



Cambridge Redevelopment Authority

336 Main Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142
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June 27, 1988

Mr. Robert W. Healy
City Manager
City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Re: Follow-Up Report on Stride Rite Child Care Facility
Kendall Square Urban Renewal Area

Dear Mr. Healy:

This is a further report in response to your earlier request for information of a City Council order introduced by Councillor David Sullivan and adopted by the City Council on October 19, 1987. A copy of the initial report, dated November 30, 1987 is enclosed.

On June 2, 1988 a meeting was held among Arnold Hiatt, Chairman and CEO of the Stride Rite Corporation, David Barrett, Senior Vice President of Boston Properties, Joseph F. Tulimieri, Executive Director of the Authority and representatives of The Stride Rite Children's Center. The purpose of the meeting was to resolve the issue of a permanent location for The Stride Rite Children's Center presently being operated at Four Cambridge Center.

At that meeting, Stride Rite and Boston Properties agreed on locating the permanent facility for The Stride Rite Children's Center in the multi-use development planned for Parcel 3 of the redevelopment area. Master planning efforts will begin this summer and will specifically include a facility for Stride Rite.

The Authority will be working with Boston Properties and with Stride Rite and is committed to provide whatever assistance required to ensure the incorporation of a facility in the Parcel 3 building program.

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If you have any questions regarding the above, please call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joseph F. Tulimieri".

Joseph F. Tulimieri
Executive Director

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Arnold Hiatt(e)
Mr. David Barrett(e)

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Mr. Robert W. Healy
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Re: Stride-Rite Child Care Program

Dear Mr. Healy:

This is in response to your request for information as a follow-up to the City Council Order introduced by Councillor David Sullivan and adopted by the City Council on October 19, 1987.

The Stride Rite Corporation moved into Five Cambridge Center in the fall of 1981. As part of the negotiations between Stride Rite and Boston Properties, the developer had committed to construct a permanent child care center in the Kendall Square area. At no time did the Authority commit to making any land available for day care use. The developer through Moshe Safdie and Associates proceeded with a design of a temporary facility proposed to be located on Parcel 3. Due to the cost implications of the proposed facility, it was determined by Boston Properties and the Stride Rite Corporation to abandon a temporary solution and to focus on the development of a permanent facility.

In August, 1982, the Authority was requested by Boston Properties to explore the possible location of a child care center on land under its control but outside the land under agreement with Boston Properties. This was on the westerly boundary of the renewal area, along the railroad right-of-way at Binney Street and the Western Connector (see Site #1 on the attached plan). This site had been planned to accommodate a fire services facility.

An architect was asked to study possible joint use of the site (i.e., fire station/child care facility). A copy of joint-use plan is enclosed. The feasibility of this arrangement, although possible from a design perspective, has proved to be difficult from an operating perspective, with the fire services interposing an objection to joint use.

In late 1982, Boston Properties made available space, on a temporary basis, in Four Cambridge Center (and the Authority in mid-1983 would make available required out-door play space on Broadway).

In January, 1983, the developer suggested another location along the railroad right-of-way. This is a 17,000 square foot site at Main Street and the Western Connector (see Site #2 on attached plan). After considerable study and discussion, this site was rejected, as a permanent location, for environmental and design reasons, while Boston Properties again was urged to explore other site possibilities.

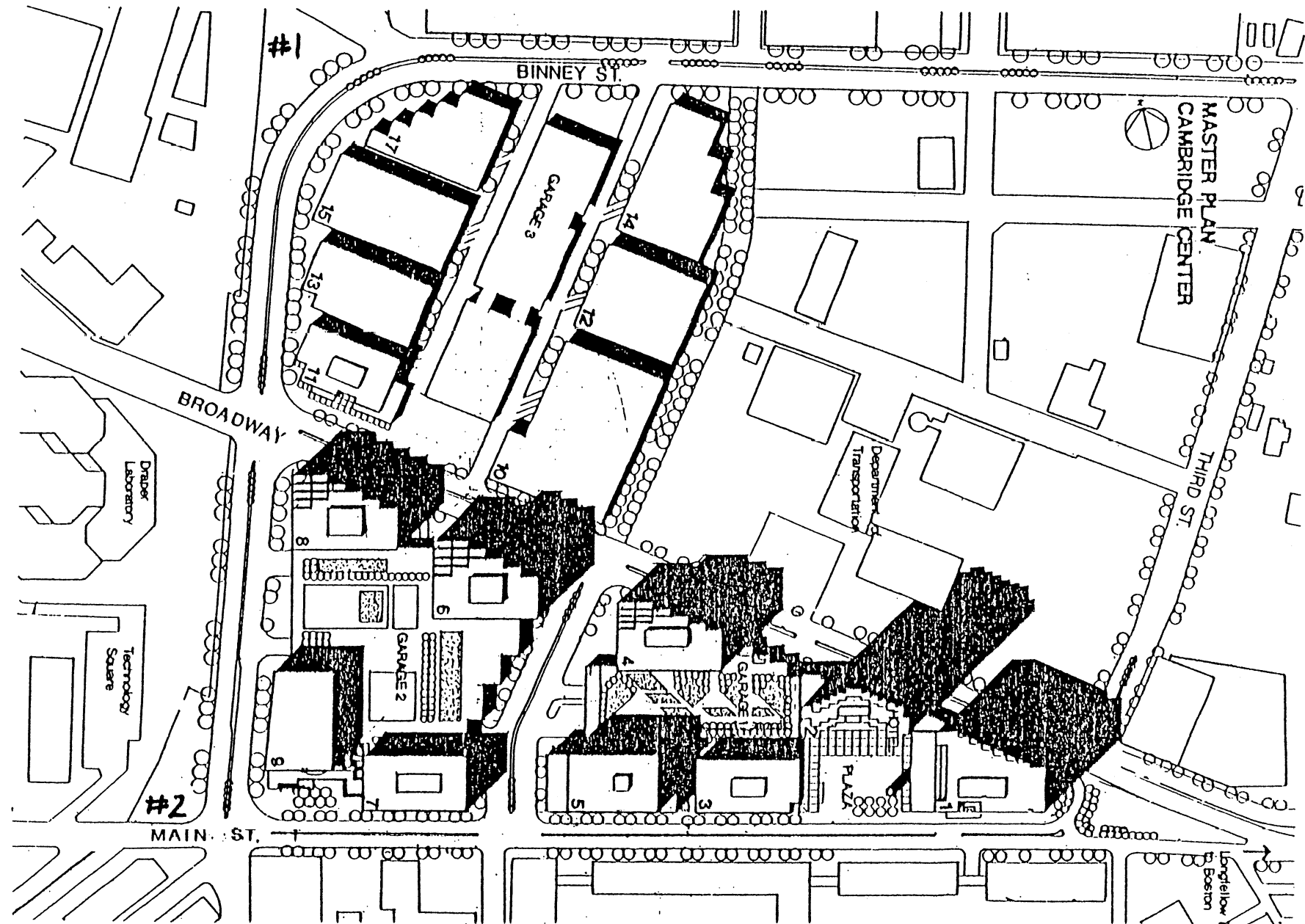
The Authority is, as it has been, prepared to cooperate with the City and developer regarding the so-called fire station site, or with the developer to incorporate a facility in its own Cambridge Center building program, and, of course, with Stride Rite representatives in whatever way we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Joseph F. Tulumieri
Executive Director

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cc: Mr. David Barrett





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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

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July 25, 1988

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report No. 1 regarding the location of the Stride Rite Child Care Center, I submit the attached reports from the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert W. Healy", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Agenda Item No. 2 *S-491*

Re: response to Awaiting Report Item No. 1
on the location of the Stride Rite Child
Care Center.

In City Council,

July 25, 1988

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