

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

PLANNING BOARD

CITY HALL ANNEX, 344 BROADWAY, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

The Planning Board of the City of Cambridge will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Annex, Second Floor, 344 Broadway, Cambridge, Massachusetts on a City Council zoning petition, to amend the Zoning Ordinance Section 20.50 Harvard Square Overlay District by creating a new section 20.54.7 exempting rooftops from Floor Area by Planning Board Special Permit to read as follows:

20.54.7 Exempting rooftop spaces from FAR

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance, the Gross Floor Area of openair spaces on the roofs of buildings, such as roof gardens, terraces, walkways, including open and enclosed egresses, covered staircase head houses, or observation spaces shall be exempted from Gross Floor Area and FAR limitations upon the granting of a special permit by the Planning Board in the Business B district of this overlay. In granting the special permit, the Planning Board may place further requirements on the design or operational aspects of spaced exempted pursuant to this paragraph, including hours of operation, range of activities permitted, signage, sound mitigation, lighting, or other measures to ensure that the use of the space is consistent with the intent of the section.

Copies of the full petition are on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts and at the Community Development Department, 344 Broadway, and online at www.cambridgema.gov/cdd/zoninganddevelopment/zoning/amendments.

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