



City of Cambridge

Consent Agenda #14

IN CITY COUNCIL

November 17, 1997

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Consumer Council to contact the Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General's Office for possible prosecution of Media One in connection with the so called "Service Visits" which they are conducting.

In City Council November 17, 1997.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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~~Media One~~



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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

October 30, 1997

Mr. Robert W. Healy
City Manager
City of Cambridge
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Healy:

I am in receipt of your October 22, 1997 correspondence pertaining to Council Order(s) seventy eight (78) and eighty six (86); both pertaining to MediaOne programming.

As you probably know, MediaOne provides a great deal of international programming for the Cambridge community today. Recently, in an effort to accommodate the subscriber demand for additional programming, we added a number of channels to the Cambridge line-up including new programming services such as: The History Channel, Sci-Fi Channel, Classic Sports, Comedy, Cartoon Network, Starz!, Encore, and fXM. Additions to our standard service package include: The Golf Channel, SpeedVision, Fox News and the former premium channel American Movie Classics (AMC).

While adding these new services, we preserved as much of the existing international programming as we could. As a result, MediaOne combined International Channel programming and Tele-Italia (RAI) programming with our local community programming on MediaOne TV-3. Significant effort was made to maintain the ethnic diversity of both channels while meeting the demands for a wide array of international programming. At present, MediaOne offers more than 30 international offerings on its community television station (MediaOneTV3) to the Cambridge community. *Those International offerings include:*

French Film Festival
Tele Italia
Farsi Programming
Korean Programming
Jewish News
German Variety
Scandinavian News
Taiwan News
French Culture
Cantonese Drama/News
Asia Business News
Polish News

International Music Videos
Armenian Programming
Japanese Animation
Eastern European Cinema
Islam
German News
Korean Variety
Hungarian
French News
Philippine News
Hindi
Cantonese Movie

Cambodian Drama
Mandarin Programming
Japanese Drama
Tango(Spanish)
Hmong Variety
Arabic Programming
Korean News
Russian
Greek News
Tagalog Drama
Romanian News
Thai Variety

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Pursuant to your request, we would be happy to review with you the current program offerings in relation to international programming and discuss possible changes. Thank you for your input on this matter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions at (508) 848-5042.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Murnane", with a large, stylized initial "T" and a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

Timothy G. Murnane
Manager of Government Affairs

cc: Mark Reilly, Esq., Director of Government Affairs and Counsel



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
City Manager

RICHARD C. ROSSI
Deputy City Manager

November 17, 1997

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 22, regarding cut backs of Italian programming that appears on the RAI USA Channel and Council Order No. 78, dated October 20, 1997, regarding restoring the significantly reduced international news programming to the International Channel, received from Timothy G. Murnane, Manager of Government Affairs for MediaOne.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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attachment

Relative to Awaiting Report Item Number Twenty-two, regarding cut backs of Italian Programming that appears on the RAI USA Channel and Council Order Number Seventy-eight dated October 20, 1997, regarding restoring the significantly reduced international news programming to the International Channel.

In City Council November 17, 1997

Referred back to
City Manager for
further response on
motion of
Councillor Soomey

ORDER ADOPTED