

RECEIVED BY
OFFICE OF CITY CLERK
MAY 1 10 45 AM '85
CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

55A Market St. #2
Cambridge, MA 02139
April 29, 1985

Paul E. Healy
City Clerk
City of Cambridge
City Hall
Cambridge, MA 02139

Re: Market Street

Dear Mr Healy,

I have received and read Mr. George Teso's response to my letter of 10 March. It seems to me that Mr. Teso has misunderstood my request. Market Street is broken up into three major sections: The first section, from Broadway to Windsor, has been one-way for as long as I can remember. The middle section, from Windsor to Columbia, is the section which carries the most through traffic, and had been used by many drivers to avoid the lights and traffic on Broadway and Hampshire. The third section runs between Columbia and Elm. It is this section alone that I feel should remain two-way.

I most heartily endorse the change of the middle section of Market St. to one-way. This section of the street very often was used as an alternate to Broadway and Hampshire streets, and drivers often drove pretty fast down that long stretch of street. **But none of the reasons for making the middle section of Market St. one-way hold for the end:**

- It is a very short street, and it is necessary to stop at both ends, so cars can't and don't go very fast.
- At Elm St. it is only possible to go right, so the end of Market St. cannot be used to avoid traffic on Broadway.
- The end of Market St. is not used for through traffic. Since it ends at a one-way street, it is used almost exclusively by residents of the 10 houses at the end of Market St, and the dozen houses on the lower end of Elm St. This factor is augmented by the fact that the rest of Market St. is one-way.

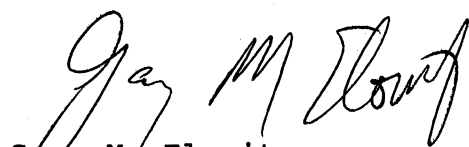
If the end of Market St. is left one-way, the only access to it will be via Elm St, causing a considerable inconvenience to residents of the small area in question, and really gaining nothing in terms of safety.

Mr. Teso mentions a survey taken which indicated three to one approval of making Market St. one-way. There are approximately three times as many residents on the middle section of Market

St. as there are on the end section. These people were "voting" for removing through traffic on their section of the street. I support that. But if the survey included the possibility of leaving the last block of Market St. two-way, I am sure that this would be the most acceptable option.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
55A Market St.
Condominium Trust

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Gary M. Elovit". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Gary" being the most prominent.

Gary M. Elovit
Secretary

cc: Mr. George Teso

2.

W-30

Comm. from Gary M. Elovitz, Secretary, 55A
Market St. Condominium Trust Re: the Traffic
Dept.'s response to his letter regarding
Market St. & stating that the section of
Market St. running between Columbia & Elm
St.'s should remain two-way.

copy sent to the City Mgr.
6/8/85 mh

In City Council,

May 6, 1985

5/6/1985
Referred to the
City Manager for
Review & Report -