Open Data Review Board

COMMITTEE MEETING

~AGENDA~

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

5:30PM

Ackermann Room (& Zoom)

Call of the Meeting

The Open Data Review Board (ODRB) advises the City Manager on rules and standards for implementation of an Open Data policy, including a means by which to determine the data or datasets that are appropriate for public accessibility and a timeline for policy implementation. During this meeting, the ODRB will discuss how Cambridge might use open data to further the City's strategic initiatives.

Welcome & Introductions

• Introducing our guest speaker, Leon Yin

Leon Yin is an award-winning investigative journalist at Bloomberg News. He builds datasets and develops methods to measure technology's impact on society. He writes Inspect Element, a practitioner's guide to auditing algorithms. His work has been cited by legislators, the academy, and popular media. In 2023, the series "Still Loading" received a Philip Meyer Award recognizing the best uses of social science methods in journalism. Leon got his start in news at The Markup, and his start in research writing Fortran scripts at NASA.

(We will defer other updates and agenda items until after our guest speaker's presentation.)

Guest Presentation

AI Racial and Gender Bias in Hiring

Progress Report on Open Data in the City of Cambridge

- New and pending datasets
- o Some additional metrics per the Board's previous discussion
- Open Data Science Conference highlights
- Open Data Newsletter: first issue out in March, over 600 subscribers. Next issue will go
 out later this week.
- Public trainings: first of new series of open data classes at the Cambridge Public Library starts in July
- What Works Cities: status of 2024 application (due July 15)

Open Discussion

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Public Comment

Adjournment