



City of Cambridge

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Calendar Item #4

IN CITY COUNCIL

~~February 5, 1996~~
February 12, 1996

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to communicate to the Secretary of Environmental Affairs the City Council's request to extend the public comment period by at least 60 days for the Alewife Center Project #5869; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to send along with this order a copy of the attached letter from David R. Vickery, Senior Vice President of Spaulding & Slye.

NO ACTION TAKEN. PLACED ON FILE UNDER RULE NINETEEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL RULES.

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weekly ~~now~~ ^{can report} maybe be as reported

Resolved: That the Committee provide the City Council with
an ~~interim~~ ^a report by March 15
^{and then meetings}
final report by May 15

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February 1, 1996

Mr. Bob Healy
City Manager
Cambridge City Hall
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Dear Bob:

It has been one year since we initially informed the City Administration, City Council and numerous citizens of the proposed change of use for Alewife Center. Over the year we have had dozens of meetings listening to ideas and concerns regarding the proposal. In response to those suggestions, we developed six or seven different site plans.

Some five months ago, the North Cambridge Stabilization Sub-Committee on Alewife issued a report to the City Council expressing their concerns regarding the site. This was followed by the City Council's order establishing a citizen committee to further explore their concerns. A schedule of meetings was established for this task force which projected the conclusion of their work to be complete by the end of March 1996.

We agreed to that schedule and informed the City that we would file our Notice of Project Change with MEPA in January, and at the end of March we would start the formal process with the City and file Planned Unit Development with the Planning Board.

The purpose of a notice of project change with MEPA is to generate *information* so that the City and the Advisory Committee can make a more informed decision. This notice primarily focuses on the changes in traffic and site plan.

We expect that the information we have filed with the State will naturally generate questions, and the State will require our filing a supplemental response. If the Grace Site Committee adhered to its original schedule of March, the second comment period would have coincided with the Committee's final deliberations.

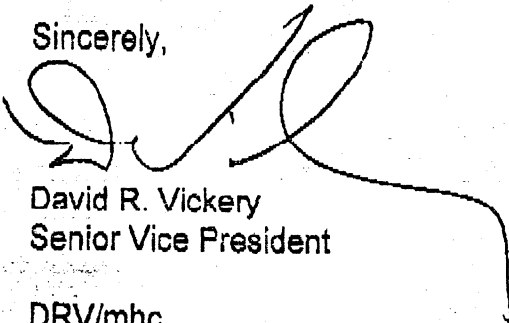
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Given the committee meetings will extend into April, we are certainly willing to request an extension of this initial comment period from MEPA. As we have always worked closely with the City and its citizens, we will continue to do so.

Sincerely,



David R. Vickery
Senior Vice President

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Consent Order #33

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Councillor Davis re: Extend the public
comment period to 60 days for the
Alwife Center Project.

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