

Ordinance # 12

## City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council

June 21,

1976

*Chapter # 12 Ordinance*  
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|                | YEA | NAY | ABSENT | PRESENT |
|----------------|-----|-----|--------|---------|
| Mrs. Ackermann |     | ✓   |        |         |
| Mr. Clem       |     |     |        | ✓       |
| Mr. Clinton    | ✓   |     |        |         |
| Mr. Danehy     | ✓   |     |        |         |
| Mr. Duehay     |     | ✓   |        |         |
| Mrs. Graham    |     |     | ✓      |         |
| Mr. Russell    |     |     |        | ✓       |
| Mr. Sullivan   | ✓   |     |        |         |
| Mayor Vellucci |     |     |        | ✓       |

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# City of Cambridge

Councillor Clinton  
Councillor Sullivan

4.  
IN CITY COUNCIL  
June 14, 1976

**WHEREAS:**

The City of Cambridge was deeply hurt by the decision to locate the Kennedy Library in Boston against the wishes of a majority of the Cambridge City Council, the vast majority of the citizens of Cambridge and most importantly, against the wishes of our late beloved President, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, and

**WHEREAS:**

Neither Harvard University nor the Harvard Square Task Force sought to respect this mandate, in spite of the fact that the Kennedy Library would have brought pride to our city and given vitality to our economic situation, and

**WHEREAS:**

Now, through House Bill No. 4993 which is before the Great and General Court, the city is in danger of being aggrieved again by these special interest groups, and

**WHEREAS:**

This bill, among other things, creates a so-called Memorial Park to President Kennedy that in fact will be used almost exclusively by Harvard's School of Government and Harvard students; will provide little if any recreational support for the children and people of Cambridge; will result in at least 2 million dollars of the proceeds of land sales within the City of Cambridge going to the Kennedy Library in Boston; will result in additional money from the sale of land within the City of Cambridge going to the development of this 5 acre park which will be nothing less than a park for Harvard University; will provide only token relief to Cambridge's economic situation by making only 4.2 acres available for economic development, and

**WHEREAS:**

This Bill gives Cambridge's elected officials no input into the disposition of this land because of the structural set-up of the Cambridge MBTA Yards Project Review Board, therefore be it

**RESOLVED:**

That this City Council go on record in opposition to House Bill No. 4993 and requests the General Court to cease all activities which might lead to its passage until the Cambridge City Council petitions the General Court with a plan of its own that meets the various needs at issue in a more equitable way.

6/21/76 Order #4 Loc #12  
C. Clinton and C. Sullivan resolution on  
House Bill No. 4993. S-340

6/14/76

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Right  
BY

L. Hennemann.

In City Council,  
June 14, 1976

6/21/76 Order  
Failed or Adoption  
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L. Daneky  
moved  
Reconsideration