

March 26, 1936

Cambridge City Council

Gentlemen:

Regarding my bid for land owned by the city of Cambridge, bounded by Vassal Lane and Lakeview Avenue, Cambridge. After complete reports given to me today by engineers, I am compelled to reduce my bid, \$600 namely to offer \$1,000.

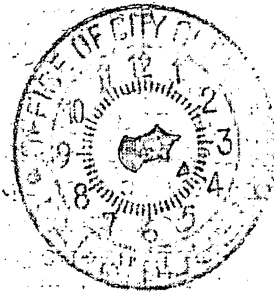
Engineers' reports show that it will be necessary for the proper construction of houses on this property to fill in to the average of eleven and a half feet on approximately seventy per cent of the property. It will then be necessary to construct concrete retaining walls to prevent the land from sliding into adjoining property, also piling under each building is of absolute necessity. This work is estimated to cost on the average of 12 to 15 hundred dollars per house.

As I do not want to construct any property whereby after construction future buyers may in any way suffer losses by the sinking of their property. This property may be worth a million dollars to somebody else but to me and my associates it is worth a thousand dollars today. I have consulted my attorney and he tells me as my offer has not been definitely accepted, I am at liberty to reduce it.

Yours truly,

John J. Collins
16 Oakland St.

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To the Honorable, the City Council of the
City of Cambridge

The undersigned respectfully pray

Communication
From
PETITION

of *John J. Collins*, stating
that he wishes to reduce his offer
for a Parcel of City Owned Land
bounded by Vassal Lane and Indiana
ave from \$1600 to \$1000

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Amount to Withdraw

\$76.00

Frederick H. Burke Clerk

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Referred to the Committee on

Public Property & Public Institutions

Attest:

Frederick H. Burke

City Clerk.

City of Cambridge

In City Council April 21, 1936.

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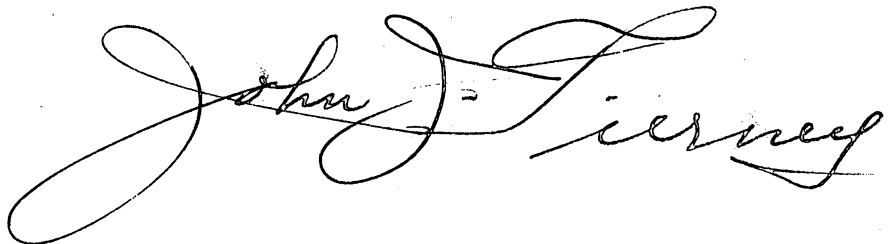
Committee on Public Property and
Public Institutions

to which was referred a communication from John J. Collins stating
that he wishes to reduce his offer for parcels of land bounded by Vassal
Lane and Lakeview Avenue from \$1,600 to \$1,000

Reports,

Recommending that the offer of
\$1,000 be given leave to withdraw.

For the Committee.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John J. Tierney". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed text "For the Committee."

REPORT

Committee on

*Public Property
and Public Institutions*

*recommending leave
to withdraw on petition of
John J. Collins*

April 21, 1936

Report received, and
recommendation **ADOPTED.**

Attest: *Fredrick H. Barker*

City Clerk