



City of Cambridge

Agenda Item Number Eight

IN CITY COUNCIL

June 20, 1983

ORDERED:

That in accordance with the provisions of the General Ordinances of the City of Cambridge, Chapter Three, Section 3-2, the Commissioner of Public Works be and hereby is authorized to grant a permit to the First Parish in Cambridge for the purpose of conducting the Harvard Square Marketplace to be held Saturdays from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., until October 31, 1983, for the purpose of displaying and selling merchandise on the sidewalks abutting the Church at the corner of Church Street and Massachusetts Avenue, provided that no such permit shall be granted to exceed more than twenty-five percent of the width of the sidewalk from the property line of the premises in front of which said display shall be installed and provided further that before erecting the above named display, the petitioner shall file with the City Clerk a satisfactory bond in the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) conditioned to save harmless the City of Cambridge from all claims for damages arising from the construction, maintenance and use of said display.

In City Council June 20, 1983.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul E. Healy".

COUNCILLOR DUEHAY ABSTAINED FROM VOTING IN THIS MATTER.

Harvard Square Marketplace

June 18, 1983

To Whom It May Concern,

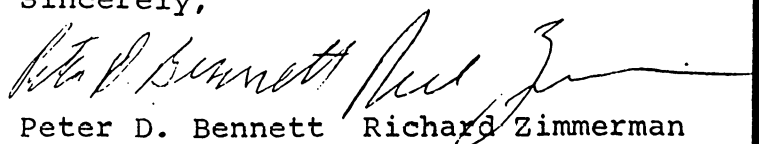
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During the last six weeks, the Marketplace has had numerous meetings with representatives from the Harvard Square Business Association, the Harvard Square Defense Fund, and the First Parish Church, with Councilor Duehay acting as mediator. The primary issues addressed in these meetings were as follows; congestion, appearance, parking, and types of goods sold. All of these questions were considered and resolved.

With regards to congestion, the number of vendors in the Market has been reduced, particularly on Church Street, in accordance with the attached layout. The appearance of individual booths at the Market is being regulated according to strict guidelines governing draping of tables and methods of display. In addition, the Market has had new signage approved recently by the Historical Commission. No participants in the Market are to be permitted to park at metered spaces in the Square in order to leave spaces for the general public. And finally, all goods sold are to be tasteful and chosen with an awareness and concern for business neighbors in the Square.

In closing, the Marketplace would like to extend its thanks to the following people who have given of their time to bring about the resolution of these issues; Mary Samp, Jean Farrington, Michael Melford, Charles Sage, J. D. Pollock, Sheldon Cohen, and of course Frank Duehay.

Sincerely,



Peter D. Bennett Richard Zimmerman

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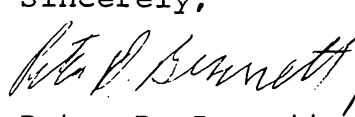
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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

ROBERT W. HEALY

City Manager

June 20, 1983

To the Honorable, the City Council:

With reference to petition of Peter D. Bennett, First Parish in Cambridge, dated April 23, 1983, for a permit to conduct the Harvard Square Marketplace at the corner of Church Street and Massachusetts Avenue, to be held Saturdays from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., until October 31, 1983, please be advised that I have met with the City departments concerned and with representatives of the area to discuss the various issues of concern.

Representatives of Marketplace have also met with various businessmen in the area and as a result of these meetings, have agreed to revise their procedures to comply with the requests and concerns of the neighbors. In addition, special attention has been given to the future temporary changes in bus and train routes planned by the MBTA as to their potential effect on pedestrian traffic in this area. The City will monitor these changes closely keeping public safety in mind relative to the Marketplace permit.

I enclose for your information a communication received from the Harvard Square Marketplace dated June 18, 1983, responding to the various concerns of their neighbors in Harvard Square.

As a result of all the meetings and discussions, I have no objection to the issuance of a permit to the Harvard Square Marketplace and recommend that the permit be granted.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/b

Re: petition of Peter D. Bennett, First
Parish in Cambridge requesting a permit to
conduct the Harvard Square Marketplace at
the corner of Church St. & Mass. Avenue on
Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. until
October 31, 1983.

In City Council,

June 20, 1983

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*C. Duchay requested
that he NOT BE
RECORDED ON THIS
MATTER*

*MV MOORE
A C. FARMAN ABSENT*