



# City of Cambridge

Applications and Petitions #7

**IN CITY COUNCIL**

April 24, 2000

ORDERED: That the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized to construct curb cuts over sidewalks in front of estates upon the streets as hereinafter named, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Paving (Edgestones and Sidewalks). The entire cost of material and labor furnished to be repaid to the City by the owners of abutting estates.

**Guy Asaph**

**53-57 Thorndike Street**

In City Council April 24, 2000.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury  
City Clerk

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE  
TRAFFIC & PARKING

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# 02072000

APPLICATION FOR DRIVEWAY CUTS AND OPENINGS

RECEIVED

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CAMBRIDGE HISTORICAL  
COMMISSION

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK  
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

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CAMBRIDGE  
INSPECTIONAL SERVICES

INSTRUCTIONS:

In order to obtain permission for a driveway cut or opening you must first get approval from the Department of Inspectional Services on the zoning requirements for off-street parking, including the cooperation of your immediate abuttors.

To receive a review from Inspectional Services you must fill out Part I of the application. Be sure to draw your plot plan on Drawing 1, choosing the lot that represents your lot's position, i.e. corner or interior. You must also include a sketch of the proposed driveway, including dimensions, on Drawing 2. You may then calculate the cost of the driveway by using the formula based on your choice of surfaces. You must also include a signed abuttor sheet for each of your abuttors: back yard, one on either side and the abuttor directly across the street.

Once you have gathered this information on the application, it should be submitted to:

**Zoning Officer**  
**Inspectional Services**  
**831 Massachusetts Avenue**  
**Cambridge, MA 02139**

If the application is approved by Inspectional Services, it will then be sent on to Traffic and Parking, the Historical Commission and the Department of Public Works. If approved by Public Works, the application and backup will be sent to the City Council for their approval. Once the City Council approves, the driveway curb cut can be installed. However, the full cost of the cut must be paid to Public Works before the work will start.

If, however, Inspectional Services denies your application you may then appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

DATE:

1 / 27 / 2000

PART I:

Address of proposed curb cut or off-street parking facility: 53 - 57 Thorndike St.

Frontage: 80' Block and Lot: lot 87 block 24

Setback (distance from building to sidewalk): 0

Distance from proposed driveway to surrounding structures and property line: 28' and 43'

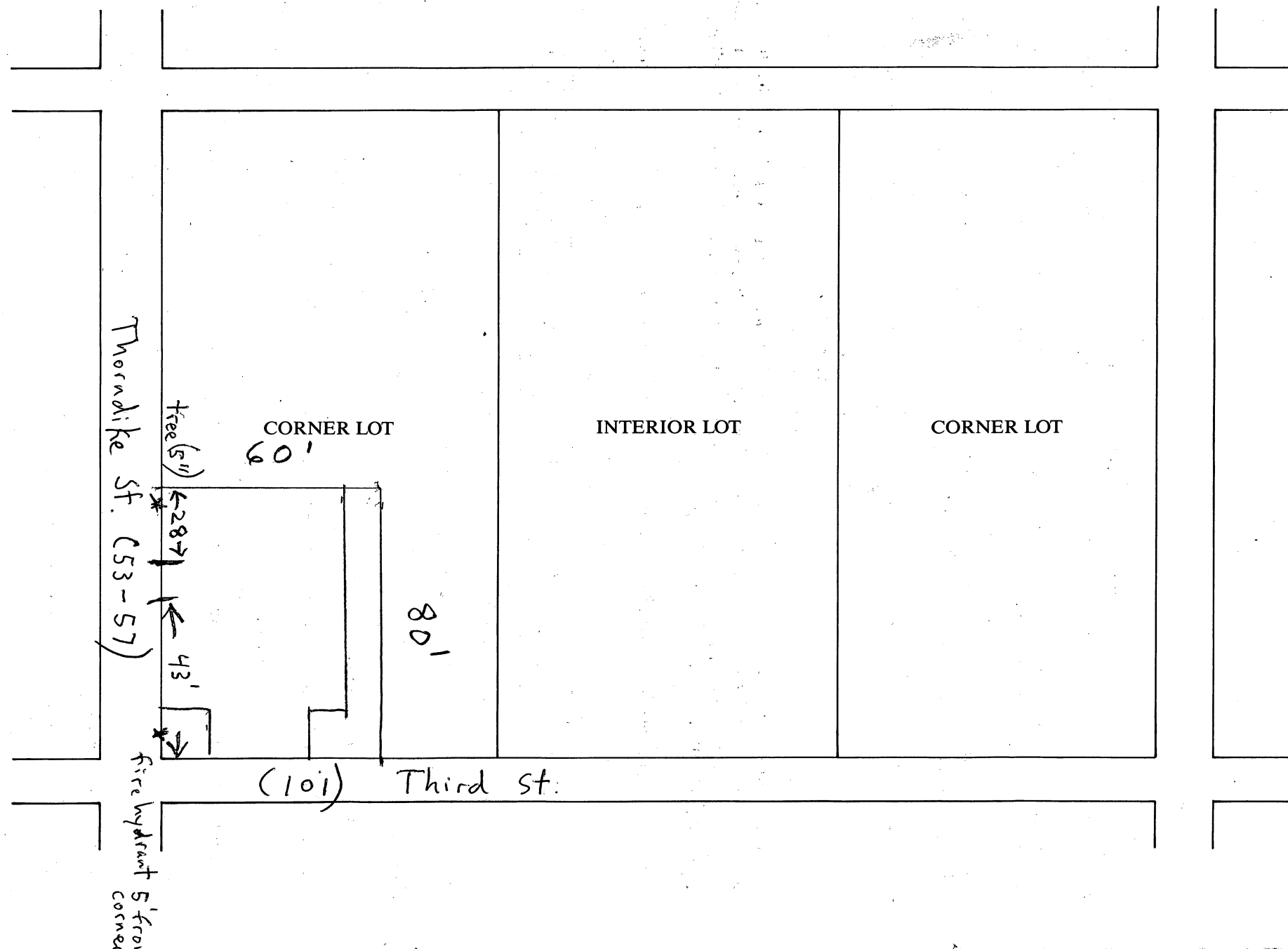
Dimensions of proposed driveway: 9' 1/2 x 6'

Location of any trees, sign posts, fire hydrants, utility poles, etc., in direct vicinity of proposed driveway: fire hydrant at corner of Third and Thorndike (marked on plans) + one tree

- ☐ Plot plan is included
- ☐ Sketch of driveway with cost estimate is included
- ☐ All abuttor's forms are included

DRAWING 1:

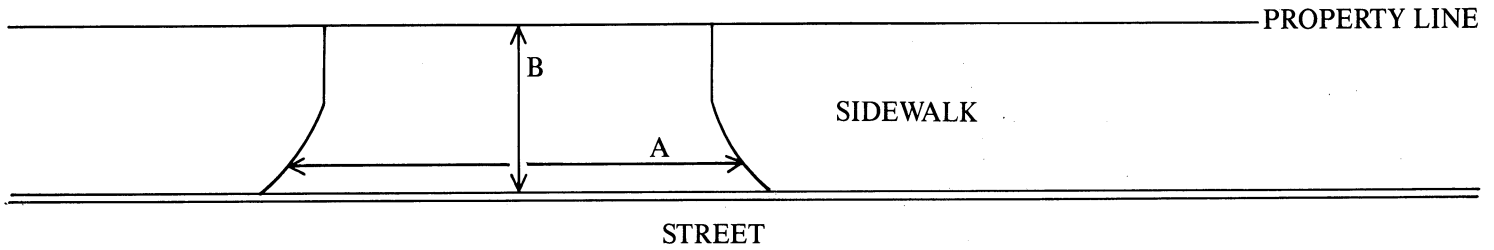
PLEASE INDICATE LOCATION OF HOUSE AND DRIVEWAY.  
BE SURE TO GIVE DIMENSIONS OF LOT.



DRAWING 2:

SKETCH OF PROPOSED DRIVEWAY WITH COST ESTIMATE

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE



$$A = \underline{9} \text{ FT.} \div 3 = \underline{3} \text{ YARDS}$$

$$B = \underline{6} \text{ FT.} \div 3 = \underline{2} \text{ YARDS}$$

$$A \times B = \underline{6} \text{ SQUARE YARDS}$$

COST ESTIMATE:

BRICK: \_\_\_\_\_ SQUARE YARDS  $\times$  \$70/SQUARE YARD = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

BRICK ON CONCRETE: 6 SQUARE YARDS  $\times$  \$85/SQUARE YARD = \$ 510.

CONCRETE: \_\_\_\_\_ SQUARE YARDS  $\times$  \$40/SQUARE YARD = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

ASPHALT: \_\_\_\_\_ SQUARE FEET  $\times$  1 TON/40 SQUARE FEET  $\times$  \$125/TON = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS SCHEDULED DATE FOR CONSTRUCTION:

/ /

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STATED FEE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned agrees to pay the stated fee for the driveway installation in full within two (2) weeks of the estimated starting date of construction before the Department of Public Works shall proceed with construction:

Owner's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 2/5/00

Address: 155 Brookline St #14 492-1253

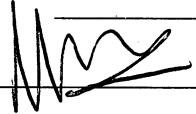
Funds Received: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

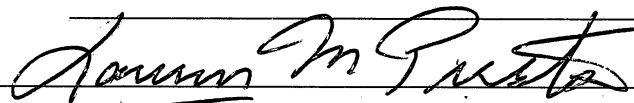
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PART II: INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application approved                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Application denied |
| Reason: # 8079 BZA VARIANCE GRANTED SUBJECT TO APPEAL PERIOD ENDING 4/22/00                  |                                             |
| Signature:  | Date: 4/5/00                                |
| Title:                                                                                       |                                             |

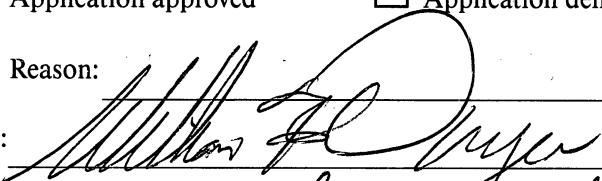
PART III: TRAFFIC AND PARKING DEPARTMENT

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application approved                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Application denied |
| Reason:                                                                                        |                                             |
| Signature:  | Date: 4-7-00                                |
| Title: DEP. TRAFFIC DE.                                                                        |                                             |

PART IV: HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application approved | <input type="checkbox"/> Application denied |
| Reason: 1                                                |                                             |
| Signature: Sarah A. Bourke                               | Date: 4/19/00                               |
| Title: Designated Property Administrator                 |                                             |

PART V: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application approved                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Application denied | Note, Letter from ECPE in Lieu of Abutters Signoff |
| Reason:                                                                                        |                                             |                                                    |
| Signature:  | Date: 4/19/00                               |                                                    |
| Title: Superintendent of Streets                                                               |                                             |                                                    |

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February 11, 2000

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Sincerely,

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Secretary, ECPT

P.O. Box 410367, East Cambridge, MA 02141



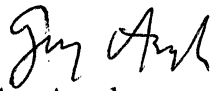
February 4, 1998

Zoning Officer  
Inspectional Services  
831 Massachusetts Ave  
Cambridge, Ma. 02139

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find my application for a curb cut at 53-57 Thorndike St. I have discussed the application with my residential abutters Mr. Clinton, and Mr. Kirylo and they have attended public meetings regarding the project. Both abutters are unwilling to sign any papers about the curb cut. I have been trying to identify the proper parties to address this request to at the abutting state owned institutional properties and have not yet been successful. I have presented my request to the East Cambridge Planning team, and they will respond when they are formally notified by the Clerks office.

Thank you for your consideration,

  
Guy Asaph



April 3, 2000

To: Lauren Preston  
Dept. of Traffic and Parking, City of Cambridge  
From: Guy Asaph  
Re: 101 Third St.

Mr. Preston,

This letter is to confirm my acknowledgment that the entrance to the parking garage on Thorndike St. will include a warning light system connected to the garage door opener. As the property is designated an Historic Landmark, I will be consulting with the Historical Commission on all modifications to the exterior of the building, including the placement of the warning lights. If you have any questions please contact me at 492-1253.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Guy Asaph", written in a cursive style.

Guy Asaph

Monday January 31,2000

Dear Mr. Clinton

Hello. I wanted to call and introduce myself, my name is Guy Asaph, and along with my partners Don Sisson and David Pill, I will be buying the Church next door to you. I wanted to let you know about our plans and hopefully get you support for our project.

The church was designated an historic landmark by the city a few months ago. What that means is that nothing can change on the exterior of the building without the approval of the Historical Commission. We are hoping to restore the outside of the building and convert the inside into four condominiums. We will need to get a curb cut on Thorndike St. to put a seven car parking garage underneath the building. There are very few changes to the outside of the building. Facing you we will add a few windows and two doors on the first floor and add skylights on the roof. We have a meeting with the Historical Commission this Thursday night to show them our plans and hopefully get their approval. The meeting is at six p.m. at their office on Mass. Ave next to City Hall.

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I'm including a copy of our application for a curb cut for a driveway on Thorndike St. I am required to attempt to get either your approval or disapproval as part of the application.

Please feel free to call me at any time to discuss the project. My home number is 492-1253, my cell phone is 413-1863.

Thank You,

Guy Asaph  
155 Brookline St. Cambridge, Ma. 02139

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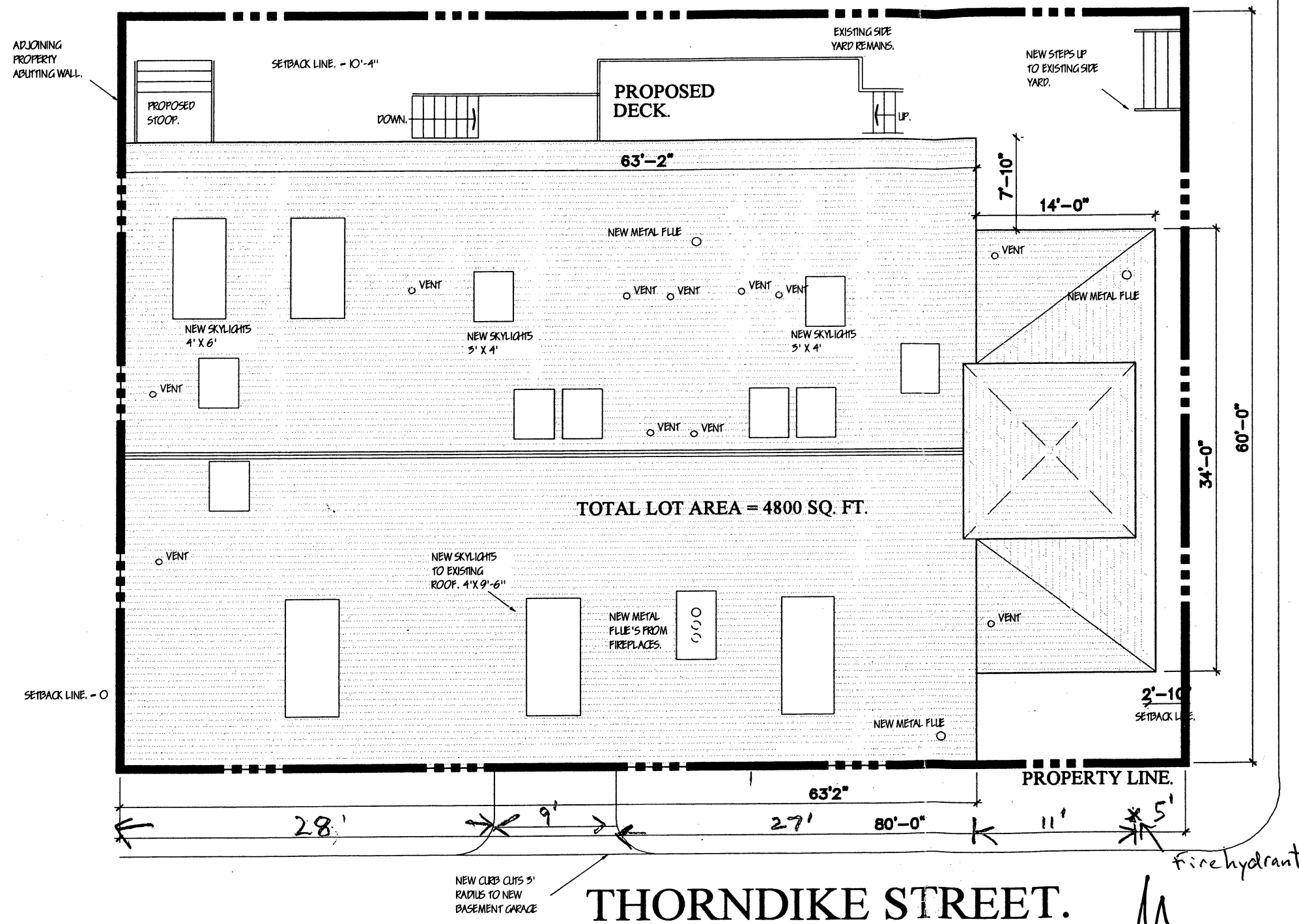
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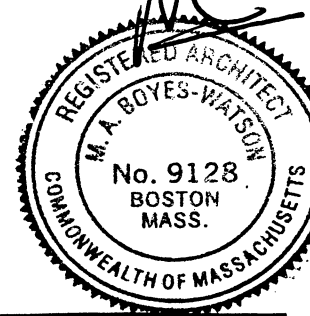


THIRD STREET.

SITE PLAN.

THORNDIKE STREET.

1 SITE PLAN.  
1" = 10'-0"



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|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| client<br><b>MR. DAVID PILL</b>     |  | BOYES-WATSON & WINNY<br>ARCHITECTS<br><small>17 Tudor Street<br/>Cambridge, Ma<br/>02139<br/>Tel. (617) 441-0141<br/>Fax. (617) 441-0142<br/>E-mail: bww@gis.net</small> |                                 |
| project<br><b>101 THIRD STREET.</b> |  | job no.<br><b>12770</b>                                                                                                                                                  | date issued<br><b>1-20-2000</b> |
| title<br><b>SITE PLAN.</b>          |  | sheet #<br><b>S-1</b>                                                                                                                                                    |                                 |



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Sincerely yours,

D. Margaret Drury  
City Clerk

Name of Neighborhood Association: East Cambridge Planning Team – Chuck Hinds, President

hereby \_\_\_\_\_ approve \_\_\_\_\_ disapprove of said driveway petition.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of authorized association representative \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime telephone no. \_\_\_\_\_

cc: Petitioner



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Name of Neighborhood Association: East End House – Mike Delia, Executive Director

hereby \_\_\_\_\_ approve \_\_\_\_\_ disapprove of said driveway petition.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of authorized association representative \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime telephone no. \_\_\_\_\_

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cc: Petitioner

CITY HALL, 795 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139



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Name of Neighborhood Association: East Cambridge Planning Team - ~~Chuck Hinds~~, President

*Steve Bikovsky*

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Comments:

*Please note Change of officers*

Signature of authorized association representative.

*Barbara Broussard, Secretary ECPT*

Daytime telephone no. 617 761 8902

cc: Petitioner

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**Applications and Petitions #7**

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**In City Council April 24, 2000**

**ORDER ADOPTED**