

Bioran Medical Laboratory

9 Columbia Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Tel. 617-547-8900

December 13, 1973

Mr. John Corcoran
City Manager
City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Dear Mr. Corcoran:

To review our meeting of December 11, 1973 in your office, Bioran has purchased property located at 15 Columbia Street, Cambridge which is adjacent to our property at 9 Columbia Street.

We wish to expand our facilities and this would require us to invest between \$300,000 and \$400,000. In order to make this expansion feasible we would like to purchase from the City of Cambridge a strip of land in the rear of 15 Columbia Street and adjacent to the Austin Street parking lot (183) which measures approximately 10.5 feet by 39 feet (406 sq. ft.).

This strip of land blocks our access to 15 Columbia Street so that we are unable to load and unload our vehicles or use the space in the rear of 15 Columbia Street for employee parking.

We have been in business at 9 Columbia Street for nine years and our business has grown from an annual gross volume of \$30,000 and two employees to an annual gross volume of \$2,000,000 and 115 employees during this period. We are definitely committing our company to future expansion in Cambridge and feel that the type of work we are engaged in is an asset to the City of Cambridge. We further feel that the expansion of our present facilities would significantly increase our tax contribution in the future.

Also, our employees do spend money in the retail stores in Central Square and we do hope to employ more Cambridge people as our business continues to grow.

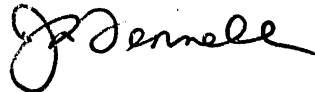
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Because of our growth, if Bioran can not expand its facilities we will be forced to leave Cambridge. We are prepared to pay a premium price for this property because of its importance to our expansion.

Therefore, I would greatly appreciate favorable consideration by the City of Cambridge to the end that we be permitted to purchase this additional strip of land adjacent to our property from the City of Cambridge.

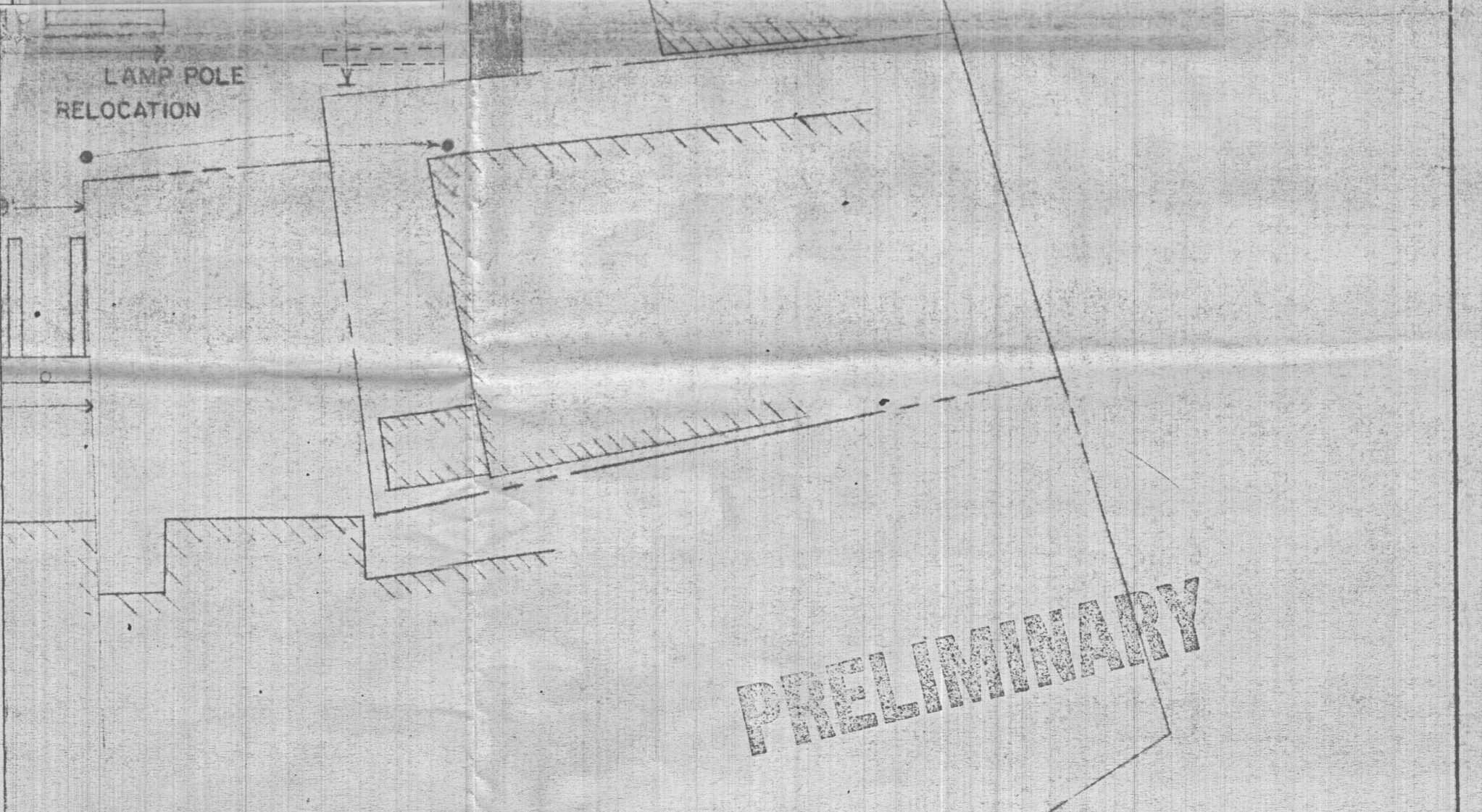
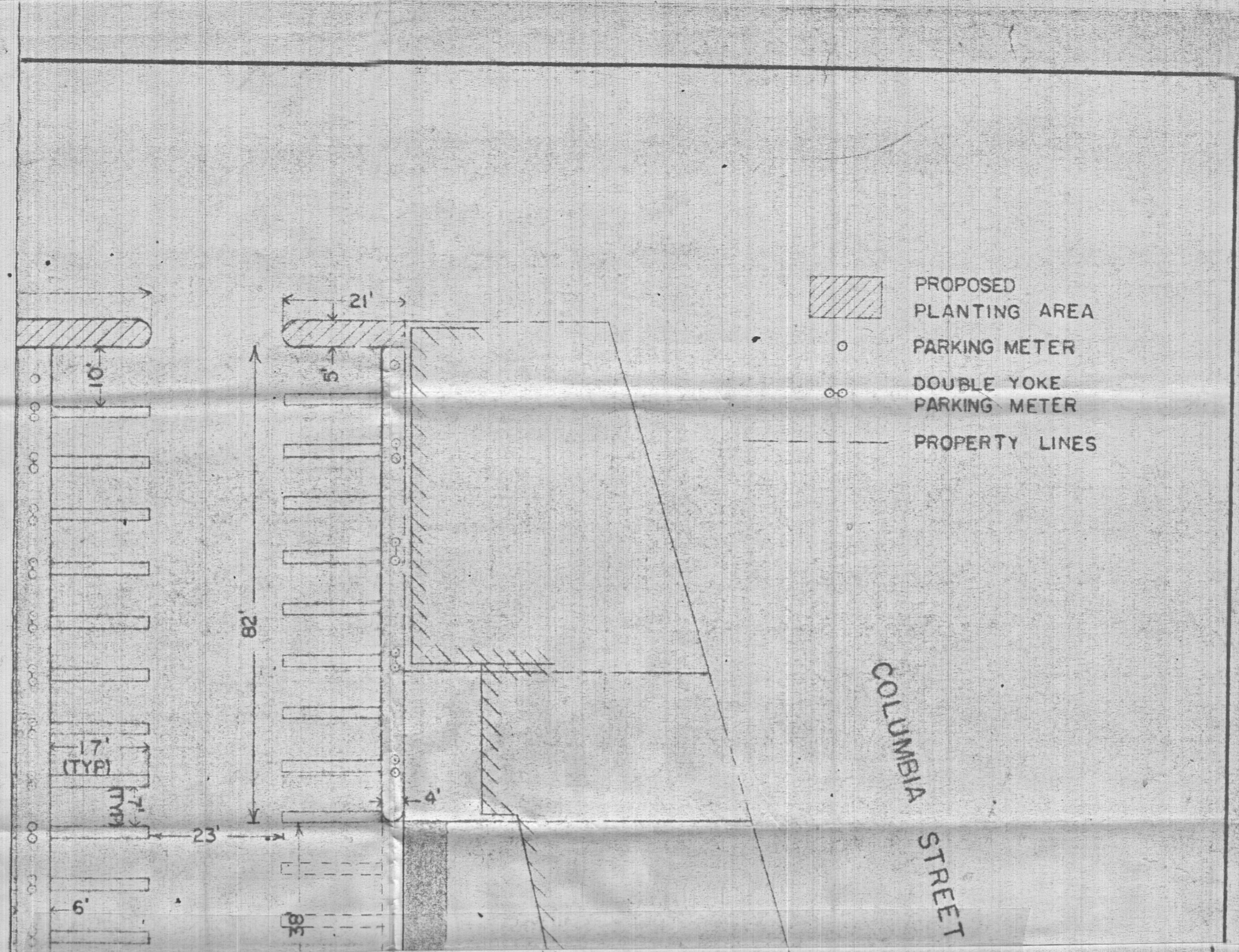
Very truly yours,

BIORAN MEDICAL LABORATORY



J. R. Fennell, Ph.D.
President

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NO.	DATE	DESCRIPTION	DRAWN	CHKD	REC'M	APPVD	DATE
REVISIONS ABOVE							
PROPOSED PARKING LOT 6							
AUSTIN STREET							
DRAWN	INITIAL	DATE	DEPARTMENT OF			DRAWING NO.	
TRACED	<i>J.M.M.</i>	12/28/23	TRAFFIC AND PARKING			PK-C-1090	
CHECKED			CITY OF CAMBRIDGE			SCALE 1"=20'	
REC'M APP.						SHEET NO. 1 OF 1	
APPROVED							



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139
Tel. 876-6800

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JOHN H. CORCORAN
City Manager
JAMES L. FARRELL
Assistant City Manager

December 17, 1973

To the Honorable, the City Council:

By communication of December 13, 1973, I have been advised by J. R. Fennell, Ph.D., the President of the Bioran Medical Laboratory, of 9 Columbia Street, Cambridge, that he desires to purchase from the City of Cambridge a strip of land at the rear of 15 Columbia Street and adjacent to the Austin Street Parking Lot, which strip measures approximately 10½' x 39' in length.

This particular area of land is shown in yellow on the enclosed plan entitled "Proposed Parking Lot 6 - Austin Street"

It is my understanding from talking to Dr. Fennell that he desires this small parcel of land to better accommodate his business which has grown over a period of nine years from two employees to one hundred fifteen employees. Dr. Fennell has advised me that his gross volume of business now exceeds \$2 million.

Mr. Teso, Director of Traffic and Parking, has advised me that he believes we ought to dispose of this small parcel of land to Dr. Fennell. I would therefore appreciate your authorization to dispose of this strip of land to Dr. Fennell at a price to be agreed upon after appraisals have been received. For your additional information I enclose a photocopy of Dr. Fennell's communication to me of December 13, 1973.

Very truly yours,

John H. Corcoran
City Manager

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Comm. from J. R. Fennell Ph.D, requesting to purchase a strip of land from the City at the rear of 15 Columbia Street.

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12/17/73
Refer to City Mgr.
For information
and approval

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