



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
POLICE DEPARTMENT
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: James L. Sullivan, City Manager
FROM: Leo F. Davenport, Chief of Police
SUBJECT: City Council Order No. 11
DATE: June 3, 1980
REFERENCE: Response Time

In response to Council Order No. 11 of May 12, 1980, be assured that the Cambridge Police Department is concerned with response time in all areas of the city.

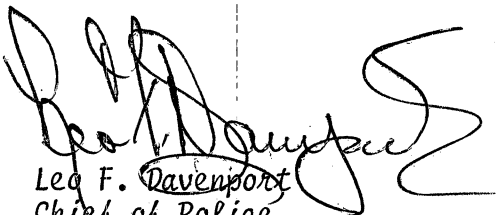
In order to properly evaluate the response times in the Jefferson Park area, a sampling of thirty days' call slips (April 12, 1980 to May 12, 1980) were studied to determine any delays in police response. During this thirty day period, the Cambridge Police Department received 5,482 calls for service. There were 59 calls for Jefferson Park which is 1.07% of the total calls.

A large percentage of these calls were disturbances involving youths making noise or drinking. These calls, with very few exceptions, were handled in a very short time. There are instances where there is a short delay, but this would only occur when a call for an emergency or a crime in progress would be handled first.

Calls to Jefferson Park where a report is taken (B & E, Assault, etc.) require more time because the initial report is so vital to the solution of any crime. Other situations that require more time are arrests and investigations of fires that are of suspicious origin.

During the period of April 12th to May 12th, the calls to Jefferson Park were handled without any unreasonable delays. This does not mean that the possibility of a delay does not exist. Delays in response are the exception rather than the rule.

In closing, be assured that the calls to Jefferson Park are now being monitored so that delays in response time may be avoided in the future.


Leo F. Davenport
Chief of Police

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CALLS FOR SERVICE - JEFFERSON PARK - APRIL 12 - MAY 12, 1980

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TYPE CALL</u>	<u>TIME RECEIVED</u>	<u>TIME CLEARED</u>	<u>ELAPSED TIME</u>
April 12	3 Jefferson Park	Loud muisc	11:20 PM	12 Midnight	31 minutes
14	32 Jefferson Park	Gang Disturbance	7:30 PM	7:46 PM	16 minutes
15	19 Jefferson Park	A & B	3:30 AM	3:36 AM	6 minutes (unfounded)
16	27 Jefferson Park	Youths drinking	7:44 PM	8:02 PM	18 minutes
	33 Jeferson Park	Car fire	9:37 PM	10:06 PM	29 minutes
	33 Jefferson Park	Meet Fire Dept. Insp.	10:11 PM	11:27 PM	76 minutes
18	33 Jefferson Park	Car Fire	4:47 AM	5:09 AM	22 minutes
	18 Jefferson Park	Youths smoking	6:33 PM	6:45 PM	12 minutes
	12 Jefferson Park	Youth Disturbance	11:03 PM	11:15 PM	12 minutes
	4 Jefferson Park	Youth in hallway	10:03 PM	10:12 PM	9 minutes
	4 Jefferson Park	Youth Disturbance	10:25 PM	10:36 PM	11 minutes
19	33 Jefferson Park	Girl screaming	2:19 AM	2:25 AM	6 minutes
	22 Jefferson Park	Loud party	2:34 AM	2:49 AM	15 minutes
	30 Jefferson Park	Child assault	12:58 PM	1:21 PM	23 minutes
	Jefferson Park Lot	Kids playing ball	8:20 PM	8:38 PM	18 minutes
	Jefferson Park Ctyd	Disturbance	9:41 PM	9:54 PM	13 minutes
20	Jefferson Park Lot	Youths disturbance	1:11 AM	1:30 AM	19 minutes
	30 JeffersonPark	Fight	2:14 PM	2:21 PM	7 minutes
	32 Jefferson Park	111B	9:24 PM	9:27 PM	3 minutes
	17 Jefferson Park	Gang disturbance	11:48 PM	11:52 PM	4 minutes
23	31 JeffersonPark R	Check M/V	11:56 AM	12:13 PM	17 minutes
	17 Jefferson Park	Disturbance	6:01 PM	6:09 PM	8 minutes
	Jefferson Park	Fight	11:45 PM	11:50 PM	5 minutes
24	9 Jefferson Park	Warrant Service	10:19 AM	10:31 AM	11 minutes

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April 24	31 Jefferson Park	Youths fighting	12:41 PM	12:48 PM	7 minutes
	33 Jefferson Park	Dog bite	1:46 PM	2:11 PM	25 minutes
	4 Jefferson Park	Sick woman	2:15 PM	2:31 PM	16 minutes
	19 Jefferson Park	Kids w/fireworks	2:50 PM	3:11 PM	21 minutes
	34 Jefferson Park	Dog harrassing	4:14 PM	4:40 PM	26 minutes
25	17 Jefferson Park	Noisy kids	1:38 AM	1:43 AM	5 minutes
	41 Jefferson Park	B & E	2:49 PM	3:06 PM	17 minutes
	40 Jefferson Park	B & E Report	6:13 PM	6:46 PM	33 minutes
	17 Jefferson Park	Gang disturbance	9:53 PM	10:08 PM	15 minutes
27	Jefferson Park	Car in courtyard	10:27 PM	10:34 PM	7 minutes
28	23 Jefferson Park	Family disturbance	5:08 PM	5:17 PM	9 minutes
	32 Jefferson Park	Kids on roof drinking	7:40 PM	7:48 PM	8 minutes
30	19 Jefferson Park	Kids in hallway smoking pot	10:15 PM	10:23 PM	8 minutes
May 1	18 Jefferson Park	Fight	9:20 PM	10:00 PM	40 minutes
	38 Jefferson Park	Assault	9:20 PM	10:00 PM	40 minutes
	11 Jefferson Park	Gang drinking/disturbance	10:42 PM	10:50 PM	8 minutes
2	32 Jefferson Park	minors drinking in hallway	8:13 PM	8:26 PM	13 minutes
4	1 Jefferson Park	Loud Party	2:07 AM	2:24 AM	17 minutes
	21 Jefferson Park	Lockout	7:29 AM	7:48 AM	19 minutes
5	Jefferson Park Lot	M/V fire	4:15 AM	5:45 AM	90 minutes
	Jefferson Park Clinic	Injured baby	1:39 PM	1:52 PM	13 minutes
6	30 Jefferson Park	111B	12:14 AM	12:19 AM	5 minutes
	7 Jefferson Park	Child abuse	11:16 PM	11:20 PM	4 minutes
	33 Jefferson Park	Lockout	4:57 PM	5:29 PM	32 minutes

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May 7	11 Jefferson Park	Woman with knife	9:01 PM	9:44 PM	43 minutes
	9 Jefferson Park	Drinking in doorway	10:21 PM	10:58 PM	37 minutes
	Jefferson Park Office	Gang	10:41 PM	10:58 PM	17 minutes
9	Jefferson Park Ctyd	Disturbance	12:27 AM	12:35 AM	8 minutes
	Jefferson Park	Disturbance 111B	9:12 PM	9:20 PM	8 minutes
10	2 Jefferson Park	Loud party	12:24 AM	12:36 AM	12 minutes
11	24 Jefferson Park	Check man in car	2:20 AM	2:28 AM	8 minutes
	12 Jefferson Park	Loud noise	3:36 AM	4:10 AM	34 minutes
	17 Jefferson Park	Unwanted guest	8:01 PM	8:12 PM	11 minutes
	17 Jefferson Park	Disturbance	9:27 PM	9:36 PM	9 minutes
12	19 Jefferson Park	Disturbed woman	4:48 PM	5:13 PM	25 minutes



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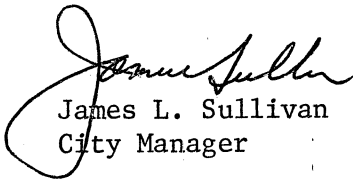
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JAMES L. SULLIVAN
City Manager

June 9, 1980

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 14 relative to response time by police officers to calls in Jefferson Park, enclosed please find copy of a report from Chief Leo G. Davenport.

Very truly yours,


James L. Sullivan
City Manager

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Enc.

Agenda #3

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Response to Awaiting Report No. 14 re:
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In City Council,

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