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April 21, 1993

To The Honorable Members of the Cambridge City Council:

On behalf of the Cambridge Chamber of Commerce I am writing to express our continued interest in participating in the dialogue surrounding the Growth Policy Initiative: Toward a Sustainable Future.

The Chamber appreciates the efforts of the Planning Board and the Community Development Department during the Growth Policy Workshops and hearing process. These workshops provided a positive and open atmosphere for many Chamber members to interact with residents and to discuss various public policy issues. These meetings served as a catalyst for constructive dialogue which resulted in the realization that business and residential interests are often similar.

While the Chamber cannot support in its entirety the current draft of the Growth Policy Initiative, we view the document as a useful vehicle to address many land use and development issues in the future. The document has continued to improve in the many drafts made available since the original release of the Community Development Department's News Reel in the Fall of 1992.

We understand that an underlying principle of sustainability is the interconnectedness of both public policy and public interests. A healthy and viable economic environment is beneficial both to the business community and the residential community by contributing to job growth and a healthy and vibrant tax base. The Chamber stands ready to continue its participation in the development of the growth policy initiative and the sustainability concept.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Ginsberg  
Director of Public Affairs

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Comm. from Jonathan Ginsberg, Director  
of Public Affairs, Cambridge Chamber  
of Commerce, expressing the chambers  
continued interest in the dialogue  
surrounding the Growth Policy Initiative.

In City Council,

April 26, 1993

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