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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

POLE AND CONDUIT COMMISSION

831 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139



POLE AND CONDUIT COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, October 23, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.

By Remote Participation Via Zoom Link:

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This meeting is held remotely in accordance with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025 adopted by Massachusetts General Court and approved by the Governor.

1. Eversource request for an extension for GOL #288439, #288441, #288443, #288446 and #288448 related to the Greater Cambridge Energy Program which should have been completed on 10/16/25.
2. **New petition (1180433) - Flock Group Inc.**, 1170 Howell Mill Road, Atlanta, GA 30318, for the following: Massachusetts Avenue at Brookford Street, Rindge Avenue at Alewife Brook Parkway, Cambridge Street at Hampshire Street, Main Street at Osborn Street, Cardinal Medeiros Avenue at Binney Street, Galileo Galilei Way at Broadway, Memorial Drive at JFK Street, Rindge Avenue at Pemberton Street, Massachusetts Avenue at Memorial Drive, Windsor Street at Hampshire Street, Cambridge Street at N First Street, Third Street at Gore Street, Hampshire Street at Cambridge Street, Main Street at Broadway, Binney Street at Third Street, Galileo Galilei Way at Broadway - Installation of both AC-powered and solar-powered license plate reader cameras on existing City-owned poles (light poles, traffic signals, surface mount to city-owned buildings) to assist the Cambridge Police Department with criminal investigations. It's for a total of 16 poles.
3. **New petition (1184338) - FirstLight Fiber Inc.**, 12 Metro Park Road, Albany, NY 12205, for the following: Concord Avenue at Moulton Street - Starting at existing utility pole #4 on Moulton Street, trench +/- 644 feet southerly to existing Verizon MH #26/566 on Concord Avenue, installing (1) 4-inch PVC conduits and (2) 3'x3' FirstLight manholes on Moulton Street.
4. **New petition (1182884) - Comcast**, 426 E. First Street, Boston, MA 02127, for the following: Washington Street - Comcast proposes to install (1) 3'x5' manhole over the existing Comcast duct bank on Washington Street and install (2) 4-inch conduits +/-125 feet easterly to the existing Comcast manhole at the intersection with Portland Street. This is a relocation of the Comcast duct bank due to the City of Cambridge project "The Port Infrastructure Phase II".
5. **New petition (1184505) - MIT**, 304 Vassar Street MIT Bldg. W92, Cambridge, MA 02139, for the following: Washington Street - MIT is joining the joint trench with Comcast. MIT proposes to take ownership of (2) of the (4) 4-inch conduits from the proposed Comcast MH on Washington Street +/- 125 feet easterly to the existing ductbank at the intersection of Washington Street and Portland Street.

6. **New petition (1184332) - Comcast**, 426 E. First Street, Boston, MA 02127, for the following: Munroe Street - Starting at existing Comcast manhole on Munroe Street, trench +/-30 feet northerly, installing (1) 4-inch conduit to the property line of 125 Munroe Street. This is for a new service connection.
7. **New petition (1185024) - Comcast**, 426 E. First Street, Boston, MA 02127, for the following: Dana Street - Install a new 3'x3' manhole over existing Comcast conduit on Dana Street and excavate +/- 30 feet northerly to the private property line of 45 Dana Street, installing (1) 4-inch conduit. This is for a new underground service connection.
8. **New petition (1184636) - Eversource Energy**, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143, for the following: Dana Street - Westerly thence northerly and then westerly from Pole 196/19, south of Broadway Street, to private property at #45 Dana Street, install approximately 64 feet of conduit.
9. **Continuation from June 26, 2025 to have the petition language and plan cleaned up and ensure the Health and Safety Plan with the corresponding/related petition has been submitted (1168144) - Eversource Energy**, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143, for the following: New Street - Easterly side, approximately 565 feet north of Bay State Road, install one pole 503/12-1X and a new padmount transformer PM28540 on the private property of the City of Cambridge (Danehy Park).
10. **Continuation from August 14, 2025 to allow Eversource Gas to submit any related and necessary corresponding petition, or in the alternative, to appear and respond to the Commission's questions as to whether there is existing conduit that can be used or have the route be amended to avoid such a long dig/trench (1175781) - Eversource Energy**, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143, for the following: Vassar Street - Southeasterly from manhole (MHC28575), northeast of Audrey Street, to customer handhole, install approximately 50 feet of conduit.
11. **Continuation from November 21, 2024 to perform test pits (1140344) - Eversource Energy**, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143, for the following: Cambridge Street and Prospect Street - Northeasterly from MHC348, at corner of Prospect Street and Cambridge Street, to MHC2431, install approximately 54 feet of conduit.
12. **Continuation from November 21, 2024 to perform test pits (1140348) - Eversource Energy**, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143, for the following: Columbia Street at Cambridge Street - Northeasterly from MHC2428 at Cambridge Street to private property at 1035 Columbia Street, install approximately 418 feet of conduit and one new manhole, MHC32501.
13. **New petition (1181994) - Eversource Energy**, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143, for the following: Third Street - Southerly then westerly from Monsignor O'Brien Highway to private property at #8 Winter Street, install approximately 58 feet of conduit in Third Street.
14. **New petition (1184315) - Eversource Energy**, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143, for the following: Mount Auburn Street - Easterly from manhole (MHC1411), approximately 104 feet east of Hawthorne Street, to private property at #159 Mount Auburn Street, install approximately 21 feet of conduit.

15. **New petition (1184318) - Eversource Energy**, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143, for the following: Binney Street - Southerly then turning southwesterly from manhole (MHC3062) to private property at #174 Binney Street, install approximately 35 feet of conduit in Third Street.
16. **New petition (1184651) - Eversource Energy**, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143, for the following: Brattle Street - Southwesterly from manhole (MH2143), approximately 83 feet southwest of Kennedy Road, to private property at #165 Brattle Street, install approximately 130 feet of conduit.

Administrative Matters

The following are matters which the Chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed without accepting, soliciting, or taking public testimony at the hearing. Anyone wishing to be heard on the below should contact the Board at least 24 hours prior to the hearing and/or submit your statement in writing to pandc@cambridgema.gov.

17. **Commission Acknowledgement** Crown Castle has withdrawn petitions #196954, #217819 and #231091 due to costs.
18. **Consideration of Meeting Minutes** - September 18, 2025.

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