

Cambridge Feb 23^d 1870

The undersigned would respectfully call
your attention to the erection of new building
on Mt Auburn Street near Brighton St in Ward one
such not being in conformity to the line
proposed & agreed a few years since
for the purpose of widening said Mt Auburn St

William Read

To the Honorable the City

Council of the City of Cambridge

In answer of acknowledgment Feb 23 1870

Refered to the City Engineer

Attest: Justin A. Jacobs City Clerk

Notice
from William Read -
Bridging - over Auburn St.
Feb. 23. 1870.

Notice upon widening
McAuburn St on the
Southernly side between
Dunster St and land
of Wm Read -

- ✓ 1 Chas. Moore
- ✓ 2 Everett
- ✓ 3 Mrs. Jelle Fogg
- ✓ 4 Levi F. Goodin
- ✓ 5 James Buckland
- ✓ 6 Mrs. Lucy Willard
- ✓ 7 William Wright
- ✓ 8 James Bolger
- ✓ 9 William Read
- ✓ 10 Winthrop Square
- ✓ 11 Mrs. Edmund Chapman
- ✓ 12 Welch, Bigelow & Co.
- ✓ 13 Wm. Cushing
- ✓ 14 Mrs. Glover
- ✓ 15 Otis Danforth
- ✓ 16 James Huntington
- ✓ 17 Theodore H. Seavey
- ✓ 18 Shepard Congregational Society
- ✓ 19 J. Warren Merrill
- ✓ 20 Union R. R. Co.
- ✓ 21 Thos. H. Brewer

Cambridge March 15th 1870

I this day served notice on all
of the above named (except Winthrop Square).

Fordeus M. Stinson
Constable of Cambridge.

Mt. Auburn Co.
Return of Service
March 15 1870

City Engineer's Office

Cambridge, Mar. 2nd 1870

To the Honorable the Mayor and Aldermen
Gentlemen,

The City Engineer to whom was referred the communications of Wm Read Esq. relating "to the erection of a new building on Mt. Auburn St. near Brighton St. in Ward one" Report as follows; This street, from Main St. to Watertown line, was a public way in 1635, and with reference to its boundaries actions has been taken from time to time by the Town and City. The lines of that portion which lies westerly of Spring St. are fixed by record of May 2^d 1804 and Jan'y 22nd and Feby. 5th 1850. That portion between Main St. and Holyoke St. Sept^r 6th 1804.

In 1851 a plan of that portion lying between Holyoke and Brighton Streets was submitted to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, representing the supposed boundaries within said points to be of varying widths and very irregular - from 24 ft 7 in. wide to 50 ft wide.

At this time it was deemed advisable that a change be made and new lines thereafter observed.

In accordance therewith, the plan referred to bears the following endorsement:

"City of Cambridge

In Board of Aldermen June 10th 1851

Ordered, that the Bounds of Mt. Auburn St. between

Holyoke St. and Brighton St. indicated by the red lines on this plan be adopted as the true prospective bounds thereof to be observed in all future improvements on said St."

These prospective lines required the taking of private lands upon each side of said St. and therefore the above endorsement was not sufficient to legally establish them, the course provided by statute in such cases, not appearing to have been pursued.

In improvements since made, the street has been widened upon the northerly side between Dunster St. and Brighton St. at an expense of 575⁰⁰\$. Upon the further widening which has occurred on the northerly side, and between Dunster St. and Holyoke St. I find no record.

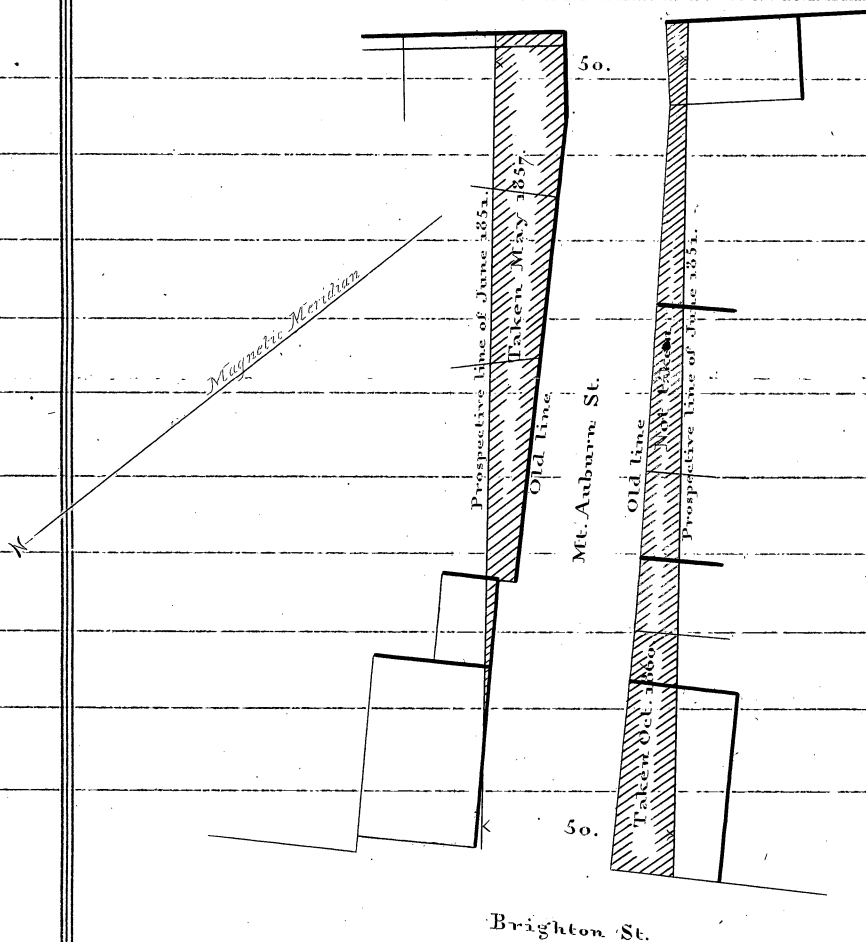
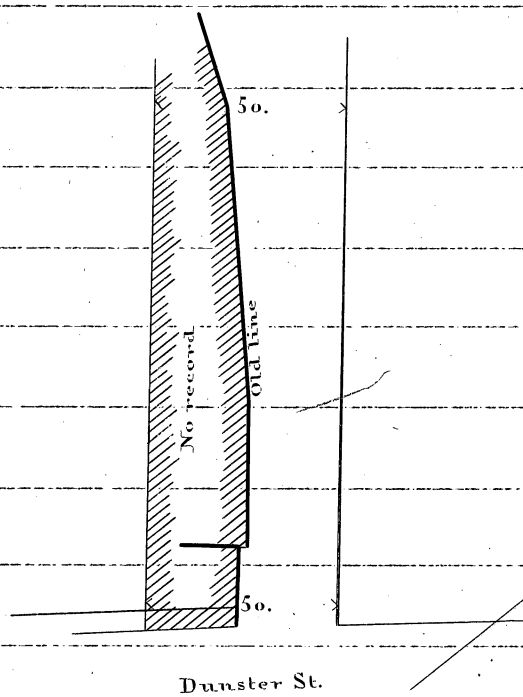
Sept. 19th 1860 in accordance with the intention of the plan above mentioned, a strip of land was taken from Mr. Read the petitioner - upon the southerly side of said street extending about 53 feet east from Brighton St. together with a strip for the purpose of widening Brighton St. and the sum of 700⁰⁰\$ was awarded as damages, which award was accepted by Mr. Read Oct. 17th 1860.

No further action appears to have been taken by the City Council with reference to the contemplated improved lines of 1851, and it will readily be perceived that the City Engineer cannot assume the authority to direct, concerning the changes alluded to in said communication, a strict observance of lines not legally established, without the intervention of the City Government upon the same.

I would therefore ask further instructions before proceeding
in the matter.

Accompanying this report is a sketch more fully ill-
ustrating a part of the information here recited.

Respectfully Submitted
J. G. Chase
City Engineer



In Board of Aldermen, March 2, 1874.
Report to the Committee on City En-
gineering.

Attest: Justus A. Jacobs, City Clerk.

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Report
of City Engineer -
Line of Clear Auburn St.
March 2, 1874.

Cambridge, Jan'y 27. 1870.

To the Honorable, the Mayor and Aldermen,
of the City of Cambridge.

The undersigned respectfully ~~pray~~ represents that Hunting Street, so called, leading from Cambridge Street is in such a condition as to be a nuisance and dangerous to life and limb. Wherefore he prays that said nuisance may be in some way abated, or that said street may be closed from public travel.

James Dugan
by Justin A. Jacobs.

In Council of Aldermen, Feb. 2, 1870.

Referred to the Committee on Roads and
Bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

Attest, Justin A. Jacobs, City Clerk.

In Common Council Feb 2, 1870
Concurred Attest J. W. Cotton Clerk

Approved

H. R. Harding, Mayor

Petition
of James Bryan
Hunting Street.

Feb. 2. 1870.

Cambridge, Jan. 28. 1870

To the Honorable, the City Council,

of the City of Cambridge.

The undersigned respectfully pray that Roseland
Street may be accepted.

John S. Padd

John Holman

Albert D. Hayward

Henry H. Blake

Daniel Forbes

L. D. Sanford

J. B. Blanchard

William Frost

In Board of Aldermen. Feb. 9. 1870

Referred to the Committee on Roads and

Bridges. Sent claim for concurrence

at least. Justin A. Jacobs, City Clerk

In Common Council Feb. 9, 1870

Concurred - Attest J. W. Cotton Clerk

Approved
H. R. Handwing
Mayor

Petition
of John S. Leland & co.
acceptance of Roseland St.

Feb. 8. 1874.

Cambridge, Feb. 16 1870

To the Honorable, the Mayor and Aldermen,
of the City of Cambridge.

The undersigned respectfully pray

that

Green Street from Brookline St
to Sidney St may be accepted,

J. M. Baker

Geo. Chaplin

Henry Scova

Patrick Perkins

H. K. Mundy

John W. A. Plain

Chas. W. Phillips

J. J. Carr

W. B. Miller

In Board of Aldermen. Feb. 16. 1870.

Referred to the Committee on Roads and
Bridges. Sent - closed for consideration.

Attest, Justin A. Jacobs, City Clerk.

Received

of
the Common Council
Feb. 20, 1870

Attest J. W. C. Clerk

Approved

W. R. Hastings
Mayor

Petition
of J. W. Parker & others
Accepted of Green St.
Feb. 16, 1870.

Cambridge, February 16 1870

To the Honorable, the Mayor and Aldermen,
of the City of Cambridge.

The undersigned respectfully pray that

Franklin Street from Brookline St to
Sidney St may be accepted,

J. W. Parker
Geo. Chaplin
Harry Scerba
H. Kennedy
John M. F. Clark
J. G. G. G.
W. B. Miller

In Board of Aldermen. Feb. 16, 1870.

Referred to the Committee on Roads and
Bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

Attest: Justin A. Jacobs. City Clerk

In Common Council Feb. 22, 1870

Concurred Attest J. W. Cotton
Clerk

Approved
W. R. Handberg
Mayor

Petition
of J. W. Nash & others
Acceptance of Franklin St.
Feb. 16. 1891.

Cambridge, February 16 1870

To the Honorable, the Mayor and Aldermen,
of the City of Cambridge.

The undersigned respectfully pray, that Sidney Street
from Front St to Auburn St may be accepted.

J. W. Parker
Geo Chaplin
Henry Scovel
Patrick Larkin
H. Kennedy
John M. F. Blair
J. G. Hask
Wm B. Miller

In Board of Aldermen, Feb. 16. 1870.

Referred to the Committee on Roads and
Bridges. Sent down for concurrence.

Attest, Justin A. Jacobs, City Clerk.

In Common Council Feb. 22, 1870

Concurred Attest J. W. Cotton,
Clerk

Approved

H. R. Harding,
Mayor

Petition
of J. W. Archard & others
acceptances of Sidney St.

Feb. 16, 1879.

Petition
of Benj. Jones -
Watering Tank -
Feb. 16, 1870.

Boston, Feb 16, 1870

To the Honorable Mayor and
Aldermen and Common Council
of the City of Cambridge: =

The undersigned res-
pectfully asks that ~~he~~ he may
be permitted to locate his Water
Tank, for the purpose of drawing
water, on the West Boston Bridge
at a point a few feet easterly from
the old toll-house building at the
Boston end of said bridge.

J. B. Baxter
Agent for Benj Jones.

In Accord of Aldermen: Feb. 16, 1870.
Referred to the Committee on Roads
and Bridges. Sent down for con-
sensus. Attest: Justin A. Jacobs. City Clerk

In Common Council

Feb 22. 1870

Concurred

Attest

J. W. Cotton
Clerk

Approved

H. R. Harding
Mayor

City of Cambridge

In Board of Aldermen March 9th. 1870

The Joint Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges to which were referred the several petitions hereinafter named would respectfully report as follows

On the petition of John S. Ladd & others, for the acceptance of Roseland st. no action is necessary, - This street having been accepted in 1862 & your committee recommend the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

On the petition of James Sugar for the abatement of a nuisance on Hunting Street or for the shutting up of said street. - Your committee recommend the petitioners have leave to withdraw, - this being a private way, & although low & wet is not sufficiently dangerous to justify the closing up.

On the petition of Benj. Jones for permission to locate a water tank on West Boston bridge, your committee recommend leave to withdraw, as such an institution in the place asked for would be a great obstruction to public travel

On the three petitions of J. M. Parker & others, for the acceptance of Sidney Street from Court Street to Auburn Street. - For the acceptance of Green & Franklin streets from

Report of Committee 168

or
Roads & Bridges

March 9, 1870.

Wideland St

Hunting St, nuisance

Water Tank, West Boston Bridge

Sidney St

Green "

Franklin "

Brookline Street to Sidney Street; - Your Committee recommended that the prayers of the petitioners be granted when the authorities have complied with the usual conditions

For the Committee

James H. Channing

Report accepted, and the recommendations
are adopted.

Seven cents for enclosure.

Order. Justin A. Jacobs City Clerk.

Common Council Met 15, 1870

Resolved

Attorn

J. W. Cotton
Clerk

Approved

H. R. Hocking,

Mayor