



# City of Cambridge

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**IN CITY COUNCIL**  
June 29, 2020

MAYOR SIDDIQUI  
VICE MAYOR MALLON  
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS  
COUNCILLOR NOLAN

- WHEREAS: The Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA) announced they will be closing their East Cambridge COVID-19 Testing site Friday, June 26; and
- WHEREAS: Running through July, the Cambridge Public Health Department will begin to offer mobile testing in North Cambridge, The Port and East Cambridge one day each week during designated hours; and
- WHEREAS: Additional neighborhoods may be added to the mobile testing program; and
- WHEREAS: COVID-19 prevalence in Cambridge is low, and current public health evidence suggests schools have not played a significant role in COVID-19 transmission and that children, particularly younger children, are less likely than adults to be infected with COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS: The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education issued initial Fall School Reopening Guidance on June 25, 2020 for schools, which include that schools are not required to perform daily temperature checks before staff and students enter the building or provide COVID-19 testing; and
- WHEREAS: As COVID-19 will continue to affect us for a long time, in the absence of a vaccine the City of Cambridge and Cambridge Public Schools should consider a plan to implement testing for schools; and
- WHEREAS: Such testing should be made available to all staff and to students who have had possible exposures from a family member, household, or from the community-at-large; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the City Manager confer with the Cambridge Public Health Department to discuss the feasibility of providing mobile testing at locations throughout the city for families, students and school staff; be it further
- ORDERED: That the City Manager provide an update to the feasibility of placing mobile testing sites by July 27, 2020 in order to provide ample time to prepare for the upcoming school year and keep our students and staff safe.

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Order Adopted by a ye and nay vote:-  
Yeas 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.  
Attest:- Anthony I. Wilson, City Clerk

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony I. Wilson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

ATTEST:-

Anthony I. Wilson, City Clerk