



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
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To Robert Healy, City Manager

Date Sept. 9, 1988

From Lauren M. Preston, Deputy Traffic Director

Reference

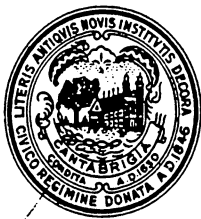
Subject Petition To Accept Allston Court as a Public Way

We have reviewed the petition of the residents and neighbors of Allston Court as well as the street and recommend that Allston Court not be accepted as a public way.

Allston Court is about eleven (11) feet wide with a four (4) foot chain link fence along both sides. The way has a gravel surface and provides access to six properties along its 115 foot length.

According to the "Minimum Standards for Acceptance of Existing Private Ways as Public Ways" adopted by the Planning Board on October 7, 1969, the Right-Of-Way width shall be twenty-eight (28) feet. This allows for two way travel, no parking and sidewalks on both sides. The Way, must also be ..., a two way dead end street with a cul-de-sac at the end with at least a twenty-five (25) foot radius. Allston Court does not meet either of these requirements.

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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS
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CITY HALL ANNEX, 57 INMAN STREET, CAMBRIDGE 39

Minimum Standards for Acceptance of Existing Private Ways as Public Ways

1. The private way has been an existing private way for the past 20 years.
2. The private way serves as the only access to four or more residential dwellings.
3. The following minimum widths are required to perform the functions of a public way:

Travelled way - 1 direction:	10 feet
Sidewalk - raised and separated from travelled way by curbing	4 feet
Curb parking lane	8 feet

Thus the following minimum widths of right-of-ways for laying out a way in the following manner are required:

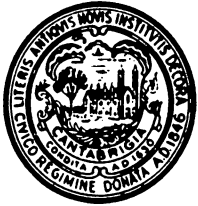
- a. one-way travel with sidewalk on one side
and parking on one side 22 feet
 - b. one-way travel with sidewalks on both
sides and parking on one side 26 feet
 - c. one-way travel with sidewalks on both
sides and parking on two sides 34 feet
 - d. two-way travel with sidewalks on two
sides with no parking anytime 28 feet
 - e. two-way travel with sidewalks on two
sides with parking on one side 36 feet
 - f. two-way travel with sidewalks on two
sides with parking on two sides. 44 feet
4. The street must be either a through street, connecting two or more public ways, or a two-way dead end street with a cul-de-sac with a minimum turning radius of 25 feet at the end.
 5. There must be no other physical or legal encumbrments on the right-of-way.
 6. The way must meet all other zoning regulations and not create a potential violation of the Zoning Ordinance or nonconformity.

Adopted by vote of the Planning Board
October 7, 1969

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

ROBERT W. HEALY

City Manager

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Deputy City Manager

September 26, 1988

To the Honorable, the City Council:

Enclosed please find a copy of a report from Lauren M. Preston, Deputy Traffic Director, relative to the petition of the residents and neighbors of Allston Court requesting acceptance of Allston Court as a public way.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert W. Healy", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mbf
Enc.

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Re: enclosed report from Lauren M. Preston,
Deputy Traffic Director Re: petition of resi-
dents & neighbors of Allston Court requesting
acceptance of Allston Court as a public way.

In City Council,

September 26, 1988

Referred to the Hearing
Hearing Held
Order Adopted
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