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February 23, 1998

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response I sent to a letter received from Ms. Dorothy W. King, Chair of the Personnel Committee of the CRLS School Council. This response also answers Awaiting Report Item No. 13, regarding a report on the status of the completion of the budget to enable the hiring of teachers before Mid-June.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
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Attachment



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Dorothy W. King, Chair
Personnel Committee
CRLS School Council

Dear Ms. King:

Thank you for your letter of January 23, 1998 regarding the timelines of determining the School Budget.

In an effort to achieve your goal and many others, I transmitted to the Superintendent of Schools on January 30, 1998, the bottom line figure for the FY99 budget which results in an additional 3.1 million dollars available for school spending over FY98. The details on how the money is spent is the purview of the Superintendent and School Committee.

The budget, from my role in it is not behind schedule, but rather ahead of schedule.

Thank you for your concern.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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THE CAMBRIDGE RINDGE AND LATIN SCHOOL



Edward R. Sarasin, Principal

January 23, 1998

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Robert Healy
City Manager
Cambridge City Hall
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Dear Sir;

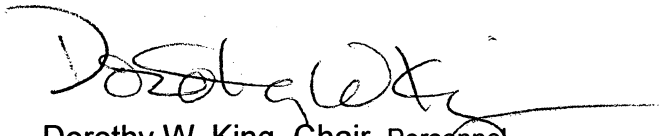
Councillor Triantafillou responded to my enclosed letter by pointing out that the City Council does not get a budget until May. Thus, I assume you control when the proposed budget gets to the School Department. So my committee's encouragement to act quickly to get the proposed budget to the School Department is best directed to you. Is this correct?

As I have said to you in the past, if the School Department does not get its finalized budget by mid April, the high school has not hired teachers until after the middle of June. The best teachers will be committed before Cambridge can hire.

I cannot overemphasize the importance of this issue. Many of the teachers hired will be teaching in Cambridge for twenty years and more.

Is it true that the budget is already behind schedule?

Very truly yours,


Dorothy W. King, Chair, Personnel
Committee of the CRLS School Council

cc: Cambridge School Committee
Larry Beeferman, CRLS School Council
Edward Sarasin, Principal, CRLS

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Thirteen, regarding a report on the status
of the completion of the budget to enable
the hiring of teachers before Mid-June.

In City Council February 23, 1998

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