

8/26/85

Paul:

I sent a copy of
this to Election Commission
at their request.

Joe



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

To Robert W. Healy, City Manager

Date August 7, 1985

From Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

Reference

Subject Referendum questions for the November 5, 1985
municipal ballot

8/14/85
OK to
Place on
Ballot
R Higley
City
Solicitor

A study of the records of this office indicate that the City Council on June 3, 1985 adopted an order relative to the testing, storage and transport of chemical agents within the City of Cambridge calling for a referendum on the ballot for the November 5, 1985 election. (A copy of the question is enclosed).

On January 21, 1985 the City Council adopted an order directing the City Clerk to prepare for review by the City Council appropriate wording of a referenda question which would allow the voters of Cambridge to express their feelings relative to Harvard University selling University-owned property to faculty and staff. (A copy of the order is enclosed herewith). On January 28th the proposed draft (a copy of which is also enclosed) was referred to the City Solicitor for his opinion.

In the absence of an opinion from the City Solicitor regarding this matter, what course of action should be followed at this time, in view of the fact that the Election Commission is in the process of preparing their ballots for the municipal election.

Your early reply and cooperation will be greatly appreciated by this office, in view of the tight time restrictions regarding publication of the ballots for the November 5th election.

PEH/mh

Enclosures

cc: Russell B. Higley, City Solicitor
Susan Arthur, Election Commission



City of Cambridge

(Agenda Item No. 7)

IN CITY COUNCIL

June 3, 1985

MAYOR RUSSELL

ORDERED: That under the provisions of Chapter 53, Section 18A of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, the Election Commissioners be and hereby are directed to place the following referendum question on the ballot at the next municipal election to be held on November 5, 1985:-

Are you in favor of the testing, storage, transportation and disposal of the following chemical materials within the City of Cambridge.

YES

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NO

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1. Somen - GD (nerve agent)
2. Sarin - GB (nerve agent)
3. VX (nerve agent)
4. Mustard HO (blister agent)
5. Lewsite (blister agent)

In City Council June 3, 1985.

Adopted by a yea and nay vote:-

Yeas 8; Nays 0; Absent 1.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

January 21, 1985

COUNCILLOR VELLUCCI

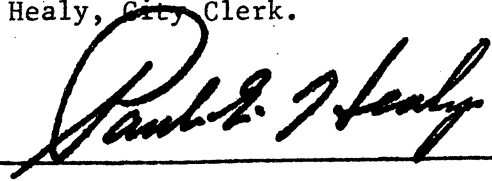
ORDERED:

That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to prepare for review by this City Council, appropriate wording of a referenda question which could be placed on the municipal ballot in the upcoming election which would allow the people of Cambridge to express their opinion as to their feeling regarding Harvard University's policy relative to selling university-owned property to faculty and staff.

In City Council January 21, 1985.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of 8 members.
Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-


Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

BALLOT QUESTION

PROPOSED DRAFT

Do you approve of the filing of legislation in the.

YES

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Great and General Court of the Commonwealth which

would amend the present Rent Control Law to prevent

NO

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Harvard Real Estate, Inc. of Harvard College from

selling their housing units presently under Rent

Control, to faculty members, thereby decontrolling

those units and reducing the number of affordable

apartments for low- and moderate-income people

living in Cambridge?

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Re: copy of a communication from Paul E. Healy, City Clerk to the City Solicitor transmitting a copy of the referendum questions for the November 5, 1985 municipal ballot & requesting an opinion regarding the question of their placement on ballot. (City Solicitor's response within).

August 7, 1985