

City of Cambridge

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TRAINING
AND EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

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In City Council May 7, 2001

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Councillor Davis suggested a Question & Answer Session after the introduction. She stated that City Council orders should be discussed at the appropriate tables.

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A discussion ensued regarding the flyers. The flyers would be translated to Spanish, Haitian/Creole, Portuguese and any other language needed and then distributed to the following schools: Longfellow, Maynard-Fletcher, Morse, Cambridgeport, King and Graham and Parks.

The City Clerk will contact Lois Sullivan to secure the number of flyers needed to distribute to the schools. Mr. Rossi stated that the Public Works Department would distribute the flyers to the schools. Publicity will be done by cable television notice, newspaper notice, and flyers to schools and businesses and to senior housing developments.

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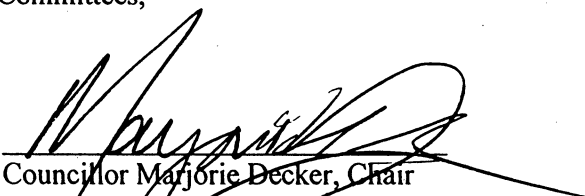
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For the Committees,


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**COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ON
CENTRAL SQUARE
MEETING FORMAT**

WELCOME AND PURPOSE

Councillor Davis
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Brief description of the meeting format (City Staff)
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Charles Sullivan
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Housing info

Lead safe info

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Green Street Studio

Out of the Blue

BREAK OUT GROUPS AS FOLLOWS: (45 minutes)

1. *Retail mix*

2. *Transportation issues*

3. *Public Safety, Community Policing and Licensing*

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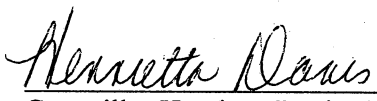
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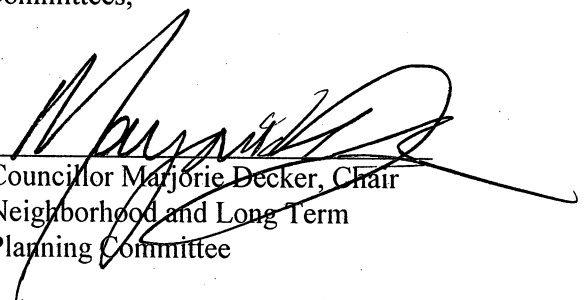
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Report Accepted

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