



City of Cambridge

Agenda Item No. 6

IN CITY COUNCIL

March 4, 1985

WHEREAS:

The City of Cambridge is presently experiencing significant commercial growth resulting in increased employment opportunities and an expanded tax base, and

WHEREAS:

Certain Cambridge residential neighborhoods, while benefiting from such employment opportunities are also facing some adverse impacts of this growth realized in the form of a decreasing availability of affordable housing, and

WHEREAS:

The residents of Neighborhood Four are especially concerned about such impacts due to the expansion of such companies as Bioran, UST Corporation and Polaroid, and

WHEREAS:

Bioran has offered assistance in the alleviation of said housing shortage by agreeing to donate to the City, a house owned by them which is located at 22 Bishop Allen Drive, contingent upon the structure being moved to another location, and

WHEREAS:

A suitable location for said house exists at the corner of School and Cherry Streets, presently owned by S & N Realty and leased by Polaroid for parking purposes, and

WHEREAS:

It is the desire of the Cambridge City Council that this site be used for residential purposes including the relocation of the above house; therefore, be it

ORDERED:

That the City Manager actively pursue negotiations with S & N Realty to either lease and/or purchase the property located at the corner of School and Cherry Streets for residential purpose.

In City Council March 4, 1985.

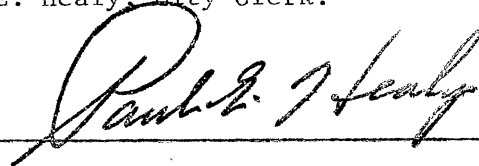
Adopted by a yea and nay vote:-

Yeas 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul E. Healy", written over a horizontal line.

Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

March 4, 1985

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

In City Council

RE: LEASE OR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT THE CORNER OF SCHOOL ST. & CHERRY ST.

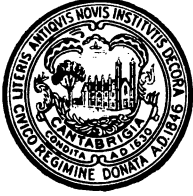
	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mr. Daniel J. Clinton	✓			
Mr. Thomas W. Danehy	✓			
Mr. Francis H. Duehay	✓			
Ms. Saundra Graham	✓			
Mr. David E. Sullivan	✓			
Mr. Walter J. Sullivan	✓			
Mr. Alfred Vellucci	✓			
Ms. Alice K. Wolf	✓			
Mayor Russell	✓			

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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
City Hall Annex - Inman & Broadway - Cambridge, Mass. 02139

498-9034

TO Robert W. Healy
City Manager

February 28, 1985

FROM: *VKS* Kathy A. Spiegelman
Assistant City Manager for Community Development

SUBJECT: Acquisition of land at School and Cherry Streets

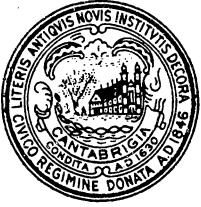
At the request of some Neighborhood Four residents, I have been pursuing the possibility of locating a vacant site on which to relocate the house at 22 Bishop Allen Drive. Bioran has an option to purchase the Bishop Allen Drive property. They are interested in the lot for parking and do not want the house. Bioran has offered to move the house to another neighborhood site. The challenge has become to obtain such a site.

At the corner of School and Cherry Streets is a lot which is owned by S & N Realty and leased to Polaroid for parking accessory to the building at 750 Main Street. Polaroid, having other parking facilities in the area, does not use the lot, so it is mostly vacant. It is used on occasions by the St. Paul's AME Church for overflow parking.

I would like to request the support of you and the City Council for asking S & N Realty to sell us the site or at least a portion of the site for residential use. This is an opportunity for a vacant parcel to be put to better use. It is an opportunity for an agreeable accommodation between the residential neighborhood and its commercial abutters - Polaroid, S & N and Bioran.

I am enclosing a draft Council Order to request participation from S & N Realty.

Enclosure
KAS:jm



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
City Manager

March 4, 1985

To the Honorable, the City Council:

Enclosed please find copy of a communication and a proposed order from Kathy A. Spiegelman, Assistant City Manager for Community Development, relative to the lease or purchase of property at the corner of School and Cherry Streets.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mbf
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Agenda Item No. 6 F-83

Re: enclosed communication & proposed order
Re: lease or purchase of property at the corner of School St. & Cherry St.

In City Council,

March 4, 1985

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Order Adopted

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