

To the Honorable the City Council
of the City of Cambridge.

Respectfully represent the under-
signed that a large area in the
Fifth Ward in the vicinity of Porter's
Station, Southerly of the Fitchburg Rail
Road, and Westerly of North Avenue
is about to be opened for settlement.

This section contains some
of the most attractive locations for
dwelling houses in the City, combining
remarkable advantages of soil, good
neighborhood and rail-road accom-
modation.

A large number of lots
have already been contracted for, the
location of which awaits the estab-
lishment of the lined and graded streets.

And it is of great importance to
the City, and especially to the popu-
lation that will soon occupy these
lands, that the location of the streets

In answer of a resolution, Sept. 4, 1871 -
Resolved to the City Council on Bonds and Bridges.
Sept. 14, 1871. Approved - J. W. Cotton.
Attest - J. W. Cotton.
In Common Council
Sept. 17, 1871
Accession in favor of City Clerk.
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should not be left to the fancy of the individual proprietors ^{and to the} exigencies of different lots, entailing irreparable inconvenience upon the inhabitants and future expense to the City, but that a judicious system of avenues and streets should be laid out over this territory adequate to the prospective demands of the local residents and the public travel.

1. This great improvement can now be made with but little expense to the City, as most, if not all the proprietors will donate the land required.
2. It will secure the immediate erection of valuable buildings, and largely increase the taxable property of the City.
3. It will secure this beautiful Section to the occupation of men seeking permanent homesteads, whose business relations require the unequalled rail-road ^{facilities} here offered.
4. It will enable the proprietors so to dispose

of their lands, and lay out parks and
ornamental grounds, as to render
the neighborhood highly attractive, and
to increase the value of surrounding
estates.

As a first step in this measure
your memorialist pray that Crescent
Avenue be laid out ^{as a public highway} commencing
at Lambert Avenue, near Ninth Avenue
and in a line nearly parallel with
the Fitchburg Railroad, across Weldon
St. to the intersection of Brynmar St.
continued to Ninth Avenue. Crescent
Avenue will establish a direct con-
nection, with an easy grade between
important sections of the City, and
will immediately become one of
its principal thoroughfare.

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Petition of John S. Ladd re-
ceived & answered re.
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Sept. 4. 1871

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