

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

First Publication No. 1750.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-two.

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OFFICE OF
THE CITY CLERK

June 30, 1972.

Mr. Philip M. Cronin,
City Solicitor,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

I am transmitting herewith draft of a proposed amendment to the General Ordinances relative to the collection of newspapers. I would appreciate it if you would inform me if this amendment is in proper form and meets with your approval.

Truly yours,

City Clerk.

*approved
Chie in Cronin
at 6/30/72*

NEWSPAPER RECYCLING ORDINANCE

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In City Council,

June 26, 1972

ORDERED:

That an appropriation of \$3,000.00 to the Conservation Commission;
said sum to be made part of and included in the 1972 Tax Levy, be and
hereby is authorized.

In City Council June 26, 1972
Adopted by yea and nay Vote
Yeas 6 Nays 0 Absent 3

Paul E. Healy
City Clerk

City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 26. 19 72

		YEA	NAY	ABSENT	
	Mr. Clinton	✓			
	Mr. Danehy			✓	
	Mr. Duehay			✓	
	Mrs. Graham			✓	
	Mr. Moncreiff	✓			
	Mr. Owens	✓			
	Mr. Sullivan	✓			
	Mr. Vellucci	✓			
	Mayor Ackermann	✓			
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Mr. Robert G. Thompson - 1
June 21, 1972

CAMP DRESSER & McKEE Inc.

PAYMENT FOR SERVICES

We would furnish members of our staff for attendance at meetings or for field investigation, as required. The charges will be for the actual time involved at the actual out-of-pocket cost for such services of Vice Presidents and technical staff, plus 110 percent of the salary cost for overhead and profit. We would be reimbursed also for out-of-pocket expenses such as travel, meals and telephone. Billing would be monthly, as the work progresses. We will not commit services and expenses to exceed the sum of \$6,000, unless prior written authorization is received.

We look forward to the opportunity of being of service to you on this most interesting venture.

Very truly yours,

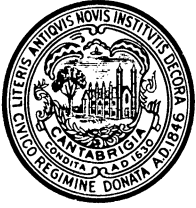
CAMP DRESSER & McKEE Inc.

Frank L. Heaney

Frank L. Heaney,
Vice President

APPROVED:

Joseph G. Lander
Joseph G. Lander, President



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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Robert C. Thompson
Chairman

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Vice-Chairman

John E. Gregory

Miss Nancy Page

Wilson H. Rains

J. E. Robinson

Mrs. Jacek von Henneberg

June 22, 1972

Mr. John H. Corcoran
City Manager
City Hall
495 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Dear Mr. Corcoran:

On behalf of the Conservation Commission, the New England Chapter of the Sierra Club, the Cambridge Chapter of the League of Women Voters and the Ecology Club of Cambridge High and Latin School, I am pleased to submit for your consideration and the consideration of the City Council our proposals for the commencement of a solid waste recycling program for the City of Cambridge.

We are recommending that the City commence the municipal pick-up of bundled newspapers for recycling on October 2, 1972. This program will require certain amendments to the municipal trash ordinance which have been prepared with the assistance of the City Solicitor. I propose that the City Council be requested to adopt the ordinance at its next meeting on June 26.

The key to the success of the newspaper recycling program will be public awareness and interest. We are proposing that the commencement of newspaper recycling be preceded by a month-long publicity campaign utilizing posters, brochures and transit advertising aimed at informing the people of Cambridge about the program and how they can participate in it.

The Polaroid Corporation has generously offered to prepare the publicity materials for the recycling program. The preliminary designs prepared by their art department are exceptionally attractive. We have prepared a modest budget for the printing and display of materials for which I would like to ask the City Council to appropriate to the Conservation Commission the sum of \$3,000 on June 26.

Newspaper pick-up is only a first step towards a rational solution to the solid waste crisis facing Cambridge. Faced with the high costs of trucking solid waste to Saugus (and the anticipation that the cost of disposal at that site will increase markedly when the proposed incinerator is completed), Cambridge must seek its own solution to the disposition of its solid waste. We must take the lead in exploring the available means of handling the wastes which we generate, and for this purpose we must avail ourselves of the services of experts in the solid waste field. Following our discussion with Camp, Dresser & McKee on June 21, I asked them to prepare a proposal for assisting the City in making a choice among the various available solid waste management alternatives, including grinding and recycling. Their proposal is attached to this letter. I have discussed it in detail with Mr. Frank L. Heaney, and I feel that their work proposal and the budget which they have submitted is appropriate for the City to accept. Accordingly, I would like to ask the City Council on June 26 to appropriate to the Conservation Commission the sum of \$6,000 to fund the Camp, Dresser & McKee study.

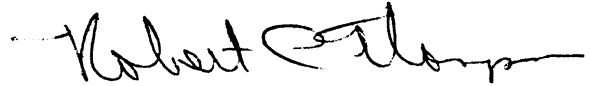
It is abundantly clear to everyone who is familiar with solid waste disposal problems within the Route 128 area that no single city or town can solve its solid waste problems by itself. Both the federal government and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have proposed regionalization as the solution to solid waste management. Although the concept is appealing, underlying the appeal is the need for a considerable amount of effort to persuade officials and citizens of the cities surrounding Cambridge to join in a common solid waste disposal program. I believe that the solutions which come out of the proposed Camp, Dresser & McKee study should be presented to our neighbors in Somerville, Belmont, Arlington and Medford and that we should undertake to form a task force composed of officials and citizens from each of those towns. Such a task force could assure that the planning efforts going on within each town were coordinated. The Cambridge component on such task force should consist of the Commissioner of Public Works, the Chairman of the Conservation Commission and representatives from the Sierra Club, the League of Women Voters and other interested citizens. Inasmuch as such a group of people have already been working together for several months, I believe that we can contribute a good deal towards bringing our counterparts in other cities and towns up to date with presently available solid waste management alternatives. It has been my belief, shared by others who have been working with me, that we must have the assistance of professional consultants in our work of appraising the technical aspects of solid waste management and in informing the other communities of our findings. I therefore request that a sum of money be appropriated to the Conservation Commission for the purpose of engaging consultant help in the various fields as the need for such help arises. I believe that the sum of \$7,500 would be sufficient

Mr. John H. Corcoran
June 22, 1972
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for the initial phases of our work. Accordingly, I would like to ask the City Council on June 26 to make the necessary appropriation to the Conservation Commission for this purpose.

In the event that the Council is able to hear this matter on June 26, I would propose that brief statements by yourself, Mr. Dunphy, Mr. Williams of the Sierra Club and several other members of the group which has been working with me would be sufficient to inform the Council of the proposal.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert C. Thompson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert C. Thompson

RCT:cc

CAMP DRESSER & McKEE

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FRANK L. HEANEY
Vice President

June 21, 1972

Mr. Robert C. Thompson
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125 State Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02109

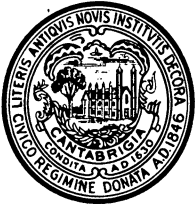
City of Cambridge, Massachusetts
Proposal for Advisory Engineering
Services on Segregation, Recovery
and Recycling of Solid Wastes
CM - 112

Dear Mr. Thompson,

In accordance with the request received at a meeting with you and City officials at the Cambridge City Hall on June 21, 1972, we are submitting herewith the following proposal for advisory engineering services.

SCOPE OF WORK

1. Assist your Conservation Commission, the Sierra Club, and other interested parties, including City officials, in the assessment and the evaluation of various systems for segregation, recovery and recycling of solid wastes generated in the City of Cambridge. It is understood that the work will include involvement with adjacent municipalities to secure, if possible, a regional approach to solid waste management.
2. Assist in arranging and conducting about four meetings with proponents of various methods and furnish evaluations of the systems offered.
3. Visit, together with persons whom you would designate, certain plants or processes which seem to offer reasonable evidence of feasibility.
4. Evaluate on a comparative basis the relative cost benefits to the City of Cambridge of the various alternatives available. This will be done for the aforementioned recycling operations and for currently available disposal facilities.



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JOHN H. CORCORAN
City Manager

ROBERT J. LEBLANC
Assistant to the City Manager

June 26, 1972

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I enclose at this time a communication received from Robert C. Thompson, Chairman of the Cambridge Conservation Commission, commenting on several areas.

Mr. Thompson makes several suggestions in this same communication. Firstly, Mr. Thompson recommends that we commence a City-wide recycling operation for bundled newspapers commencing on October 2, 1972. This undertaking is supported not only by myself but also by Mr. Dunphy, our Commissioner of Public Works. To effectively accomplish the desired goals in this regard, Mr. Thompson is recommending certain amendments to the municipal ordinance. Appended hereto please find these amendments which were actually prepared with the assistance of our City Solicitor. Your favorable endorsement of these amendments is solicited.

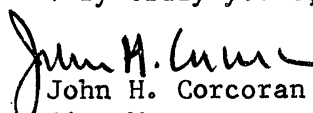
In connection with this same program, the Conservation Commission is requesting an appropriation in the sum of \$3,000.00 to underwrite the costs in connection with the program. I believe this to be a modest sum for this purpose, and I recommend your favorable endorsement. I have, therefore, appended to this material an appropriation order in this amount for the Conservation Commission for this purpose.

I should also like to advise your Honorable Body that Mr. Thompson's communication suggests other interest areas in the total solid waste field. In addition, he suggests appropriating funds for formal study by professional firms. I should like to advise your Honorable Body that the writer is very much moved by the great motivation expressed by the Chairman of the Conservation Commission, but I should like to further reflect on the requested appropriations for the time being.

It is my intention to work very closely with the Cambridge Conservation Commission and its Chairman in these several areas, but I also want to explore the general problem of solid waste management with other professionals at this time.

For your additional information I am pleased to enclose a copy of a communication from Camp Dresser and McKee which may be of interest to your Honorable Body.

Very truly yours,


John H. Corcoran
City Manager

JHC/b

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COMMUNICATION
from the City Manager trans-
mitting one from the Cambridge Con-
servation Commission on several interest
areas together with an order appropriating
\$3,000.00 to underwrite the costs..

7/2/73 Filed

June 26. 1972.

Need Appropriation
Order

Amendment to
Ordinance passed
to a second
Reading