



City of Cambridge

In City Council

August 16, 1932

ORDERED:

THAT the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to execute a lease of quarters now occupied by the East Cambridge Branch of the Public Library with Rev. T. Belli of the Church of St. Francis of Assisi for the term of one year at a monthly rental of \$35.00; and it is further

ORDERED:

THAT the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to execute a lease of premises No. 305 Cambridge Street between Maria Lepere and the City of Cambridge for the term of one year at a monthly rental of \$35.00; ^{for use as a Branch Library} and it is further

ORDERED:

THAT the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Cambridge and Rev. T. Belli with reference to the foregoing transfer.

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In City Council

Adopted by the affirmative vote

of 11 members.

Frederick H. Barker City Clerk.

Cambridge Public Library
Cambridge, Mass.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Librarian

July 21, 1932

Hon. Richard M. Russell
City Hall
Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

At a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cambridge Public Library, Tuesday, July 19, 1932 it was voted to amend the records of May 20, 1932 pertaining to negotiations between the City of Cambridge and Father Belli, Pastor of the Church of St. Francis of Assisi to authorize His Honor, the Mayor to determine the term of the lease to be negotiated.

Respectfully yours,


Secretary Board of Trustees.

Cambridge Public Library

Cambridge, Mass.

THOMAS J. SULLIVAN
Librarian

July 15, 1932

Mr. Thomas F. Sullivan
City Hall
Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Tom,

In connection with our telephone conversation this morning I submit the following information from our records.

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING? MAY 20, 1932

"Mr. O'Malley made the statement that the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement for a lease and a lease with the owner of the premises situated at 305 Cambridge Street and with Father Belli, pastor of St. Francis Assisi Church as guarantor of said lease to take over the said premises for a term of three years with the privilege and option of extending the same for a further term of five years per a monthly rental and subject to the following conditions which are conditions precedent to wit: Provide shelving from such material as is now in present library and furnish other material as may be necessary, pay all cost and supervise moving of present library.

It was moved and seconded that the Chairman and the Committee having been heretofore appointed in charge of this matter have full power to execute lease and make all arrangements to move library along the plans outlined. It was so ordered."

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING, MAY 31, 1932

"The Trustees of the Public Library at a special meeting assembled approve the action of its sub-committee delegated to investigate and report upon the advisability of a reciprocal arrangement between the Church of St. Francis of Assisi and the City of Cambridge and respectfully refer the matter to His Honor, the Mayor to complete the contractual obligations."

Sincerely yours,

Thomas J. Sullivan,
Librarian.

TJS/McL

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At a special meeting called for the purpose the librarian reported on progress made in prospective new library quarter in East Cambridge. As a conclusion it was voted that His Honor, the Mayor, be requested to withhold signing of lease till further notice and the librarian was instructed to send a letter to the Mayor on conditions.

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August 11, 1932

Hon. Richard M. Russell,
City Hall,
Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

In explanation of the enclosed vote of the Board of Trustees of the Cambridge Public Library at a special meeting August 9, 1932 at 7:30 I submit the following points which were to be observed.

- 1) Room was to be thoroughly renovated.
- 2) The retiring room and toilet facilities provided.
- 3) Steam heat to be installed.
- 4) Hall way and stairs to be renovated.
- 5) Proper lighting facilities to be installed.
- 6) Floor cleaned.
- 7) Nothing would be done to disturb the quiet enjoyment of the library.
- 8) Father Belli to pay for the moving of the library and installation of shelving.

On all points of renovation the owner was to consult with the librarian that the library might be satisfied with the conditions. The room has been painted in a color that is entirely displeasing to library purposes. The retiring room has been provided without any attempt at improving the toilet facilities. Steam heat has not been installed, hall way and stairs have not been renovated, proper lighting facilities have not been provided, floor has been cleaned. Owner has secured a license for a pool room in the basement, the patrons of which will use the same entrance of the library. Thus the Board of Trustees thought it best to withhold any action in this matter till the owner of the property had attempted to live up to his agreement. This property is located at 305 Cambridge Street.

Respectfully yours,

Thomas J. Sullivan (signed)

Librarian

TJS/McL

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

August 15, 1932

To the Honorable, the City Council

I transmit herewith proposed lease of quarters now occupied by the East Cambridge branch of the Public Library to Father Belli of the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, a proposed lease of Maria Lepere of premises No. 305 Cambridge Street to the City for use as a branch library, a proposed agreement with Father Belli with reference to this transfer, votes of the Library Trustees with reference to the same, also letter to me under date of August 11, 1932 from the Librarian, for your consideration and action; also order providing for authority as aforesaid, ~~and appropriate order to be issued of premises No. 305 Cambridge Street, in order to be issued to the City, in the event that it is determined that the premises are not suitable for use as a branch library.~~
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Yours respectfully,

Richard W. Russell

Mayor

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from the Mayor, transmitting
~~one from~~ order relative to lease

of East Cambridge Branch of Public Library
to Rev. T. Balfi of Church of St.
Francis of Assisi 1200 Mass. Ave. of Maria
Square of Cambridge No. 385 Cambridge St
for Library Purposes

August 15, 1932

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