

❖CITY❖OF❖CAMBRIDGE❖

In Board of Aldermen, ~~June 26~~ 1885

July 21

~~Order~~

The Standing Committee on Roads
and Bridges, moved herewith

Report

Recommending the
adoption of accompanying and directing the
removal of plank walks from the sidewalks
in the streets of the city.

For the Committee.
Charles W. Henderson

Repts,
Standing Com. on Roads & Bridges
rec'd adv for removal of plank
walks.

~~June 46~~ 1885.

July 21. 1886

City of Cambridge
Office of City Solicitor
July 13th, 1885.

To the Standing Committee
on Roads and Bridges
Gentlemen.

I am of the opinion that while the superintendent of streets is charged with the duty of removing all such things from our streets as are plainly nuisances, still the question whether the policy of the city with regard to plank sidewalks shall be changed, and such sidewalks be forbidden in our streets should not be decided by him or ~~the~~ ^{your} committee, but by the ~~whole~~ board of aldermen.

Any other course with regard to a question of that kind would be likely to result in trouble. If the board of aldermen think those sidewalks should be removed they should say so. If they do not think so, neither the committee nor the superintendent should ~~do it~~ remove them.

Respectfully yours
J. W. Ashmun
City Solicitor.

Opinion
of Chief Solicitor
July 14, 1843.