

MEMO

To: Cambridge Planning Board

From: Cambridge Bicycle Committee

Date: October 14, 2020

Re: Special Permit PB # PB-367, 325 Binney Street

We have reviewed the proponent's proposal and would like to submit the following comments for consideration by the Planning Board.

- We appreciate the highlighting and importance of bicycle facilities, including the separated bicycle lane in front of the building, the substantial bicycle parking and the contribution to the Grand Junction path. For the main bicycle parking, we particularly note the value of at-grade access. It will be good to have conveniently located parking at the Fulkerson Street entrance as well as on Binney Street.
- We have some comments about the Grand Junction design, which we will convey to the project team, including the preference for permeable asphalt, high quality lighting, and consideration for wind and shade conditions. We would like to ensure that the path is comfortable, safe and rideable year-round, and is kept clear of ice and snow. To that end, if the 325 Binney project were able to help with the maintenance of this portion of the path, that could be helpful. High quality lighting on the side of the building next to the path would also be beneficial.