



City of Cambridge

9.

IN CITY COUNCIL

October 23, 1989

COUNCILLOR RUSSELL

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- WHEREAS: These residents, many of whom, are aged and infirmed and least able to accept additional financial burdens; and
- WHEREAS: The Secretary of the Executive Office of Communities and Development of the Commonwealth has indicated that state aided public housing rents may be increased in the upcoming months, an increase which will result in unwarranted additional financial burden to many residents; therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record as being opposed to the proposed increase as recommended by Secretary Amy Anthony and the City Clerk be requested to forward a copy of this resolution to the Secretary prior to the public hearing to be scheduled on these increases for Thursday, October 26, 1989.

In City Council October 23, 1989.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph E. Connarton".

Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF COMMUNITIES & DEVELOPMENT



Michael S. Dukakis, Governor
Amy S. Anthony, Secretary

TO: All Local Housing Authorities
All Local Tenant Organizations
All Interested Parties

FROM: Amy S. Anthony, Secretary, EOCB

DATE: September 28, 1989

RE: Proposed Draft of 760 CMR 7.00,
Determination of Rent in State-Aided Public Housing

Amy S. Anthony

As most of you know from attending informational meetings or our recent seminars on capital spending and legal issues, EOCB has been drafting a new rent determination regulation.

Along with other state agencies, EOCB faces dramatic budget cutbacks and is evaluating every alternative to draft changes that will save money without jeopardizing programs and our collective ability to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing.

Enclosed please find a complete copy of the Department's proposed amendments to the rent determination regulation (760 CMR 7.00). These draft regulations are consistent in most respects with HUD's guidelines for determining rents in federally-assisted programs. Under EOCB's current regulations, residents of state developments pay between 15% and 17% of their income for rent. By adopting most of the federal rules for deductions, the resident's share for most tenants in state developments will rise to between 16%-22% of their gross income. In no instance will the resident's share exceed 25% of their income. In some cases (SSI and General Relief), the tenant's cost will actually decrease.

A public hearing on the proposed amendments is scheduled for:

Thursday, October 26, 1989
10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Gardner Auditorium
State House
Boston, Massachusetts

At that time, interested parties will be afforded an opportunity to present data, views or arguments orally relative to the proposed changes.

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Order # 9 S-707

Councillor Russell re: increase in rents in
public housing units.

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*Order adopted
by 9 members*