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subject: City Council Order #22, dated 1/27/97

Sir:

Enclosed is a comprehensive report from Deputy Supt. Yvonne Hall regarding the implementation of the Department's commercial vehicle enforcement program. Enforcement began on January 29, 1997. A report of enforcement efforts for the previous week are submitted every Monday.

Enclosed are reports of activity for the month of February. In summary:

Number of trucks stopped	150
Number of citations	106
Number of violations	124
Trucks weighed	50
Weight violations	15

A status report of activity will be provided to you on a monthly basis.

Ronnie Watson
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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
POLICE DEPARTMENT
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Superintendent Harold F. Murphy
Operations Division

DATE: January 31, 1997

FROM: Deputy Superintendent Yvonne M. Hall *YH*
Day Patrol

SUBJECT: Truck Enforcement

Pursuant to the meeting held on January 28, 1997, the truck team went into effect on Wednesday, January 29, 1997. Officers John Albert and William Arthur have been assigned to staff the unit. The officers will provide truck enforcement action throughout Cambridge, Monday through Friday 7:40 am to 4:00 pm five days per week, weather permitting.

These officers have received eight (8) hours training by Massachusetts State Police to weigh vehicles for overweight violations only. The officers have been sworn in by the Cambridge City Clerk, Margaret Drury, to perform this function. The officers utilize a Ford Bronco provided by the City of Cambridge, as well as six (6) Haenni portable vehicle scales for this purpose.

The officers stopped sixteen (16) trucks throughout the city and weighed six (6) of them. Three trucks exceeded there permitted weight, one (1) dump truck garaged in Billerica MA, weighed in at 89,400 lbs, 12,400 lbs over weight. The fine for this truck was \$680.00 for overweight and additional violations. Another truck also weighed in 1,200 lbs overweight, additionally the operator was cited for no markings then was arrested for operating after suspension.

The enforcement spanned many neighborhoods both on truck restricted roadways and unrestricted roadways. The majority of the citations were issued for violating truck restrictions.

Please find attached the enforcement actions of January 29 and 30, 1997.

Attachments

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EQUIPMENT PURCHASED FOR THE COMMERCIAL VEHICLE
ENFORCEMENT TEAM

1. Six (6) portable weigh scales
2. One (1) first aide kit
3. One (1) fire extinguisher
4. One (1) flashlight
5. Twelve (12) 28' reflected collared traffic cones
6. One (1) one hundred foot tape measure
7. One (1) twenty five foot tape measure
8. Two (2) chalk blocks
9. One (1) tire pressure gauge
10. One (1) tire depth gauge
11. Three (3) triangle plastic reflectors

TRUCK ENFORCEMENT
WEEK ENDING JANUARY 31, 1997

LOCATION	TRUCKS # STOPPED	# CITATIONS	# VIOLATIONS	# WEIGHED	WEIGHT VIOLATIONS
Beech Street	1	1	1	0	0
Concord Avenue	3	2	2	1	1
Fulkerson Street	1	1	1	0	0
Garden Street	1	0	0	0	0
Rindge Avenue	2	2	2	0	0
Prospect Street	1	0	0	1	0
Sixth Street	1	0	0	0	0
Third Street	3	2	2	1	0
Walden	1	0	0	1	0
Massachusetts Avenue	2	4	6	2	2
TOTAL	16	12	14	6	3
ARREST	1				

TRUCK ENFORCEMENT
WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 7, 1997

LOCATION	TRUCKS # STOPPED	# CITATIONS	# VIOLATIONS	# WEIGHED	WEIGHT VIOLATIONS
Beech Street	1	1	1	0	0
Columbia Street	1	1	2	0	0
Fulkerson Street	7	4	4	0	0
Gore Street	0	0	0	0	0
Garden Street	2	2	2	1	0
Massachusetts Ave	3	3	4	2	0
Prospect Street	5	7	7	2	1
Oxford Street	1	2	2	0	0
Third Street	1	1	1	1	0
Walden	1	1	1	0	0
Windsor	0	0	0	0	0
Concord Avenue	1	2	3	1	0
Broadway	1	1	1	1	1
Binney Street	2	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	26	25	28	8	2
ARREST					

*Of the possible 83.2 Hours assigned the time spent on other duties was 37.5 hours.

TRUCK ENFORCEMENT

WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 14, 1997

LOCATION	TRUCKS #STOPPED	#CITATIONS	#VIOLATIONS	#WEIGHED	WEIGHT VIOLATIONS
Binney St.	7	1	1	4	1
Brattle ST.	5	3	4	3	2
Broadway St.	1	1	1	0	0
Cambridge St.	3	3	6	0	0
Columbia St.	2	1	1	0	1
Concord Ave	2	0	0	0	0
Fulkerson St.	2	0	0	0	0
Garden St.	1	2	3	1	1
Mass Ave upper	4	2	3	2	0
Mass Ave lower	2	2	2	0	0
MT.Auburn St.	1	0	0	1	0
Oxford St.	1	2	2	0	0
Prospect St	6	4	4	1	0
Rindge Ave	4	2	2	1	1
Sixth St.	1	0	0	0	0
Third St.	5	1	1	2	0
Walden St.	2	0	0	0	0
Western Ave.	3	2	2	2	0
TOTAL	51	26	32	18	6
ARREST					

TRUCK ENFORCEMENT

WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 17, 1997

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LOCATION	TRUCKS #STOPPED	#CITATIONS	#VIOLATIONS	#WEIGHED	WEIGHT VIOLATIONS
Beech St.	6	6	6	0	0
Cambridge st.	2	4	5	1	1
Columbia St.	1	2	2	0	0
Fulderson St.	1	0	0	0	0
Prospect St.	2	1	1	0	0
TOTAL	12	13	14	1	1
ARREST					

NOTE: Officer Arthur was assigned to truck enforcement
and Officer Albert was on vacation during this period.

TRUCK ENFORCEMENT

WEEK ENDING March 1, 1997

LOCATION	TRUCKS # STOPPED	# CITATIONS	# VIOLATIONS	# WEIGHED	WEIGHT VIOLATIONS
Beech Street	0	0	0	0	0
Binney	1	0	0	1	0
Brattle Street	6	2	3	2	0
Broadway	4	3	3	0	0
Cambridge Street	1	1	1	0	0
Columbia Street	4	4	5	2	1
Concord Avenue	0	0	0	0	0
Fulkerson Street	4	4	5	2	1
Gore Street	0	0	0	0	0
Kirkland Street	9	0	0	4	0
Massachusetts Ave(Upper)	2	2	2	0	0
Massachusetts Ave(Lower)	2	0	0	2	0
Mt. Auburn Street	1	1	1	1	0
Prospect Street	1	2	4	1	0
Rindge Avenue	3	4	5	0	0
Sixth Street	0	0	0	0	0
Third Street	6	5	4	1	1
Walden Street	1	2	3	1	
TOTAL	45	30	36	17	3
ARREST					

*The truck team spent time on each street listed above.



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March 17, 1997

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item Number 10, regarding a report on the status of the Police Department Truck Enforcement Team, please find attached a response submitted by Police Commissioner Ronnie Watson.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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attachment

Consent Agenda #1

5-136

Relative to Awaiting Report Item
Number Ten, regarding the status of the
Police Department Truck Traffic Enforcement
Team.

In City Council March 17, 1997

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