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CAMBRIDGE BICYCLE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, July 10, 2013

344 Broadway, Cambridge, MA

4th floor conference room

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

DRAFT AGENDA

I. Agenda Review, Approval of Minutes, Review of Meeting Rules (5 min)

II. Climate Change Vulnerability Presentation (40 min)

John Bolduc, Community Development Department.

The City of Cambridge is facing the challenges of climate change. For over a decade, the City has been developing strategies and policies to reduce Cambridge's contribution of greenhouse gases that cause climate change. As climate change science continues to reveal multiple lines of evidence that the global and U.S. climate is indeed changing and we see more extreme weather events across the country, the City of Cambridge is conducting a project to prepare for climate change in our community. This project has two phases, first a research and analysis phase in 2012-13, then a planning and preparation phase in 2014-2015.

The City believes we need to prepare for a "new normal," where the weather patterns we are used to changes. For example, there may be longer, more frequent heat waves in the summer. We should also be preparing for catastrophic events that could become more common such as extreme weather events like Hurricane Sandy. These situations will affect those who live and work in our community, so we need to plan to ensure that climate change has as minimal an impact as possible.

***We want your feedback:** this will be a quick presentation to MAPS, followed by a chance for you to give your feedback on the vulnerabilities our community has in the face of climate change.*

III. Committee Projects / Subcommittee Reports (30 min)

A. Subcommittees

B. New Projects

IV. Projects: City, State, Region, Development (30 min)

A. Longfellow Bridge

B. Alewife Bike Paths

IV. Announcements, Upcoming Meetings (5 min)

Summer meeting plans: August 14 is a potluck

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