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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
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To: Robert W. Healy
City Manager

From: Michael H. Rosenberg 
Assistant City Manager for Community Development

Re: Council Order #1, November 13, 1989
Renovations in the area of Pleasant Street and Western Avenue

Date: November 30, 1989

The renovations now underway were originally a part of the Massachusetts City and Town Commons proposal for the Central Square Enhancement project. Funding for this intersection was not obtained from the grant proposal and the cost was then assumed by the City under the FY'89 Capital Improvement Program.

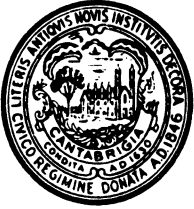
The project was reviewed by City departments and presented to the neighborhood residents through a series of meetings over the summer of 1988.

The wood picket fence was one of several issues discussed. It was approved as preferable to a steel picket because it provides better privacy to abutters, conveys a strong visual character appropriate to the adjacent buildings and newly created "plaza", and is cost-effective.

Both the Public Works Department and the contractor have assured me that the fencing in question has been installed within the public way, as per plan, and not on private property. The project is 75% completed.

Cronin Park (bounded by Western, Pleasant and Franklin Streets) across the street from these improvements is an area where renovations are also underway. The project is 40% completed.

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December 18, 1989

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 59, regarding the renovations underway in the area of Pleasant Street and Western Avenue, please find attached a copy of the report submitted by the Community Development Department.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Awaiting Report Item Number 59, regarding
renovations underway in the area of
Pleasant Street and Western Ave.

In City Council,

Dec. 18, 1989

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