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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE • EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

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October 2, 2002

To the Honorable, the City Council:

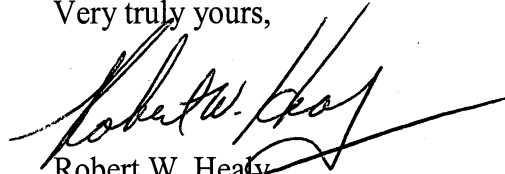
Please find attached the minutes of the public meeting held on September 18, 2002 at 6:00 PM in the Sullivan Chamber of Cambridge City Hall. The public meeting was held in response to Council Order #13, dated 7/9/02, for the purpose of discussing the future use of the 238 Broadway site. In addition to the attached minutes, you should also find copies of written testimony submitted both during and after the public meeting.

While the comments of interested residents covered a wide range of issues related to the 238 Broadway site, they were primarily focused on the neighborhood's needs for affordable housing and public open space. Between these two needs, residents were evenly split, with 11 in favor of housing and 11 in favor of open space. Including a petition signed by eight people would bring the total in favor of housing to 19.

It is my recommendation that the City continue to adhere to the commitment made by the Council in November 1999 to utilize the property at 238 Broadway for a new neighborhood park. At this time, the site design for the park has been completed and preparation of construction documents has begun.

If you would like additional information related to the community process that guided the park design, please contact Julia Bowdoin at ext. 4302.

Very truly yours,


Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Attachment

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Consent Agenda #12

Minutes of the public meeting
held on September 18, 2002
for the purpose of discussing
the future use of the 238
Broadway site.

In City Council October 7, 2002

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