



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
POLICE DEPARTMENT
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Mr. Robert W. Healy
City Manager

FROM: Commissioner Perry L. Anderson Jr.

SUBJECT: City Council Order #28 of 9/23/91

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DATE: October 23, 1991

REFERENCE:

In response to City Council Order #28 of 9/23/91 regarding tow companies under contract with the City, new towing contracts will shortly be issued. The inclusion of a specific clause relating to the suspension of the contract based on the number of speeding citations issued to tow truck drivers should be directed to the Purchasing and Law Departments.

Before the issuance of the new towing contracts, informational meetings will be held with the companies. At this time the companies will be informed of the need to have the drivers be more prudent in their travels. The Traffic and Parking Department has also proposed including in the new contracts specific routes the drivers would need to follow in returning to their respective tow yards.

THE WORKS
CAMBRIDGE
DEPARTMENT
OF PUBLIC

David A. Haley
Commissioner

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To: Robert W. Healy
City Manager

From: *David A. Haley*
Commissioner of Public Works

Date: October 3, 1991

Subject: Council Order #28, dated 9/23/91,
Re: Tow truck operators under contract
to the City driving at an illegally
high rate of speed

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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

Please be advised that during the week of September 30, 1991, the Highway Foreman responsible for street sweeping personally spoke to each towing company, and informed them of the council's concern with speeding trucks.

All of the drivers indicated a willingness to cooperate.





City of Cambridge

28.

IN CITY COUNCIL

September 23, 1991

VICE MAYOR REEVES

WHEREAS: It is of paramount concern to this City Council that the streets of Cambridge be free of the hazards caused by vehicles driven at an illegally high rate of speed; and

WHEREAS: Many towtrucks under contract to the city have been observed speeding on city streets, particularly on, but not confined to, Columbia Street, Garden Street, and New Street; and

WHEREAS: Speeding citations have been issued on various occasions to drivers of these towtrucks; and

WHEREAS: Towtruck operators under contract to the city have a particular obligation to see that their drivers operate their trucks at a safe and legal rate of speed; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council request the City Manager to investigate this matter, and report back within two weeks on the possibility of amending any future contracts with towing companies to include an explicit provision that such contract be immediately suspended if the signatory towing company receive more than a set maximum number of speeding citations during the term of the contract.

In City Council September 23, 1991.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

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

Joseph E. Connarton
City Clerk



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
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RICHARD C. ROSSI
Deputy City Manager

November 4, 1991

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In reference to Awaiting Report Item No. 43, regarding tow companies under contract with the City of Cambridge, please find attached a response from Police Commissioner Perry L. Anderson, as well as a response from Public Works Commissioner David Haley, relative to this issue.

Also, both the Law and Purchasing Departments have reviewed the language and are prepared to have it included in the next bid process.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mev

CONSENT AGENDA # 5

S-1218

Awaiting Report Item Number 43 regarding
two companies under contract with the
City of Cambridge.

In City Council,

November 4, 1991

11/4/91 No action taken

11/18/91 Placed on file