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subject: City Council Order #38, dated 4/22/96 (re-submission)

Sir:

Community policing is not a program but a philosophy or a "different way of doing business." Community policing, through various strategies, staffing, programs, etc., is being implemented citywide in all neighborhoods of Cambridge.

Over the past three years, community policing is being implemented within mid-Cambridge (Neighborhood 6), specifically in the following ways:

- reconfiguration of one-officer car route to encompass boundaries of the neighborhood;
- marking of uniformed vehicle assigned to the neighborhood with neighborhood designation;
- reconfiguration of three walking routes to encompass boundaries of the neighborhood (6A, 6B, and 6C);
- assignment of school resource officer (Officer Natasha Tidwell) on a full-time basis to high school;
- coordination with high school on various events to allow police department presence to mitigate effect on the neighborhood;

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- assignment of a dedicated officer (Officer Anthony Santiago) to act as liaison and meet with Inman Square Association and Mid-Cambridge Association;
- narcotics surveillance and sweep of narcotics users and dealers in Vellucci Park;
- assignment of a walking officer in the Inman Square area;
- overtime staffing of walking officers during evening shifts;
- undercover overtime targeting street robbery patterns;
- using computer mapping and crime analysis to identify trends and focus on directed patrols accordingly;
- assignment of an officer from the Bicycle Patrol Unit to the neighborhood;
- Command Staff walks in the neighborhood; and
- community subgrant of \$500 to Paine Park event.

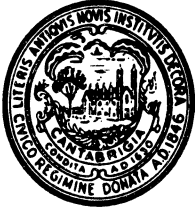
Other specific issues which have been addressed within the neighborhood include:

- young people drinking in Paine Park;
- inclusion and involvement of Positive Edge in possible drug activity by young people congregating at a certain address;
- weekly meetings with Mr. Hess of the Inman Square Association regarding specific concerns of the merchants;
- housebreaks in the neighborhood; and
- commercial robberies in the Inman Square area.

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June 24, 1996

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 14, regarding a further report on how community policing is being implemented in Mid-Cambridge, please find attached a report from Acting Police Commissioner Harold Murphy.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert W. Healy", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Consent Agenda #14

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Relative to Awaiting Report Item
Number Fourteen, regarding a
further report on how community
policing is being implemented in
Mid-Cambridge.

In City Council June 24, 1996

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