

MESSAGE FROM THE



City Manager

As we near the end of the FY10 fiscal year, I am pleased to report that the City of Cambridge

has weathered the difficult economic climate fairly well in comparison to other municipalities, without sacrificing important City services. This can be attributed to the sound financial practices of the administration and the City Council, which is confirmed through our continued attainment of three Triple A bond ratings from the major credit rating agencies. The long term outlook for Cambridge continues to be very strong as long as we manage our resources wisely. I am pleased to present you this newsletter which serves as a biannual update from City departments on various programs and initiatives. I also encourage you to visit our Website, www.cambridgema.gov.

Cambridge's Three Triple A Ratings City Earns Impressive Honor for Eleventh Consecutive Year

City Manager Robert W. Healy announced that Cambridge has continued its rare distinction of being one of approximately 23 cities in the nation to earn three Triple A ratings from the nation's three major credit rating agencies. The City has received Triple A ratings from Moody's Investors Service, Standard & Poor's and Fitch Ratings every year since 1999.

"We are very proud that we can still achieve this high honor, especially in light of the challenging financial climate we've been operating in these last few years," said Healy. "These ratings enable us to maintain our strong fiscal position and continue funding important capital projects and programs. Most importantly, it enables us to support the City Council goal of 'Evaluating City expenditures with a view of maintaining a strong fiscal position and awareness of the impact on taxpayers.'"

These ratings were in conjunction with the City's sale of \$33.2 million in General Obligation bonds in February 2010 to finance such capital projects as the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School Renovation, Sewer Reconstruction and soil remediation for the Yerxa Road Railroad Underpass Project.

Each of the three rating agencies noted the City's exceptional financial management in their reports. Fitch reported that the City's success is reflected in consis-

tently strong financial results and reserve levels. According to Moody's Investors Service, the City management's consistently conservative approach to budgeting has been a key factor in earning this top rating. Standard and Poor's notes our "manageable capital plan" and the "well embedded and likely sustainable" best practices implemented by our experienced management team.

The most immediate and tangible benefit to Cambridge citizens is the impact on taxes. A city's credit rating impacts the interest rate at which it can borrow money. The City's exceptional ratings mean that Cambridge pays a significantly lower interest rate than other cities pay when issuing bonds to fund capital building projects. This has been especially important in recent years when the City has bonded approximately \$260 million in tax supported debt for the following major projects: Cambridge Public Library, Robert W. Healy Public-Safety Facility, West Cambridge Youth

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Cambridge Community Schools Celebrate 40 Years

Forty years ago, a group of Cambridge citizens and officials organized to keep public school buildings open for community use in after school hours. Subsequently, the Cambridge City Council established Community Schools in 1969. Since that time, Community Schools have been serving our citizens by enhancing health, learning, creative expression and a deep sense of community. In December 2009, a Glitter Gala helped mark this 40th milestone and celebrate the contributions of over 200 volunteers. Awards were presented to individuals who contributed to the program's lasting success: Paul Paravano, Co-Director of MIT's Office of Government and Community Affairs; James Maloney, Chief Operating Officer of Cambridge Public Schools; and Carolyn Shipley, Chair of the Citywide Council for Community Schools. Francis H. Duehay, former Cambridge Mayor and City Councillor and one of the original founders of the Cambridge Community Schools Program, was recognized at a separate event. Some volunteers could trace their support of Community Schools back to 1969, including founding team members Milli Centanni, Barbara Hayes and John Gairachty.

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Camp Night with music by Penelope Kleespies, Longfellow Community School Director, and her students.

Community Development

Affordable Housing Project Receives Highest Green Rating

The recently completed 10 unit condominium project at 823 Main Street has received a LEED Platinum rating, the highest possible, from the United States Green Building Council. This is the first

LEED multi-family residential project to achieve a Platinum rating in Cambridge. Solar panels will provide most of the building's electricity. The project was built by Just-A-Start with Community Preservation Act funds from the City's Affordable Housing Trust.



Sign up for Cambridge E-Line at www.cambridgema.gov

CityView is published in the spring and fall by the City Manager's Office as a community update for residents.

Editor: Ini Tomeu, Public Information Officer, 617-349-4339.

CityView is printed on recycled paper.

Home Improvement Program (HIP) Assists Low/Moderate Income Homeowners



In cooperation with Just-A-Start and Homeowner's Rehab, the City offers low-interest and deferred loans to help low and moderate income owners make necessary home repairs. Rehabilitation specialists work with owners throughout the construction process to survey needed improvements, prepare a scope of work and cost estimate, select a contractor and monitor construction work in progress. Eligible improvements and repairs include:

• Correction of health and safety code violations;

• Elimination of lead paint hazards;

• Handicap access;

• Installation of energy conservation measures;

- Electrical and plumbing upgrades;
- Repair of exterior walls and roof; and
- Installation of windows and insulation.

Program staff can also work with homeowners at risk of foreclosure, and can assist owners in accessing available resources. For more information about the City's Home Improvement Programs, please contact the Housing Division at 617-349-4622 or visit www.cambridgema.gov/cdd/hsg.

Stretch Energy Code Increases Energy Efficiency Standards for Buildings

The Cambridge City Council adopted the Stretch Energy Code in December 2009, signaling that the City has chosen to follow a more energy efficient standard for commercial and residential buildings in Cambridge. The new energy code will go into effect on July 1, 2010. Any building permit applications filed on July 1 or after will have to follow the new standards.

The Stretch Energy Code, which was designed by the state, is expected to achieve about 20 percent greater energy efficiency than the base code. The higher standard will help Cambridge toward its goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and reduce reliance on fossil fuels. It will also help Cambridge properties to become more resilient to rising energy prices.

The Stretch Energy Code is an appendix to the Massachusetts base energy code, which by state law is the International Energy Conservation Code 2009, so both documents should be consulted. The Stretch Energy Code will primarily affect new construction and major renovations. The code also has requirements for smaller home renovations where permits are required. The standards will only apply to the work that is being done and will not trigger requirements for upgrades throughout the building. There are exemptions for historic structures. For more information, see the City's Stretch Energy Code webpage at www.cambridgema.gov/~CDD/et/stretchcode/index.html.

Community Development

EPA Issues New Lead Paint Regulation for Homes, Child Care Facilities and Schools



Common renovation activities like sanding, cutting and demolition can create hazardous lead dust and chips by disturbing lead-based paint, which can be harmful to adults and especially children. To protect against this risk, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a new lead paint regulation that took effect on April 22, 2010. This regulation is called

the Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) rule and applies to contractors, property owners and others who disturb or repair painted surfaces in housing, child care facilities and schools built before 1978. The rule applies to all housing units, not just those occupied by children. (An exception is made for owner-occupied housing and housing for the elderly and people with disabilities, if the owner certifies that the property is not occupied by a pregnant woman or a child under the age of six.)

While the new RRP rule requires most of the same lead safe work practices required by the Massachusetts Lead Law, the RRP rule has a few important differences. It requires that any contractor, not just lead abatement contractors, who disturbs more than 6 square feet of interior or 20 square feet of exterior lead paint complete an 8-hour training course. It also requires that contractors distribute notices to owners, tenants and, in the case of childcare facilities, to parents/guardians before renovation starts.

It is important to note that the RRP rule applies if the work is done for compensation by a contractor or by a landlord and his/her employees for work such as remodeling and repair/maintenance, electrical work, plumbing, painting, carpentry, and siding/window replacement. For more information about the RRP rule see: <http://www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/renovation.htm>.

City Launches Green Jobs Training Program



Following a year-long effort by a Cambridge Green Jobs Task Force led by former Mayor E. Denise Simmons and City Manager Robert W. Healy, the City of Cambridge has begun a new Green Jobs Program. The Program is designed for income-

eligible individuals age 18 and older, having at least a GED but who have not completed college, and who are unemployed or underemployed.

Individuals will receive training to become energy efficiency technicians through the Building Energy Efficiency Maintenance Skills Program or the Energy Efficiency Technician Apprenticeship Program. Participants will receive training in the building trades, occupational safety, energy efficiency and weatherization. The program also includes job readiness training and job placement assistance. The Asian American Civic Association is providing the training.

Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis. To determine if you qualify as a program participant, contact Chris Albruzio at 617-426-9492 extension 250 or via email at chris@aaca-boston.org, or Pardis Saffari, City of Cambridge, Community Development Department at 617-349-4654 or psaffari@cambridgema.gov.

State Invests in Charles River Bridges



Longfellow Bridge

The Commonwealth has begun an eight-year, \$3 billion program to repair bridges across the state that are in need of significant repairs. The program includes many bridges in the Charles River Basin, including the Craigie, Longfellow and Boston University Bridges; Reid Overpass; Magazine Beach Footbridge; River Street and Western Avenue Bridges; Anderson Bridge and the Weeks Footbridge.

As of spring 2010, construction is ongoing on the Craigie and Boston University Bridges, and design work has begun on many others. Community meetings will be held on the design of each bridge. A session on the River Street and Western Avenue bridges was held in March at the Morse School. For up to date information go to: www.cambridgema.gov/cdd/et/infra/abp/index.html or www.eot.state.ma.us/acceleratedbridges.

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& Community Center, Cambridge War Memorial & Recreation Center and the CRLS Renovation Project. The significant savings in the Debt Service costs results in lower property tax bills to our taxpayers.

SUMMER FUN FOR EVERYONE...

Cambridge River Festival

Saturday, June 5, Noon-6 p.m. (rain or shine)

Memorial Dr. along Charles River. Presented by Cambridge Arts Council, the Festival features several live music stages, visual arts, theatrical and dance performances, family entertainment, art-making, crafts, and international food.

Free.

www.cambridgearts council.org.

Go Green at Cambridge Public Library

2010 Summer Reading Program for grades 5 and younger. Check your nearest branch library for dates and

GoGreen

at your library

times of free special events! Kids may sign up at any library, get a prize for joining, receive a reading log... and start reading! Call your neighborhood library or 617-349-4409.

**Do STUFF,
Read STUFF,
Get STUFF!**

Stuff

Join **STUFF**, the summer reading program at the **Cambridge Public Library** for **grades 6 and up**.

Sign up when school ends. Participants earn 1 raffle ticket for every 3 hours of reading. Raffle prizes are a selection of gift certificates. Ph. 617-349-4409 or visit www.cambridge-publiclibrary.org.

Museum Passes for Library Cardholders

Free and discounted passes to museums and zoos are available with your Cambridge Public Library card. Ph. 617-349-4041.

www.cambridgepubliclibrary.org

Secret Gardens of Cambridge

Sunday, June 13 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Join us for the 10th Anniversary of the Secret Gardens of Cambridge, sponsored by the Friends of the Cambridge Public Library. This self-guided tour includes access to 19 private gardens, special green spaces and historic locations throughout the city. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 on day of event (supply is limited), and are available at all Cambridge Public Library locations. For more information, call 617-349-4040.

Hoops 'N' Health

Saturday, June 19, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Hoyt Field. Annual basketball and flag football tournament and health fair. DJ, live entertainment, free food, prizes and children's games. Free and open to the public. Presented by Cambridge Health Alliance. For info. call 617-665-3769.

Taste of Cambridge

Thursday, June 24, 5:30-8 p.m., The Charles Hotel. A celebration of the diverse restaurant scene in Cambridge. www.tasteofcambridge.com



Dance Party

Friday, June 25, 7-11 p.m. Dance in the street in front of City Hall at this lively party for the entire Cambridge community. Ph. 617-349-4301. www.cambridgema.gov

Screen on the Green Family Nights in the Park

Presented in Cambridge parks on Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. July 14-Aug. 18. Enjoy a movie theater size screen, plus jugglers, clowns, music and magicians. Dept. of Human Service Programs' Recreation, Youth & Community Schools Divisions. Ph. 617-349-6200. For more info. and locations: www.cambridgema.gov/DHSP2

Summer in the City

July-August (dates and times vary) Cambridge Arts Council produces an array of multicultural and interactive performances throughout the City's parks and public spaces featuring dance, music, storytellers, theater and puppetry for children ages 4-11 in the City's parks. Free. www.cambridgeartscouncil.org



Cambridge Discovery Days

Saturday, Aug. 7 & 14 Explore historic and architectural Cambridge in all its diversity on informative walks throughout Cambridge. Ph. 617-349-4683 www.cambridgema.gov/historic/walks.html

Danehy Park Family Day

Saturday, Sept. 25, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Amusement rides, roving performers, Children's stage. Free hot dogs, chips, sodas. Ph. 617-349-4301, www.cambridgema.gov



✓ SAVE THE DATE...

Memorial Day Parade and Observance May 31

Parade departs at 9:30 a.m. from Cambridge Common, travelling through Harvard Square, Mt. Auburn Street to Cambridge Cemetery for Observance at 11 a.m. For info: www.cambridgema.gov/vet

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days

Saturday, June 19 & Oct. 2 Mass.

National Guard Armory 450 Concord Ave., from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Cambridge residents only. Call 617-349-4800.

2010 Election Dates

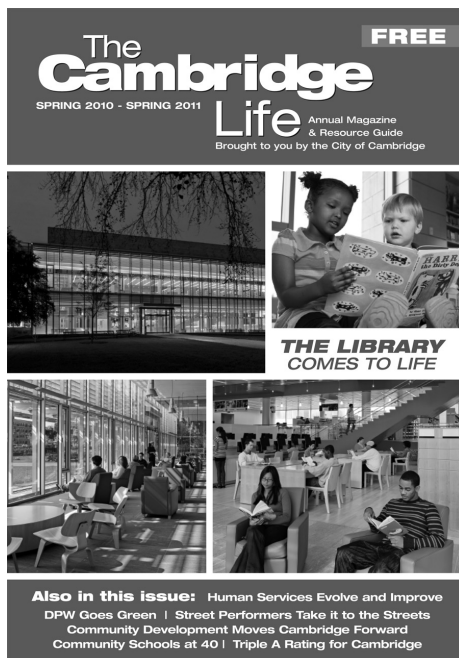
State Primary Election -

Tuesday, Sept. 14

State Election - Tuesday, Nov. 2

For voter information, call the Election Commission at 617-349-4361 or visit www.cambridgema.gov/election.

summer! The Summer Intensive will be the first class to take advantage of the brand new specialized studios of the Maud Morgan Visual Arts Center (MMVAC) at 20 Sacramento Street. Class offerings include drawing, painting, print-making, ceramics and more, and are designed for students entering 7th-9th grades looking to learn new skills or deepen their existing skills. Students will learn through hands-on projects and have the freedom to explore and create. The Center received a grant from the Cambridge Arts Council, the City's official arts agency, to fund, in part, site-specific works by Cambridge-based artists for the new building, making it a work of art in its own right. For more information, call 617-349-6287 or visit www.agassiz.org.



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Art through the Ages – The Public Realm May – October 2010

The Cambridge Arts Council, the North Cambridge Senior Center, Cambridge Youth Programs and the Tobin Kindergarten class of Betsy Damian have launched a new project to bring generations together around public art in Cambridge. Supported by a grant from the Cambridge Community Foundation and the Tufts Health Plan Foundation, *Art Through the Ages – The Public Realm* will coordinate field trips from May – October 2010 that bring seniors together with teens and children at public art sites for interviews, artists' talks, interactive exchanges, on-site tours and picnics. For more information, call 617-349-4389.

The Cambridge Life Magazine & Resource Guide

The City of Cambridge recently published the 2010-11 edition of *The Cambridge Life* magazine and City resource guide. This free publication includes articles on City programs, a helpful City resources section, a newcomers' section and a calendar of upcoming events. *The Cambridge Life* can be picked up at news boxes in the city's major squares, at Cambridge City Hall and library branches and can be viewed online at www.cambridgema.gov. To request a copy, contact Ini Tomeu, Public Information Officer at 617-349-4339.

Summer Intensive Studio Classes for Middle School Students at New Maud Morgan Visual Arts Center

Calling all young artists and artistic youth for an intensive studio experience this

Filament/Firmament Art Installation

The Cambridge Women's Commission, Cambridge Arts Council and Cambridge Public Library have unveiled a new permanent public art installation, *Filament/Firmament*, by sculptor Ellen Driscoll at Cambridge Public Library. Designed to commemorate the contributions of women to Cambridge, *Filament/Firmament* consists of etched glass, zinc wall panels, woven cable, text and textile imagery. A dedicated Web database featuring the Cambridge Women's Heritage Project accompanies the physical work and includes stories of remarkable women and their contributions to Cambridge and society in general. Visit www.filamentfirmament.org.

Women's Commission Launches New Redesigned Website

The Cambridge Women's Commission has launched a redesigned, user-friendly website at cambridgewomenscommission.org. The new site is packed with information on events, programs and resources for women and girls in the city.



Art Class at Maud Morgan

Concord Avenue Reconstruction



Concord Ave. looking west.

ments will encourage walking and bicycling. Pedestrian access to public transit will also be improved.

For updates on the construction process, please contact Kelly Dunn, DPW Community Relations Manager at 617-349-4870 or kdunn@cambridgema.gov or visit www.cambridgema.gov/theworks.

Recycle MORE. Trash LESS.

Recycling in Cambridge is about to get bigger and better when **Single Stream Recycling starts September 20**. No more sorting. Place clean papers, cardboard and containers together.

Accepted items remain the same as before, but now you can recycle even MORE:

- All cardboard (flatten when possible)
- Empty pizza boxes
- Big plastic items (laundry baskets, buckets, toys)
- Spiral cans (potato chip/coffee/nut cans)
- Empty paper coffee cups (no Styrofoam, please)

Residential buildings with 1-5 units will get **free** recycling toters on wheels, to be delivered in September before the program begins. Buildings with 6 units or more should already have recycling toters. At least 50% of your trash can be recycled.

Type of Residence	Number of Recycling Toters City will Deliver	Size of Recycling Toters*
Single Family Home	1	64 gallon
Two Family Home	2	64 gallon
Triple Decker	2	96 gallon
4 Unit Building	2	96 gallon
5 Unit Building	2	96 gallon

* Toter dimensions: 96 gallon is 47"H x 27"W x 34"D. 64 gallon is 44"H x 26"W x 28"D.

If you do not have space for a toter, you may convert any 32 gal trash barrel for recycling, similar to the yard waste program. Or, continue using recycling blue bins. Call for a sticker to put on your barrel and face it to the street when using for recycling. The City appreciates your participation in our mandatory recycling program. Call 617-349-4800 or visit www.cambridgema.gov/theworks/recycle.



Work recently began on the reconstruction of Concord Avenue from Fresh Pond Parkway to Blanchard Road. The project includes upgraded utilities, new sidewalks and curb cuts, safer pedestrian crossings, enhanced bicycle facilities, street trees and plantings and new street pavement. Travel lanes for motorists will remain the same, with improved markings at the intersections. Key design elements include: raised bicycle lanes, a pedestrian crossing island at Spinelli Place and pedestrian crossings at Smith Place and Fawcett Street, with pedestrian activated flashers.

This project implements several goals of the Concord-Alewife Plan. New trees and plantings will enhance the visual character of the street, and sidewalk and bicycle facility improve-



Adopt a "Green Space" Program
Cambridge Fire Headquarters

Cambridge in Bloom



Operating out of the Department of Public Works' Parks and Urban Forestry Division, *Cambridge in Bloom* is a public-private partnership dedicated to enhancing local green spaces through improved stewardship of our parks, landscaped spaces and urban forest. The City has made considerable investments in the development of parks, landscaping, tree planting and maintenance in recent years. *Cambridge in Bloom* is made possible by the generous support of local sponsors and volunteers. Businesses and organizations can adopt a park or hanging baskets or buy a bench. Volunteer opportunities include adopting a green space or pocket garden, organizing a planting day, or participating in the *Treekeepers* program.

We are proud of our national recognition as a Tree City USA. The trees we plant and care for today will beautify our neighborhoods, businesses and parks, increase property values, and conserve energy in the city for years to come. Our horticultural investment in the city is a reflection of our commitment to a healthy urban environment for people and plants – growing together. For more information, call 617-349-6949.



Homelessness Prevention

Cambridge Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program, funded by federal economic stimulus money, may be able to help residents who are behind in their rent and facing eviction, if their annual income is below 50% of the Area Median Income. Please call the Cambridge Multi-Service Center for more information at 617-349-6340.

Recession Resources

Concerned about residents experiencing problems related to the continuing economic recession, the City of Cambridge has compiled a brochure about local resources related to housing, food, utilities, jobs, legal services, benefits programs, money management, affordable childcare and other issues.

For more information, contact Marianne Colangelo at 617-349-6966.

Food and Fun when school is out!

The Summer Food Service Program provides free, tasty and healthy lunches to children 18 and under in Cambridge during the summer months. Meals include great tasting local fruits and vegetables and whole grains. Fun activities will also be offered. For more information & locations, call 617-349-6252 after June 21. No lunch will be served in case of inclement weather.



Celebrating Human Services Volunteers



Barbara Kibler, Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House with her volunteer Jean Mike Remy, Ellen Semonoff, Assistant City Manager for DHSP and Robert Hurlbut, Executive Director of Cambridge Community Foundation.

Cambridge Works Transitional Jobs Program

Cambridge Works celebrated the accomplishments of its very proud third class of participants during a ceremony at Cambridge City Hall earlier this year. The transitional jobs program serves residents age 18-35 who have been unable to get or keep jobs. Coordinated through the Department of Human Service Program's Office of Workforce Development, Cambridge Works provides participants a temporary job with the City, while also offering intensive case management, soft skills development and job search assistance to help them secure an unsubsidized job upon program completion.

Statements from 2010 Graduates of Cambridge Works

"If it had not been for this program, I'd think I'd still be on the streets with no direction."

"I have to thank the Department of Human Services and the City of Cambridge for this great program that helped me get my life back on track."

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Today, Community Schools continue to operate out of every elementary school in Cambridge, providing a broad range of programming for residents of all ages. Research indicates that enrichment activities foster the development of the whole child and contribute to academic success. To ensure that they are being responsive to each community, program directors work with resident-led neighborhood councils to assess needs and tailor activities accordingly. In the past year, 1,400 children enrolled in 1,671 enrichment classes and 800 children enjoyed full-day licensed summer camps based in neighborhood schools. Senior citizens and adults participated in 253 classes and activities. After 40 years of popular programming, Community Schools still hold to their 1969 mission of helping to ensure that Cambridge continues to thrive as "a special place" for its residents.



Enjoying Cambridge Parks and Public Spaces with Your Pet

The City of Cambridge has created several new off leash locations for Cambridge licensed dogs:

- Two fenced in areas exclusively for use by off leash dogs at Pacific St. Park (Pacific and Tudor Streets) and Danehy Park (New St.);
- Two shared use off leash areas, where dogs are allowed off leash but are not fenced in or separated from other uses, at Fresh Pond Reservation (excluding mowed grassy areas) and at Fort Washington Park (Waverly St.);
- In August 2009, the City began a pilot program to provide shared use locations for off leash dogs between 6-9 a.m. only at Gold Star Mother's Park (Gore St) and Corcoran Park (Raymond St); the pilot program will be evaluated after one year. For more information, contact Cambridge Animal Commission at 617-349-4376.

Good Neighbors Always Clean Up after their Dog.



Resident Permit Photo Contest

The Department of Traffic, Parking & Transportation is accepting digital photos of City buildings and historic Cambridge landmarks for the 2011 Residential Parking Permit Photo Contest. The winning photo will be displayed on the 2011 resident parking permit. Although we can only pick one winner, many photo submissions are also displayed on the

City's Website, the Traffic Department's Website, and in the resident information brochure. Photo submissions may be E-mailed (in jpeg format) until July 31, 2010 to: rppcontest@cambridgema.gov. The City of Cambridge reserves the right to use any photo submissions on its Website, in any City publication and as a submission to third parties, with proper photo credit being given.

**Become More Involved in Your Community:
Join a City Board or Commission**

The City of Cambridge encourages and promotes involvement by residents in the decision-making process through participation in a variety of boards and commissions. Serving on a board or commission can be a rewarding experience and an excellent way to contribute to the quality of life of the community in which you live or work. We rely greatly on the interest and involvement of those volunteers who seek a more active role in the functioning of their local government. Selection for appointment to one of our boards and commissions is generally based on the following characteristics:

- *A broad perspective and concern for the welfare and progress of the City*
- *A familiarity with the City's history, issues and goals*
- *Interest in the functions/responsibilities of the board or commission under consideration*
- *Background or expertise in a particular area as needed by board under consideration*
- *City residency, in most cases*
- *A willingness to devote time and effort to the work of said board or commission*
- *Awareness of and understanding of the City's ordinances and policies*

Whenever possible, the City strives to create a balanced and diverse representation on boards and commissions. To learn more about the City's boards and commissions, visit the City's Website, www.cambridgema.gov and click on Boards and Commissions under the Useful Links section on the left side of the home page. Generally, board or commission vacancies are posted individually on the City's home page.



Don't Wait to Vaccinate

Infants are the most vulnerable to hospitalization and even death from childhood diseases. Vaccinating "on time" is the best way to keep your baby healthy. To learn more about childhood immunizations, visit www.vaccineinformation.org.

Play, Talk & Read with your Baby

Early life experiences have a huge impact on a baby's developing brain. Baby University is a free program for residents with children newborn to age 3 that promotes strong parent-child relationships through workshops, playgroups and participants sharing "success stories." For more information, call 617-620-4877. This information was provided by the Cambridge Public Health Department, 617-665-3800.



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