



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

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City Council, April 28, 1975

Adopted by the affirmative vote

of 9 members

Paul E. Leahy
City Clerk

Concerned Residents of the
Columbia St. Area, Cambridge

Art # 11

March , 1975

Mr. James Sullivan
City Manager
City Hall
Cambridge, Mass.
02139

Planning Dept
no facilities
(Black community grand
coming up to plan
playground for children)

Dear Sir: applied for
43 to 59 - call Langone

The residents of the Columbia St. area, wish to bring to your attention the existence of a condition which does little for the safety and well-being of our neighborhood. The two-story house located at 69 Columbia St. is vacant.

The side door of the house is unlocked and wide open. Last summer it served as a haven for drug users and night prowlers who needed a station from which to watch people's movements in and out of apartments.

There are various fire code violations within the house. One will note a greater danger when it is recognized that the back porches of Columbia Terrace and other adjacent houses are made of wood. A fire in that house with a strong wind which occasionally comes by, would do much to life and property. Furthermore, in the area there is a significant number of young children, some of who play in and around the house. We are trying to prevent such play, and we do not want any of our children to suffer injury as a result of any freak accident.

We would like the City Government to assume responsibility for demolition of the structure, especially before the summer arrives. We would also like to meet with you, appropriate representatives from the Department of Buildings and Grounds, Planning Department, Recreation Department, and members of our City Council, to discuss the possibility of constructing a playground for pre-teens, and provision of adequate lighting.

For your information, we are attaching a letter from Lark Realty, addressed to Roberto Santiago - a resident of Columbia Terrace, indicating the sale price for the property.

Communication from your office can be carried on with one of the following three people: Roberto Santiago, 9 Columbia Terrace #3, 491-7069; Thomas Soriano, 59 Columbia Street; Roberto Garcia, 9 Columbia Terrace #1, 354-5741.

Respectfully,

Charlotte Garcia
Roberto Garcia
Roberto Santiago
Pedro Santiago
Thomas Soriano

9 Columbia Terrace #1
9 Columbia Terrace #1
9 Columbia Terrace Comb-
57 Columbia St. Comb.
59 Columbia St

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Mr. James Sullivan, March , 1975

Eda Santschi
Manuel Moads

7 Columbia ST
55 Columbia st.

Anna Moads
John F Lynch Jr

55 Columbia st.
5 Columbia Terrace

Marion Lynch
Richard P. ...

57 Columbia Terrace
57

Anna Murray
Antonio ...

57 Columbia
57

Helen O'Brien
Vincent O'Brien

5 Columbia Terr
5 Columbia Terr

Catherine O'Brien
Eleuterio Rodriguez

5 Columbia Terr
5 Columbia Terrace

Genora Hunt
Lidia Santiago

5 Columbia Terr.
4 Columbia Terr apt. 3

Ina Fernandez
Luis Gonzalez

4 Columbia Terr apt 4
120 East apt.

Calderon ...
Eduardo Morales

4 Columbia Terr #3
49 Columbia ST comb mess 02139

Antonio Almeida
Francisco E. ...

10 Columbia Terr
10 Columbia Terrace

Angel R. ...
Martha ...

6 Columbia TERR
10 Columbia Terr

Charles ...
Mar ...

226 Elm St. Comb
10 Columbia Terrace

Serafin ...
Brenando ...

10 Columbia Terr
6 Columbia Terr.

Angel S. ...

231 Washington St

LARK REALTY

897 MAIN STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

(617) 868-4300

March 14, 1975

Mr. Roberto Santiago
President
Cambridge Spanish Council
258 Columbia Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

RE: 69 Columbia Street, Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Roberto:

We are asking \$50,000 for the land and building at the above location.

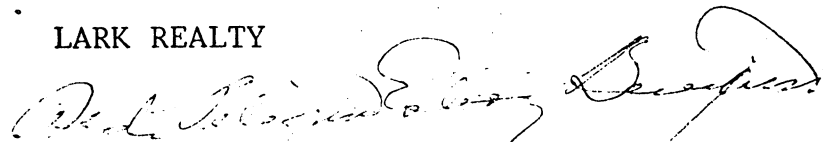
Of course, you are aware that the building is uninhabitable, and we are willing to negotiate on this price based on those facts.

The total area of the land is 11,084 sq.ft. and I can furnish you with the valuation from the City of Cambridge for the real estate taxes assessed.

I hope that the Concilio can make use of this area in a way which would be beneficial to all of our community.

Sincerely,

LARK REALTY



Aldo Pelegrin Estevez Benejam

APEB/es



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, HOSPITAL AND WELFARE
1493 CAMBRIDGE STREET CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139
Telephone 354-2020

November 15, 1974

Cambridge Housing Authority
Mr. George Yuse
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, Mass. 02139

Dear Sir:

Because of the conditions existing at 69 Columbia Street, Cambridge,
I feel that it is necessary to relocate the tenants of said building.

I would appreciate anything that you may be able to do to relocate
these families.

Very truly yours,

Bernard W. Hill, Supervisor
Housing Code Enforcement



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