

**City of Cambridge.**

In Common Council  
May 25 1887

Ordered,

That the City Solicitor, the City Engineer,  
and the Auditor of Accounts be, and they are here-  
by constituted a commission to consider and report  
on or before the first of October next, whether or not it  
is expedient to provide by ordinance for the watering  
of all public ways by the city at the public expense;  
and also to report what statute provisions, if any,  
will be required for that purpose.

Sent up for Concurrence  
attest: Edward N. Manning  
Clerk

In Board of Aldermen May 25-1887  
{ Comended by adding the Superintendent of Streets  
and referred to the Committee on Finance  
Sent down for Concurrence

attest: John W. Pike City Clerk  
In Common Council June 1 1887  
Concurred, attest: Edward N. Manning  
Clerk  
June 8 1887  
The Finance Manager

In Board of Aldermen - June 8-1887

As Amended, the within order is adopted

Sent down for Concurrence

attest Walter W. Rho City Clerk

In Common Council June 15. 1887.

Concurred: attest Edward N. Manning  
Clerk

June 16. 87 approved

John Russell Mayor

Order  
Authorizing a Commission  
to Consider and report  
upon the Expediency of providing  
by ordinance for the paving  
of all streets by the City

May 15-1887

cc-  
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City of Cambridge.  
Office of Clerk of Committees,  
City Hall.

June 20. 1887.

Charles J. M. Tuttle, Esq.,  
City Solicitor,

Dear Sir:—

The enclosed over appoint-  
ing a special commission in relation to sheet watering,  
was reported favorably upon by the Committee on Finance  
and passed by the City Council. I send the over  
to you, as being the first named upon the commission.

Yours truly,

John W. Daffa

# CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

In Board of Aldermen,

June 8. 1887

The Committee on Finance,

to which was referred ~~the petition~~ an order authorizing the appointment of a commission to consider and report upon the expediency of providing to advance for the watering of all streets to the city,

Reports,

Recommending the passage of the order aforesaid, without expressing any opinion in favor of the plan suggested by said order.

For the Committee.

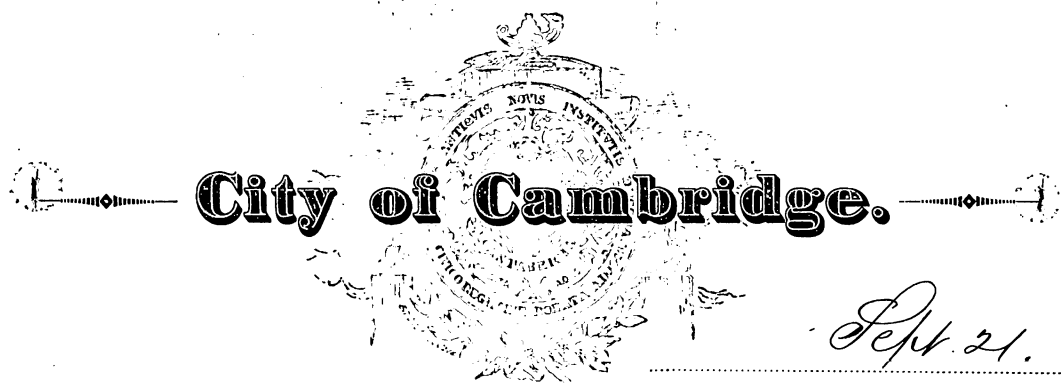
Edward R. Cogswell

Report  
Committee on Finance  
in matter of an order for the  
appointment of a Commission  
to consider the question of  
watering all streets by the  
city.

June 8, 1887.

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W. E. Cornell



# City of Cambridge.

Sept 21. 1887.

To the Honorable City Council,  
Gentlemen:

The special commission appointed to consider and report "whether or not, it is expedient to provide by ordinance for the watering of all public ways, and also to report what statute provision, if any, will be required for that purpose," would respectfully

Report,

Our Commission has carefully considered the subject-matter referred to it, and has endeavored to obtain figures showing the cost of watering as contemplated by the order of inquiry. It appears from an estimate made by the Auditor of Accounts that about forty seven miles of streets have been watered under the present arrangement, during the current season, - the average width of the streets so watered being about fifty feet.

The whole number of miles of street in the city, is estimated by the City Engineer at upwards of

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ninety, the width averaging from forty to fifty feet. The cost of watering this entire length of streets is estimated at \$50,000., this estimate being based upon the prices fixed by the Committee on Roads and Bridges, and upon the actual expense incurred in years past. Should the City Council decide to make provision for such general watering, there would be <sup>a</sup> ~~an~~ ~~immediate~~ necessity for purchasing additional watering-carts, thirty or more, and also of erecting numerous stand-pipes at convenient points throughout the city. The outlay required in these directions, during the first year of the increased watering, would probably be <sup>about</sup> ~~under \$15,000.~~ \$15,000., which sum, added to the estimated cost of watering, would make the total cost ~~for the first year~~ about \$65,000. — for the first year of its operation, or an increase of \$15,000. — over the sum appropriated for this purpose, for the present financial year. No additional statute provision would be required, to enable the City Council to make the change suggested, an ordinance establishing the same being all that is necessary.

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Regarding the question of the expediency of providing for watering all the public streets, your commission hesitates to express an opinion, feeling that the City Council is better qualified to judge of the matter, after the foregoing presentation of facts.

Respectfully Submitted.

Charles McIntire

City Solicitor

W. S. Babson.

City Engineer.

Harry J. Upham

Auditor of Accounts

John M. Corley

Sup't of Streets

Special  
Commission

In Common Council Sept 21, 1887  
Accepted. & Referred to the Committee  
on Finance. Sent up for concurrence  
attest: Edward W. Manning  
Clerk

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Report of  
Special Commission upon  
the expediency of providing  
for the watering of all public  
ways at the expense of the  
city.

Sept. 21. 1887.

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In Board of Aldermen Sept 21-1887  
Concurred  
attest Walter M. Plu. City Clerk  
Sept. 23. 1887  
James Russell  
Mayor

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

Common Council, Sept 28  
In ~~Board of Aldermen~~, 1887.

The Committee on Finance,

to which was referred the ~~petition~~ report of the Special  
Commission appointed to consider the expediency of  
providing by ordinance for the watering of all public  
ways at the public expense,

Reports,

Recommending That

in the judgment of your Committee, it is inexpedient  
to provide by ordinance for the watering of all public  
ways at the public expense,

For the Committee,  
Morris F. Postwell.

accepted

Submitted for concurrence  
attest Edward W. Manning  
Clerk

In Board of Aldermen Sept 28-1887

Concurred

attest Walter W. Pike City Clerk

Sept. 30, 1887 approved

Wm Russell Mayor

Committee on Finance, upon  
the matter of ~~watering~~ all  
public ways at the public  
expense.

Sept 28. 1887.

C. C.

W. L. F. L. L.