237 FRANKLIN ST APT 1706

Why is affordable housing important to you? WITHOUT IT
AND MY SMALL INCOME I WOULD
BE HOMELESS, ITS A GOD SENT FOR ME
Thank you Dana J Kaplan

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Name: Ousseynou "OZZY" Diagne

Address: 237 Franklin Street # 1609

Why is affordable housing important to you? With the cost of housing skyrocketing, many in the community will not afford to live in Cambridge right now. Affordable housing is needed.

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Name:

Clifton Danjosa

Address:

237 Franklin St. Apt #712 Cambridge

Why is affordable housing important to you?

First of all, I can say Cambridge housing has been very important and has treated me well. I need a roof over my head because I'm not in the

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Best of Health
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Name: Delmira Amado

Address: 237 Franklin St, Cambridge MA 02139

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Name: Veronica Oving

Address: 237 Franklin St. #802

Why is affordable housing important to you? More affordable housing
needed in the Community. The population getting
bigger more and more everyday. Thank you all
for the wonderful words. Keep up the good work.

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Name: Eloise Davis

Address: 237 - Franklin St. #1702 Cambridge

Why is affordable housing important to you? It's important because I have a chronic disability, without affordable my housing would be unstable and I'd be vulnerable to homelessness.

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Name: Carmen Asencio

Address: 150 Erie St. # 608

Why is affordable housing important to you? _____

So people wouldn't be living on the
street. It is very sad to see
people sleeping on sidewalks.

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Name: Joseph Munroe

Address: 150, Erie St #112 Cambridge

Why is affordable housing important to you? Affordable Housing
is a Life Saver. Living somewhere is
even better than having a job. Homeless is
a part of most people getting drunk. on drugs ETC.

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Name: RAMON LOPEZ-GOMEZ

Address: 150 ERIE ST, APT 218

Why is affordable housing important to you? WITH THE RISING COST OF RENT (HOUSES/APARTMENTS) IN CAMBRIDGE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER TO KEEP, PRESERVE, TO IMPLEMENT THIS ACT



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Name: EAMEAU PROPHETE

Address: 150 ERIE ST APT 212 CAMB MA 02139

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TO HELP ME THANK YOU



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Name: Marie M Simeon

Address: 150 FAIRIE Street

Why is affordable housing important to you? _____

80% AFFordable Housing

15% OPEN SPACE

5% Historic Preservation



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Name: MINOO ABADANI

Address: 150 FRIEST. Cambridge 02139 LBG #1213

Why is affordable housing important to you? IT is a great help
to low incom people.



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LBJS ART'S

Name: FRANK J Ramsey

Address: 150 ERIE ST #404 CAMBRIDGE MASS 02139

Why is affordable housing important to you? I AM DISABLE LOINCOM

AND WITH OUT IT I WOULD BE IN THE STREET

AND NOT DOING GOOD. PROBABLY DEAD.

TODAY I AM VERY GREAT FULL FOR WHAT

I GOT



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Name: RICHARD F LAKEMAN

Address: 150 ERIE ST CAMBRIDGE MA APT 910
02139

Why is affordable housing important to you? IT LETS ME HAVE
A ROOF OVER MY HEAD AND IM NOT HOMELESS
ANY MORE.

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Name: Leslie Godfrey

Address: 150 Erie St.

Why is affordable housing important to you? _____

Having a stable, safe and
affordable home strengthens
the community and decreases stress
for over 1000

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Name: Elizabeth Gilbert

Address: 150 Erie St # 605
LBJ APTS

Why is affordable housing important to you? I would say CHA has saved my life - I might be dead otherwise. I have worked in Cambridge for ⁴⁰ 30 years. I had a good job, but I developed severe cognitive, physical, emotional problems which are still

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Name: J.P. O'HARE

Address: 150 ERIE STREET, #1204, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

Why is affordable housing important to you? DI LIVE IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND WANT TO CONTINUE TO DO SO. @ THERE ARE NUMEROUS HOMELESS PEOPLE IN NEED OF HOUSING.

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Name: EXAMINERAMIREZ

Address: 150 CRIE STREET APT, 903 CAMBRIDGE MASS 02139

Why is affordable housing important to you? IT IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT HELP ME HAVE MY APARTMENT ACCORDING TO MY INCOME AND RENTS ARE SO HIGH I BOSS MANAGER THAT PEOPLE LIKE ME COULD NEVER AFFORD TO LIVE IN CAMBRIDGE

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I HOPE WE HAVE MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
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Name: Calvin Gilkes

Address: 150 Eric Street Apt#522, Cambridge, MA 02139

Why is affordable housing important to you? I have affordable housing and know people personally who rely on this program so that they could have shelter

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Name: RICHARD LUKAS

Address: 105 ERIE ST #405

Why is affordable housing important to you? BECAUSE I'VE
LIVED IN CAMBRIDGE FOR 62 YEARS
AND I'M DISABLED

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Mathews, Jennifer

From: James in Cambridge <tompaine@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2021 9:02 PM
To: Mathews, Jennifer
Cc: Jennings, Taha; Treasurer; blier@fas.harvard.edu; mbm0044@aol.com; Peter Glick; Brad Bellows; Gladys Gifford
Subject: Historic Retention Wall near Winthrop Street - Who is responsible? (with photos)
Attachments: F9ACA9FD-AB18-445E-9BBB-295BD40307CE.jpeg; CDCDAE34-F603-490E-9421-C1C489062E75.jpeg; 5458D3F6-F860-4955-A0D7-E251A1294B7A.jpeg; B17C276D-60DC-4234-8204-10470C83A74E.jpeg

Dear Jennifer, Appointed members of the CPA committee,
and Assorted Neighbors and Cambridge Citizens:

I submitted the comments below immediately following the conclusion of this evening's CPA hearing which was supposedly about only the "allocation formula" - which was specified as the criteria for public comment - when Mr. Sullivan of the CHC introduced two items for potential *funding*, which didn't seem to really belong at this particular hearing, given the announced and restricted topic (but were informative nevertheless.)

I worry that it's not clear to the public or members of the CPA committee what may have actually been taking place back where this retention wall has been undergoing substantial (temporary) removal and eventual replacement of large, almost boulder-sized, stones.

Much has been made in the past about the significance of this structure in the past by Mr. Sullivan at various meetings. Yet I don't believe Mr. Sullivan said anything at all about this work when he spoke about seeking funds for some form of restorative work on this historic retaining wall, and I frankly would like to understand why not?

If the work Mr. Sullivan described as needed now on this wall (which has never been mentioned in the past as "necessary") is due in any way to this major construction enterprise in that back alley area (where the wall mostly is), then it seems to me that those who are doing this work should be obliged to pay for proper restoration, not the public, with CPA funds.

Thank you. Yours truly, James Williamson 1000 Jackson Place
Jefferson Park Cambridge

Historic
Preservatio
n

Comments

I was quite shocked that when he spoke about the (ancient) retaining wall near Winthrop Street Mr. Sullivan did not mention the properties owned by Mr. Raj Dhanda. I did, in fact, send photographs some time ago showing the removed stones to at least one end these photographs to Jennifer Mathews, Taha Jennings, Mr. Kale and others for your collective information. It's troubling that blemishes or inadvertent damage should be the ones obliged to pay for proper and complete restoration. I will send information







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