



City of Cambridge

Calendar Item # 3
AMENDED ORDER
40.
IN CITY COUNCIL

August 2, 1993
September 13, 1993

COUNCILLOR MYERS

WHEREAS: There is a situation occurring at 20-22 Trowbridge Street and 364-366 Harvard which involves a landowner ripping up the grass in the front and backyard of two buildings, and replacing all greenery with concrete; and

WHEREAS: This work was being done with a bulldozer and crew of workers with sledge hammers; and

WHEREAS: The amount of work being done gave every indication of being a major renovation project and was quite jarring to residents who are going about their life on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS: The manner in which this was done, although it may fit within the letter of the law, violates standards of human decency due to the fact that there was little or not notice to the residents; and

WHEREAS: There have been previous complaints regarding code violations within the building; and

WHEREAS: There are statements made by residents of living conditions which are problematic; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to take steps to ensure that all work is being done strictly within the letter of the law; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Manger be and hereby is requested to direct the Inspectional Services Department to conduct a comprehensive inspection of the buildings for health and sanitary code reasons, and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Manager is also requested to refer this matter to the Rent Control Board with regard to whether there is tenant harassment, and other violations of rent control laws and also to refer to the Human Rights Commission for investigation of possible violations.

In City Council August 2, 1993.

Adopted as amended by a ye and nay vote:-

Yeas 6; Nays 1; Absent 0; Present 2.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy; *D. Margaret Drury*

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

**8/2/93 RECONSIDERATION FILED BY COUNCILLOR WALSH
9/13/93 RECONSIDERATION FAILED 0-7-1-1. ACTION TAKEN ON
AUGUST 2, 1993 ADOPTING THE ORDER AS AMENDED STANDS.**

City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council Sept. 13 1993

Reconsideration #3

YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT	
	✓			Mr. Ed Cyr
	✓			Mr. Francis H. Duehay
	✓			Mr. Jonathan S. Myers
	✓			Mrs. Sheila T. Russell
		✓		Mr. Walter J. Sullivan
	✓			Mr. Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.
			✓	Mr. William H. Walsh
	✓			Ms. Alice K. Wolf
<i>sk</i>	✓			Mayor Kenneth E. Reeves

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RECONSIDERATION FILED BY COUNCILLOR WALSH



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ORIGINAL ORDER
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MASSACHUSETTS

Order No 40
As Amended

In City Council 8/2 1993

		YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mr. Ed Cyr	✓	① ✓		① ✓	
Mr. Francis H. Duehay	✓	✓			
Mr. Jonathan S. Myers	✓	✓			
Mrs. Sheila T. Russell	✓	✓			
Mr. Walter J. Sullivan		① ✓			✓ ②
Mr. Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.					✓
Mr. William H. Walsh			✓		
Ms. Alice K. Wolf	✓	✓			
Mayor Kenneth E. Reeves	✓	✓			

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C. Wrey
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C. Durbay
friendly
amendment
C. Wrey: Motion to also refer to Human Rights Commission
for investigation of possible violations
CM is also request to refer this matter
to the Kent Central
Board for w/ regard to whether there is
tenant harassment, and other
laws & also to refer to
viol. of rent control

ANVERS
CONSENT

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Whereas there are statements made by residents of living conditions which are problematic;

Therefore be it resolved that the City Council request the City Manager to take steps to ensure that all work is being done strictly within the letter of the law;

Be it further resolved that the City Council request the City Manager to direct the Inspectional Services Department to conduct a comprehensive inspection of the building for health and sanitary code reasons.



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Consent Order # 40 Cal#3

Councillor Myers re: comprehensive inspection of 20-22 Trowbridge Street and 364-366 Harvard Street

In City Council,

August 2, 1993

Order adopted
as amended.

Reconsideration filed
by Councillor
Walsh.

Order # 40

MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR Walsh

Date

Councillor Walsh has filed his intention to move reconsideration of the vote taken on August 2, 1993 adopting an order as amended submitted by Councillor Myers regarding a comprehensive inspection of 20-22 Trowbridge Street and 364-366 Harvard Street.

Wm H Walsh
Signature

Reconsideration filed by Councillor Walsh
on an order submitted by Councillor Myers
which was adopted as amended at the City
Council meeting held on August 2, 1993
regarding a comprehensive inspection of
20-22 Trowbridge Street and 364-366
Harvard Street.

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*Reconsideration
failed*

0-7-1-1.

*Action taken on
Aug. 2, 1993 adopting
the order stands.*