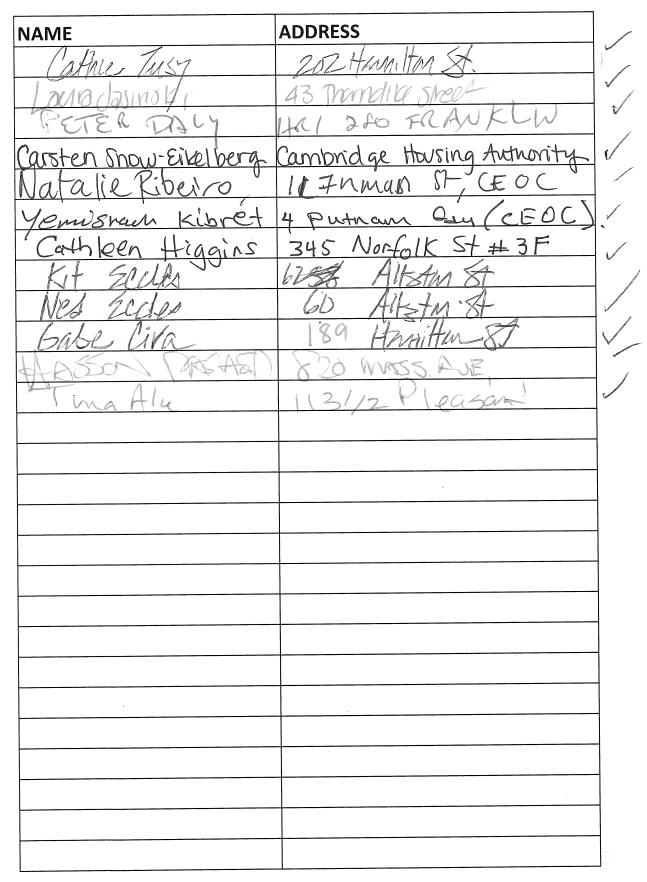
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My name is Natalie Ribeiro, and I am a staff person at CEOC at 11 Inman Street.

I would like to read a petition from Fresh Pond Tenants who urge you to prioritize preserving Fresh Pond Apartments, which represent over 500 homes serving a very diverse population.

People sign this petition annually but they are feeling very concerned this year as we get closer to 2020.

.....PETITION.....

Yemi, my colleague at CEOC, a former tenant of Fresh Pond Apartments will talk more directly about the experience of being a tenant and how the population is coping with the uncertainty.

We, the tenants living at Fresh Pond Apartments, are concerned about the continued affordability of our homes after 2020. We therefore recommend that Cambridge prioritize the utilization of CPA funding for the preservation of the long-term affordability of our homes.

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For more info: Contact Yemi Kibret or Raymond Chicoye @ CEOC 617-868-2900.

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My name is Yemi Kibret, I live at 4 Putnam Gardens. I work at CEOC as a Community Advocate.

I am a former resident at Fresh Pond Apartments. Fresh Pond is a home for many families from around the world. It is a beautiful place to raise a family. There are single mothers and hard working families, immigrants with big dreams. They need the stability of affordable housing.

Right now the most concern among tenants other than being under housed, is the 2020_{j} and people are worried about what is coming next and will they have a home. \nearrow

So please build more affordable housing in Cambridge and the CPA funding for Affordable Housing.

Providing Useful, Sustainable, and Affordable Housing for Those Who are Experiencing Homelessness

June 20, 2019

Peace Be Unto You Everybody

My project proposal for Community Preservation Act Funding (CPA) falls within the Affordable Housing Option for CPA Funding. It calls for the creation of "Tiny Houses" for the Homeless, an innovative solution for addressing homelessness. Tiny houses designed to house the homeless https://www.shareable.net/blog/11-tiny-house-villages-redefining-home). are inexpensive to buy and maintain, they require less energy, and have a smaller carbon footprints; and they naturally encourage sharing and consuming less. This project proposal calls for offering Affordable Housing to chronically homeless, etc., citizens in "Tiny Houses." The price of Tiny Houses for the homeless will cost tax payers, less than what it cost to not house the homeless. The creation of Tiny Houses for the homeless should be the next step toward solving homelessness in Cambridge, MA.

Development

A tiny house Village is a low-cost way to house the city's homeless population. A "tiny house" is defined as a small structure (from 70—200 square feet in size) designed to provide temporary shelter for the homeless, usually with insulation and electrical wiring but without bathroom or cooking facilities (although they are provided nearby). Each tiny home can be constructed for just \$4,000 and built in one day, and they could be used as low-cost housing for the homeless or for those living in inadequate shelters.

Tiny homes are usually intended to be used as an interim step until permanent housing is found. These small structures are viewed as being a better option than having people sleep on the streets or in tents, especially during the cold and wet winter months. Tiny houses are not an "end all" solution, but they are a low-cost method for housing the homeless, at least on a temporary basis, and this is one approach that Cambridge, MA should consider using when addressing homelessness in the future.

CPA project funding can be reverage with other sources of revenue to build more. Tiny Housing for the Homeless. This is tackling homelessness with meaningful resources. population. Everyone deserves safe and affordable homes. Homelessness is an Affordable Housing Planning issue, new construction and development from the ground up, bring the homeless mosaic and sector on board with CPA Funding that helps to design the future of homelessness here in Cambridge, MA. CPA Funding has the socio-Economic power to steer the processes that will eventually end and eradicate homelessness.

In conclusion you will find some supporting documentation as attachments.

Yours In Peace, Mr. Hasson J. Rashid 2

Concerned Citizen Board Member Cambridge Continuum of Care (CoC). Board Member The Alliance of Cambridge Tenants (ACT). Producer and Host CCTV's Human Service News and Information TV Program Citizen Journalist (Cambridge, MA Area). Human Service and Legislative Advocate Homelessness Advocate

Redefining Home



Cat Johnson September 17, 2014

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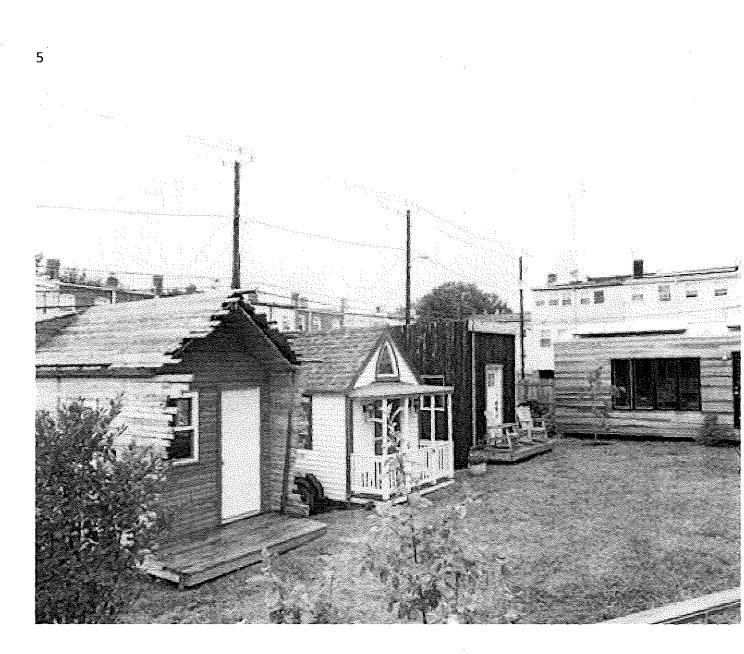
Above: Boneyard Studios in Washington, D.C.

Tiny house villages are a new part of the <u>tiny house movement</u>, yet they hold a lot of potential to transform lives and communities. The idea behind these villages is straightforward: bring tiny houses together in one place to create communities that share land, time together, skills, support, and other resources.

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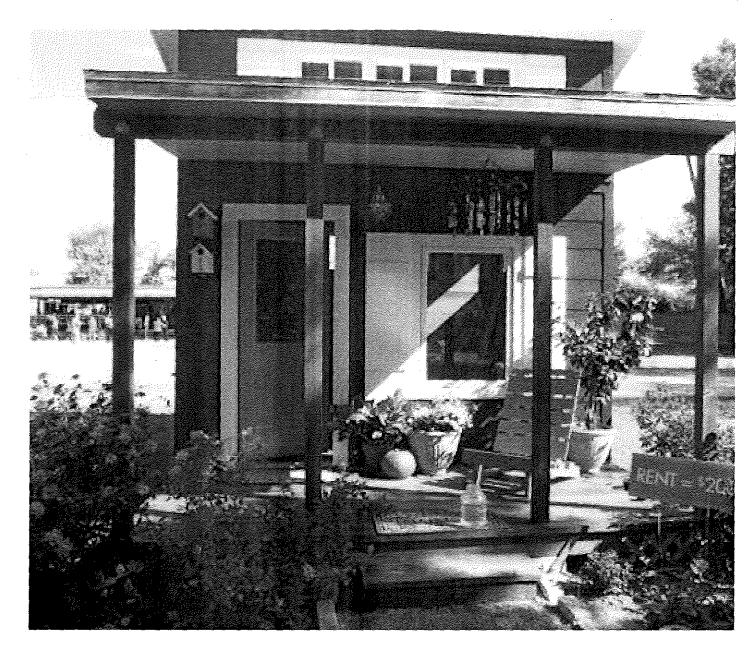
Some tiny house villages are still in the planning phase or are demonstration villages, and many are designed to house the homeless. But as the tiny house movement grows, so too does the desire to live a simple life in community. What we see today may be the beginnings of a large and diverse tiny house village movement. Below are 11 tiny house villages leading the way.

1. Boneyard Studios - Washington, D.C.



A demonstration tiny house village in the District of Columbia, Boneyard Studios has a mission to demonstrate creative urban infill, promote the benefits of tiny houses, support other tiny house builders, and model what a tiny house community could look like.

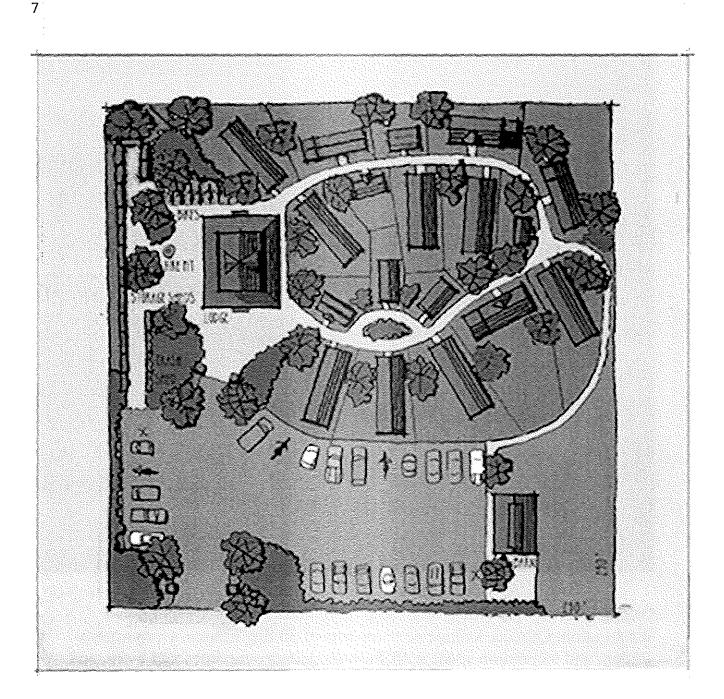
2. <u>Community First – Austin, Texas</u>



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<u>Community First! Village</u>, a 27 acre master-planned community under development, will provide affordable, sustainable, housing in the form of tiny houses, RVs, mobile homes, and more. They are focusing on creating a supportive community for the disabled and chronically homeless in Austin and the surrounding area.

3. Tiny House Village - Sonoma, California



Still in the planning stages, this tiny house village in Sonoma, California is the brainchild of Jay Shafer, founder of the <u>Four Lights Tiny House Company</u>. The village will be zoned as an RV park, but function like a coop, with shared common spaces and an intentional community vibe. The village will be completed in 2015.

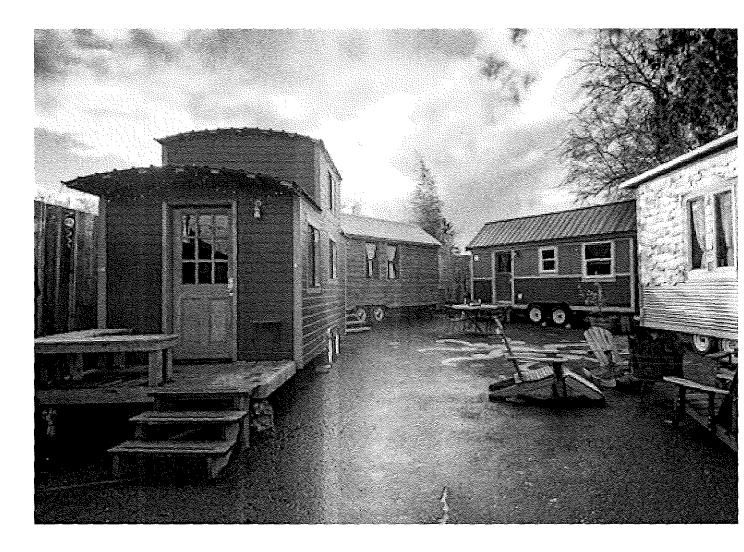
4. Quixote Village - Olympia, Washington



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Originally a self-governing tent camp of homeless adults in Olympia, Washington, Quixote Village now consists of 30 tiny houses, a community garden, and a common space with showers, laundry facilities and living and dining space.

5. Caravan Tiny House Hotel - Portland, Oregon



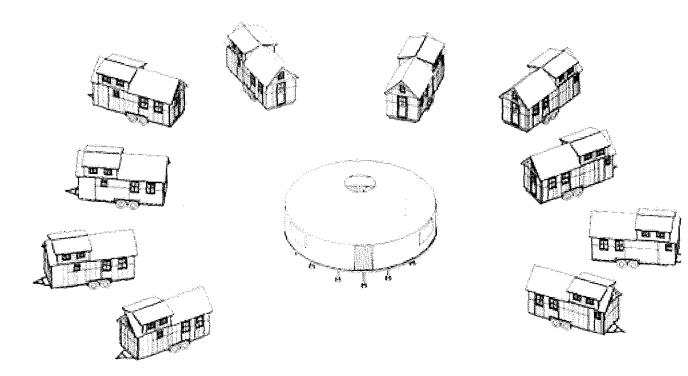
Touted as the first tiny house hotel, Caravan is a model of what a tiny house village could look like. Although there are no permanent residents in this little village of tiny houses, it provides visitors an opportunity to test drive tiny house living and experience what it's like to live among other tiny house dwellers.

6. <u>Opportunity Village & Emerald Village – Eugene, Oregon</u>



A collaboration between the "housed and unhoused," Opportunity Village is a self-governed, self-managed tiny house village created to provide stable, safe housing while people transition to a more permanent living situation. Emerald Village is a planned tiny house village designed to be a model for long-term, affordable, tiny house living.

7. Tiny House Village - San Francisco, California



A group of people in the Bay Area, led by <u>Chelsea Rustrum</u>, are in the beginning stages of creating a tiny house village near San Francisco. The idea is to create a wifi-enabled village for those who want to be connected both online and off. The project is currently looking for land on which to test their model. To get involved and stay in the loop, sign up for the <u>mailing list</u> and join the <u>community on Neighborland</u>.

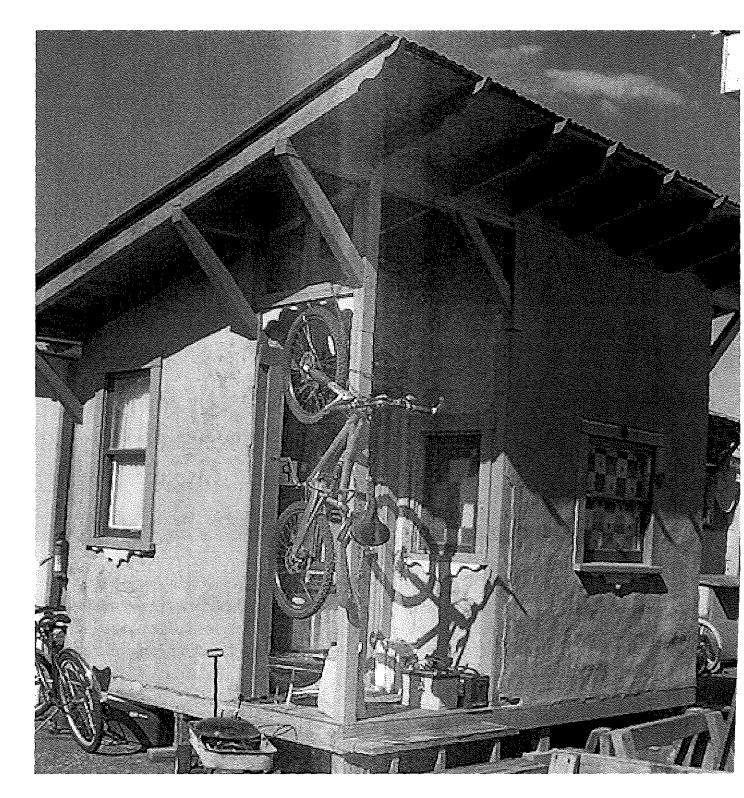
8. Micro Communities - Portland, Oregon





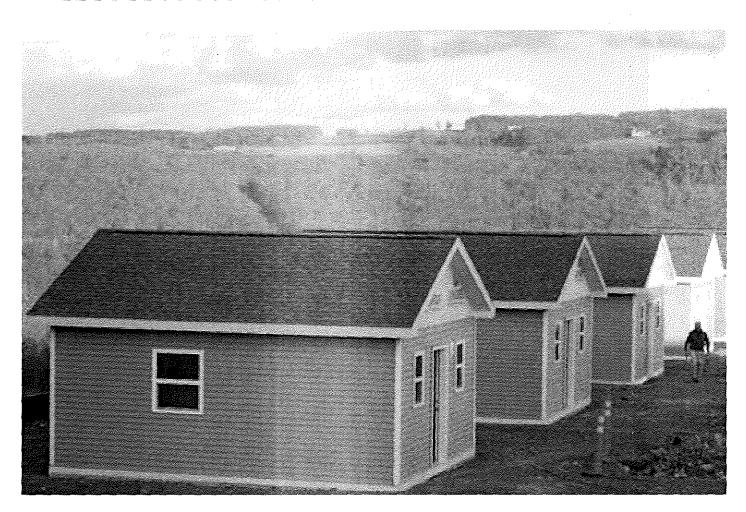
Given the thumbs up by city leaders in Portland, proposed tiny house villages called Micro Communities, with the help of building company <u>TechDwell</u>, will provide affordable housing for the working poor. Still in the planning stage, these communities offer a way for people living near or under the poverty line to find safe housing, shared spaces, and vibrant neighborhoods.

9. Dignity Village - Portland, Oregon



An official homeless encampment in Portland, Dignity Village has a number of tiny houses, community gardens, communal kitchens, internet access, access to education and counseling and more.

10. Second Wind - Ithaca, New York



A growing tiny village in upstate New York, Second Wind was started by Carmen Guidi as an attempt to help the homeless. With a crew of volunteers, he built the first six tiny houses and in early 2014. The first residents moved in shortly thereafter. There are currently plans to expand the village as time and funding allow.

11. Occupy Madison Village - Madison, Wisconsin



A project of Occupy Madison, OM Village is a tiny house village for the homeless currently in the building stage with the first four houses nearing completion. In addition to providing housing, there are plans for community gardens, an Occupy Madison store, a day labor program and more.

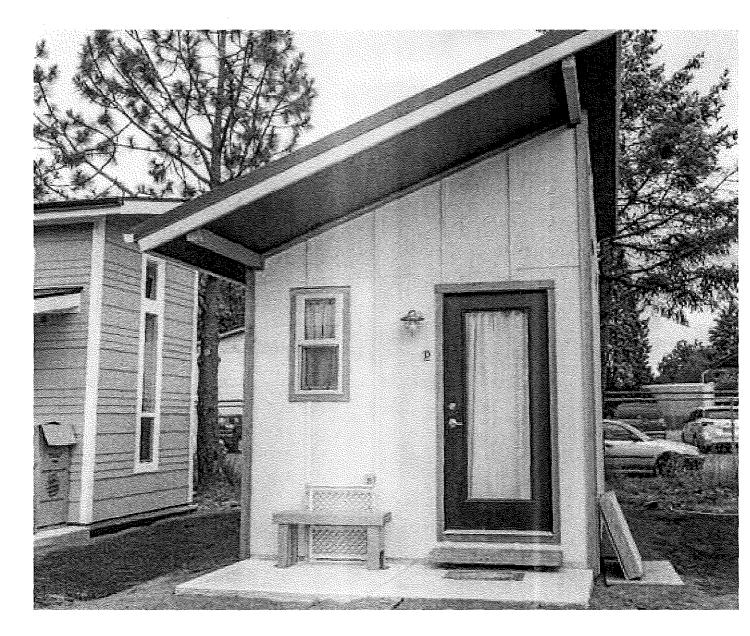


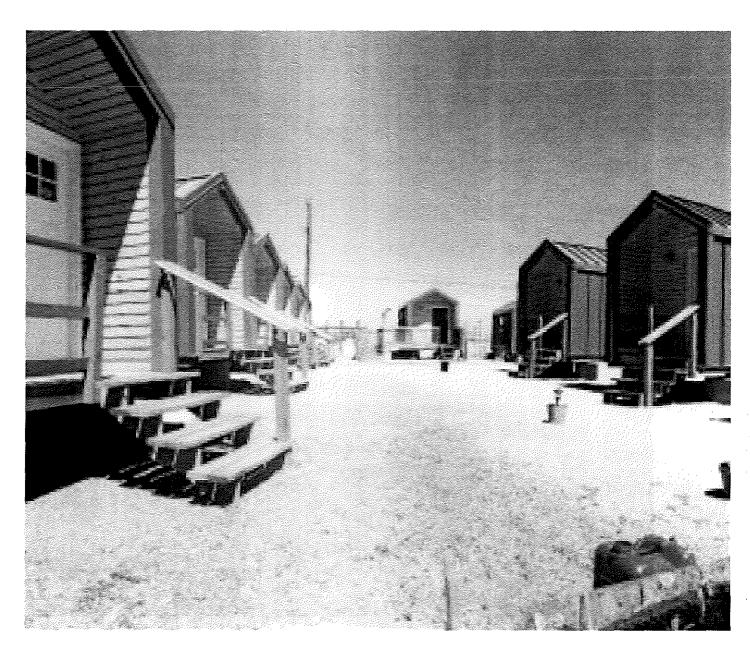
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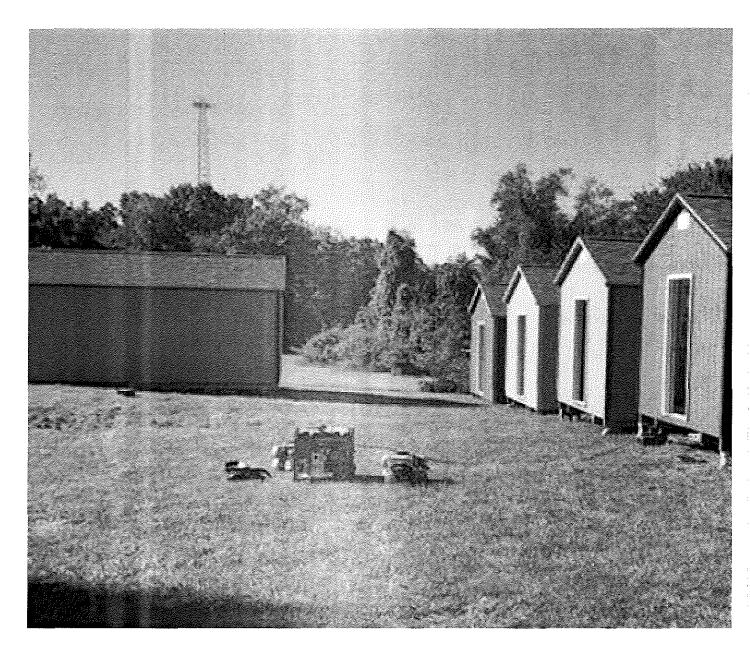




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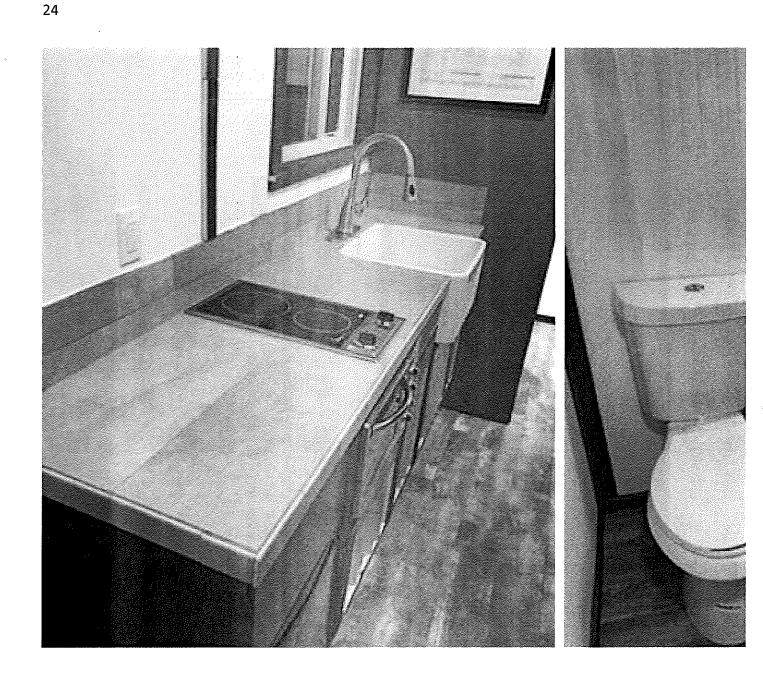




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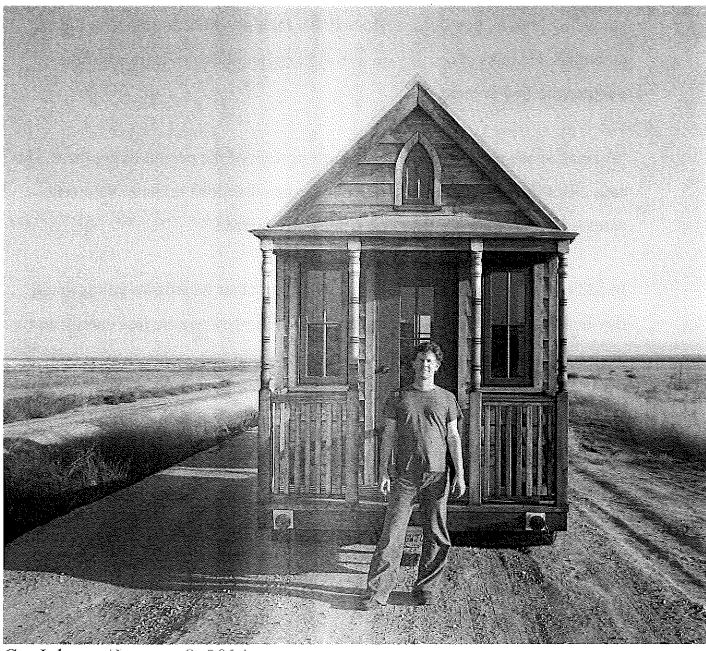
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Inside the Rise of the Tiny House Movement



Cat Johnson January 8, 2014

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How small could you go when it comes to home? 500 square feet? 250 feet? 100 feet? For Jay Shafer, less is definitely more. Tiny house advocate and founder of <u>Four Lights Tiny House Company</u>, Shafer says that, unlike sprawling houses, tiny houses demand that their dwellers downsize to the essentials. He talks about tiny houses as being undiluted reflections of the people who live in them.

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"A small space really is a condensed self portrait of the person living there," he says. "But if they start putting in a lot of extras that don't relate to their real, assessed needs, then it becomes a diluted self-portrait."

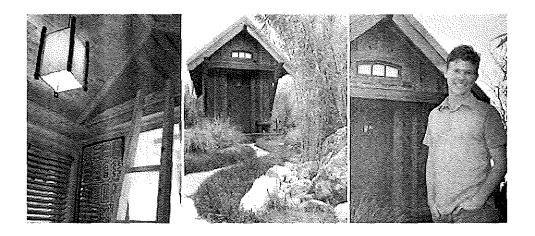
In addition to simplifying one's home, there are other benefits to going small: tiny houses are inexpensive to buy and maintain; they require less energy and have a smaller carbon footprints; and they naturally encourage sharing and consuming less.

While some define a tiny home as being 100 square feet, Shafer prefers to think of it more organically.

"A tiny house is any house in which all the space is being used well," he says. "When my friends and I founded the <u>Small House Society</u>...that was our definition and we're sticking to it."

This perspective takes a big picture view of efficiency because, as Shafer points out, if people buy a 4,000 square foot house but put 20 people in it, that would be even more efficient than a tiny house.

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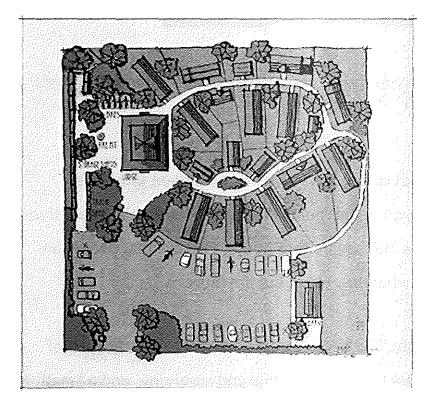
Jay Shafer incorporates archetypal form and sacred geometry into his designs

The Small Lifestyle

Shafer started his tiny house adventure in 1997 when he moved into a 100 square foot Airstream. He's lived in tiny homes for over a decade. He now lives with his wife and two sons in a 500 square foot house. He says that people are inherently attracted to having what they need, but not more.

"Necessity exists in all of nature," he says. "People are really into the idea of what they really need to be happy and comfortable and surviving, and a small house really encapsulates that." He adds, "Extra stuff and extra square footage dilutes a sense of vitality."

A designer of tiny houses, Shafer sells building plans to people who want to build their own homes. He says his houses turn out looking very homey because they're proportioned in the old fashioned way. "In my view," he says, "any well designed house is going to make good use of all the space. That is the primary thing I'm shooting for when I design a house." He adds, "I'm big fan of archetypal form and I'm kind of into sacred geometry—subscribing meaning to number and form—so I play around with that with my designs as well."



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This plan for a tiny house village puts people at the center and cars at the back

Downsizing Together

In addition to challenging people to rethink their stuff, there's also a community angle to the tiny house movement. Downsizing dovetails nicely with the sharing movement, where relationships matter and sharing access to things like a washer, a lawnmower and a grill is better than owning them individually.

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Within the tiny house movement, tiny house communities are springing up that prioritize people and connections. According to Shafer, there's a tendency for tiny home communities to put the cars and vehicles in the back and put people first out front, with shared yards and sometimes a community house.

"This is not a new thing," he says. "Basically, a trailer park is a small homes park, but people are interested in one that's geared toward real community and privacy and quality; quality design, quality materials."

In November, <u>Shareable ran a story about a project in Austin that will provide</u> <u>200 homeless people affordable, tiny housing</u>. The story became one of the most read stories in Shareable's history in a matter of days. The intersection of affordable housings, quality of life, and community is obviously of great interest and the tiny home movement is an easy way for people to connect to it.

Within the growing community of tiny home appreciators, builders and dwellers, much of the connecting takes place online, but there are also opportunities to meet in-person. At Shafer's workshops, where he teaches people how to build their own tiny homes, participants naturally create networks to share a warehouse or tools and stay connected long after the workshop is over. "A lot of community has actually been built within those workshops," says Shafer.

The Legalities of Living Small

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When it comes to the legalities of tiny homes, meeting building codes isn't the biggest challenge. You can build a house of 250 square feet and still meet building codes. The biggest challenge is zoning, which prohibits certain structures from being occupied. For instance, Shafer points out that while you can put a house on wheels in order to get around minimum size standards, you can't live on your wheels, in a trailer, just anywhere.

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While more and more states are allowing for, and encouraging, accessory dwelling units, there are still issues around living in a trailer in a backyard. But, Shafer says that building officials are generally helpful in finding workarounds.

"Most of the building officials themselves," he says, "regardless of the rules they have to enforce, are really in favor of all this stuff because they can see the merit in it and they're eager to find loopholes with the people. For instance," he continues, "I wasn't allowed to live in my trailer in a residential area in Iowa City, but I could camp out in my own yard, and so I did, for five years. They were fine with that. They were trying to help me find a way around those antiquated laws too."

Birth of a Tiny Nation

As the tiny house movement gains momentum, profit-driven corporations are

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jumping on the bandwagon. For Shafer, the growth of the movement is good, but it has signalled the emergence of tiny house opportunists.

"Up until a couple years ago," he says, "it was about really people addressing their own real needs. Authenticity is part of the movement, but now you see CEOs pretending that they live in a tiny house in order to sell tiny houses, or having spokesmodels posing in tiny houses and talking about it." He adds, "It's encouraging in a way. I hope it doesn't erode the authenticity too much, but it does signify some hope in terms of it spreading across a big scale."

Shafer says his ideal would be to have the movement become more and more mainstream.

"It really is common sense," he says, "people living with what they need to be happy and nothing more, and not being forced into what they don't need by antiquated laws. I'm hoping that eventually it will become so mainstream that the laws will just change."

The way Shafer sees it, the tiny house movement is about people not wanting to consume or produce more than they have to.

"It boils down to efficiency," he says. "I could lecture on this stuff for days on end, but I could boil it down to the one sentence lecture: Tiny houses are efficient, so they're cool. Everything else is just elaborating on that."

My name is Cathleen Higgins, I live at 345 Norfolk St, Cambridge, MA, 40 year resident of Cambridge, and a renter. I am here to urge you to continue to support funding affordable housing creation and preservation at the maximum amount of 80%. I do so in memory of my friend, Cheryl-Ann Pizza-Zeoli, housing advocate and policy expert, who I know attended these hearings year after year and sent in written comments to request that this formula be maintained. I know she presented much data about the overwhelming unmet demand and need for affordable housing by low-income Cambridge residents. If she were here today, she would probably reference the 10,000+ people on the Cambridge Housing Authority (CHA) waiting lists, the hundreds who live in expiring use buildings worried that their homes' affordability could "expire" and their rents would rise, and those who move from Cambridge because they cannot afford to stay. She recognized the affordable housing crisis we are in not only in Cambridge, but across the country, and the silence (though hopefully this is changing) on the part of most elected officials. We are lucky to be in Cambridge where the city has been stepping up where the federal and state governments have reduced their support. I know there are many housing projects in need of CPA funds, some of them: Creating 100% affordable housing at Vail Court; capital funds for CHA properties in desperate need of maintenance; preserving housing with expiring affordability; setting up a fund so that those facing eviction/displacement could hire lawyers to represent them in these proceedings.

The lack of affordable housing is still the number one issue for Cambridge residents. Income inequality and racial segregation as planned policies have stained communities nationwide, benefitting and empowering some groups over others. Everyone says they support affordable housing—and then comes the "but": but not this way or it's too soon, or too little or too much, too understudied. As councilor Tim Toomey said at a recent meeting, the time for talk is over, we know the scope of the problem, it's time for action. And we have a whole Comprehensive Housing Plan, introduced by the City Council's Housing Committee, in 2017, which serves as a guide to what to do about it. We just need the will, the wisdom and the courage to carry it out. The 80-10-10 split is a moral imperative that brings us closer to the goal of providing stable, safe affordable housing for all.

FY 2020 CPA Historic Preservation Requests from Municipal Departments

FY20 CPA HISTORIC PRESERVATION REQUESTS	Requested	Recommended	
Cambridge Public Library			
Conserve Assessors records	\$55,500	Duch	
Department of Public Works			
Inman Sq. Fire Station temporary repairs	\$25,000		
Inman Sq. Fire Station façade restoration	\$482,000	14	
Fire Dept. Headquarters window restoration	\$75,000	foral 150K	
Golf Course Clubhouse window and door replacement	\$300,000	ietz	
Historical Commission			
Old Burying Ground grave marker restoration	\$25,000		
African American Trail Markers Phase II	\$80,000		
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Electronic, Emailed & Hand-submitted Public Comment

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То:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	FW: Cambridge vernacular architecture research - CPA proposal
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From: Gabriel Cira <blue.cira@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 8:24 AM
To: Peterson, Lisa <lisap@cambridgema.gov>
Cc: Sullivan, Charles M. <csullivan@cambridgema.gov>
Subject: Cambridge vernacular architecture research - CPA proposal

Hi Lisa,

Here is my proposal for a CPA-funded project. It's a pilot program and I imagine it becoming a yearly effort if successful. I sent a similar proposal to the CPA committee last year; this version incorporates comments and suggestions, and has one year of work behind it to illustrate how our initiative has been working.

This proposal pushes back on the fact that CPA funds do not cover research or design costs. In our experience, it's the persistence and energy of engaged people that can spring community preservation into action.

For example, our research has spun off the larger St. Augustine's African Orthodox church restoration project, for which the entire neighborhood is rallying to raise funds and work with the church. That project has gotten CPA funds itself via the CHC's IPG program. Several other of the churches, synagogues, and meditation centers we studied have also begun preservation and accessibility initiatives, and are in the planning stages.

Serving almost as a program ambassador or a social ambassador, the work that we have been doing has real effects and adds real value to the historic preservation of the city and its neighborhoods. The body of work that we propose to create would add to the CHC's archives and it would create energy and connections necessary for restoration and preservation projects to launch. To have several students as ambassadors for historic preservation in the city would be a powerful force for engagement and interest with local histories.

Please see attached proposal. Also, I'm attaching the detail & elevation drawings that were done during the first phase of this project last year.

Thank you! Best regards, Gabriel Cira 774 327 1248 June 18, 2019

Gabriel Cira, AIA 189 Hamilton St Cambridge MA 02139

TO: Community Preservation Act Committee % Lisa Peterson Cambridge City Hall 795 Massachusetts Ave Cambridge, MA 02139

Proposal for 2020 Initiative: <u>"Cambridge Vernacular Histories Research Group"</u>

Dear Community Preservation Act Committee,

I am requesting an allocation of \$20,000 from the CPA to the Cambridge Historical Commission in order to fund research, documentation, and connection-building work on vernacular architectures and their corresponding user groups within Cambridge. The money will be used to pay four part-time architecture students during the Spring semester of 2020 and transitioning to full-time during the summer. Studying the vernacular architecture of churches and three-family houses helps us understand material and cultural tendencies, tapping into a broader social form of knowledge that architects and inhabitants of the city can learn from. The documentation and research will share knowledge, establish connections, and give people an opportunity to think about how buildings shape their behavior (and vice versa). This will engage the students in local architecture histories, and enable them to share their findings with the community. Students will assist non-profit and income-eligible owners in understanding their capital needs and apply for Preservation Grants for rehabilitation, and understanding other grant opportunities.

Background/Current Work:

The Cambridgeport Neighborhood Association (CNA) began an initiative in May 2018 to establish a dialog with the churches of the neighborhood of Cambridgeport and gather information in preparation for a spaces of worship walking tour, in October 2018 and May 2019.

CNA Board Member and architect Gabriel Cira has been working with two architecture students during the summer of 2018 and the summer of 2019 to architecturally document 25 or so of the religious buildings in Cambridge, connect with the current occupant groups, and research the material conditions and architectural culture—the historical means—that enabled each to exist. The output of the research is a set of comparative architectural elevations, 3d diagrams, textual historical reports, and a summary chapter. The team has been working with the Cambridge Historical Commission (CHC) and various archives to assemble information, all of which will be given to each church for their records and also to the CHC.

Architectural typologies for 2020 research:

Stick-built churches of Cambridge

Studying the religious buildings of Cambridgeport gave us a unique cross-section of building culture on the East Coast circa 1870-1900. Some were designed either from mail-order plans, by architects who designed hundreds of churches, or from standard pattern book plans modified to fit into a neighborhood site context; the overall culture of architecture commissions and authorship was radically different. The 2019 wider scope, all of Cambridge, will allow us to flesh out the typology, focusing on the small, humble wood-frame buildings that must be very architecturally shrewd in the way they demarcate their space as sacred, since they are similar in scale and material to the surrounding buildings.

• Triple deckers: Norms and Aberrations

Cambridge three-deckers were built to house immigrant families cheaply and densely; their use and modification help us understand broader social trends in American history. For example, toward the end of the 19th century, they became home to what were called "Boston marriages," or multiple women living together without financial support of a man, far before this was more widely accepted. These buildings trace the harmonies and dissonances between cultural identities and architectural norms over the years. By tracing how the standards developed, and deviations from those standards developed, we can understand how identity and building culture have interacted to construct the city fabric of Cambridge.

Why should the city fund this project?

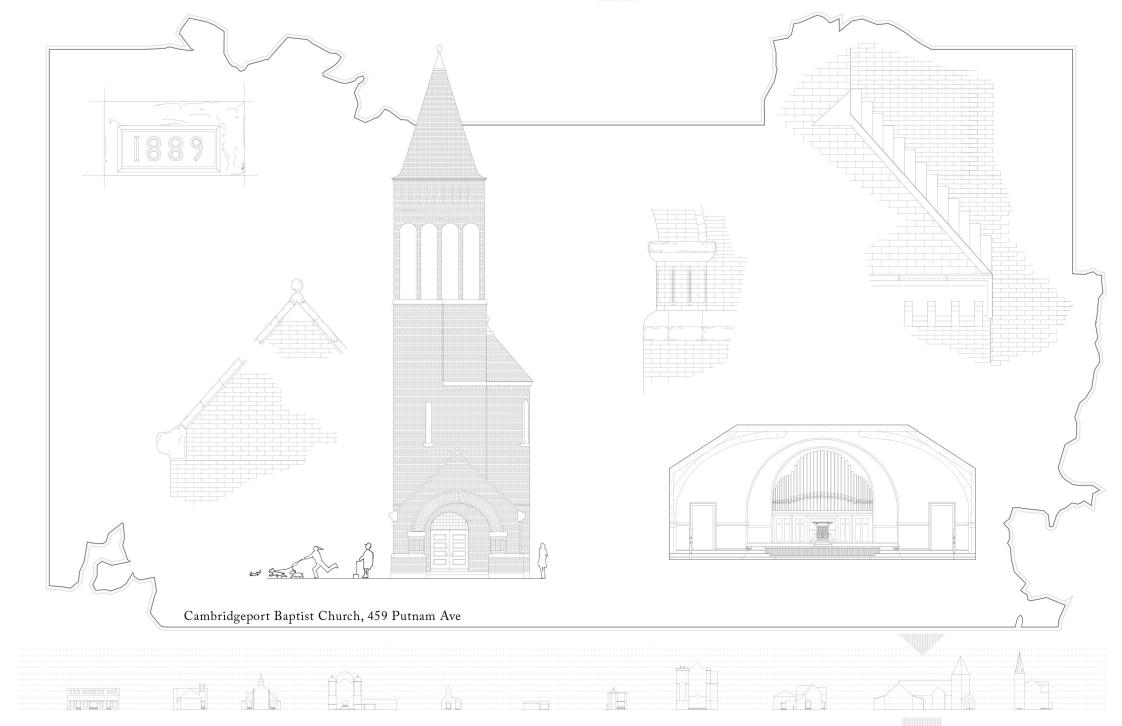
In our experience, the users/inhabitants that we meet are eager to discuss possibilities, and they also really love to speak of their own history and the history of their building. Sharing architectural knowledge on a case-by-case basis is part and parcel of this project, and connecting owners to possible funding sources or design aids is an important aspect as well. Several of the churches, for example, are thinking of starting projects such as accessibility measures, and two have asked us to help in preparing preliminary proposals for restoration or modification of the building. Additionally, as property values in Cambridge rise, we imagine this project as "pre-emptive preservation," helping to show the architectural value of these buildings and improve them; if they stay dilapidated, it's easier for developers and neighbors to argue for them to be demolished for redevelopment.

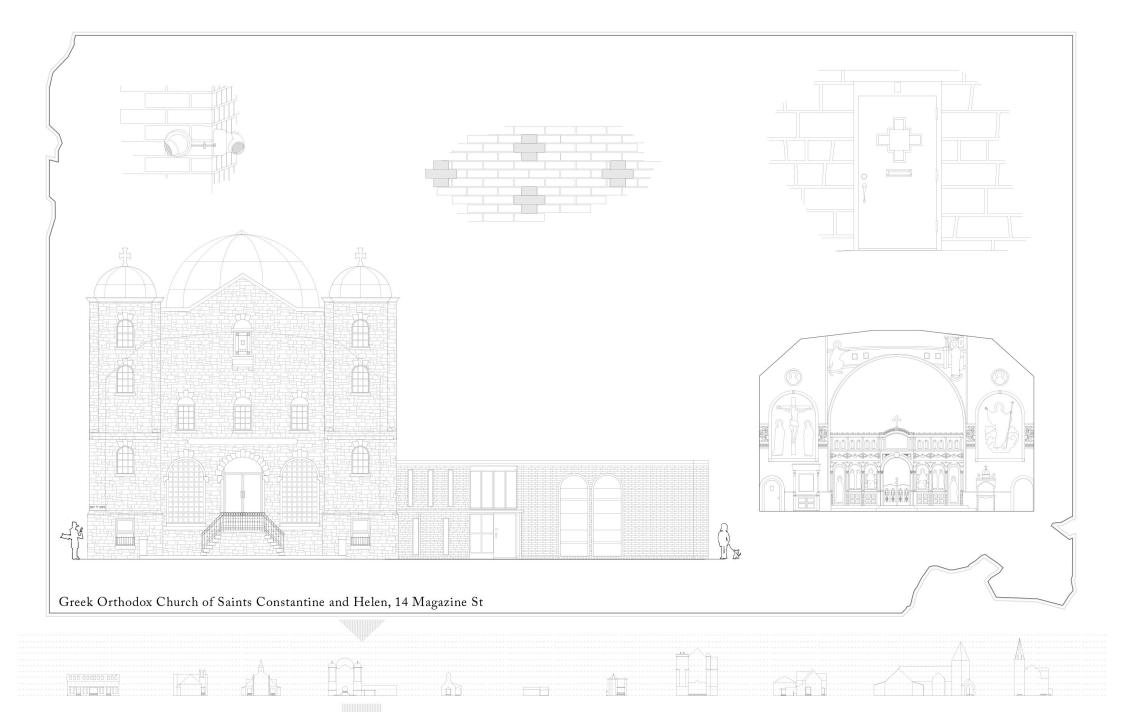


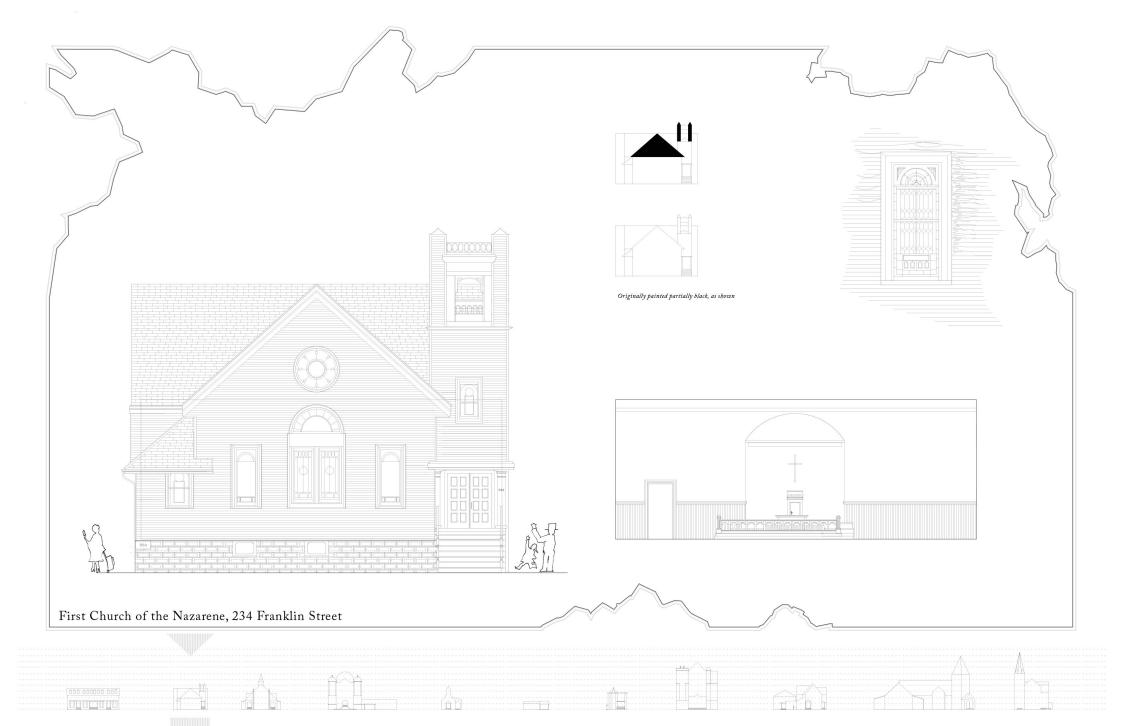
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Cambridge Zen Center, 199 Auburn St			







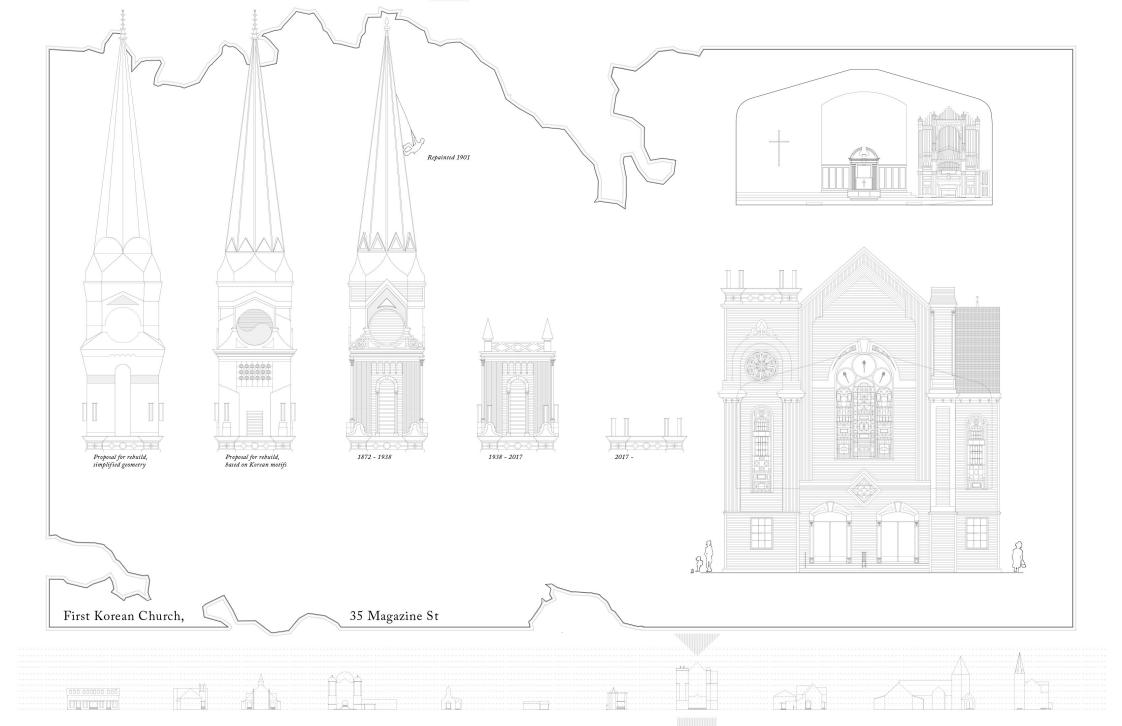


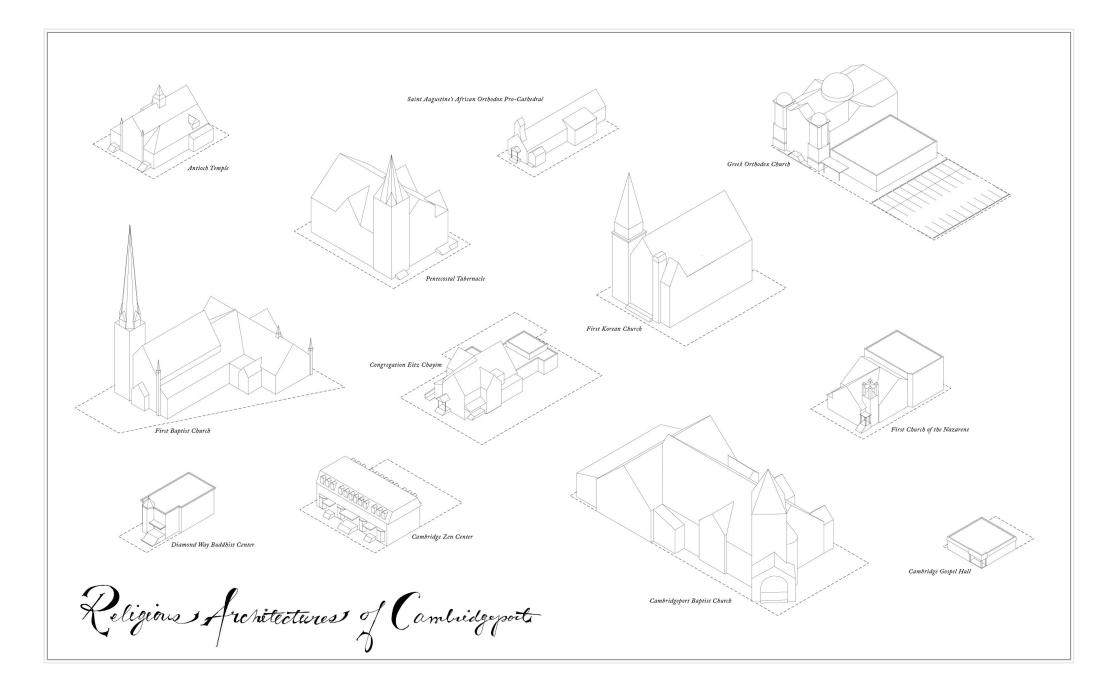












From:Peterson, LisaSent:Friday, June 21, 2019 12:36 PMTo:Mathews, JenniferSubject:FW: Cambridge vernacular architecture research - CPA proposal follow-up

From: Gabriel Cira <blue.cira@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 10:20 AM
To: Peterson, Lisa <lisap@cambridgema.gov>
Subject: Cambridge vernacular architecture research - CPA proposal follow-up

Hi Lisa,

Thank you for your work and for hosting the CPA meeting today.

One thing I want to add to the record next to my comments is this: our research work, in 2018 and continuing through 2019, has spun off and inspired several current and future historic preservation projects. For one, the St. Augustine's project which is well underway and has brought together so many passionate people from the community behind this cause already. Additionally, the Cambridge Zen Center and the Eitz Chayim synagogue, both part of our 2018 research and connection-building endeavor, are both launching preservation and accessibility projects, especially inspired by the success of St. Augustine's. We are continuing our research with churches throughout Cambridge, and would like to extend our work in 2020 to other kinds of vernacular historical architecture of the city.

I want to emphasize that our project enables real preservation projects and can be a valuable component of the CPA's mission of historic preservation.

Thank you!

Best regards, Gabriel Cira 189 Hamilton St

On Tue, Jun 18, 2019, 8:24 AM Gabriel Cira <<u>blue.cira@gmail.com</u>> wrote:

Hi Lisa,

Here is my proposal for a CPA-funded project. It's a pilot program and I imagine it becoming a yearly effort if successful. I sent a similar proposal to the CPA committee last year; this version incorporates comments and suggestions, and has one year of work behind it to illustrate how our initiative has been working.

This proposal pushes back on the fact that CPA funds do not cover research or design costs. In our experience, it's the persistence and energy of engaged people that can spring community preservation into action.

For example, our research has spun off the larger St. Augustine's African Orthodox church restoration project, for which the entire neighborhood is rallying to raise funds and work with the church. That project has gotten CPA funds itself via the CHC's IPG program. Several other of the churches, synagogues, and meditation centers we studied have also begun preservation and accessibility initiatives, and are in the planning stages.

Serving almost as a program ambassador or a social ambassador, the work that we have been doing has real effects and adds real value to the historic preservation of the city and its neighborhoods. The body of work that we propose to create would add to the CHC's archives and it would create energy and connections necessary for restoration and preservation projects to launch. To have several students as ambassadors for historic preservation in the city would be a powerful force for engagement and interest with local histories.

Please see attached proposal. Also, I'm attaching the detail & elevation drawings that were done during the first phase of this project last year.

Thank you! Best regards, Gabriel Cira 774 327 1248

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Tuesday, June 18, 2019 8:53 AM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Fabrizio Last Name: Gentili Address: 72 Sciarappa Street

I am a Cambridge: [Business Owner]

I am interested in projects for (choose one):[Open Space][Historic Preservation]

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

Investigate the opportunities offered by Neighborhood Conservation Districts as basins of long standing and long term natural resources for affordable housing, community development and planning.

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Sent:	Tuesday, June 18, 2019 8:53 AM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Ed Last Name: Morrissey Address: 6 Leonard Av

I am a Cambridge: [Business Owner]

I am interested in projects for (choose one):[Open Space][Historic Preservation]

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

The cities 7 out of 8 firehouses were all constructed prior to the development of motorized vehicles. Meaning 7 bldgs were built for horse pulled fire engines. Many of these bldgs are in neglect. Suggest using some of the available money to preserve the historic bldgs.

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Wednesday, June 19, 2019 1:31 PM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Magda Last Name: McCormick Address: 10 Sibley Court

I am a Cambridge: [Business Owner]

I am interested in projects for (choose one):[Open Space][Historic Preservation]

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

Extension of the Watertown-Cambridge Greenway beyond Fresh Pond link, i.e. along New St.

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Wednesday, June 19, 2019 3:57 PM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Ambar Last Name: Johnson Address: 70 Pacific Street Cambridge, MA 02139

I am a Cambridge: [Business Owner]

I am interested in projects for (choose one):[Open Space][Historic Preservation]

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

- Somerville Community Path Extension
- BU Bridge
- Memorial Drive
- Mass Ave Bridge / Harvard Bridge from Memorial Drive to Storrow Drive
- Watertown Cambridge including Watertown Community Path

These connections would strengthen the existing network for walking, cycling, and other forms of recreation and transport to communities in Greater Boston fostering safety, interconnectedness, and open space for residents and friends of Cambridge.

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Wednesday, June 19, 2019 4:02 PM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Teresa Last Name: Cardosi Address: 7 Woodrow Wilson Court, #47, Cambridge, MA 02139

I am a Cambridge: [Business Owner]

I am interested in projects for (choose one):[Open Space][Historic Preservation]

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

Please make sure (at least) 80% of funds goes to affordable housing.

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Wednesday, June 19, 2019 6:58 PM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Itamar Last Name: Turner-Trauring Address: 139 Oxford St. #1, Cambridge MA

I am a Cambridge: [Business Owner]

I am interested in projects for (choose one):[Open Space][Historic Preservation]

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

The Cambridge Bicycle Plan

(https://www.cambridgema.gov/~/media/Files/CDD/Transportation/Bike/bikeplan/finalplan2015/5-BICYCLE-NETWORK-VISION_20151006.pdf page 88) suggests the possibility of an off-road bike path between Porter Square and Alewife, presumably alongside the railroad tracks.

This would be wonderful for recreation (an easy path to Alewife reservation and the Minuteman path) and of course for transportation.

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Wednesday, June 19, 2019 10:54 PM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Jacinta Last Name: Smith Address: 165 Cambridgepark dr apt 555

I am a Cambridge: [Business Owner]

I am interested in projects for (choose one):[Open Space][Historic Preservation]

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

Please keep the funding ratio of affordable housing at 80 percent or better.

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Thursday, June 20, 2019 11:22 AM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Jean Last Name: Hannon Address: 7 Woodrow Wilson Court, Apt. 45

I am a Cambridge: [Business Owner]

I am interested in projects for (choose one):[Open Space][Historic Preservation]

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

I support an 80% or better allocation of funds toward affordable housing preservation and production.

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Thursday, June 20, 2019 6:06 PM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Doug Last Name: Brown Address: 35 Standish Street

I am a Cambridge: [Business Owner]

I am interested in projects for (choose one):[Open Space][Historic Preservation]

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

I would like a new multi-use path along the south side of the rail tracks from Sherman St to Blanchard Rd. The path would link the entire Alewife district in an east-west direction, with connections to Blair Pond, Smith Pl, Fawcett St, Wheeler St, Terminal Rd, the Mall, New St, and Danehy Park. It would also provide easy access to existing crossings at Blanchard and Sherman (as well as future crossings at Wheeler and Mooney) and provide a much safer method of crossing Route 2 on bike or foot.

Reg Valendine 37 Brookline St. Cambridge, MA 02139 2152

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From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Thursday, July 25, 2019 5:18 PM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Melissa Last Name: Robinson Address: 36 Parker Street, Cambridge MA 02138

I am a Cambridge: Resident

I am interested in projects for (choose one): Open Space

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

Place signage on either side of crosswalks as opposed to signage in the middle of the crosswalk to indicate drivers must stop. This will prevent signs from being damaged and knocked down. Perhaps paint " Go Slow" or the speed limit on the street near crosswalks.

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Friday, July 26, 2019 7:37 AM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Jeanne Last Name: Petropoulos Address: 51 Ellery St

I am a Cambridge: Resident

I am interested in projects for (choose one): Open Space

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

Many garden type projects in Cambridge look great when initiated; however, there does not seem to be any plan to maintain these sites. One glaring site is on Mass ave as you enter Harvard Square from Harvard St. The area outside the brick wall was beautiful when planted but now it is a wasteland! Is this the city's or Harvard's responsibility?

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Friday, July 26, 2019 7:50 AM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Kathy Last Name: Brenner Address: 333 Harvard Street

I am a Cambridge: Resident

I am interested in projects for (choose one): Affordable Housing

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

We need MORE trees on the streets. We need more affordable housing for middle income residents. We need more facilities for the homeless.

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Friday, July 26, 2019 10:46 AM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Adriane Last Name: Bishko Address: 5 Arlington Street, 26

I am a Cambridge: Both

I am interested in projects for (choose one): Open Space

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

Proposal: small pocket park, Possible location: underutilized area abutting Porter Square T (or other site). Model: Greenacre Park in Manhattan, E. 51st between Second and Third. Key elements: falling water, granite blocks and plantings. Though this may appear as overly ambitious, it could be scaled down and site specific. As Porter Square becomes more built up, open space- already in short supply- will become even more vital.

From:	noreply@cambridgema.gov
Sent:	Friday, July 26, 2019 3:16 PM
То:	Carvello, Maryellen
Cc:	Mathews, Jennifer
Subject:	CPA Online Project Recommendation Form

First Name: Marty Last Name: Mauzy Address: 52 Garden #48, Cambridge, MA 02138

I am a Cambridge: Resident

I am interested in projects for (choose one): Open Space

Please share your ideas and suggestions for projects:

I strongly support the Ecological Restoration Project proposed by Charles River Conservancy

From:	Catherine Zusy <czusy@magazinebeach.org></czusy@magazinebeach.org>
Sent:	Tuesday, July 30, 2019 4:33 PM
То:	Mathews, Jennifer; Peterson, Lisa; Jennings, Taha; Letourneau, Jennifer
Cc:	Mogassabi, Khalil; rick corsi; Jennifer Norwood
Subject:	Magazine Beach Partners 2019 CPA Request
Attachments:	MBP CPA Request 2019.pdf; 2019.07.22 Magazine Beach - Grassy Beach Phase Fee Summary.pdf;
	2019_07_26_13_56_04.pdf; GRASSY BEACHpdf

Dear Cambridge CPA Committee,

Below, please find our request for \$47,700 Open Space funds to complete the Phase II-2 plans for Magazine Beach Park. Let's get the next set of park improvements shovel ready! Thanks for your support and let me know if you have questions.

My best, Cathie Zusy President, Magazine Beach Partners, Inc. magazinebeach.org 617.868.0489



30 July 2019

Community Preservation Act Committee City of Cambridge 795 Massachusetts Ave. Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear CPA Committee:

Magazine Beach Partners requests \$47,700, to match a \$50,000 earmark in the State budget, to produce shovel-ready plans for the next phase of improvements at Magazine Beach Park. Phase II-2 will replace the sunken parking lot behind the pool with a grassy beach, better integrating the pool with the park; add a dock and outlook, increasing visitor engagement with the river; and replace invasives with native plantings. It will make the park a more welcoming place for the community to gather.

The \$97,700 would cover:

- supplemental survey and geotechnical work needed for drainage,
- structure support and planting soils,
- preparation and coordination for 8M permit application with the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority,
- and design of the grassy beach area and dock, including the interface with the pool area and the removal of parking.

Cambridge CPA funding has inspired transformative improvements at Magazine Beach Park, including: the restoration of the 1818 Powder Magazine (2013), the completion of the overall landscape plan for the park (2014), the creation of the canoe/kayak launch (2016), and the current, ongoing shoreline edgework (2019). Each time the City has invested in the park, DCR has matched or exceeded City dollars. City investment critically inspires DCR investment.

To raise additional outside funds for Phase II-2, we need shovel-ready plans. Please help us move forward with park improvements by helping to fund the proposed site and design work.

202 Hamilton Street, Cambridge, MA 02139 (617) 868-0489 www.magazinebeach.org Directors: Cathie Zusy, President, Ken Carson, Clerk, Marge Amster, Treasurer, Brian Conway, Richard Garver, Decia Goodwin & Heather Saforrian The community deserves a more accessible and inviting Magazine Beach. At 17acres along the river, it is the City's second largest park and an oasis in a highly urbanized and densely populated environment. It is a favorite spot for swimming, splashing, picnicking, playing soccer and baseball, and relaxing while connecting with nature and neighbors. Thank you for your ongoing support of this invaluable shared asset.

Sincerely,

Cathie Zusy President

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MAGAZINE BEACH – GRASSY BEACH PHASE – Fee Estimate

Survey and Base Sheet: \$5200

This project will interface with newly constructed work and at existing conditions where detailed survey work was not previously provided. Survey will be updated and base sheet prepared.

Permitting: \$6500

8M permit applications to MWRA water and sewer will be prepared. Coordination and updates to the Cambridge Conservation Commission will be provided.

Design Development: \$12,000

The areas that will need further design development are:

- a new pathway that ties into the existing drop-off area and a HC space this is for access to the dock
- the buffer area and access to the spray this has changed since the 90% set and the spray area will be left as is.
- connection to the existing parking to remain
- bank planting behind the powder magazine and at the grassy beach
- railing and approaches to 2 structures in the water

Graphics for Promotional Materials: \$3,000

A rendered plan and perspective will be prepared to be used as needed for project description and illustration.

Final Design Set – Drawings, Technical Specifications, Estimate: \$70,000

Final design of an approximately \$2,000,000 base bid project including structural design of dock and overlook, civil design, geotechnical support if needed. Geographic scope is as shown on attached drawing.

Work will include:

- Final drawings: Site prep, Layout, Grading, Planting, Dock and Overlook, Site Furnishings
- Technical Specifications
- Bid Form and final estimate

Expenses: \$1000 (estimate)

TOTAL DESIGN COST: \$97,700



July 25, 2019

Dear Cambridge Community Preservation Act (CPA),

The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) is pleased to support the Magazine Beach Partner's (MBP) application for a CPA grant to design the final phase of proposed Magazine Beach improvements.

Magazine Beach has a long and important history. The oldest building on the Charles River is the powder magazine built on Captain's Island in 1818. After falling into disrepair, the Cambridge Parks Commission hired the Olmsted brothers to develop a plan for the site. The powder magazine was converted to a bath house, and the swift running tidal river became an extremely popular urban beach. In 1910, the Charles River was dammed to create the basin, forever changing the landscape of the park and its use. Today, it is the second largest park in Cambridge and a popular destination for the abutting urban neighborhoods for picnicking, sports and recreation and river access. DCR, the City of Cambridge and MBP have shared aspirations for the park and have accomplished a lot recently – reclamation of the historic Powder Magazine, a new spray deck and accessible canoe and kayak launch have all been completed in the last year alone, while improvements to the shoreline and accessibility at the Magazine are currently underway.

The final phase relies heavily on Magazine Beach Partners' ability to find external funding sources that are not dependent on DCR's planning and budgeting cycles. Getting the design to shovel ready is critical to that effort. We greatly appreciate your past contributions, and we hope the Cambridge CPA chooses to support this important project.

Regards, eo Pierre Roy

Commissioner Department of Conservation and Recreation

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Nathalie Janson and Michael Eisenbrey 38 Maple Ave #2 Cambridge, MA 02139

Subject: Written Testimony for the Community Preservation Act Committee Public Hearing on Funding Allocations

July 31, 2019

To whom it may concern:

Michael, my husband, and I live at 38 Maple Ave. in Mid-Cambridge, and we support the current allocation of CPA funds: 10% to open space, 10% to historic preservation, and 80% to affordable housing.

Our reason is simple: The cost of renting or buying in Cambridge is staggering, and as the costs go up, members of our community are having to make impossible decisions—between going to the doctor and keeping the lights on, or between skimping on food and leaving the community they call home. Cambridge, too, loses the diversity that underpins its tolerance and openness.

As a project manager at the Cambridge Housing Authority, I know that CPA funds are critical to our ability to acquire housing and develop new affordable housing, and I know how impactful stabilizing housing can be: The 1,792 affordable rental and homeownership units made possible by CPA funds between FY 2002 and FY 2018 have meant that 1,792 households were able to move or stay in Cambridge. The availability of local funds also signals strong local support for affordable housing, which helps affordable housing developers better compete for much-needed, and scarce, state and federal housing funds.

Sincerely, Nathalie Janson and Michael Eisenbrey

From:	Laura Jasinski <ljasinski@thecharles.org></ljasinski@thecharles.org>
Sent:	Wednesday, July 31, 2019 4:06 PM
То:	Mathews, Jennifer
Cc:	Peterson, Lisa; Sasha
Subject:	Re: CPA Written Submission - issue with the portal
Attachments:	HHA Letter of Support from DCR.pdf; Hells Half Acre CPA FY20 Funding Request_Charles River
	Conservancy.pdf

Hello Jennifer and Lisa,

As promised, here is the letter of support from DCR for our Hell's Half Acre request for CPA funds. I've also reattached the full packet with this letter included.

I am unable to attend tonight's hearing, but am hoping I can go on record to advocate for the following allocations:

- 70% Affordable Housing
- 15% Historic Preservation
- 15% Open Space

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this process and for consideration of our proposal!

Best, Laura

On Tue, Jul 30, 2019 at 9:33 PM Laura Jasinski <<u>ljasinski@thecharles.org</u>> wrote: Thank you, Jennifer and Lisa.

Attached is the Charles River Conservancy's CPA funding request for Hell's Half Acre. As noted in the proposal, we have spoken with DCR about a letter of support and expect it in the next week or so. I will forward it as soon as I have it. We are also happy to share a more detailed project budget and/or the full proposal from Land Stewardship, Inc. Please let me know if this information would be helpful at this time.

On behalf of the CRC and our partners in this effort, including the Cambridge Plant & Garden Club and DCR, thank you for considering our request!

Best, Laura

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Laura Jasinski Executive Director Charles River Conservancy 43 Thorndike Street, S3-3, Cambridge, MA 02141 Direct: 617-300-8175 Cell: 413-265-0204 On Tue, Jul 30, 2019 at 3:11 PM Mathews, Jennifer <<u>JMathews@cambridgema.gov</u>> wrote:

Hi Laura,

Of course. I'm sorry for any difficulty. Please email me the proposal – and you can attach any supplemental materials or information you may want to provide.

Sincerely,

Jennifer

From: Laura Jasinski <<u>ljasinski@thecharles.org</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 2:37 PM
To: Mathews, Jennifer <JMathews@CambridgeMA.Gov>
Subject: CPA Written Submission - issue with the portal

Hi Jennifer,

Thanks again for all of your help navigating the CPA process. I just tried to submit our written project description through the portal, but wasn't able to. (I tried <500 words and <500 characters). Is is alright if I send it over to you via email?

Thanks,

Laura

Laura Jasinski Executive Director Charles River Conservancy 43 Thorndike Street, S3-3,

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Charles River Hell's Half Acre Ecological Restoration Project

Request for Community Preservation Act Open Space funding, City of Cambridge Total project cost (3 years): \$160,000

Funding request for FY20 CPA: \$50,250

The Charles River Conservancy (CRC), in partnership with the MA Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), plans to undertake an ecological restoration project in an area of the Charles River Basin in Cambridge called Hell's Half Acre, an "urban wild" of 7.5 acres. The CRC requests \$50,250 in City of Cambridge CPA funds to allow us to facilitate the project, hire a specialized contractor (Land Stewardship, Inc.), and engage community volunteers to participate.

Project Description

Hell's Half Acre contributes much ecological and social value to the urban environment along the Charles River. Since construction of the new multi-use path along the riverbank in Hell's Half Acre in 2016, which received CPA, DCR and private funding, the area is enjoyed by hundreds of people every day. Our unique restoration project, designed over a three-year period, uses best practices to remove the invasive plants that nearly overwhelm the area — work that cannot all be completed successfully by volunteers. The project, including replanting, will enable growth of native materials to improve water management, climate planning, wildlife habitat, and the health and ecological education of its human users. After this aggressive three-year intervention, CRC and its volunteers, in tandem with DCR, will regularly maintain a revitalized Hell's Half Acre to ensure the success of this investment.

Hell's Half Acre, like all of the Charles River shoreline, is owned by the Commonwealth. Located just west of the Eliot Bridge in Cambridge, it has four habitat types: 0.9 acres of riverfront; 3.4 acres of successional upland forest; 2 acres of wetland (including a cattail marsh); and 1.25 acres of road's edge habitat.

The project addresses plants including phragmites, Japanese knotweed, and buckthorn, which can only be treated successfully with carefully selected and applied herbicides. All materials and methods will be subject to approval from The Cambridge Conservation Commission and all application will be done by Land Stewardship, Inc., a DCR-approved company with considerable experience in ecological restoration for public agencies.

Invasive plants will be controlled or eradicated, considering proximity to sensitive resources such as native plant and animal species, birds and open water, as well as proximity to recreational areas, roads and trails. DCR and CRC will oversee the work to insure adherence to the. Over the three-year period, the CRC will draw on its extensive network of volunteers to supplement this work as appropriate.

Additional Funding:

The CRC has requested DCR Matching Partnership Funds and has received private funding from the RBC Foundation, the Cambridge Plant & Garden Club, and the Harvard Business School. Additional applications are pending.

Contact:

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Sent Separately:

Invasive Plant Inventory Map Letter of support from the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club Letter of support from Rep. Jonathan Hecht Letter of support expected from DCR in August

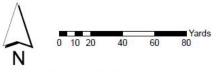
The CRC is also happy to share the three-year budget and proposal from Land Stewardship, Inc. with the CPA Committee.



Invasive Plant Inventory

Hell's Half Acre Charles River Conservancy Cambridge, Massachusetts April 23, 2019





Map prepared by Land Stewardship Inc Based on information collected by Andrew Morrison, April 2019

Cambridge Plant & Garden Club

July 28, 2019

Lisa Peterson Chair, Community Preservation Act Committee Cambridge City Hall 795 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Deputy City Manager Peterson and the CPA Committee:

The Cambridge Plant & Garden Club is pleased to strongly support the Charles River Conservancy's Ecological Restoration Project proposed for Hell's Half Acre, a largely neglected seven plus acre riverfront parcel in Cambridge just west of the Eliot Bridge. We hope that the CPA Committee and Cambridge City Council will support use of CPA funds to partner with the Conservancy and other organizations, including ours, to enable this unique open space restoration project.

Cambridge Plant and Garden Club (CP&GC), one of the oldest garden clubs in America, has approximately eighty members. Since our founding in 1889, we have undertaken collaborative civic projects of all sizes throughout the city and, as you know, have strong relationships with the City of Cambridge, MA Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Charles River Conservancy, and many other local organizations. We have had an interest in Hell's Half Acre since at least 1950, when club members opposed creation of Greenough Boulevard, a four-lane road through what was then an undeveloped area with considerable wetlands (and an informal dump). That roadway was built. As you know, in recent years, with the participation of many organizations including the City of Cambridge, DCR and CP&GC, the roadway is now smaller and Hell's Half Acre has a terrific, very popular multiuse path along the river. The land, however, is still overgrown with invasive plants of types that cannot be controlled by modest means and volunteer labor. With this restoration project, its potential is high, we know, to be a model "urban wild" with native trees and plants thriving, better drainage and water management, a successful habitat for birds and other animals, and a peaceful oasis for the thousands of people who enjoy the area walking, biking, studying, and even fishing.

In 2016 CP&GC commissioned the New England Wild Flower Society (now the Native Plant Trust) to conduct a new botanical inventory of the proposed project site, Hell's Half Acre. With this information, our goal is to support ecological restoration of the site--a major project requiring professional services to remove key invasive species, which will then allow regrowth and replanting of native trees, shrubs and plants. We hope that the City of Cambridge will join our organization and others to support the Charles River Conservancy's plan to help us fulfill this longtime, exciting mission.

Sincerely,

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Martha H. Mauzy **CP&GC** President 52 Garden Street, #48 Cambridge, MA 02138



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July 2019

I am writing to express my strong support for the Charles River Conservancy's Wetland and Habitat Restoration Project in Hell's Half Acre in Cambridge.

The Charles River Conservancy (CRC) has been a proven steward and advocate for the Charles River parks for almost two decades. It works to enhance and activate the urban Charles River and its parks through improvements, advocacy, and programming. CRC's volunteer program, which brings 2000 volunteers to the Charles River Reservation annually to perform vital maintenance, plays a critical role in caring for this important natural resource.

Hell's Half Acre is an important area for both wildlife and the public. It contains multiple habitats, including 2000 feet of riverfront, successional upland forest, and wetlands, as well as a pedestrian path that connects to Greenough Boulevard. It has potential as an expanded resident and migratory bird habitat and provides a unique opportunity for people to connect to the environment in a dense urban area.

However, in order to realize the ecological and community potential of Hell's Half Acre, restoration efforts are necessary to remove and prevent further invasion of exotic plants that do not support the variety of life that many birds and other species depend on. They are particularly threatening in ecosystems such as wetlands, where rare native plants are found.

CRC has developed a thorough, multi-year plan for the removal of these invasive plants in consultation with experts and with the guidance of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club. Utilizing the muscle of its volunteer corps under the supervision of a certified landscape contractor, the CRC will restore this important wetland by removing invasive species that are disrupting and degrading the habitat. Once removal is complete, the CRC and its volunteers and partners will closely monitor the regrowth of natives and replant where necessary to restore an important section of the Charles River Reservation for the benefit of wildlife and people alike.

As State Representative for the 29th Middlesex District, which includes Hell's Half Acre, I fully support the CRC's restoration project. I am particularly excited about involving the community in this effort, which will provide valuable hands-on experience and promote stewardship of this urban park. The Charles River is an important asset for our region, and deepening the public's

connections to and awareness of the river ecology strengthens our communities while improving the environment we depend on.

I hope you will give this worthy project your support.

Sincerely yours,

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Jonathan Hecht State Representative 29th Middlesex District



July 31, 2019

Dear Cambridge Community Preservation Act committee:

The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) is pleased to support the Charles River Conservancy's (CRC) Wetland and Habitat Restoration Project proposed for Hell's Half Acre, a section of the Charles River Reservation along Greenough Boulevard in Cambridge. The proposed work supports the goals of DCR's Master Plan for the Charles River basin to "enhance wildlife habitat while managing invasive species" and "establish a sustainable and maintainable landscape."

Exotic invasive plants are prolific in the Charles River basin, threating biodiversity needed for healthy ecosystems. The restoration efforts proposed in CRC's project will not only support urban wildlife and reclaim the area for public access and enjoyment, but will also support the overall health of the Charles River watershed. CRC has committed to following the guidelines of DCR's Charles River Vegetation Management Plan (RVMP) to guide rehabilitation, most notably using seed mixes specified for sowing disturbed areas. A native wetland can absorb and filter runoff the from the Parkway next to the project site. Storm water runoff is a leading source of pollution in our Charles River Reservation, fueling nutrient enrichment in the river and stressing anadromous fish during spring migrations.

We are grateful to the Conservancy for their commitment to this work and to engaging local volunteers in the restoration of Hell's Half Acre. We look forward to partnering with the CRC in this and other efforts to manage the basin on behalf of all who enjoy it.

Sincerely,

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Jennifer Norwood Director, External Affairs and Partnerships Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation

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Public Hearing – July 31, 2019 Public Comment

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Attached are 225 signatures from Residents living in HRI affordable housing portfolio. Residents from 808/812 Memorial Drive, Inman Square Apartments, Columbia Terrace, Putnam Square Apartments and Chapman Arms have provided their names, signatures and addresses in support of 80% of the CPA funds being used for affordable housing.

Sincerely,

Peter Daly Executive Director 280 Franklin St. Cambridge, MA 02139 617-868-4858 ext

MR 808 & 812 Memorial Drive

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YWCA Cambridge Supports CPA 80/10/10 Allocation

Remarks before Community Preservation Act Committee

July 31, 2019

Thankyou. My name is Eva Martin Blythe and I am here representing the YWCA Cambridge, located at 7 Temple Street in Central Square. YWCA Cambridge is a member association of a national and international movement whose mission is the elimination of racism and the empowerment of women. In Cambridge we are known most and best as a housing provider for women, a role we take very seriously. In fact, we consistently have "empowered" our sisters by providing safe, affordable housing since 1911.

We operate out of three unique buildings in Central Square, two of which we own and all of which are historically significant. Tanner Residence and our Main Building both are on the state and national registers of historic places. The Main Building was built in 1911 in part as affordable housing, and Tanner was built in 1953 solely as affordable housing. Clearly, we appreciate and value the preservation of historic facilities. In fact, we have benefited from historic preservation funding. Thanks to Community Preservation Act funds we have been able to maintain the historic integrity as well as the viable use of Central Square buildings for housing that women in need can afford to live in.

Tanner Residence provides 103 units of SRO (single room occupancy) housing for single women, many of whom have experienced homelessness, mental illness, domestic violence and/or other traumatic occurrences that make it difficult for them to live independently. In 2018 more than 95% of our residents had incomes below the poverty level. Pbviously, Tanner is home to many women who have no place else to be. If it weren't for Tanner a recognizable number of our residents would live on the street and sleep on benches, especially now that it's warm outside. That's the reality of the not having enough affordable housing.

As a City, we have an obligation to preserve existing affordable housing units and encourage the restoration and construction of similar new housing. At present, there simply isn't enough to go around. There always are women waiting for safe, affordable housing -- women who are either under housed or homeless.

The Community Preservation Act has been and should continue to be one of the primary sources of funding for affordable housing in Cambridge. On behalf of YWCA Cambridge I urge you to continue the city's commitment to an 80/10/10 allocation plan that utilizes the bulk of CPA funding for affordable housing. YWCA Cambridge supports a balance between affordable housing, historic preservation and environmental concerns, but that balance has to put housing first. Without adequate funding for affordable housing, we easily could become a one dimensional community of haves, lacking economic, racial and other forms of diversity. That's not the city that the YWCA Cambridge envisions, and I trust that you as decision-makers don't want that either. Our women, children and families deserve adequate, affordable housing and we should allocate CPA funds accordingly.

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Thank you.

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TESTIMONY FOR THE CAMBRIDGE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT (CPA) COMMITTEE JULY 31, 2019

My name is Tina Alu and I live at 113 ½ Pleasant Street. I am speaking tonight as a resident and as the Executive Director of CEOC.

I want to thank the Committee for maintaining the 80-10-10 CPA formula, and request that you continue it again this year. As is stated each year, CPA funds are the sole source of funding that the city has to develop and preserve its affordable housing.

CEOC has seen first hand the positive impact that CPA funding has had on hundreds of tenants in expiring use buildings that now know that their homes are secure. CPA funding does not just preserve the building and its apartments. CPA funds are really preserving the homes of long-time Cambridge residents. Allocating 80% of CPA funds for affordable housing, insures that resources are available for preservation when properties reach their "expiring use."

This is particularly critical this year as the Fresh Pond Apartments use agreement expires in 2020. Without sufficient resources, over 500 units of affordable housing could be lost. At a recent tenant meeting in the building, residents shared their personal stories on how important it was to them and their families to be able to remain in their apartment and continue to be a part of this community.

Clearly there is also a need to expand affordable housing given the long-waiting lists. Hopefully with the passage of the Affordable Housing Overlay, there will be opportunities to increase the number of affordable units in all parts of the City.

Cambridge has been very successful over the years in preserving expiring use properties located throughout the city. But the job is not yet completed. Please maintain the 80-10-10 formula so that Cambridge will be ready with the needed resources to preserve the Fresh Pond Apartments and pursue new opportunities to maintain and expand its affordable housing for all residents who are waiting for an affordable and secure home.

Thank you.