



City of Cambridge

R-12.

IN CITY COUNCIL

December 17, 2001

MAYOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: The City Council was deeply saddened at learning of the death of Ms. Willie Mae Ogletree Robinson on December 8, 2001; and

WHEREAS: Ms. Willie Mae was born in Fulton, Arkansas, on November 8, 1933 as Willie Mae Reed, she attended Public Schools in Arkansas, before moving to California and attending High School in Oakland; and

WHEREAS: Ms. Willie Mae was the oldest of four children of Willie and Essie D. Reed; and

WHEREAS: Ms. Willie Mae Ogletree Robinson was a wonderful and beautiful woman and "matriarch" of the Robinson and Ogletree families; and

WHEREAS: Ms. Willie Mae moved to Merced County in 1949, and on May 29, 1950, she married Charles Ogletree, Sr.; and

WHEREAS: The Ogletree's worked as laborers during the early 1950's while their children attended school in Merced; and

WHEREAS: Ms. Willie Mae served as a community volunteer, working with senior citizens and young people. Throughout her life Willie Mae developed a reputation as a generous caretaker to the entire Merced community; and

WHEREAS: Ms. Willie Mae was a member of Antioch Baptist Church, a founding member of the Merced over 50 Club, and other community organizations. She also annually presented the Ogletree Scholarships, in honor of her husband, Charles Ogletree, Sr., who died in 1984; and

WHEREAS: On January 6, 1996, she married Mr. Calvin Robinson and for the past five years, the Robinson's have lived in Reno Nevada where they regularly opened their home to visitors from Merced, and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS: Ms. Willie Mac Ogletree Robinson will leave a void in the lives of all her surviving family, her husband Mr. Calvin Robinson; her sisters Elna Dunn and Nadine Washington; her brother Charlie Reed; her four sons Curtis Lee Reed, Charles Ogletree, jr., Robert Ogletree and Richard Ogletree; her daughter Rose Marie Atkins; her step daughters Shirley Ogletree and Carolyn Robinson; her stepson Calvin Anthony Robinson; her 14 grandchildren; her 22 great grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild, and many friends nationwide; and

WHEREAS: The values of fairness and justice that Willie Mae instilled in Professor Charles Ogletree have impacted not only the Cambridge community but the world; and

WHEREAS: Ms. Willie Mae Ogletree Robinson will be sorely missed by all she touched and loved and although gone will never be forgotten ; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family of Ms. Willie Mae Ogletree Robinson at this time of such personal loss; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the family on behalf of the entire City Council.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:- 

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

M6- 12/10/01 - 11:17 am
FT 12/11/01 - 12:05 pm
Willa 12/11/01 - 12:17 pm

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Ogeetree

TT 12/11 12:05pm

Spietewski
Hynch

Fields

Walsh

Rivera

Salvia

O'Neil

Ogle tree

Peste

Mc Gellway

Rocha - David O.

Justin Gibson

101 - 12:17pm
12/11/81
Reeves-

Ogletree

of course, cannot happen without the relocation of the Esplanade Station. It is our view that the only way to accomplish the station relocation and the extension of First Street in any reasonable time frame will be for the North Point developer to pay for most, if not all, of the cost. This will only be economically feasible if greater flexibility is built into the rezoning.

As I have repeatedly said and written, Guilford, and now Spaulding and Slye as their developer, can and will only finance the relocation of the station if there are sufficient incentives to enable them to afford it. If the MBTA or the City of Cambridge is able to finance the relocation, currently estimated to be \$35 to \$50 million, the private sector incentive will not be needed. However, it is, in our opinion, unwise to constrain the Planning Board from considering development densities that, in return for financing the relocation, could make private funding feasible. The proposed reduction in FAR and the related mix of commercial and residential uses is likely to render such private support unfeasible.

Consistent with what I have asked since the beginning of my participation on behalf of Guilford Transportation, I feel that the zoning and permitting process should give the Planning Board the flexibility to grant additional FAR and an increased ratio of non-residential development, assuming the proponent's ability to demonstrate the planning and community benefits of doing so. This would be in return for a mitigation package that includes these very significant public benefits such as parking limitations, transportation improvements and provision of moderate-income housing. Limiting non-residential to 35% of a 2.4 FAR caps non-residential development to a 0.84 FAR as opposed to the 1.0 non-residential limit proposed in the Citywide Zoning petition. We



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Resolution #12

Resolution on the death of Willie
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**Mayor Galluccio, Councillors
Toomey, Reeves and entire
membership**

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