



# City of Cambridge

39.

## IN CITY COUNCIL

December 12, 1994

COUNCILLOR MYERS  
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

*D. Margaret Drury*

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Consent Order #39

Councillor Myers re: Aftermath of Question  
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*Order adopted*