

September 20, 1993

INTRODUCED BY CITY MANAGER ROBERT W. HEALY

AN ORDER CONCERNING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1993

ORDERED: That in addition to sums previously appropriated by the City Council for the fiscal period 1993-94 the following sum is hereby appropriated in the General Fund the City of Cambridge:

FUNCTION	DEPARTMENT OR PROGRAM	SALARY \$ WAGES	OTHER ORDINARY MAINTENANCE	TRAVEL & TRAINING	EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURES	APPROPRIATIONS
General Government	Executive Department	\$128,250.00	\$11,250.00			\$139,500.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That the above appropriation in the General Fund to be financed by estimated revenues drawn from the following sources:

FINANCING PLAN	REVENUE
Property Tax	\$139,500.00

In City Council September 20, 1993.

Adopted by a ye and nay vote:-

Yeas 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy; *D. Margaret Drury*

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



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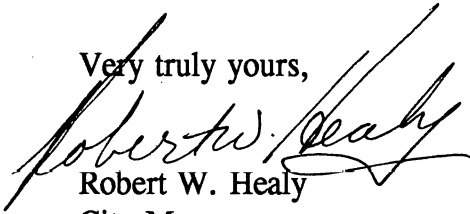
To the Honorable, the City Council:

Attached is an order requesting the appropriation of \$139,500 from property taxes to the Executive Department Salary and Wages Account (\$128,250) and Other Ordinary Maintenance Account (\$11,250). These funds will be used to continue the Positive Edge Program through June 30, 1994. The City's fiscal year 1994 adopted budget includes funding in the Executive budget for a three month pilot of the Positive Edge Program. It is my recommendation that Positive Edge receive additional funding for it to continue through the fiscal year.

It is difficult -if not impossible- to do a definitive evaluation after only a few months of operation. However, anecdotal information and selected interviews indicate that Positive Edge is making a difference on the streets of Cambridge, and has contributed to the reduction of the incidence of violence in Cambridge. Youth Advocates have been involved in outreach and mentoring, mediation and advocacy (referral to city/community agencies). Positive Edge directs its attention toward city youth who have dropped out of school, are court involved, or are experiencing difficulties and require guidance and support, and bridges gaps between city departments and organizations, local community agencies and community ethnic groups.

Building relationships with youth who already feel alienated from the community is complex, and requires long-term support and commitment. Positive Edge has begun to establish positive relationships with many youth in this City; this appropriation will support its continuance. As a part of the fiscal year 1995 budget process, it is my intention to conduct a more formal evaluation of this program.

Very truly yours,


Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Attachment

Consent Agenda#8

F-183

Comm. from R.W. Healy requesting \$139,500
from property taxes to Executive Dept. Salary
& Wages to continue the Positive Edge Program
through June 30, 1994.

In City Council September 20, 1993

Order adopted
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