

City of Cambridge

Councillor Clinton

In City Council,
June 21, 1971.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

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In City Council June 21, 1971
Adopted by yeas and nays Vote
Yeas 6 Nays 2 Absent 1

Paul E. Healy
City Clerk

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RESOLUTION IN CITY COUNCIL--JUNE 21, 1971

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Substituted Resolution

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In City Council

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Amendment By Mayor Kellucci
CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
MASSACHUSETTS

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In City Council JUNE 21 1971

		YEA	NAY	ABSENT	
	Mrs. Ackerman	✓			
	Mr. Clinton	✓			
	Mr. Coates	✓			
	Mr. Crane			✓	
	Mr. Danehy		✓		
	Mr. Mahoney		✓		
	Mr. Moncreiff		✓		
	Mr. Sullivan		✓		
	Mr. Vellucci	✓			
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Amendment failed

MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR Coates

June 14, 1971
Date

Mr. Paul E. Healy,
City Clerk,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

I hereby notify you of my intention to move reconsideration of the vote of the City Council on June 14, 1971 failing to adopt the following order -

✓ WHEREAS:- Harvard University's response to the Housing Crisis in Cambridge has been clearly inadequate to needs of the citizens of our city,

WHEREAS:- Harvard has failed to accept responsibility for sharing in the resolution of this crisis to the extent that they have caused it,

WHEREAS:- Harvard has not stood by its commitment to make a "best effort" to construct housing for low income families in the Riverside community,

✓ WHEREAS:- Harvard's proposed housing program for Treeland is in clear conflict with the general welfare of the City of Cambridge and the best interest of a majority of our citizens, be it

✓ ORDERED:- That the Cambridge City Manager is instructed to take whatever steps are necessary to prevent the issuance to Harvard University of any building, demolition or other permits that are related to construction on the Treeland property until such time as Harvard and the Riverside Planning Team agree on a plan that meets the needs of residents for low rent housing. ✓

Truly yours,

Thomas Coates
Signature

Order

Original Order Failed

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
MASSACHUSETTS2In City Council June 21 1971

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	Mr. Danehy				✓
	Mr. Mahoney		✓		
	Mr. Moncreiff				✓
	Mr. Sullivan		✓		
	Mr. Vellucci	✓			
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Original Order Failed after Reconsideration

Reconsideration

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
MASSACHUSETTS

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In City Council

June 21, 1971

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Reconsideration prevailed -

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In City Council June 14, 1971.

Order failed of adoption by a ye and nay vote -
Yeas 3; Nays 2; Absent 1, Voting Present 3.

Paul E. Healy City Clerk.

In City Council June 14, 1971

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Cambridge Civic Association

2 Essex Street Cambridge Massachusetts 02139 876-9176

The Board of Directors of the Cambridge Civic Association, at its meeting of June 10, 1971, voted that CCA shall support the Riverside Planning Team's proposal that the City Council deny to Harvard University demolition and construction permits for the Treeland site.

It was also voted that CCA wholly supports the Riverside Community in its fight to get Harvard University to develop low-rent housing in the Riverside Community, acceptable to the residents, prior to the Treeland site's being developed in any manner. CCA further resolves to support the Riverside Community in its attempt to force Harvard to build housing on the Treeland site acceptable to that community.

RIVERSIDE PLANNING TEAM

RESOLUTION ON TREELAND

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Incumbent Chairwoman Riverside Planning Team

Joanne C. Pelham

Chairwoman Riverside Planning Team
Mrs. Sandra Leham
Chairwoman of Riverside Community Corp

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RESOLUTION

Riverside Planning Team

June 14, 1971