

City of Cambridge

O-20 AMENDED ORDER IN CITY COUNCIL September 12, 2011

COUNCILLOR REEVES COUNCILLOR CHEUNG VICE MAYOR DAVIS COUNCILLOR DECKER COUNCILLOR KELLEY MAYOR MAHER COUNCILLOR SEIDEL COUNCILLOR SIMMONS COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Central Square is widely regarded as a thriving entertainment and cultural district; and

WHEREAS: Many successful restaurants and nightclubs contribute to its vibrancy; and

WHEREAS: Opportunities to further enhance the vibrancy of Central Square are limited by a provision in the zoning language for the Central Square Overlay which requires that the principal public entrance be on Massachusetts Avenue; and

WHEREAS: That restriction has the effect of rendering what is a square into a linear strip and preventing active ground floor uses along such principal locations as Prospect Street; and

WHEREAS: In all other areas of the City such uses are permitted in the other Business B Zoning Districts; now therefore be it ORDERED: That the City Council vote to file a Zoning Petition amending Section 20.300 Central Square Overlay District of the Zoning Ordinance by deleting Section 20.304.5.3 b. which reads as follows:

> b. Bar or establishment where alcoholic beverages are consumed and where dancing and entertainment is provided, dance hall or similar places of entertainment; Section 4.35 g shall be permitted only if the principal public entrance or entrances are directly from Massachusetts Avenue or Main Street;

and be it further

ORDERED: That the petition be referred to the Planning Board and Ordinance Committee for a hearing and report.

In City Council September 12, 2011 Adopted as amended by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk

A true copy;

Margaret Strung

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk

COUNCILLOR DAVIS RECORDED IN THE NEGATIVE. REFERRED TO THE PLANNING BOARD AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE FOR HEARING AND REPORT ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR REEVES