

DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR CONSUMER COUNCIL ORDINANCE:

COMPOSITION OF BOARD:

There shall be in the city of Cambridge, a board known as the Cambridge Consumers' Council consisting of five persons one of whom shall be a city councillor, one a representative of local consumer groups, and three members of the public, two of whom shall be persons of low income. Each of the persons appointed shall serve a term of two years. The Board will elect its own chairman. All members of the Board will serve without compensation, but will be reimbursed for expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties. The Board shall meet every other month and at other times at the call of the chairman.

DUTIES:

The Cambridge Consumer's Council shall pursue a course of action to insure to the fullest extent possible that all federal, state, county, city and other laws enacted for the benefit of consumers are duly enforced. In addition, the Council shall conduct studies, investigations, and research into matters affecting consumer interests and shall to the fullest extent possible keep consumers in Cambridge informed on matters affecting their interest. In addition, the Council will represent the interests of Cambridge consumers before legislative and regulatory and other policy forming bodies where appropriate. The Council will maintain a staff of investigators and researchers in order to respond to the complaints of individual consumers who do business in Cambridge. The Council's sphere of activity will include but not be limited to the preparation of reports and surveys, education of consumers, handling of consumer complaints, enforcement of consumer legislation, and representation of Cambridge consumers.

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City of Cambridge

Councillor Duehay
Councillor Vellucci

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IN CITY COUNCIL

April 23, 1979

ORDERED: That the attached draft proposal of an ordinance, creating a Cambridge Consumer Council, be referred simultaneously by the City Council to the Ordinance Committee for debate and the City Solicitor's Office for appropriate legal review.

In City Council April 23, 1979

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 9 members.

Attest: Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

A true copy,

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK

Order #16

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C. Duehay & C. Vellucci re: draft proposal for Consumer Council Ordinance.

In City Council,
April 23, 1979

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Order Adopted
Referred to City
Solicitor for Draft
AND
Comm. on Ordinances
for
Hearing