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Members Sought for New Grand Junction Multi-Use Path Design Working Group

Cambridge, MA, January 3, 2019 -- The City of Cambridge is seeking volunteers to serve on a new Grand Junction (GJ) Design Working Group to help guide the design of the Grand Junction (GJ) Multi-Use Path between the Charles River at the BU Bridge, and the Cambridge-Somerville city line. The group will advise Cambridge City Manager Louis A. DePasquale and his staff on key issues related to the planning and design for this important “Grand Junction Multi-Use Path and Conceptual Transit Design” project.

GJ Design Working Group members will be expected to meet approximately monthly during the conceptual design phase of this project in 2019. The GJ Design Working Group will work with city staff and a consultant team to provide input into the development and assessment of conceptual design options for the multi-use path along the Grand Junction right of way (ROW) in Cambridge, between the Charles River and Medford/Gore Street in Somerville.

Once a final conceptual design is developed and interagency buy-in is accomplished, the GJ Design Working Group will have a lesser intensity of involvement as the conceptual design is brought to 100% design. There is funding for the construction of a significant portion of the path in Cambridge and the design will be developed into phased construction packages. Regional connections and possible future transit service will be an important consideration of the design of the multi-use path in Cambridge, but will not be the primary focus of this GJ Design Working Group.

The GJ Design Working Group will consist of 15-20 members, including residents, businesses, property owners, institutions, standing city committees, and other interested parties.

Individuals with interest in the Grand Junction corridor, the neighborhoods along the corridor, and experience or expertise in relevant topics — transportation, accessibility, urban design and placemaking, landscape architecture — and a demonstrated ability to work effectively with diverse viewpoints are encouraged to apply. Meetings of the GJ Design Working Group will be open to the public.

For additional questions about the new GJ Design Working Group, contact Tegin Teich, Transportation Planner, Community Development Department at 617-349-4615 or tteich@cambridgema.gov.

Individuals interested in being considered should apply by using the city’s online application system at www.cambridgema.gov/apply. A cover letter and résumé or summary of applicable experience can be submitted during the online application process. Paper applications are available in the City Manager’s Office at Cambridge City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue. The deadline for submitting applications is Thursday, January 31, 2019.

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