

HOUSE No. 3996

Substituted by the House, on motion of Ms. Garlick of Needham, for a bill with the same title (House, No. 3768) [Local Approval Received]. July 26, 2021.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act authorizing the city of Cambridge to use certain land for general municipal purposes and the installation of subsurface geothermal wells.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The city of Cambridge may use for general municipal purposes, including
2 but not limited to school purposes, and for all purposes incidental thereto, a portion of an area of
3 land owned by the city at the Father Callanan playground and fields, located at Concord avenue
4 near Alpine street in the city of Cambridge, currently used for park, playground or recreational
5 purposes. The land is more particularly described in a document recorded with the Middlesex
6 South registry of deeds in book 5077, page 265 and shown as “Open Space Area (Article 97)” on
7 a plan entitled, “Open Space Article 97 Plan Tobin Montessori and Vassal Lane Upper School
8 Cambridge, MA” prepared Nitsch Engineering on May 5, 2021, which is on file with the city.
9 The portion of the land that the city may use for general municipal purposes, including but not
10 limited to school purposes, and for all purposes incidental thereto, consists of 10,640 square feet,
11 more or less, as shown as “A97 Open Space to be Relocated” and in grey on “Attachment B” to
12 the March 29, 2021 letter from the city manager of the city of Cambridge to the city council,
13 which is on file with the city.

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14 SECTION 2. The city of Cambridge may use for the installation and maintenance of
15 subsurface geothermal wells a portion of the land described in a document recorded with the
16 Middlesex South registry of deeds in book 5077, page 265 and shown as “Open Space Area
17 (Article 97)” on a plan entitled, “Open Space Article 97 Plan Tobin Montessori and Vassal Lane
18 Upper School Cambridge, MA” prepared Nitsch Engineering on May 5, 2021, which is on file
19 with the city. The portion of the land that the city may use for the installation and maintenance of
20 subsurface geothermal wells is shown as “Geothermal Wells (6’ Below Grade)” and in shaded
21 green on “Attachment C” to the March 29, 2021 letter from the city manager of the city of
22 Cambridge to the city council, which is on file with the city. The surface above the geothermal
23 wells shall continue to be used for park, playground or recreational purposes.

24 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by majority vote of the city
25 council of the city of Cambridge.