



City of Cambridge

Mayor Vellucci
 Councillor Clinton
 Councillor Danehy
 Councillor Russell
 Councillor Sullivan

IN CITY COUNCIL
 October 25, 1976

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This arbitrary and capricious action by some members of the Election Commission will cause great confusion to the voters in this area, due to the fact that they not only have not experienced such a change since the establishment of the boundary lines, but these concerned voters have already cast their primary Election ballots at former locations, and

WHEREAS:

This action by the Election Commission undoubtedly infringes upon the constitutional rights of both the voters of this area as well as any individual who would have been a candidate for public office from this district had the boundary lines been changed at the appropriate time, now therefore be it

RESOLVED:

That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer immediately with the members of the Election Commission to determine the reasons for such action by the Commission, and be it further

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That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the District Attorney of Middlesex County to request that he review the action by the Election Commission and to further assign the appropriate personnel to oversee the Election process in the Fourth Middlesex District to avoid any criminal activity, and be it further

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That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to this City Council by Monday, November 1, 1976, the action taken by him pursuant to this order.

Rule #19 by Councillor Duehay



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That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to this City Council by Monday, November 1, 1976, the action taken by him pursuant to this order.

Cal #90

Order #16

Cal #10317

M. Vellucci, C. Clinton, C. Danehy, C. Russell
and C. Sullivan re: to the action of the
Election Commission regarding the reassign-
ment of 136 voters to the Fourth Middlesex
District.

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Rule No. 19 by Councillor Duchay

10/1/76 No Action Taken

11/15/76

*Placed on File
on Motion of Mayor
Vellocci in view of
the Court Decision-*