Overview

The Central Square Advisory Committee is appointed by the City Manager to undertake all large project reviews of variances and special permits for activities within the Central Square Overlay District, and to monitor the progress of the Central Square Non-Zoning Recommendations of the 2013 K2C2 Study. This meeting will be held pursuant to the provisions outlined in Section 20.300 of the Zoning Ordinance. The committee meeting will be held virtually through Zoom. Members of the public may watch and participate in the hearing through Zoom.

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Topic: Central Square Advisory Committee

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Agenda

I. Introduction

II. Presentation/Discussion
   A. River Street Reconstruction – Carl Barron Plaza Redesign Update
      The Community Development Department’s Environment & Transportation and Community Planning Divisions will jointly present recent design alternatives for Carl Barron Plaza, as part of the River St Reconstruction project. The alternatives were recently presented in late June to the public. This meeting will offer CSAC members an opportunity to provide feedback to the planning and design team.

      One of the primary objectives of the River Street project is to reconstruct Carl Barron Plaza, the significant open space at the heart of Central Square. The Plaza design will include consideration of public art, fixed and movable seating, circulation, accessibility, plantings, and landscaping. The project team is also making sure that public plaza design meets the transportation and mobility needs of bus riders and people passing through the plaza.

      The larger scope of the River Street Reconstruction project includes River Street, the bus terminal area at River and Magazine Streets, and Carl Barron Plaza (the public plaza space in front of the Amazon, Cambridge Savings Bank, and Holmes building entrance). The primary objectives of the project are to create a street design on River Street that meets the needs of everybody, address the utility and surface infrastructure needs of River Street, and develop and implement a new design for Carl Barron Plaza.
III. Public Comment
   A. Public comment will be open following the presentation and comments from the CSAC.

IV. Adjournment