

Agenda #8

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Ordered CM be + hb is requested to confer w/ Dir of TPA
to see if walk light at Mass Ave +

Prospect can be made more
accommodating to pedestrians + be re-
turned

Ordered that the CM the CC + the rpt
Report back to address whether
a pedestrian-only cycle can be
included

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Kenneth Prescott



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

April 27, 1998

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to see if the walk light at Massachusetts Avenue and Prospect Street can be made more accommodating to pedestrians; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council and that the report address whether a pedestrian-only cycle can be included.

In City Council April 27, 1998.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
Traffic, Parking and Transportation
57 Inman Street,
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Susan E. Clippinger
Director

Administration
Parking Violations
Resident Parking

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April 16, 1998

TO: Robert Healy, City Manager

FROM: Susan E. Clippinger, Director *SC*

SUBJECT: Communication #15 dated 3/23/98

RE: Responses to letter from Manning Apartment Residents to Mr. Paul Dietrich.

Several issues were raised in the letter sent to Mr. Paul Dietrich that are the responsibility of the Traffic, Parking & Transportation Department. Those issues and our responses are:

Q. Install audible walk signals in Central Square.

A. The Traffic, Parking & Transportation Department has been working with the Handicapped Commission on the development of criteria that the two Departments will use in evaluating the requests to install audible signals. These changes are costly, the typical intersection of two two-way streets would cost \$4,000.

Audible signals are currently installed at 5 locations. Those locations are 77 Mass. Ave., Main Street at Carlton (MBTA station), Broadway at the Western Connector, Cambridge Street at Millers River Apartments and Concord Ave. and Garden Street.

The Department will review installing audible signals in Central Square at Essex Street with the Handicapped Commission. This change can not be implemented until after July 1 when we would have sufficient funding in our FY99 budget.

Q. Increase walk time at Central Square signals

A. The walk time available to pedestrians is a combination of the walk and flashing don't walk time. In response to concerns raised by people using the Senior Center, we have extended the flashing don't walk time across Mass. Ave. at Inman Street by 3 seconds from the previous 12

seconds to the current 15 seconds. The flashing don't walk signal at Essex Street is already at 15 seconds

Q. The intersections of Green and Magazine and Green and Western are dangerous for pedestrians. The residents are requesting a stoplight.

A. Community Development Department is doing a study of this intersection to determine what improvements for pedestrians can be made. The Department will work with Community Development Department to implement recommendations that are developed from the study.

Q. Can vehicles illegally parked on the sidewalk on Green Street be enforced?

A. We have made note of this as a priority for the taggers covering this area. Illegal parked cars will be tagged.

Q. Can truck loading to City Foods at peak hours be restricted?

A. No restriction of truck loading on Green Street is needed or appropriate. We are, however, working with the MBTA on changes to the bus layovers to reduce the impacts of the buses on Green Street.

Q. How will the traffic and parking impacts of the construction be handled?

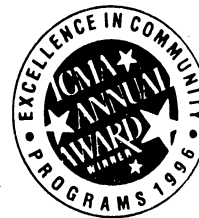
A. The Traffic, Parking & Transportation Department will be working closely with the Public Works Department and the contractor to manage the construction to reduce the impacts on the adjacent streets and to make sure the MBTA bus routes are not adversely impacted.

CC. S. Schlesinger



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
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Deputy City Manager

April 27, 1998

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 11, regarding a report on the communication from James Williamson concerning the Holmes proposal, received from Traffic, Parking & Transportation Director Susan Clippinger.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

Consent Agenda #8

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Relative to a report on the
communication from James
Williamson concerning the
Holmes proposal.

In City Council April 27, 1998

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