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TO: Robert W. Healy, City Manager

FROM: Jeffrey Nutting, Coordinator of Public Works

DATE: January 25, 1991

SUBJECT: Council Order #30, January 17, 1991
Rindge Avenue Sidewalk from Cemetery
to Sherman Street

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The location in question has been inspected by the Mr. Robert Keating, Superintendent of Streets, Mr. John Kelly, the City Arborist, and Ms. Gail Enman, Executive Director of the Commission on the Status of Persons with Disabilities.

The uplift present on the surface of the sidewalk is caused by (the roots of) four large trees. Two are Pin Oak (species *Quercus Palustris*) and two are Norway Maple (species *Acer Plantanoides*). The trees are approximately 60 or 70 years old. It is Mr. Kelly's assessment that these roots are essential support roots. Their removal would constitute a threat to the health of the trees and would likely cause the trees to topple.

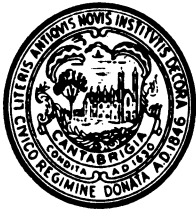
After the spring thaw, Public Works crews will regrade the area, however in either case, the incline will be too steep for a wheelchair to negotiate.

Please let me know if you are in need of additional information or should you have particular suggestions regarding the locations.

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cc: Robert Keating, Superintendent of Street
John Kelly, City Arborist
Robert K. Patterson, Senior Construction Engineer
Gail Enman, Executive Director of the Commission on
the Status of Persons with Disabilities





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January 28, 1991

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Attached, please find a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 49, regarding the condition of sidewalks on Rindge Avenue between the Cemetery and Sherman Street, received from Jeffrey Nutting, Interim Coordinator of Public Works.

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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Agenda # 28 *S 186*

Response to Awaiting Report Item Number
49 regarding condition of sidewalks on
Rindge Avenue between the Cemetery and
Sherman Street.

In City Council,

January 28, 1991

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