

Cambridge, October 26th 1887

To the Honorable, the Mayor, and Aldermen,
of the City of Cambridge

The undersigned respectfully pray

that the Northerly line of Mount Auburn street, Westerly from Ash street, may be laid out and established in conformity to the Plan for widening said street which was approved by the City Council in August, 1860, and is of record at the office of the City Surveyor; that the fences or other monuments may be reset so as to correspond with the line shown upon said Plan as "the true line of said Mount Auburn St from its Westerly Extremity to Ash street;" and that suitable compensation be made to the undersigned and other owners of Estates on the Northerly side of Mount Auburn street for land taken and annexed to said street by the widening aforesaid.

John M. Batchelder.

Sam^l Batchelder,
(19 Brattle St.)

Charles F. Batchelder.

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PETITION

of John M. Batchelder
for that the northerly line of
~~Boat St~~ may be established.
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In Board of Aldermen,

Referred to Committee on
Roads & Bridges
Sent down for Concurring
Attest: Walt W. Rich

City Clerk.

In Common Council
Oct 26 1887
Concurred
Attest Conrad W. Manning
Oct. 28 1887 Approved
Wm. Russell
Mayor

City of Cambridge.

OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER,
CITY HALL.

Cambridge Mar 3^d 1888

To the Committee on Roads & Bridges
Gentlemen

In reply to your request for facts in relation to the petition of John M Batchelder and others, for action in the matter of the north line of Mt Auburn Street from Ash Street westerly

I would respectfully report, that on August 10th 1860 the City Council adopted a line which is designated by the letters c.d on a plan made by W.A. Mason & W.S. Barbour and now on file in this office. it is true that the said line was adopted, and show on the westerly side, an encroachment of, at its ⁺gnat. point about 3 feet

The fact is that while this line was adopted by the City, it was never entered upon and taken. Now what is desired by the petitioners, is, to have the City either enter upon and take the land, or else abandon the line. as he now considers it a cloud upon the title and a hindrance to the sale of the same

Very truly &c

W. S. Barbour.
City Engineer

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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

In Board of Aldermen,

Sept. 18th 1888

The Committee on

Roads & Bridges

to which was referred the petition of John M. Batchelder and others praying that the line of Mount Auburn Street westerly from Ash Street, may be established in accordance with a plan thereof, approved August 1860.

Reports,

~~Recommendation~~ That

it appears that in front of the estate of the petitioners, Mount Auburn Street is about 63 feet wide, The width of the remainder of the street is 66 feet. The intent of the plan of 1860 was to establish the width uniformly at 66 feet. Inasmuch as the city did not enter upon the lands of the petitioners and take possession of the strip shown in the plan, within two years from the date of the passage of the order of August 1860, the same is null and void under the statute. In the judgement of your Committee there does not now seem to be any present exigency requiring that the lines of the street should be changed, and it is therefore recommended that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

For the Committee.
Edw. W. Hinckley, Chairman.

REPORT.

Committee on *Roads and*
Bridges on petition of
John M. Batchelder in
 relation to the line of
Mount Auburn Street in
 front of his estate.

Sept. 18th 1888

IN COMMON COUNCIL

Oct 27th 88

* Concurred

Edmund D. Huntington Clerk.

Oct. 24th 1888

Wm. H. Lawrence

Wm. H. Lawrence

accepted sent down for Commence
at the West Side City Court.