



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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OFFICE OF
THE CITY CLERK

June 13, 1983

Re: Winthrop Street

The Honorable, The City Council:

In reference to the petition of Bencion M. and Raymond Moskow, requesting the installation of "No Parking" signs at their property on Winthrop Street, I am transmitting for informational purposes a copy of a communication from former City Engineer James F. Rice, Jr., dated September 24, 1980. Said communication with regard to the status of Winthrop Street as a private and public way in the City of Cambridge.

Your kind attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Paul E. Healy", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

PEH/mh



Office of the City Engineer

Cambridge, Massachusetts

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

September 24, 1980

Mr. James L. Sullivan, City Manager
City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Dear Sir:

In response to your inquiry regarding the Council Order #9 (Status of Winthrop Street), I wish to report the following:

Winthrop Street, from Boylston Street to Eliot Street is a Private Way. This is from a decision rendered by Mr. Pevey, City Solicitor on March 1899.

Winthrop Street from Holyoke to Boylston Street is a Public Way since 1635 as verified in the records of Winthrop Street (formerly Long Street).

Copy of the records is enclosed.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James F. Rice, Jr.", is written over the typed name.

James F. Rice, Jr.
City Engineer

JFR/dt

LONGFELLOW PARK.

From Brattle St. to Mt Auburn St. between Hawthorn & Willard St

LONGFELLOW ROAD 35 X 330'

From Mt. Auburn St N'y accepted June 21, 1923

LONG STREET. Now WINTHROP ST.

From Spring St. (Eliot St.) to Holyoke St.
It was a public highway in 1635. P.R.

EDWARD J. LOPEZ AVENUE. (formerly) LOWLAND AVE. 40X200) 34x
Spring to Charles St. AVE NAME CHANGED JUNE 30 1947
IN honor of Edward J. Lopez, killed in action during World War II
City Council June 30, 1947.

LOPEZ STREET. 40' X 475'

From Brookline St. to Pearl St.

Name established Dec. 2, 1868. C.R.-N, 83.

Laid out and established 40 ft. wide May 5, 1874. C.R.-Q, 225,

WINTHROP STREET. 30' X 516' & 20' X 196'

Prof. John

Named for ~~Prof.~~ Winthrop. Prof. Physical Science.

From Spring St. to Holyoke St., a public highway in 1635, and then called Long St. P. R. (which see).

Superintendent of Streets requested to level strip of land at S.W. corner of Winthrop and Dunster Sts., Oct. 20, 1869. C.R.N.328.
Line established between Brighton, (Boylston) and Dunster St., Nov. 5, 1881. C.R.U. 523.

NOTE: March, 1899, Mr. Pevey, City Solicitor, decides that from Eliot Sq, to Boylston St., it cannot be called a public highway.

WINTHROP SQUARE.

Corner Mt. Auburn St. and Brighton (Boylston) St.

Placed under care and control of Park Commission, March 11, 1896.
C.R. 35, 460.

Widened W'ly side for Park purposes, June 9, 1897. C.R.V. 35,460.

Name changed to Cambridge War Memorial Park 1943

CITY ENGINEER

List of Streets and Ways in the City of Cambridge.

ACCEPTED		UNACCEPTED LENGTH
LENGTH	DATE	
460	1873	198
800	1879	450
416	1912	
531	1912	
1587	1880	
1050	1856	
		350
		160
986	1873	
765	1894	
585	1900	
182	1895	230
160	1940	114
3344	1855	
700	1948	
330	1885	
273	1893	
300	1891	270
731	1906	80
820	1930	
362	1889	
786	1874	
450	1875	200
395	1857	
978	1896	
530	1874	
		165
188	1887	
350	1880	
200	1848	
2745	1809	
430	1848	
123	1907	
290	1886	
510	1963	
582	1850	
398	1859	

STREET NAMES	FROM	TO	ACCEPTED			UNACCEPTED LENGTH
			WIDTH	LENGTH	DATE	
→ *Winthrop	Boylston	Eliot	20			196
Winthrop	Boylston	Holyoke	20			510
Wood	Walden	Sheridan	40	380	1930	
Woodbridge	Mass. Ave.	Locke	40	375	1892	
Worcester	Columbia	Norfolk	32	480	1873	
Worthington	Lake View Ave.	Lexington Ave.	50	305	1894	
Wright	Hudson	Martin	30	83	1901	
Wyman	Avon Hill	West	40	165	1900	
*Wyman Rd.	Sparks	West	25			270
*Yerxa Rd.	Rindge Ave.	Fitchburg RR	40			867
York	Webster	Berkshire	40	510	1896	
*York	Berkshire	Portland	16			299

YEW AVE

† Varies in width.

Unaccepted streets marked with an *

Comm. from Paul E. Healy, City Clerk, transmitting a comm. from former City Engineer James F. Rice, Jr. for informational purposes Re: status of Winthrop St. as a private & public way in the City of Cambridge.

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In City Council,

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