



# City of Cambridge

Agenda # 19  
**IN CITY COUNCIL**  
 March 14, 1977

## PROPOSED MORATORIUM ON NEW CONSTRUCTION AT ALEWIFE

WHEREAS; the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority is planning an extension of the Red Line through the City of Cambridge from Harvard Square to Alewife and beyond, and

WHEREAS, In the event that the Red Line extension is completed increased pressure for development is likely to result in Alewife and the North Cambridge neighborhood with potential impacts to residents and the city as a whole, and

WHEREAS, the City of Cambridge, in anticipation of increased development as a result of Red Line construction, is currently engaged in a comprehensive planning process for the Alewife area and North Cambridge, the Alewife Urban Design Study, aimed at evolving zoning recommendations compatible with neighborhood and business goals and with providing an expanded tax base for the City, and

WHEREAS; the Alewife Urban Design Study is not yet completed, and current zoning for the Alewife area allows land uses and densities which may conflict with those likely to be recommended by the Alewife Urban Design Study,

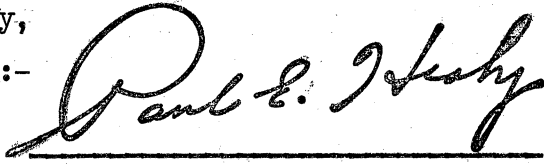
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a one-year moratorium on new development in the Alewife area that area bounded by Rindge Avenue, Clifton Street, Harvey Street and Cedar Street is hereby declared. During this period no building permits for such purposes shall be issued by the City of Cambridge except permits for the renovation of an existing facility or permits for an addition to an existing facility not to exceed 75,000 square feet. The Alewife area is hereby defined as the shaded portion shown in Figure # 1.

In City Council March 14, 1977.  
 Adopted as amended by a yeas and nays vote:-  
 Yeas 7; Nays 0; Absent 2.  
 Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

# City of Cambridge

A true copy,

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul E. Healy", written over a solid horizontal line.

Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

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Petition pursuant to the request of the  
City Council relative to a zone change pro-  
posal for the Alewife area.

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In City Council,  
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To the Honorable, the City Council of the  
City of Cambridge.

The undersigned respectfully pray

that the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge be amended as follows:

By striking out the designations Industry B, Industry A, Business B, Business A and Residence C-1 and substituting in place thereof zoning designations to be developed during the City Council's moratorium period insofar as they relate to the following described areas of land:

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #187. Odd number 7 Kimball Street, even number 4 Kassul Park, even numbers 10 and 12 Kassul Park, odd numbers 9 and 11 Kassul Park, even numbers 88 through 152 Whittemore Avenue, odd numbers 91 through 131 Whittemore Avenue and numbers 21 through 30 Seagrave Road and which include all or parts of lots numbered 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 59, 51, 61, 62, 47, 50, 18, 19, 20, 64, 65, 23, 56, 57, 58, 27, as designated on Assessors' Plat #187.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #188. Even number 14 Kimball Street, even numbers 54 through 60 Madison Avenue, odd numbers 53 through 59 Madison Avenue, odd numbers 61 through 67 Magoun Street, odd numbers 19 through 85 Whittemore Avenue and which includes all or parts of lots numbered 121, 25, 28, 53, 52, 51, 135, 136, 104, 105, 103, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 120, 6, 131, 116, 117, 118, 119, 11, 12, 137, 132 as designated on Assessors' Plat #188.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #189. Even numbers 62 through 68 Magoun Street, even numbers 42 through 48 Brookford Street, odd numbers 43 through 47 Brookford Street, even number 26 Cottage Park Avenue, odd numbers 25 through 33 Cottage Park Avenue, odd numbers 9 through 33 Edmunds Street, even numbers 12 through 26 Edmunds Street, even numbers 2440 through 2464 Massachusetts Avenue and Even number 2480 Massachusetts Avenue and which includes all or parts of lots numbered 19, 18, 97, 16, 91, 41, 42, 84, 82, 81, 80, 79, 78, 73, 76, 77, 57, 92, 95, 87 as designated on Assessors' Plat #189.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #190, odd numbers 73 through 135 Clifton Street, odd numbers 91 through 141 Jackson Street, even numbers 84 through 134 Jackson Street, odd numbers 61 through 181 Harvey Street, even numbers 66 through 196 Harvey Street, even numbers 90 through 136 Clay Street,

**PETITION**

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**for** \_\_\_\_\_

**No.** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Referred to the Committee on**

**Attest:**

**City Clerk.**

odd numbers 85 through 127 Clay Street, even numbers 2 through 8 Theriault Court, odd numbers 1 through 5 Theriault Court, odd numbers 81 through 181 Dudley Street, odd numbers 1 and 3 George Street, even numbers 2 through 20 George Street, even numbers 84 through 126 Montgomery Street, odd numbers 91 through 125 Montgomery Street, odd numbers 5 through 9 Westley Avenue, even numbers 90 through 134 Reed Street, even numbers 2 through 8 Reed Terrace, odd numbers 5 through 7 Reed Terrace, numbers 1 through 4 Belmont Court, and which includes all or parts of lots numbered 227, 240, 147, 148, 149, 209, 234, 235, 231, 230, 189, 187, 238, 237, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 25, 226, 232, 230, 30, 242, 210, 211, 50, 33, 55, 37, 36, 34, 35, 530, 53A, 530, 236, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 235, 43, 51, 44, 50, 45, 49, 46, 48, 47, 228, 229, 58, 59, 60, 78, 61, 77, 62, 76, 63, 75, 64, 74, 202, 201, 203, 72, 81, 71, 82, 175, 205, 204, 185, 184, 171, 162, 206, 207, 164, 82, 83, 165, 214, 215, 219, 220, 167, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 167, 86, 87, 88, 218, 178, 95, 192, 97, 212, 213, 179, 154, 107, 155, 106A, 106, 105, 104, 103, 102, 109, 110, 223, 112, 289, 233, 234, 113, 133, 115, 132, 116, 226, 227, 117, 118, 130, 241, 240, 200, 199, 198, 197, 196, 195, 221, 222, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 127, 126, 194, 193, 140, 139, 156, 157, as designated on Assessors' Plat #190.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #191 even numbers 6 through 10 Westley Avenue, odd numbers 35 through 57 Harvey Street, odd numbers 9 through 29 Cedar Street, odd numbers 95 through 133 Reed Street, even numbers 6 through 24 Harrington Road, odd numbers 5 through 25 Harrington Road, odd numbers 47 through 75 Dudley Street and which include all or parts of lots numbered 1, 10, 9, 8, 7, 111, 110, 11, 87, 88, 89, 36, 15, 35, 16, 34, 17, 33, 18, 32, 19, 31, 20, 30, 29, 21, 28, 22, 27, 23, 24, 26, 84, 74, 75, 76, 77, 80, 81, 82, 83, 51, 50, 53, 54, 49, 55, 48, 56, 47, 57, 46, 58, 45, 59, 44, 60, 43, 61, 42, 62, 41, 37, 38, 39, 40 as designated on Assessors' Plat #191.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #192. Odd numbers 31 through 63 Cedar Street, odd numbers 103 through 185 Rindge Avenue, odd numbers 7 through 81 Reed Street, even numbers 52 through 76 Dudley Street, all numbers McLean Place and which include all or parts of lots numbered 145, 146, 147, 123, 152, 125, 31, 30, 29, 5, 6, 7, 28, 27, 8, 26, 9, 25, 10, 148, 149, 11, 150, 12, 23, 13, 22, 14, 21, 15, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 16 as designated on Assessors' Plat #192.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #193. Even numbers 10 through 70 Reed Street, odd numbers 5 through 65 Clay Street, even numbers 16 through 74 Clay Street, even numbers 4 through 72 Montgomery Street, odd numbers 7 through 77 Montgomery Street, odd numbers 9 through 61 Jackson Street, even numbers 10 through 70 Jackson Street, even numbers 82 through 182 Dudley Street, odd numbers 9 through 63 Clifton Street and all numbers Dudley Court, all numbers Olive Place, all numbers Frances Place, all numbers Reed Street Court, and which includes all or parts of lots numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 203, 204, 17, 208, 209, 166, 165, 20, 181, 183, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 188, 189, 190, 194, 195, 196, 67, 191, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 59, 58, 57, 56, 55, 54, 53, 52, 184, 185, 192, 193, 48, 49, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 42, 41, 180, 205, 206, 207, 36, 69, 70, 71, 72, 74, 167, 168, 163, 162, 73, 112, 111, 76, 110, 109, 105, 107, 106, 105, 200, 199, 103, 102, 101, 100, 99, 98, 77, 78, 159, 156, 157, 158, 83, 84, 85, 88, 87, 86, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 97, 170, 169, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 150, 149, 175, 176, 120, 148, 199, 200, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 174, 173, 172, 171, 186, 187, 135, 136, 201, 202, 138, 139, 140, 141, 161, 160, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150 as designated on Assessors' Plat #193.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #265D. Even numbers 30 and 74 Rindge Avenue Extension, odd number 35 Rindge Avenue Extension, and which includes all or parts of lots numbered 19, 38, 44, 43, 45, 46, 33 and 37 as designated on Assessors' Plat #265D.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #267 one of four. Odd numbers 199 through 243 Concord Turnpike, all numbers Acorn Park and which includes all or parts of lots numbered 157, 268, 269, 270, 180, 181, 182, 190, 200, 201, 206, 207, 233, 239, 232, 240, 231, 267 as designated on Assessors' Plat #267 one of four.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #267 two of four. Numbers 15 and 26 Acorn Park and which includes all or parts of lots numbered 6, 231, 5, 258, 259, 197, 260, 230, 257, 203, 253 as designated on Assessors' Plat #267 two of four.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #267 three of four which includes all or parts of lots numbered 151, 31, 274, 164, 273 as designated on Assessors' Plat #267 three of four.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #267 four of four. Odd numbers 97 through 181 Rindge Avenue Extension, even numbers 110 through 192 Rindge Avenue Extension and which includes all or parts of lots numbered 164, 176, 187, 186, 267, 178, 183, 167, 256 as designated on Assessors' Plat #267 four of four.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #268B. Even numbers 326 through 400 Rindge Avenue and which include all or parts of lots numbered 43, 44, 7, 8, 9, 11, 41, 34, 35, 14, 15, 16, 42 as designated on Assessors' Plat #268B.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #268C. Odd numbers 143 through 157 Alewife Brook Parkway and which include all or parts of lots numbered 1, 2, 3, 26, 27, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34 as designated on Assessors' Plat #268C.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #269. Even numbers 6 through 128 Clifton Street, odd numbers 315 through 405 Rindge Avenue, even numbers 130 through 136 Alewife Brook Parkway, even numbers 216 through 218 Harvey Street and which include all or parts of lots numbered 99, 27, 100, 25, 24, 23, 22, 21, 20, 97, 98, 18, 99, 97, 70, 69, 71, 72, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 106, 5, 7, 79, 86, 85, 96, 95, 94, 93, 92, 90, 104, 105, 110, 109, 91, 106, 107, 108, 110, 84 as designated on Assessors' Plat #269.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #269-1/2 which include lots numbered 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 72, 65, 84, 83, 80, 82, 81, 86, 85, 87 as designated on Assessors' Plat #269-1/2.

Premises of the following parcels as designated on Assessors' Plat #269-1/2A which include all or parts of lots numbered 19, 38, 44, 43, 45, 46, 33, and 37 as designated on Assessors' Plat #269-1/2A, and which is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point said point being the intersection of the centerline of the branch of the Boston and Maine right-of-way and the boundary line between the City of Cambridge and the Town of Belmont;

Thence running northeasterly along the boundary line between the City of Cambridge and the Town of Belmont 2150 feet more or less to a point said point being the intersection of the boundary line between the City of Cambridge and the Town of Belmont and the boundary line between the City of Cambridge and the Town of Arlington;

Thence running easterly then northeasterly along the boundary line between the City of Cambridge and the Town of Arlington 3650 feet more or less to a point being the intersection of the boundary line between the City of Cambridge and the Town of Arlington and the centerline of Whittemore Avenue and its extension;

Thence running easterly along the centerline of Whittemore Avenue and its extension 220 feet more or less to a point said point being the intersection of the centerline of Whittemore Avenue and its extension and the centerline of Seagrave Road;

Thence running northeasterly along the centerline of Seagrave Road 115 feet more or less to a point said point being the intersection of the centerline of Seagrave Road and a line 100 feet distant from and parallel to the northern streetline of Whittemore Avenue and its extension;

Thence running easterly along a line 100 feet distant from and parallel to the northern streetline of Whittemore Avenue and its extension 2140 feet more or less to a point said point being the intersection of a line 109 feet distant from and parallel to the northern streetline of Whittemore Avenue and its extension and a line 100 feet distant from and parallel to the southwestern streetline of Massachusetts Avenue;

Thence running southeasterly along a line 100 feet distant from and parallel to the southwestern streetline of Massachusetts Avenue 290 feet more or less to a point said point being the intersection of a line 100 feet distant from and parallel to the southwestern streetline of Massachusetts Avenue and the extension of the centerline of Harrington Road;

Thence running southeasterly along the extension of the centerline of Harrington Road 210 feet more or less to a point said point being the intersection of the extension of the centerline of Harrington Road and the centerline of Harvey Street;

Thence running easterly along the centerline of Harvey Street 195 feet more or less to a point said point being the intersection of the centerline of Harvey Street and the centerline of Cedar Street;

Thence running southeasterly along the centerline of Cedar Street 1375 feet more or less to a point said point being the intersection of the centerline of Cedar Street and the centerline of Rindge Avenue;

~~Thence running northwesterly along the centerline of Rindge Avenue 1320 feet more or less to a centerline~~

Thence running northwesterly along the centerline of Rindge Avenue 1620 feet more or less to a point said point being the intersection of the centerline of Rindge Avenue and the westerly lot line of lot #32 as shown on Assessors' Plat #268A;

Thence running southerly and easterly along the western lot line of lot #32 as shown on Assessors' Plat #268A and its extension 960 feet more or less to a point said point being the intersection of the western lot line of lot #32 as shown on Assessors' Plat #268A and its extension and the centerline of the Fitchburg branch of the Boston and Maine right-of-way;

Thence running southwesterly along the centerline of the Fitchburg branch of the Boston and Maine right-of-way 5500 feet more or less to the point of origin and which comprises an area of 12,452,500 sq. ft. more or less.

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