

May 7, 1990

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Whereas: Through its EOD contract the Tenant Services Department runs the Work Force and the Tenant Opportunity Program serving about 550 CHA residents, now therefore be it

ORDERED: That this City Council go on record expressing its outrage and opposition to the proposed funding cuts as contained in the proposed FY 91 State Budget, and be it further

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a suitably engrossed copy
of this resolution to the
membership of the Cambridge
Legislative Delegation.

(Council Order - Russell & Sullivan - City Council Motion record as being opposed to the cuts in the state budget for Tenant services that are listed below)

C.H.A TENANT SERVICES DEPARTMENT FACES A 96% FUNDING CUT. PROGRAMS FACE CLOSURE IN TWO MONTHS.

5/12/90
The services and programs provided by the CHA Tenant Services Department are largely funded through 2 contracts with the state. These 2 contracts are with the Department of Social Services (DSS), and the Executive Office of Communities & Development (EOCD). Funding for these 2 contracts is determined by the state budget process, now in progress.

Through its DSS contract, the Tenant Services Department provides information, referral, and counselling services to CHA residents in family and elderly developments. Over 300 CHA residents a year use these services. The CHA currently receives \$102,325 from the state to provide these services, after earlier cuts totalling \$61,676. No funds are currently budgeted by the Governor to continue these services after July 1, 1990.

Through its EOCD contract, the Tenant Services Department runs the Work Force and the Tenant Opportunity Program. This contract also allows the CHA to contract with other Cambridge agencies to provide education, ESL, and childcare programs. These agencies include the Community Learning Center, the Learning Development Center, the Jefferson Park Writing Center, and Headstart. About 550 CHA residents a year use these programs. The CHA currently receives \$546,000 from the state to run these programs. No funds are currently budgeted by the Governor to continue these services after July 1, 1990.

■ WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

The state legislature is currently working on budget and tax proposals for the next fiscal year that will determine how much money the Tenant Services Department will get, if any, for programs after July 1, 1990. Many legislators have said that they understand the accomplishments and importance of these programs. They also say that without increased taxes, there will be no way to pay for them. The Governor's budget proposes the elimination of state funds for the Tenant Services Department and other important human services.

The House of Representatives will make budget and tax proposals very shortly. The Senate will then make their recommendations in June. Compromises will then be made between the House and Senate versions of the budget before being sent to the Governor for his approval in very late June. If neither the House nor Senate budget restores funds for the Tenant Services Department, it will be very difficult for the CHA to keep these programs open. Hundreds of CHA residents needing help, won't be able to get it.

■ WHAT CAN WE DO?

- #1. We need to talk to our neighbors about these proposed cuts and how we can prevent them.
- #2. Each of us needs to call our State Representatives and Senators to tell them they need to fund Tenant Services Department programs, and other services important to public housing residents.
- #3. We need to keep informed and working together to make sure the CHA and other agencies continue to provide us the services and programs we need.

Below is a list of State Representatives and Senators representing CHA developments. Don't hesitate to call them and tell them how you feel about these issues, or ask questions about what is going on.

Rep. Alvin Thompson & Sen. Michael LoPresti represent the following CHA developments:
Newtowne Court; Washington Elms; Putnam Gardens; Woodrow Wilson; River Howard; LBJ Apartments; Manning Apartments; 120 Pleasant St.; 12 Prince St.; 6-8 Fairmount St; 19 Valentine St.; 35, 47 Lopez St.

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The mailing address for all legislators is: State House, Boston, MA 02133.
Legislator phone numbers are as follows: Rep. Flaherty - 722-2600; Rep. Thompson - 722-2240; Rep. Vellucci - 722-2090; Sen. Barrett - 722-1280; Sen. Kraus 722-1432; Sen. LoPresti - 722-1634. When calling, please be sure to give your name and address, and ask for the name of the person you are speaking to, in case your Representative or Senator is not available.

■ EL SERVICIO DE INQUILINOS DE CHA ESTÁ CONFRONTANDO UN CORTE DE 96% DE LOS FONDOS EN LOS PROXIMOS 2 MESES

El servicios y programas que provee el Departamento de Servicios de Inquilinos recibe fondo a través de 2 contratos con el estado. Esto 2 contratos con el estado. Esto 2 contratos son con el Departamento de Servicios Sociales (DSS) y con las Oficinas Ejecutiva de la Comunidad y Desarrollo. Los 2 contratos son determinado por el fondo del estado que está ahora en proceso.

A través del contrato con DSS el departamento de Servicio de Inquilino que proveen informaciones y referimientos y consejería a los residentes de CHA para familia y ancianos, cerca de 300 residente usan estos servicios al año. CHA recibe \$102,325 del estado para proveer estos servicios, después de un corte de \$61,676. El presupuesto del gobierno es continuar con estos servicios hasta Julio 1, 1990.

A través del contrato con EOCB, el servicio de inquilino corre el Work Force, Tenant Opportunity Programas con este contrato CHA. También puede hacer contrato con otra agencia en Cambridge que provee educación, ESL, y cuidado de niños/as. Las agencias incluyentes son Community Learning Center, de Learning Development Center, de Jefferson Park Writing Center, y de Headstart. Cerca de 550 inquilinos de CHA, usan estos programas. CHA corrientemente recibe \$546,000 del estado para correr estos programas, y no hay fondo para continuar con estos programas después de Julio 1, 1990.

■ ¿QUE ES LO PROXIMOS?

Los legisladores están trabajando en un proyecto y una proposición de taxes para el próximo año fiscal, que va a determinar cuánto dinero el servicio de inquilinos va a tener si hay algunos, para el programa después de Julio 1, 1990. Muchos legisladores han dicho que ellos entienden el compromiso y la importancia de estos programas. También ellos han dicho que si no suben los taxes, no se puede pagar por estos programas. La propuesta del proyecto del gobernador de eliminar estos fondos del estado para el departamento de Servicio de Inquilinos y otros servicios humanos.

Los representantes de la Casa de Gobierno van a hacer una propuesta de proyecto de taxes muy pronto. Los senadores van a hacer sus recomendación en Junio, el compromiso va a hacer entre la Casa y el Senado en la versión del proyecto. Antes de mandarlos al gobernador para su aprobación al final de Junio 1990. Si ninguno de los representantes y senadores no devuelven los fondos para los servicios de inquilinos va a hacer muy difícil para CHA para mantener estos programas abiertos cientos de residentes necesitan ayuda y van a recibir la ayuda necesaria.

■ ¿QUE NOSOTROS PODEMOS HACER?

- #1. Nosotros tenemos que hablar con nuestros vecinos acerca de las propuestas de estos cortes y como prevenirlos.
- #2. Cada uno de nosotros podemos llamar a nuestros representantes del estado y senadores y decirle a ellos que ellos necesitan darle los fondos para el servicio de inquilinos y los demás servicios importante para los inquilinos de casas publicas.
- #3. Nosotros necesitamos mantenernos informados y trabajar juntos para asegurarnos de que CHA y otras agencias continúan proviéndonos a nosotros los servicios que nosotros necesitamos.

A continuación esta es la lista de los representantes y senadores del estado y los Representantes de cada proyecto.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Joseph E. Connarton".

Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk

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Councillors Russell, Sullivan and Mayor
Wolf re: proposed budget cuts which provides
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Order adopted