

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
Traffic and Parking
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Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

George Teso
Director

Administration 349-4700
Parking Violations 349-4705
Resident Parking 349-4701

May 4, 1994

Mr. Robert Healy
City Manager

Dear Mr. Healy:

**SUBJECT: Council Order #13 dated 4/11/94 RE: Report on
Parking Meter Usage in Mixed Residential/Commercial Areas**

The City currently has 2,150 on-street parking meters and 252 off-street parking meters. The majority of on-street meters are located in commercial districts mixed with residential use. The hours of operation throughout the city are 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., with the exception of Bishop Allen Drive from Main Street to Douglas Street. The hours of operation in that area are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Parking tickets are issued to all motor vehicles that are in violation during the designated hours. The only exception is for vehicles that have Registry of Motor Vehicle issued handicapped registry plate, handicapped placards, City of Cambridge Commission on Persons with Disabilities Temporary Placard, and Registry of Motor Vehicles issued Disabled Veteran's Registration Plates.

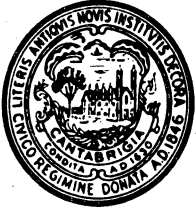
In 1987 this Department converted all parking meters to quarters only. This was necessary to reduce mechanical failures of the timing mechanisms caused by vandalism and foreign objects being forced into nickel and dime slots. The conversion to quarters has resulted in a more efficient and cost beneficial meter maintenance program. An appropriation from the Capital Improvement Program would be necessary to reconvert the meters back to the 1987 configuration.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "B A Flynn", is written over the typed name.

Bernard A. Flynn
Assistant Director

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May 9, 1994

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 27, regarding parking meter usage in mixed residential/commercial areas, received from Bernard A. Flynn, Assistant Director of the Traffic & Parking Department.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mev
attachment

Cal #1

5-217

Consent Agenda #3

Transmitting communication from R.W. Healy
relative to Awaiting Report Item No. 27
regarding parking meter usage in mixed
residential/commercial areas.

for original address see
1994 City Manager's Requests
116.

In City Council May 9, 1994

Charter Right
exercised by Vice
Mayor Russell
5/16/94 Report sent back
to City Manager on
motion of Councillor
Goomey.