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June 12, 1939.

To His Honor the Mayor, John W. Lyons and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:

It seems to me that with all the agitation
for controlled play for children, the city cannot have
too many playgrounds.

I am the owner of an acre of land with a
swimming pool, 40 X 160 feet in the rear of 9-21
Sacramento Street with ample room for controlled play
for children.

During the past few months there has been a
petition circulated which I am given to understand
contains the signatures of about 500 parents through the
neighborhood who demand some sort of play area for the
children.

There is no opportunity for the children in
this neighborhood except this one piece of land. The
Agassiz School Yard is inadequate since the new school
was erected and the grades increased from four to eight.

It was my first intention to develop the prop-
erty by building eight houses when it was impressed upon
me that there is a demand for a recreation area in this
district, either private or public, and in view of this,,
your Board of Appeal, after a hearing, granted me permis-
sion to conduct a private swimming pool, tennis courts
and hand ball courts; the swimming pool to be used as

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a skating rink in the Winter.

Before taking any further steps the thought is in my mind that if the City wants it for public use in view of the petition that has already been circulated, I will dispose of it to the City for a reasonable amount.

The property contains about 45,000 sq.ft., is assessed for \$11,800.00 (approximately 25 cents per foot) and I offer it to the City for \$14,000.00 (approximately 30 cents a foot).

The water in the pool is almost six feet in depth and has been subjected to laboratory tests and found to be pure.

Respectfully

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Thomas P. Culhane", written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.



JOHN W. LYONS
MAYOR

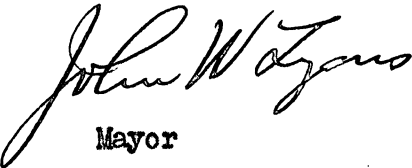
MAYOR'S OFFICE
CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

June 13, 1939

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I transmit herewith communication from
Thomas P. Culhane, 1384 Massachusetts Avenue,
Cambridge, dated June 12, 1939, offering to sell
to the City of Cambridge for public use certain
property at 9-21 Sacramento Street, containing
about 45,000 square feet, for the sum of \$14,000.00.

Yours respectfully,


Mayor

COMMUNICATION
from the Mayor, transmitting
one from Thomas P. Culhane
offering to sell to the City certain
Property in rear of 9-21 Sacramento St
containing about 45,000 sq. ft for the
sum of ^{\$}14,000
In City Council JUN 11 1940

PLACED ON FILE

Frederick H. Burke
In City Council JUN 13 1939 City Clerk

Referred to the Committee on

Finance

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In City Council OCT 10 1939

Referred to the Committee on

Public Property & Public Institution

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City Clerk

City of Cambridge

In City Council October 10, 1939

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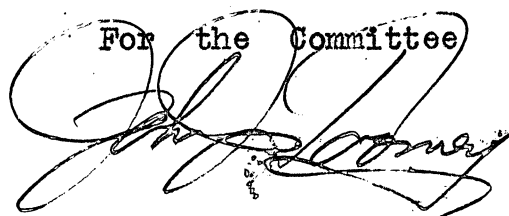
Committee on Finance

to which was referred a communication from His Honor, the Mayor, transmitting one from Thomas P. Culhane offering to sell to the City of Cambridge a certain piece of property in rear of 9-21 Sacramento Street containing about 45,000 square feet for the sum of \$14,000

Reports,

Recommending that the communication be referred to the Committee on Public Property.

For the Committee



REPORT

Committee on *Finance*

*Recommending that connection between
P. Culhane and rate - low sum to be
referred to committee on Public Property and
Public Institutions*

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Frederick H. Burke

City Clerk

Oct 8, 1939.
Report received and
recommendation ADOPTED.

Attest: *Frederick H. Burke*

City Clerk

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Referred to the Committee on
Public Property & Public Institutions

Frederick H. Burke

City Clerk

City of Cambridge

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The

Public Property and
Committee on Public Institutions

to which was recommitted communication of Thomas B. Culhane relative to
sale of land on Sacramento Street

Reports,

Recommending that the

communication be placed on file.

For the Committee

William H. Hoggins

REPORT

Committee on

Public Property
and

Public Institutions

Recommending that recommended ^{communication} ~~report~~
rel to sale of Land - Sacramento to be
placed on file

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June 14, 1940.
Report received and

recommendation ADOPTED.

Attest: Fredrick H. Baker

City Clerk