



City of Cambridge

AMENDED ORDER
CALENDAR ITEM #1

35.

IN CITY COUNCIL

~~March 6, 1995~~

March 20, 1995

COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
VICE MAYOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

WHEREAS: On March 2, 1995, the Cambridge Historical Commission was scheduled to consider a request from the owners of the Sheraton Commander Hotel, Walter and Ed Guleserian, that they be permitted demolish the buildings at 22,24,26 and 28 Garden Street for the purpose of using the cleared site for hotel parking; and

WHEREAS: The Sheraton Commander is a business with a long history of service to the Cambridge community; and

WHEREAS: When the Guleserians purchased the hotel many years ago, parking around the hotel was easier because there were fewer cars and many spaces which are currently restricted to metered parking and to resident parking were often available to use by hotel guests; and

WHEREAS: The house at 22 and 28 Garden Street have stood with dignity on their sites for more than 150 years and the house at 26 Garden Street for more than 100 years, long before anyone dreamt of automobiles; and

WHEREAS: The situation of these historic buildings at an important crossroads in Cambridge, Arsenal Square, along the old Concord Turnpike, is essential to the urban fabric of not only this specific neighborhood, but to the history of our entire city; and

WHEREAS: The loss of these buildings would be a great and irreversible loss to the City; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council acknowledge with appreciation the Guleserian's many years of service to the Cambridge community and communicate to them its desire that they work closely with the City Manager to arrive at a creative solution that would preserve the buildings while providing parking.

REFERRED TO THE CITY MANAGER.



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ORIGINAL ORDER
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ORDERED: That the City Council acknowledge with appreciation the Guleserian's many years of service to the Cambridge community and request them to explore every other option including underground parking at their hotel and other sites and that they withdraw their application to demolish the historic buildings at 22-28 Garden Street.



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CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

Born - Order # 4

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Duehay, Russell Twantofello

CM-116

Consent Order #35

Councillor Born re: Withdrawal
of application to demolish
the historic buildings at 22-28
Garden Street.

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Charter right exercised
by Councillor Sullivan
3/20/95 Order amended
referred to the City
manager.