

and the Cambridge
Legislative Delegation



City of Cambridge

52.

COUNCILLOR DUEHAY

IN CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 19, 1990

- WHEREAS: The Metropolitan District Commission is the steward of extensive parkways, parks, openspace and wetlands in Cambridge, including the Charles River Basin and the Alewife Reservation; and
- WHEREAS: Since hiring additional planning staff, the MDC Planning Department under the leadership of Julia O'Brien has worked extensively with Cambridge neighborhoods and the Conservation Commission to protect and improve the Cambridge environment; and
- WHEREAS: These planners have greatly expanded the MDC's commitment, efforts and accomplishments in protecting and promoting the natural resources and neighborhoods of Cambridge; and
- WHEREAS: As a result of the most recent state budget cuts most of the MDC planning staff positions, including the Charles River and Alewife planners, will be eliminated as a result of indefinite contract suspensions; and
- WHEREAS: These planning positions are funded through a bond appropriation directing expenditure specifically for openspace planning; and
- WHEREAS: These contract suspensions will not reduce state operating budget obligations; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council strongly urges MDC Commissioner Bhatti to maintain the current planning staff and further recommends that Commissioner Bhatti make a long-term commitment to these planning positions which serve to ensure protection, management and planning for the resources of Cambridge and the Commonwealth; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That this City Council directs the City Clerk to immediately forward this resolution to Commissioner Bhatti, Secretary of Environmental Affairs John DeVillars, Governor Dukakis, and Governor-elect William Weld and the Cambridge Legislative Delegation.

In City Council November 19, 1990.
 Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
 Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;
 ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton
 City Clerk

Order # 52 S-1103
Councillor Duehay re: MDC re:
current planning staff.

In City Council,
November 19, 1990