



City of Cambridge

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Councillor Walsh

IN CITY COUNCIL
November 9, 1987

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Few commuter routes rival the Alewife Brook road system for congestion, with the flows of traffic through the Fresh Pond - Alewife Brook - Route 2 network constantly being interrupted by crossing traffic, poorly synchronized traffic lights, shopping mall entries and exits; and

WHEREAS:

A proposed major reconstruction of the foot of Route 2 near the old traffic circle is rapidly approaching a decision by the Department of Transportation and Construction with little promise of relief even if re-constructed; and

WHEREAS:

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of 9 members.
Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton
Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

Order #13 F-622

C. Walsh order re: City Manager to develop an action plan to deal with the problem of measuring & controlling development in terms of traffic impact.

In City Council,

November 9, 1987

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C. Walsh

Order Adopted

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