

#23
"Multi-project programming
scheduling system"

City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council ----- 1976

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mrs. Ackermann	✓			
Mr. Clem	✓			
Mr. Clinton	✓			
Mr. Danehy	✓			
Mr. Duehay	✓			
Mrs. Graham	✓			
Mr. Russell			✓	
Mr. Sullivan			✓	
Mayor Vellucci	✓			

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IN CITY COUNCIL

April 26, 1976

RESOLVED:

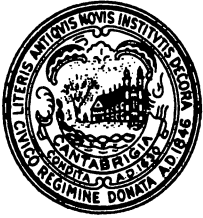
That the City Manager is authorized to submit an application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant to undertake the planning and development of a "multi-project programming scheduling system", such project to be undertaken in cooperation with the Municipal Finance Officers Association at no cost to the City.

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Adopted by yeas and nays, Vote

Yeas 2 Nays 0 Absent 2

Paul E. Husky
City Clerk



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JAMES L. SULLIVAN
City Manager

April 26, 1976

To the Honorable, the City Council:

As you will recall, at our budget hearings last Wednesday night I informed the Council that I had earlier that day received a phone call alerting us to a unique and rewarding Federal grant opportunity, provided the City could act quickly in concert with the Municipal Finance Officers Association to prepare a grant application for submission to the Department of Housing and Urban Development by April 30, 1976.

The Municipal Finance Officers Association, based upon a recent review of the procedures being used in a large number of American cities to implement community block grant programs, has tentatively selected Cambridge as the "lead City" to develop and implement an advanced "multi-project programming scheduling system" applicable to all significant City projects.

Major aspects of the proposed system will include the development of unit costs, measures of productivity, accurate cost estimates, and a monitoring process to prevent cost overruns. The project should start July 1, 1976, and continue for a twelve-month period.

The first half of the project year will be devoted to formulating the new procedures, and the last half devoted to implementation. Overall project cost has not been definitely settled but is expected to be between \$100,000 to \$200,000. There will be no cost to the City. Indeed, the City will be reimbursed for staff-time and other incidental expenses involved in the project.

At this time we require a Council resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development, outlining the proposed project. We anticipate that the application will undergo revision following negotiations with the Department of Housing and Urban Development and with the Municipal Finance Officers Association. When the proposal is finalized the Council will have a chance to review the application in detail and approve the acceptance of the grant.

Passage of the attached resolution is recommended.

Very truly yours,

James L. Sullivan
City Manager

JLS/mbf
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Agenda #23 **F-136**

Authorization to submit an application for a grant to undertake the planning and development of a "Multi-project programming scheduling system"

In City Council
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