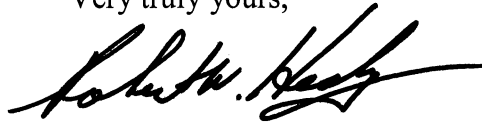


Carl Barron Plaza

The DPW is responsible for the planting and maintenance of Carl Barron Plaza. During the week of October 7th, the DPW planted mums for the fall season throughout the plaza area. The Department is working on a redesign of the planting area for replanting in 2003. In the interim, we will continue to enhance the area with seasonal plantings.

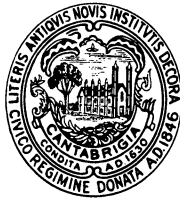
Additionally, DPW is working with the property management company for the Holmes Building, Hunneman Commercial on a joint maintenance agreement. Hunneman Commercial is willing to supplement DPW's maintenance efforts at Carl Barron Plaza to ensure that it continues to be a pleasant and clean environment.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert W. Healy", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE • EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Robert W. Healy, City Manager

Richard C. Rossi, Deputy City Manager

November 25, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item #02-91 on the planning and maintenance of Carl Barron Plaza, and Council Order #14 of 10/07/02 on the clean up of Central Square, Commissioner of Public Works, Lisa Peterson reports the following:

Central Square Maintenance

Central Square is cleaned daily from 4:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. by a mechanical sweeper and from 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. by a two-person crew with a sidewalk vacuum, a.k.a. “Green Machine.” Weekends (Saturday & Sundays) the square is cleaned between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. by a two-person crew with the Green Machine, and between 4:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. by the mechanical street sweeper. Streets in and around the Square (including Bishop Allen, Green, Sydney and Pearl Streets) are also swept daily.

The DPW empties litter baskets in Central Square twice daily, seven days a week. Business rubbish pick-ups are done on Monday, Wednesday and Friday after 10:00 a.m.

In addition, DPW contracts with a power washing company to power wash/steam clean Carl Barron Plaza twice monthly. We have recently extended the scope of this cleaning to include Massachusetts Avenue from the Plaza to Pearl Street. The area around the Central Square Library on Pearl Street and Modical Square (alley between Massachusetts Avenue & Bishop Allen Drive/parking lot #5) is power washed one a month.

Twice yearly, all sidewalks, litter baskets and benches from Lafayette Square to City Hall are steam cleaned.

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Consent Agenda #2

**Awaiting Report Item Number
02-91**, regarding a report on the
planting in Carl Barron Plaza
including who is responsible for
the planting and maintenance in
the Plaza.

In City Council November 25, 2002

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