

# Cambridge Redevelopment Authority

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Cambridge City Council  
c/o Cambridge City Clerk  
City of Cambridge  
Cambridge City Hall  
795 Massachusetts Avenue  
Cambridge, Massachusetts, 02139

Re: 2013 Annual Meeting of the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I wanted to let you know that the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority will be taking place at 5:30 PM, Wednesday, February 27, 2013 in the Community Room of the Robert Healy Public Safety Center (Police Headquarters) at 125 Sixth Street, Cambridge. Members of the Council are most certainly welcome to attend the meeting and offer comments or suggestions regarding the work of the CRA. We also invite you to offer written comments which will become a part of the record of the meeting.

I would personally like to thank the City Council for the opportunity to serve as a member of the Authority. This is a remarkably talented and dedicated group of people, each one of whom brings a particular talent and type of experience to the Board. These strengths have enabled us to confront a range of challenges since we started to meet as a group in May 2012.

Please let me also publicly acknowledge and thank the administration of the City of Cambridge for quickly responding to the CRA's request for staff assistance when we were confronted with a vacancy in our executive leadership. In particular, I want to thank City Manager Robert Healy, Deputy City Manager Richard Rossi, and Assistant City Manager Brian Murphy. Special thanks go to the Deputy Director of the Community Development Department, Susan Glazer, who, with little notice, stepped into a leadership role at the CRA office at a difficult time of transition and has performed admirably.

For your information, you can find on the CRA Webpage (<http://www.cambridgema.gov/cdd/zoninganddevelopment/cra>) the Authority's 2013 Annual Report as well as a Transition Report prepared by Kathy Spiegelman, consultant and former Assistant City Manager for Community Development. Also on this page you will find a posting for a new Redevelopment Officer position at the CRA, as well as the agenda for the Annual Meeting, minutes from recent CRA monthly Board meetings, and other relevant documents.

It is my hope that the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority and the Cambridge City Council will enjoy a fruitful and cooperative relationship as our City continues planning for its future as a diverse residential community and a vibrant center of commerce and innovation.

Regards,

  
Kathleen Leahy Born, AIA, LEED AP  
Chair

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