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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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March 30, 1990 CAMBRIDGE MA.

D.P.U. 90-39

BOSTON-CAMBRIDGE TROLLEY TOURS, INC.

Petition of Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours, Inc. for a certificate of public convenience and necessity under the provisions of G.L. c. 159A, § 7 for the operation of motor vehicles over certain public ways in the City of Cambridge, the Metropolitan District Commission and the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority.

D.P.U. 90-61

Appeal of Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours, Inc., of West Roxbury, Massachusetts, requesting that the Department of Public Utilities act as the licensing authority and issue it a municipal street license for the operation of motor vehicles over certain public ways under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority, pursuant to G.L. c. 159A, § 1.

D.P.U. 90-62

Appeal of Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours, Inc., requesting that the Department of Public Utilities act as the licensing authority and issue it a municipal street license for the operation of motor vehicles over certain public ways under the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan District Commission, pursuant to G.L. c. 159A, § 1.

D.P.U. 90-63

Appeal of Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours, Inc., requesting that the Department of Public Utilities act as the licensing authority and issue it a municipal street license for the operation of motor vehicles over certain public ways in the City of Cambridge, pursuant to G.L. c. 159A, § 1.

D.P.U. 90-64

Appeal of Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours, Inc., requesting that the Department of Public Utilities act as the licensing authority and issue it a municipal street license for the operation of motor vehicles over certain public ways in the City of Boston, pursuant to G.L. c. 159A, § 1.

Upon the foregoing, the Department of Public Utilities will conduct a public hearing at its hearing-room,

#1210 Leverett Saltonstall Building, 100 Cambridge Street,
Boston, Massachusetts on Tuesday, April 17, 1990 at
10:00 a.m.

By Order of the Department,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mary L. Cottrell", written over a horizontal line.

MARY L. COTTRELL, SECRETARY



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March 21, 1990

Ms. Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Public Utilities
Leverett Saltonstall Building
100 Cambridge Street
Boston, MA

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Please be advised that the Cambridge City Council was in receipt of a petition from ~~Boston-Cambridge~~ **Trolley Tours** for a license to operate for the carriage of passengers over public ways in the City of Cambridge to pick up passengers at Cambridge hotels and bring them to Boston.

The City Council at its meeting of March 19, 1990 on motion of Councillor Sheila Russell voted to deny this petition on a voice vote.

Your kind attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joseph E. Connarton".

Joseph E. Connarton
City Clerk

JEC/dl

City of Cambridge

The Committee on Traffic and Transportation conducted a public hearing on Wednesday, March 14, 1990 at 4:10 p. m. in the Sullivan Chamber, City Hall. Present at the hearing were Councillor Sheila Russell, Councillor Ed Cyr and City Clerk Joseph Connarton.

Councillor Russell stated the purpose of the hearing was to review the petition of Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours of West Roxbury, Massachusetts for a permit to carry passengers over certain streets and ways of Cambridge.

At this time the committee heard from Thomas Lenthall, 37 Blanchard Road, Cambridge, Massachusetts representing the petitioner. Mr. Lenthall outlined the proposed petition and route stating it was not the intention of Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours to operate a sightseeing tour, but rather they want to pick up people at Cambridge hotels and bring them to Boston.

The committee then heard from Michael Thomas, General Manager of the Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours who stated that currently people want to participate in their tour bus service currently arrive by public transportation from Cambridge. Responding to a question from Joseph Russell, a Cambridge taxi operator, Mr. Thomas indicated approximately 30% of the buses were handicapped equipped.

Speaking in support of the petition was Arthur Santoro, owner of the Campus Cab, who stated he believed the tour bus pick ups would help taxi operators.

Speaking in opposition to the petition was Neil Lahaie, President of the Cambridge Taxi Association, who stated these kind of tour buses are not helpful to the taxi industry because they only take people out of Cambridge and into Boston.

Furthermore, he stated, he was concerned with the vagueness of the proposed route.

At this time the committee heard from James McDavitt, Chairman of the Cambridge License Commission, who stated his recommendation was to deny the petition at this time and encourage them to resubmit a more detailed petition with more specific routes to the License Commission. Furthermore, he stated the commissioner's recommendation on a previous, but similar application from a difficult petitioner was also denied and informed the City Council that no additional "drop-off" spots are available for tour buses.

Mr. Lenthall responded to those comments by stating the petition has in fact been filed with the City Council with the routes prescribed by Chapter 159A Section 1 and in conference with the Department of Public Utilities.

Also speaking in opposition to the petition was Joseph Russell who stated a tour bus like this is bad for the taxi business.

Councillor Cyr moved that the petition be referred to the full City Council with an unfavorable recommendation.

The motion carried.

For the Committee,

s/ Sheila Russell
Councillor Sheila Russell
Chairman

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report from Councillor Sheila T. Russell, Chairman of the Traffic and Transportation Committee, for a hearing held on March 14, 1990 regarding the petition of Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours

In City Council,
March 19, 1990

*Report accepted
Motion of Councillor
Russell to deny
Carried on a voice
vote
DPV notified 3/20/90 @*

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Mayor Raymond L. Flynn

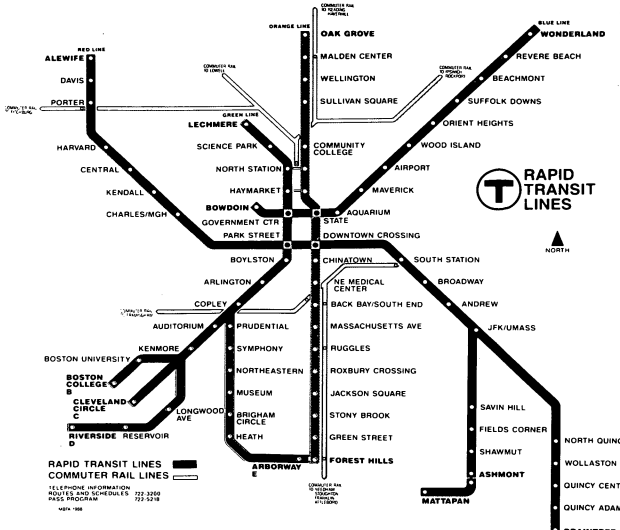
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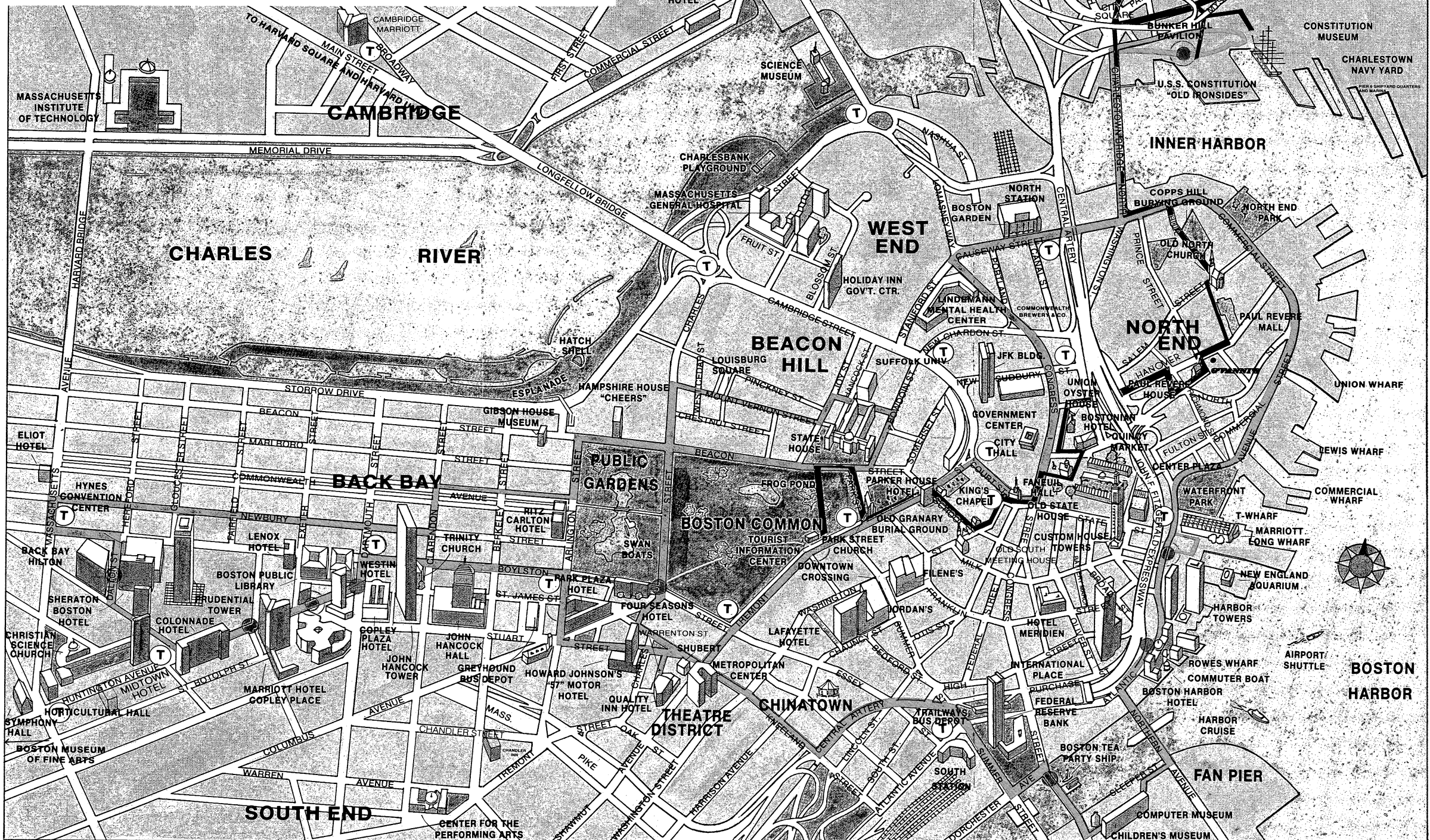
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Gretna J. Bohn-Hayden
1616 Massachusetts Avenue
Apartment #6
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138
(617) 576-1928

March 8, 1990

Councillor Sheilla Russell
Cambridge City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Re; Hearing March 14, 1990

~~Dear Councilor Russell,~~

I am a Cambridge Taxicab driver and I would like very much to attend the hearing concerning Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours' application for a licence to do business in Cambridge. However the time of the hearing makes it a financial hardship for me and most of my colleagues, since 4pm is the height of rush hour and a time when Taxis are most needed. It would also cause a problem for many of our customers if we were to stop work to attend this hearing.

I am familiar with your fairness as a Councilor so I don't think this was a deliberate tactic to reduce the possibility of a large turnout in opposition to the licensing, but it will have that effect. I urge, no, I beg that you consider our plight and re-schedule this hearing at a later time of day.

The Taxicab business in Cambridge is in a crisis and we need to be involved in any decisions that will effect that business. Just in case you are unable to reschedule this meeting I would like to tell you some of my thoughts on this issue.

I drive full time nights, I am also a resident of Cambridge and I want to give my neighbors and visitors the best service. Because I love Cambridge and driving a taxi in Cambridge, I would like to make it a profitable business which it is not at this time.

We cannot stand any more competition. We are already competing with Black Cars, Limousines, Delivery services, out of town cabs and the minibus services provided by some hotels and colleges.

This industry is ready to collapse, and somebody better pay attention soon. There are too many people who cannot be served with out a Taxi service, but we need the rest to keep us there for the few.

Besides I like showing off Cambridge!

Please consider any action with this situation in mind. Please note that most sight-seeing is done in the summer when he have the hardest time maintaining the taxicab industry.

Thank you in advance for considering my opinion.

Yours Very Truly,

Gretna J. Bohn-Hayden
Yellow Cab Cambridge



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March 5, 1990

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that Councillor Sheila Russell, Chairperson of the Traffic and Transportation Committee of the City Council has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, March 14, 1990 at 4:00 P. M. in the Sullivan Chamber, City Hall, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

The purpose of this hearing is to discuss the petition received from Boston-Cambridge Trolley Tours, doing business as Boston Trolley Tours requesting permission for a license for the carriage of passengers over certain public ways in the City of Cambridge for sightseeing tours.

You are requested to attend this hearing and be heard.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph E. Connarton".

Joseph E. Connarton
City Clerk

JEC/dl

IN CAMBRIDGE

On Massachusetts Avenue between Memorial Drive and Alewife Brook Parkway.
On Mellen Street between Massachusetts Avenue and the hotel.
On Waterhouse Street between Massachusetts Avenue and Garden Street.
On Peabody Street between Massachusetts Avenue and Cambridge Street.
On Cambridge Street between Peabody Street and Massachusetts Avenue.
On Mason Street between Garden Street and Brattle Street.
On Brattle Street between Massachusetts Avenue and Mt. Auburn Street.
On Mt. Auburn Street between Massachusetts Avenue and the Cambridge - Watertown City line.
On University Place between Mt. Auburn Street and Bennett Street.
On Bennett Street between University Place and Elliot Street.
On Elliot Street between Brattle Street and J.F.K. Street.
On J.F.K. Street between Brattle Street and Memorial Drive.
On Bow Street between Massachusetts Avenue and DeWolfe Street.
On DeWolfe Street between Bow Street and Memorial Drive.
On Garden Street between Massachusetts Avenue and Concord Avenue.
On Concord Avenue between Fresh Pond Parkway and Garden Street.
On Pleasant Street between Memorial Drive and the hotel.
On Magazine Street between Memorial Drive and Granite Street.
On Granite Street between Magazine Street and Brookline Street.
On Brookline Street between Granite Street and Memorial Drive.
On Amesbury Street between Memorial Drive and Vassar Street.
On Vassar Street between Amesbury Street and Main Street.
On Main Street between Massachusetts Avenue and Longfellow Bridge.
On Broadway between Western Connector and Longfellow Bridge.
On Western Connector between Main Street and Binney Street.
On Binney Street between Western Connector and First Street.
On Third Street between Broadway and Binney Street.
On First Street between Commercial Avenue and Cambridge Street.
On Cambridge Street between First Street and Monsignor O'Brien Highway.

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Cambridge, January 16, 1990

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

The undersigned respectfully pray

for a License to operate motor vehicles for the carriage of passengers for hire on public ways in the City of Cambridge as indicated on the attached sheet pursuant to MGL Chapter 159A Section 1.

The carrier does not propose to operate a mass transit service on these streets but a limited service geared basically to hotel transfers in connection with its sightseeing service. Service would be scheduled to avoid the Morse School area adjacent to Memorial Drive at the beginning and ending of the school day.

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Respectfully submitted,

BOSTON-CAMBRIDGE TROLLEY TOURS, INC.
d/b/a BOSTON TROLLEY TOURS
25 Rockland Street
West Roxbury, MA 02132
(tel. 617-427-8687)

by Michael J. Thomas
Michael Thomas, Jr.,
President

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PETITION

BOSTON-CAMBRIDGE TROLLEY TOURS, INC.,
d/b/a BOSTON TROLLEY TOURS
of _____

for a License for the carriage of passengers
over certain public ways in Cambridge for
No. sightseeing tours. _____

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Referred to Transportation
& Traffic Committee
Copy sent to Traffic &
Transportation Comm.
1/23/90 (de)
Hearing scheduled for
Wed, March 14, 1990 at
4 P.M.

In City Council, Jan. 22

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Referred to the Committee on

Tactical Industry notified
3/6/90 (de)

Attest:

petitioners & Old Town Trolley
notified 3/7/90 (de) City Clerk.

Reported to City Council
3/19/90

DPV notified 3/21/90 (de)