NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Board of the City of Cambridge will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 20, 2007, at 7:40 p.m., at the City Hall Annex, 344 Broadway, Second Floor Meeting Room, Cambridge, Massachusetts on a City Council petition to amend the Zoning Map by creating a Prospect Street Overlay District and to amend the Zoning Ordinance by creating a new Section 20.200 - Prospect Street Overlay District. The proposed Prospect Street Overlay District would be an area 100 feet distant from and parallel to the westerly and easterly sidelines of Prospect Street from centerline of Bishop Allen Drive to the Cambridge and Somerville municipal boundary line. The proposed Section 20.200 - Prospect Street Overlay District would not change the allowed uses along Prospect Street. It would establish the corridor as an area of special planning concern where future development of 2,000 square feet or more would require a public meeting and non-binding development consultation with city staff, require a new 3 foot front yard setback if no setback is now required and a 15% open space requirement in the base business districts, require a 7 foot landscaped buffer between at grade parking and the public sidewalk, and would establish new urban and building design requirements and guidelines that address building design, site design and landscaping design to improve the image of the Prospect Street corridor and enhance the pedestrian experience.

Copies of this petition are on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Questions concerning the petition may be addressed to Lester Barber at voice: 617-349-4657 or Liza Paden at voice: 617-349-4647, TTY: 617-349-4621, or email at lpaden@ci.cambridge.ma.us.