

# CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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TO: Robert Healy, City Manager  
FROM: George Fernandes, City Electrician  
DATE: May 27, 1992  
SUB: Council Order #24 Dated 5/4/92

The City of Cambridge has been and continues to collect telephone commissions, from both New England Telephone (NET), and AT&T for all Public Telephones in the City. NET pays a commission based on a percentage of the amount of coin collected at each phone, and AT&T pays a percentage according to the amount of calls made by credit card calling, collect calls and third party calls.

The amount of money collected is shown in the Electrical Departments Budget, in the section of Revenue Analysis, under line item, Telephone Commissions. The amount anticipated to be collected for FY 93 is \$45,000.00.

I have contacted the National League of Cities to determine if the AT&T/PTI long distance program would further benefit the City, by possibly increasing the amount of revenue is that now being collected. The AT&T/PTI contract pays the Cities 20% on the money collected, and this is the same amount that Cambridge has been collecting for the past year.

I have made arrangements with PTI to keep this department informed of any changes, or other programs that are or may become available that would enhance revenue, or help to decrease cost in other areas involving telephone, such as long distance calling.



# City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

May 4, 1992

## COUNCILLOR WOLF

WHEREAS: The National League of Cities has informed us of a program by which cities receive a commission from long distance phone calls made on public phones in their city; and

WHEREAS: This might be a new revenue source for the city; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager investigate the AT&T/PTI long distance program to determine whether it would be beneficial for Cambridge; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager make a report as to his findings to the City Council.

In City Council May 4, 1992.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

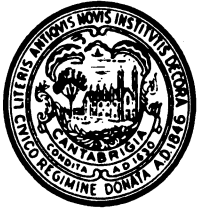
Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joseph E. Connarton".

ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton  
City Clerk



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
ROBERT W. HEALY  
City Manager

RICHARD C. ROSSI  
Deputy City Manager

June 8, 1992

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In reference to Awaiting Report Item No. 34, regarding a report on cities receiving commissions from long distance phone calls made on public phones, please find attached a response from City Electrician George Fernandes, relative to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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

Robert W. Healy  
City Manager

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attachment

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM #3

5-462  
Awaiting Report Item No. 34 regarding a  
report on cities receiving commissions from  
long distance phone calls made on public  
telephones.

In City Council,

June 8, 1992

*Placed on file*