

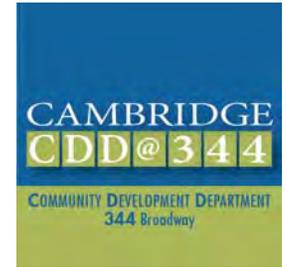


# ***City of Cambridge***

## ***Community Development Department***

### ***Development Log***

#### ***Open Data Metadata***



The Development Log provides an active record of large-scale development projects occurring in the City of Cambridge. The Log, updated on a quarterly basis, is distributed to City departments and the public to keep them posted of development progress, from permitting through construction to completion.

Criteria for inclusion in the Log include:

- ◆ Commercial projects totaling over 30,000 square feet;
- ◆ Commercial projects that have a significant impact on the neighborhood in which located;
- ◆ Any other commercial project that falls under the jurisdiction of the Incentive Zoning Ordinance;
- ◆ Any other commercial project that falls under the jurisdiction of the Parking and Transportation Demand Management Ordinance;
- ◆ Residential projects of eight or more units that are new construction or that are rehab/renovation projects altering the existing use by adding to the existing number of units or square footage;
- ◆ Any other residential project that falls under the jurisdiction of the Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance;
- ◆ All municipal projects in which a cross section of City departments may have an interest or which are considered otherwise significant.
- ◆ Any project that has a significant impact on the neighborhood in which it is located.

Projects meeting the criteria are categorized by **Project Stage**, which include:

- ◆ *Permitting*: Project under review by Community Development and/or Board of Zoning Appeal.
- ◆ *Permit Granted or As of Right*: Development received Special Permit from the Planning Board or BZA, Comprehensive Permit, Large Project Review conducted with Community Development, or is As of Right.
- ◆ *Building Permit Granted*: Development received Building Permit (construction must start within six months or an extension is required).
- ◆ *Complete*: Project received Certificate of Occupancy (CO) or Temporary CO.

Notes on other topics included in the Development Log:

- ◆ *Address / Name*: Includes the primary street address of the project and any name by which it is commonly known.
- ◆ *Affordable Units*: Number of affordable housing units included in the development. This value is not shown for developments with inclusionary housing units until the number of affordable units is determined, prior to issuance of a building permit. However the number of affordable units is included for city-financed developments both during the permitting process and while permitted and awaiting construction. "TBD" indicates that the number of affordable units is "to be determined".
- ◆ *Gross Floor Area*: Includes only the gross floor area of the project under development. Other gross floor area may exist on the parcel, in either existing or prospective buildings, that affects the floor-to-area ratio (FAR) reported.
- ◆ *Neighborhood*: Cambridge is divided into thirteen neighborhoods for planning purposes. For more information see: <http://www.cambridgema.gov/CDD/planud/neighplan.aspx>.
- ◆ *Parking Spaces*: Includes both on-site and off-site spaces assigned to uses found in the project; to avoid double counting on-site spaces assigned to projects reported elsewhere are reported under those projects. Where on-site parking is shared with other developments or parking associated with the project is located off-site additional information about parking is stated in the Notes field.
- ◆ *Permit Type*: refers to the type of development approval required:
  - *Special Permit*: Project required a special permit granted by the Planning Board.
  - *Board of Zoning Appeals*: Project requires a special permit and/or variance granted by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

- *Comprehensive Permit*: Project permitted under Chapter 40B provisions for development of affordable housing.
- *Large Project Review*: Projects subject to Large Project Review provisions in Article 19 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- *As of Right*: Projects that do not require a major development approval and that otherwise meet the criteria for inclusion in the development Log.
- ◆ *Project Type*: refers to the type of construction called for by the project. Project Types include
  - *New Construction*
  - *Alteration*: Includes the rehabilitation of an existing building.
  - *Addition*
  - *Alteration/Addition*: Combines alteration of an existing building with an addition.
  - *Change of Use*: Used where the a change of use requires a special permit, such as the repurposing of an existing building
  - *Master Plan*: Used for approved development that has not been allocated to a specific building.
- ◆ *Zoning*: Refers to the primary zoning under which the project is proceeding. For more information about zoning in Cambridge see: <https://www.cambridgema.gov/CDD/zoninganddevelopment/Zoning>

**Disclaimer: All information that is presented here is accurate to the best of our knowledge at the time of publication. All information stated is subject to revision or retraction at any time.**

This document is found at: <https://www.cambridgema.gov/CDD/developmentlog>

Both current and historical data about projects found in the Development Log are now available to the public in tabular format in the Planning section of the City’s Open Data web site. You can view and search data without establishing an account. If you wish to save your work or make comments an account is required.

With this edition of the Development Log there are five tables and two associated maps. “Current Edition” tables contain data from the projects listed in the most recent edition. The data in these tables will be changed each time the Log is updated. Note that there are two Current Edition tables, one with project level data and another enumerating

individual uses by project. Each table has an associated map. To download a copy of the data found here visit the Planning Category of the City's Open Data Portal:

[https://data.cambridgema.gov/browse?q=development log](https://data.cambridgema.gov/browse?q=development%20log)

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