

#8 Agenda

City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council

June 7, 1975

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mrs. Ackermann	✓			
Mr. Clinton	✓			
Mr. Danehy	✓			
Mr. Duehay	✓			
Mrs. Graham	✓			
Mr. Russell	✓			
Mr. Vellucci	✓			
Mr. Wylie			✓	
Mayor Sullivan	✓			
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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND ~~SIXTY~~ SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Authorizing the City Manager or Traffic Director of the City of Cambridge to appoint parking control officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Chapter 455 of the Acts of 1961 as amended by Section 7 of Chapter 786 of the Acts of 1962 and by Chapter 340 of the Acts of 1972 is hereby further amended by striking the fifth sentence of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: "Upon recommendation of the traffic director, the city manager shall have the authority to create subordinate staff positions in the department of traffic and parking, including parking control officers as provided in Section 10F of Chapter 147 of the General Laws and notwithstanding the provisions of said Section 10F; the city manager or the traffic director, as authorized by the city manager, shall appoint the same."

SECTION 2. Said Chapter 455 of the Acts of 1961 is hereby further amended by inserting after paragraph (d) of Section 3 of said Chapter 455 the following: - (e) The traffic director may promulgate regulations, that provide that any sergeant or officer of higher rank in the police department may cause to be removed to some convenient place by towing by an independent contractor any vehicle, except a vehicle owned by the Commonwealth or a political subdivision thereof or by the United States or an instrumentality thereof or registered by a member of a foreign diplomatic corps or by a foreign consular officer who is not a citizen of the United States and bearing a distinctive number plate otherwise conspicuously marked as so owned or registered, and except also a vehicle owned by a disabled veteran or handicapped person and bearing a distinctive number plate authorized by the General Laws which is parked or standing on any part of any street, way, highway, road or parkway if in the calendar year, in which such vehicle if so removed or in the preceding calendar year, five or more notices, in the aggregate, have been affixed to said vehicle as provided in Section 20C of Chapter 90 of the General Laws and remain unpaid and the cost of such removal and of storage charges resulting therefrom, in accordance with the traffic regulations then in effect, shall be imposed upon the owner of such vehicle. Any such vehicle so removed shall be held until all charges imposed for such removal and storage following the same have been paid and due notice has been received that the fines provided in such notices affixed to said vehicle have been paid or security for the payment thereof has been deposited. The police department shall promptly mail written notice to the registered owner of any such vehicle so removed, directed to the address furnished by the Registry of Motor Vehicles or comparable agency of the State in which said

vehicle is registered, stating the date on which such vehicle was removed, the location to which such vehicle has been removed, and a statement that the vehicle shall be released by the police on the payment of all fines, storage and towing charges due. Any such vehicle so removed shall be deemed to have been abandoned and may be disposed of in accordance with Section 22C of Chapter 90 of the General Laws if, within thirty days of the mailing of the notice to the registered owner as provided for herein, said owner has not paid all charges imposed for such removal and storage following the same and the fines provided in such notices affixed to said vehicle.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
in General Court assembled.

The undersigned, citizens of Cambridge, respectfully
petition for the passage of the accompanying bill or resolve, and/or for legislation

Authorizing the City Manager or Traffic Director of the City of Cambridge
to appoint parking control officers and to promulgate regulations for the
towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

Petitioners are requested to sign names and addresses legibly.

Robert D. Aubrey
Sandra Graham
John A. ...
Alfred Vellum
Walter Sullivan Mayor
James Hall City Manager

26 Laurel St., Cambridge
189 Western Ave. Cambr
5 Haverhill Pl. Cambr
42 Porter St. Cambridge
28 Putnam Ave. Cambridge
795 Man. Ave. Cambridge



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To City Manager James L. Sullivan

Date June 5, 1975

From Charles A. Watson, Legislative Agent

Reference

Subject Proposed Legislation Authorizing the Traffic Director of the City of Cambridge to appoint Traffic Control Officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

Enclosed is an original petition to the General Court to accompany a proposed bill, (also enclosed) which will amend Chapter 455 of the Acts of 1961 being an Act Establishing a Department of Traffic and Parking and a Board of Traffic and Parking in the City of Cambridge by authorizing the Traffic Director to appoint Traffic Control Officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

This special legislation must be approved by the Mayor and by an order of the City Council before it can be filed in the Legislature.

Will you kindly transmit this proposed bill to the City Council for their consideration and approval.

When the City Clerk has properly documented the City Council's approval of this special legislation, I shall file it in the House of Representatives, hopefully for passage in this current session.

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June 6, 1975

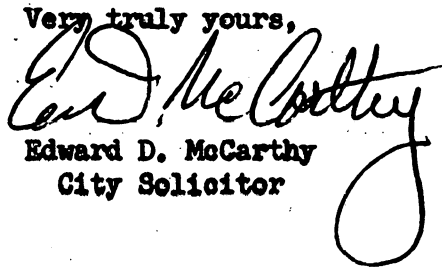
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City Hall
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Very truly yours,


Edward D. McCarthy
City Solicitor

EDMcC:jm
Enc.

cc: Mr. Lauren Preston



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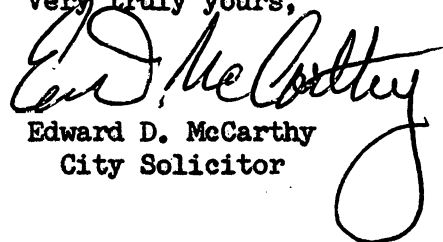
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IN CITY COUNCIL

June 9, 1975

ORDERED:

That the City Council go on record as favoring an amendment to Chapter 455 of the Acts of 1961 being an Act establishing a Department of Traffic and Parking and a Board of Traffic and Parking in the City of Cambridge by authorizing the Traffic Director to appoint Traffic Control Officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

in City Council June 9, 1975

Adopted by yeas and nays Vote

Yeas 8 Nays 0 Absent 1

Paul E. Leahy
City Clerk



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JAMES L. SULLIVAN
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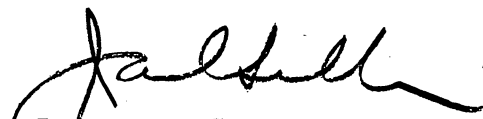
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To the Honorable, the City Council:

Enclosed please find communication from Charles A. Watson, Legislative Agent for the City of Cambridge, relative to the proposed legislation authorizing the Traffic Director of the City to appoint Traffic Control Officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles. Also enclosed is City Solicitor's letter.

Also enclosed is a copy of the proposed bill for your consideration and approval, and a proposed order, recording the City Council as favoring an amendment to Chapter 455 of the Acts of 1961.

Very truly yours,



James L. Sullivan
City Manager

JLS/b

Proposed legislation to appoint Traffic Control Officers & to promulgate regulations for the towing & removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

Order adopted

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