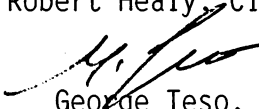




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INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To Robert Healy, City Manager

Date Oct 23, 1990

From 
George Teso, Traffic Director

Reference

Subject City Council Order #17 of 9/10/90, Re: Resident Parking in East Cambridge
Before and After Opening of the Galleria

The Traffic Department in anticipation of the opening of the Galleria Mall in East Cambridge started a study of the number of parking tickets issued in the East Cambridge Area from Fulkerson Street to First Street. Due to the fact that when the Galleria opened and we assigned another officer to this area, the study was done by comparing the number of tickets issued per officer before and after the opening.

Prior to the opening, one parking control officer issued 727 parking tickets in one week with 96 (13%) of these resident parking violations. The first week after the opening of the Galleria with two officers working they issued 1,022 parking tickets or 511 tickets per officer and of these 1,022 tickets issued 195 (19%) were resident parking violations.

The last week of the seven week period studied indicated that 708 parking tickets were issued by two officers, 354 per officer and 86 (12%) were resident parking violations.

We have noticed a steady decline in the number of tickets issued in East Cambridge and this data along with our visual observations and talking to the residents in the area indicate that there has been no parking impact in this area and we can attribute this to our vigorous enforcement program in the area.

We will continue to tag this area and do everything possible to keep shoppers from parking on our residential streets.

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To Robert Healy, City Manager

Date Sept. 12, 1990

From *M. Teso*
George Teso, Traffic Director

Reference

Subject City Council Order #60 of 9/10/90 Re: Parking in East Cambridge

The Traffic and Parking Department has initiated an extensive enforcement of the Resident Parking Program in East Cambridge due to the opening of the CambridgeSide Galleria Mall. We have assigned extra personnel to this area and will monitor the results of our endeavor as well as determining the effect the mall will have on parking in the area. We will do whatever is necessary to stop this from happening.

In order to change the Resident Parking Law to include Sundays, the City Council would have to approve this change. Some of the problems that would arise with this law is that it would have to be citywide and it would conflict with church services. We would need additional personnel to enforce this law, signs would have to be changed at a tremendous cost to the City and Sunday is the day that many family relatives and friends visit each other.

As for implementng a neighborhood parking program such as Boston has, the City of Cambridge initially started the Resident Parking Program as a neighborhood type in 1972. At that time, a resident of Mt. Auburn Street challenged the program in court and the Judge ruled that it was discriminatory to prohibit a resident of one neighborhood of Cambridge to park in another area. As a result of this ruling we changed the law to include all residents of the City.

As far as Boston is concerned there law is different than ours, as they do allow two hour parking for non-residents and their neighborhoods are legally designated as such, where ours are a result of community planning. I will, however, pursue this with the legal department and the court to determine if it is legally possible.

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October 29, 1990

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report #51 of September 17, 1990 regarding resident parking in East Cambridge before and after the opening of the Galleria Mall, attached is a report from Traffic Director George Teso.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Agenda # 4

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Awaiting Report Item Number 51 regarding
resident parking in East Cambridge before
and after the opening of the Galleria Mall.

In City Council,

~~October 29, 1990~~

November 5, 1990

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