

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in  
General Court assembled:

**T**HE petition of the undersigned inhabitants of the  
Towns of Watertown and Brighton respectfully repre-  
sents,

That there is now pending before the County Commis-  
sioners of the County of Middlesex, a petition signed by  
the undersigned and other persons, inhabitants of said  
Watertown and Brighton, and other towns in said county,  
praying the said Commissioners to lay out as and for a  
public highway, a certain turnpike road extending from  
the Square in Watertown to the dividing line between  
Brighton and Cambridge; the said turnpike road being the  
same that the West Boston Bridge Corporation was author-  
ized to build, by an Act of the Legislature, approved on the  
twelfth day of June, A. D. 1824. That the said turnpike  
road crosses the navigable waters of Charles River by two  
bridges, the one between Watertown and Brighton, and  
the other between Brighton and Cambridge, in each of  
which bridges is a draw. That the said Commissioners  
after a hearing by them upon the petition aforesaid, have  
adjudged the said turnpike road to be a way of public con-  
venience and necessity. And your petitioners further rep-  
resent that the said Commissioners have no power to make  
any provision for the tending and maintenance of the said  
draws, or either of them, and that doubts have been inti-  
mated as to the power of the said Commissioners to lay out  
the said turnpike road, or any part of it as a public high-  
way, or to lay out the same over the said navigable waters.

Thereupon your petitioners pray your Honorable Bodies  
to pass an act authorizing the said Commissioners to lay  
out the turnpike road aforesaid as and for a public high-  
way, and to make such provision for maintaining and tend-  
ing the said draws and bridges, and for maintaining the  
said road as to the said Commissioners shall seem expedi-  
ent.

And as in duty bound, &c.

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JAMES T. AUSTIN and eleven others.

In Board of Aldermen, Oct. 20, 1850.-

Referred to the Mayor, with full power -

Sent down for concurrence -

Justin A. Jacobs, City Clerk.

In Common Council, Oct. 28, 1850.

Concurred, Attest, James M. Leach, Clerk.

Notice 46  
on Petition of Austin & als.  
for laying out of West Co.

Oct. 24. 1850.