



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
EMERGENCY ORDER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING ENFORCEMENT OF THE
CAMBRIDGE ZONING ORDINANCE AT SPAULDING HOSPITAL-CAMBRIDGE, 1575
CAMBRIDGE STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02138
EFFECTIVE AUGUST 6, 2020

WHEREAS, the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (“COVID-19”) is a highly contagious and potentially fatal respiratory disease, the prevalence of which is increasing rapidly throughout the world, inclusive of the United States and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts issued a Declaration of a State of Emergency to Respond to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization designated the COVID-19 outbreak a Pandemic Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States announced a national declaration of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Cambridge Commissioner of Public Health and the Cambridge City Manager, in consultation with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health have determined that COVID-19 presents a major disaster which poses an immediate threat to public health, safety, and general welfare of people residing both within and outside of the City of Cambridge, and on March 19, 2020, the Cambridge Commissioner of Public Health and Cambridge City Manager declared that a state of emergency exists in the City of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS, the Cambridge Commissioner of Public Health and the Cambridge City Manager have determined that immediate public action is needed in order to prevent or minimize the spread of COVID-19 by and among the homeless population of the City of Cambridge; and

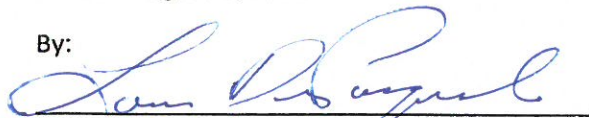
WHEREAS, on April 3, 2020, the City Manager, with the concurrence of the Commissioner of Public Health, ordered that the War Memorial Recreation Center, the Field House, and the garage structures located at and adjacent to the campus of the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School property be used as a temporary emergency shelter;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers and duties vested in the City Manager of the City of Cambridge under the provisions of St. 1950, c. 639, the City Manager, with the concurrence of the Commissioner of Public Health, hereby orders that space at Spaulding Hospital-Cambridge, 1575 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138 (“Spaulding Hospital Cambridge”), may, as of the date of this Order and until further notice is provided, subject to agreements to be entered into between the City and Spaulding Hospital Cambridge, be used as directed by the City Manager on a temporary emergency basis as a shelter for the purpose of housing homeless individuals; and the City of Cambridge Commissioner of Inspectional Services hereby temporarily suspends enforcement of the requirements of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance that would otherwise restrict or prohibit the City’s use of space at

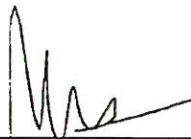
Spaulding Hospital-Cambridge for use as a temporary emergency homeless shelter until further notice or until any agreement the City enters into with Spaulding Hospital Cambridge governing said use expires or is otherwise terminated.

Dated: August 6, 2020

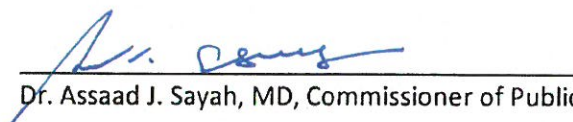
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