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Sharon M. Pollard

Solar energy, is a logical, economical alternative energy source for heating the hot water in our homes. Unlike many traditional forms of energy, solar is readily available to anyone with access to sunshine, and it is economically "clean." Estimates have shown that the installation of a solar domestic hot water system may save the homeowner $300 a year in fuel bills.

Ever since 1979, Massachusetts residents who purchase solar energy systems for their homes have been able to deduct a substantial portion of the cost of that system from their tax bills. Through a federal tax incentive — which is also due to expire on December 31, 1985 — taxpayers can deduct 40% of the cost of a solar system installed on their principal residence, up to a maximum credit of $4,000. After the federal tax credit is subtracted, Massachusetts taxpayers can claim an additional 35% state tax credit on the remaining cost of the solar energy system, up to a maximum of $1,000.

These tax credits helped to make solar energy an affordable alternative energy source for the Commonwealth's residents, and have encouraged the development of a strong solar energy industry. In addition, the use of solar energy systems have contributed to the Commonwealth's reduction of energy use from expensive, imported fossil fuels.

Several pieces of legislation are now pending in the Massachusetts State Senate that would extend the existing state tax credit. One bill — S2336 — would extend the credit for two years. This legislation has the support of the Dukakis Administration's Executive Office of Energy Resources and the Legislature's Joint Committee on Energy.

Currently, over 87 percent of all Massachusetts energy consumed is imported from outside the Commonwealth, amounting to a net monetary loss of $7.9 billion a year from the state's economy and a reduction in the disposable income of Massachusetts families. With the use of solar energy systems already in place, Massachusetts residents could bring $9 million back into their economy each year.

The State's Department of Revenue has projected that the existing residential solar credit will cost the Commonwealth $4.6 million in FY86. Therefore, the cumulative annual savings in displaced fuel costs is already almost **double** the cost to the Commonwealth for the tax credit.

The fate of the Massachusetts solar energy tax credit is now in the hands of the State Legislature. It is imperative to the health of our growing economy as well as to the future of solar energy in Massachusetts, that this tax credit be extended.

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Sharon M. Pollar is state Secretary of the Executive Office of Energy Resources.

More letters

Definitions

The tragic flaw in the reasoning of the leadership of Cambridge's Women Against Pornography is that the only way pornography can be deinstitutionalized is by not vainly attempting to define it. Many English dictionaries contain at least three definitions none of which will hold up in a court of law. The futile use of this word is a legal trap virtually all opponents of pornography have fallen into.

Pornography must be viewed simply as an unfair labor practice. For example, the purpose of Mass. House Bill 1400 filed in November 1984 is to prevent the production of filmed scenes that imply that male or female subjects in real life, off-stage are prostitutes! Mass. House Bill 1400 is unique because it makes no distinction between willing and unwilling porn models or players. This determination is vitally important. My bill takes the position that pornography is comparable to a disease, not unlike AIDs. In order to prevent filmed sexual harassment of innocent victims, society must protect "scabs" who voluntarily victimize themselves.

Important: Mass. House Bill 1400 can't possibly endanger free speech, free expression or the free press. It narrows its jurisdiction to cases of implied prostitution as well as clear-cut evidence of pandering by publishers and film producers. It will be a very simple matter for a jury to decide whether or not there was malicious intent by an employer to inflict a personal injury in the form of slander of an employee. Published photographs of murderers, bank robbers, wife beaters, etc. are not covered by this bill; circumstantial evidence of prostitution is.

Personally, I am strongly opposed to boycotts of any kind. I particularly object to the harassment of retailers, including 7-11 stores. Suppressing evidence that can be used by the civil courts to put pornographers out of business is counterproductive. Mass. House Bill 1400 will allow injured employees to sue pornographers for damages.

The truth is that the voters of Cambridge are being conned. Jerry Falwell and his con-artists are shedding crocodile tears; the pornography issue is being misused to inflict "God's" will upon the election process. The sad fact that Andrea Dworkin has made an unholy pact with neo-Calvinists speaks for itself.

Charles Tompkins
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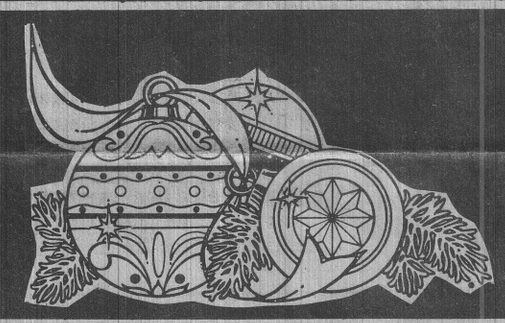
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Crime beat

Break-ins

A woman on Mount Auburn street told police on December 2 that unknown persons entered her dwelling place in an unknown manner and removed sterling silverware.

On that same day, a woman living on Francis avenue reported that upon returning home she noticed mail on the floor. Alerted to the possibility of wrong-doing, she heard the sound of running footsteps upstairs. She then called the police, who, upon arriving on the scene, discovered an opened rear window. A hi-fi amplifier and jewelry were found to be missing.

Still on the second, a man on Kelly road reported that unknown persons smashed his rear window to pieces with a brick. It is believed that those same persons then entered his apartment, for a VCR was taken from his bedroom. Found on the scene of the crime was a book with the name of a possible suspect.

On December 2 once more, a resident of Western avenue told police that two juveniles gained entrance to the building by pretending to ask for a resident. The two rogues then proceeded to the third floor and stole tropical fish from an aquarium. They also stole several three-quart containers of water.

On December 3, an Ellery street woman reported that unkown persons entered her apartment on false premises and removed approximately $400 in bills, change, passbooks, and savings bonds.

On December 4, a man living on Mass avenue said that the proverbial unknown person(s) forced open the rear door to his room and pilfered a violin.

A Pearl street woman told police on December 4 that she returned to her condo and found her lock smashed into pieces. Unknown person(s) had entered her apartment. Numerous gold and diamond jewelry pieces valued at approximately $8000 were taken.

Robberies

On December 2, an employee of Tileston Company reported that two men entered the stock assembly area and grabbed 200 wool coats. The two men then fled down the stairs.

On December 3, a person taken for a ride in a White Cab told police that he gave a driver a $50 bill for a taxi ride from Boston to Cambridge. The man reported that the driver dropped him off in Harvard Square instead of Davis Square, and drove off without giving the fare any change from his bill.

Also on December 3, an employee of Stonestreet on 1276 Mass Ave. told police that a group of about 12-15 males descended on the store. When they left, the person found that about $1200 of clothing had also left. This is the third time such an incident has occurred.

An employee of Church's Fried Chicken reported on December 3 that three men came into the office area and stated that they had a gun and wanted money. The man turned over $680 in cash. The robbers fled down Douglass street to Bishop Allen drive to Columbia street.

On December 5, a Garden street man told police that while walking down Linnean street near Garden a man approached him and said, "give me your money." The victim then attempted to flee, and was slashed in the chest by the assailant.

A woman said on December 5 that while in the Cantab lounge, unknown persons took her black shoulder bag containing a black wallet and ID's valued at approximately $1000.

A Memorial Drive woman reports that persons entered her store at 575 Memorial Drive and stole a ceramic set of autos valued at approximately $300.

Arrests

On December 3, Samuel Bard (aka) Glenn, Somerville, and Kimberly Najarian, Arlington, for larceny of $236.55, a carton of Marlboro cigarettes, and a red baseball hat from Store 24 in Harvard Square.

On December 4, Christine Rene Williams, Mattapan, for shoplifting at the Harvard Coop.

On December 4, Rafael Sanchez, 364 Rindge Ave, shoplifting at TJ Maxx.

On December 4, Robert Kennedy, Roxbury, shoplifting at the Harvard Coop.

On December 5, Douglas MacDonald, Somerville, on various warrants.

On December 6, Leroy Ward Jr., 7 Marvin Place, for breaking and entering.

On December 7, Tito Matos, 56 Willow St., and Robert Carroca, Somerville, for disorderly conduct and malicious destruction.

Cambridge aging council taps officers

The Cambridge Council on Aging has elected the following slate of new officers: Mary Samp, chairperson; Julia Ruiz, vice-chair; Pauline Hollingsworth, secretary; and Emily Lewis, treasurer.

Crime watch

Crime patterns detailed for Neighborhood Two

By Anthony G. Paolillo
Chief of Police

As Chief of Police the ability to know the future would enable me to anticipate the level of resources required to combat crime and allocate existing resources efficiently. Three years ago our crime analysis unit embarked on a crime forecasting project. Over the next few weeks we will be publishing the results of that project in this columm. In today's article Neighborhood Two will be featured.

NEIGHBORHOOD 2 - MIT area.
POPULATION: 4736
BOUNDARIES: Bounded by Main Street, Broadway, the Boston & Albany Railroad, and the Charles River.

Neighborhood Two is encompassed in the patrol boundaries of CAR 2 (A two-officer car). Also included within its borders is Car 2R (A one-officer car) and one walking route (Kendall 7). MIT Police also patrol this neighborhood. Between 1400 to 1600 calls for service are received from this neighborhood each year. Neighborhood Two accounts for 5 percent of the serious crime reported in the city each year.

Over the past five years the major crime problems in Neighborhood Two have been auto theft and larceny from motor vehicles.

Individual crime breakdown

Auto Theft: average per month - 7; predicted average month - 8.

Auto Theft is down slightly from 1984 when the average per month was eight in this area. The last two months have increased with 13 thefts per month in both October and November. Parking lots on Vassar and Ames streets have been pattern areas on numerous occasions. Toyota's, BMW's and Audi's have been the target of thieves in this area in the past.

Larceny from motor vehicles: average per month - 4, 5; predicted average month - 3.

Larceny from motor vehicle activity has increased here over the past four months. Foreign car stereos remain the favorite target. Vassar and Ames street lots are the hot areas.

Housebreaks: average per month - 0.5; predicted average month - 1.

There were only six housebreaks reported in this neighborhood in the first eleven months of 1985. In the average year, 10 to 12 housebreaks will be recorded for this area. The majority of these breaks are into dormitory rooms.

Street Robbery: averge per month - 0.5; predicted average month - 1.

From January through October there were only seven street robberies reported here. However, in November there were three robberies between 77 Mass. Ave. and Vassar street. An arrest in this area in late November of two suspects from Boston appears to have eradicated this pattern.

As projected by the Crime Analysis unit, the crimes of commercial robbery, commercial burglary and vandalism have been virtually nonexistent in this neighborhood.

Special Problems: larceny of bikes from racks around MIT, and pickpockets working the bus stop at 77 Mass. Ave.

Crime trend statistics released today covering January through November indicates that serious crime in Cambridge has risen slightly when compared with the first eleven months of 1984. There were 6,066 serious crimes reported between January and November this year while for the same time period last year 6,038 were recorded. This increase of 28 crimes represents an increase of 0.5 percent. A further analysis of crime statistics reveals that violent crime has decreased 8 percent while property crime has increased 1 percent.

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Assault	295	-14%
Burglary	1260	-5%
Larceny	2991	+8%
Auto Theft	1162	-7%
Index Total	6066	+.5%

For further information on this topic contact Lt. George A. Donovan of the Cambridge Police Community Service Division at 498-9318.



JAMES B. KING of Larch road in Cambridge, senior vice president for public affairs at Northeastern University, has been elected president of the Massachusetts Cultural Alliance. King was elected president at the Alliance's October 15 annual meeting. He will serve a one-year term for the Cultural Alliance, an umbrella organization for some 250 groups and individuals involved in the arts in Massachusetts. The Alliance helps arts organizations learn more about management and political advocacy, and improve communication with others involved in the arts. King has been a member of the Alliance's board of trustees since 1982. King holds a bachelor's degree in political science and history and an honorary doctorate of laws from American International College. He has been with Northeastern since 1983.

Hero cop saves three

By Tom Ehrenfeld
Staff writer

Though he wasn't dressed in the familiar blue garb of the Cambridge Police force, Detective Robert Cloran showed his true colors during a recent vacation to Aruba.

At the time, a witness recounted, a grandson and his grandparents — Helen and Arthur Chrapowitzky — were frolicking in the waves when they were pulled out to sea by a strong undertow.

The mother of the child, and daughter of the couple, became upset when she observed this, and notified Cloran and others on the beach.

Cloran immediatly grabbed a raft, paddled out to the potential tourists to Atlantis, and brought them to shore.

The hotel Cloran stayed at recognized his heroic deed with a mention in the newsletter.

And perhaps the greatest reward for him came in the form of a letter from the Chrapowitzkys, who stated, "Thank you for saving our lives. Without your actions surely our vacation would have ended in tragedy."

Nurses, city still deadlocked

Cambridge nurses and the city of Cambridge remain deadlocked in their attempts to work out a contract.

The nurses staged an informational picket line outside the hospital last week to protest the city's latest offer for a contract this year. Negotiations have fallen through at this point, leaving the two parties to resort to an independent fact-finder to help resolve the matters.

According to city-retained labor attorney Phil Collins, the situation may not be resolved until after January. Collins said that after the two parties come up with a fact-finder, it could take a month to come to terms.

—*TOM EHRENFELD*

Cantabs

Dennis H. McCarthy of Cambridge recently received a bachelor of science degree in law enforcement from Western New England College. He is presently lieutenant detective in charge of the Vice Unit for the Cambridge Police Department.

Joanne Sylvestre, 11 John Corcoran Park, is enrolled in the nursing program at Laboure College in Boston. She is a graduate of Cardinal Cushing Central High School and attended Northeastern University.

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Sharon M. Pollard

Solar energy, is a logical, economical alternative energy source for heating the hot water in our homes. Unlike many traditional forms of energy, solar is readily available to anyone with access to sunshine, and it is economically "clean." Estimates have shown that the installation of a solar domestic hot water system may save the homeowner $300 a year in fuel bills.

Ever since 1979, Massachusetts residents who purchase solar energy systems for their homes have been able to deduct a substantial portion of the cost of that system from their tax bills. Through a federal tax incentive — which is also due to expire on December 31, 1985 — taxpayers can deduct 40% of the cost of a solar system installed on their principal residence, up to a maximum credit of $4,000. After the federal tax credit is subtracted, Massachusetts taxpayers can claim an additional 35% state tax credit on the remaining cost of the solar energy system, up to a maximum of $1,000.

These tax credits helped to make solar energy an affordable alternative energy source for the Commonwealth's residents, and have encouraged the development of a strong solar energy industry. In addition, the use of solar energy systems have contributed to the Commonwealth's reduction of energy use from expensive, imported fossil fuels.

Several pieces of legislation are now pending in the Massachusetts State Senate that would extend the existing state tax credit. One bill — S2336 — would extend the credit for two years. This legislation has the support of the Dukakis Administration's Executive Office of Energy Resources and the Legislature's Joint Committee on Energy.

Currently, over 87 percent of all Massachusetts energy consumed is imported from outside the Commonwealth, amounting to a net monetary loss of $7.9 billion a year from the state's economy and a reduction in the disposable income of Massachusetts families. With the use of solar energy systems already in place, Massachusetts residents could bring $9 million back into their economy each year.

The State's Department of Revenue has projected that the existing residential solar credit will cost the Commonwealth $4.6 million in FY86. Therefore, the cumulative annual savings in displaced fuel costs is already almost **double** the cost to the Commonwealth for the tax credit.

The fate of the Massachusetts solar energy tax credit is now in the hands of the State Legislature. It is imperative to the health of our growing economy as well as to the future of solar energy in Massachusetts, that this tax credit be extended.

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Sharon M. Pollar is state Secretary of the Executive Office of Energy Resources.

More letters

Definitions

The tragic flaw in the reasoning of the leadership of Cambridge's Women Against Pornography is that the only way pornography can be deinstitutionalized is by not vainly attempting to define it. Many English dictionaries contain at least three definitions none of which will hold up in a court of law. The futile use of this word is a legal trap virtually all opponents of pornography have fallen into.

Pornography must be viewed simply as an unfair labor practice. For example, the purpose of Mass. House Bill 1400 filed in November 1984 is to prevent the production of filmed scenes that imply that male or female subjects in real life, off-stage are prostitutes! Mass. House Bill 1400 is unique because it makes no distinction between willing and unwilling porn models or players. This determination is vitally important. My bill takes the position that pornography is comparable to a disease, not unlike AIDs. In order to prevent filmed sexual harassment of innocent victims, society must protect "scabs" who voluntarily victimize themselves.

Important: Mass. House Bill 1400 can't possibly endanger free speech, free expression or the free press. It narrows its jurisdiction to cases of implied prostitution as well as clear-cut evidence of pandering by publishers and film producers. It will be a very simple matter for a jury to decide whether or not there was malicious intent by an employer to inflict a personal injury in the form of slander of an employee. Published photographs of murderers, bank robbers, wife beaters, etc. are not covered by this bill; circumstantial evidence of prostitution is.

Personally, I am strongly opposed to boycotts of any kind. I particularly object to the harassment of retailers, including 7-11 stores. Suppressing evidence that can be used by the civil courts to put pornographers out of business is counterproductive. Mass. House Bill 1400 will allow injured employees to sue pornographers for damages.

The truth is that the voters of Cambridge are being conned. Jerry Falwell and his con-artists are shedding crocodile tears; the pornography issue is being misused to inflict "God's" will upon the election process. The sad fact that Andrea Dworkin has made an unholy pact with neo-Calvinists speaks for itself.

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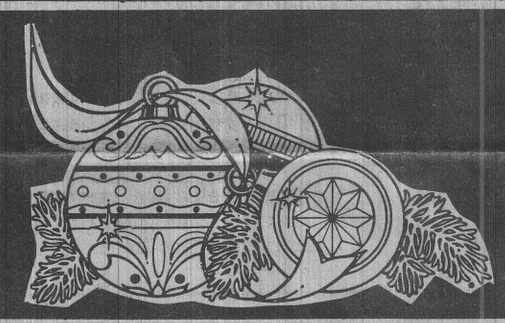
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PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Cambridge, MA, Office of the City Clerk

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with Chapter 789 of the Acts of 1981 that the City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 30, 1985 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, Cambridge, Massachusetts on a proposal to apply to the Massachusetts Executive Office of Communities and Development for $140,000 in Community Development Action Grant funds for the following purposes:

1. To build a playground at the Martin Luther King School on a site located on Magee School (Lots 119 and 120, Block 121);

2. To leverage $400,000 in private funds to build six units of affordable housing on a city-owned site adjacent to the school grounds located on Hayes Street (lots 94-97, Block 121) and Magee Street (Lots 116, Block 121);

3. To declare the site a Blighted Open Area as defined by section I of Chapter 121B of the Massachusetts General Laws.

All persons interested in this matter may appear at this time and be heard. Questions concerning this proposal may be addressed to Michael Rosenberg at 498-9034.

By order of the City Council,
Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

Crime beat

Break-ins

A woman on Mount Auburn street told police on December 2 that unknown persons entered her dwelling place in an unknown manner and removed sterling silverware.

On that same day, a woman living on Francis avenue reported that upon returning home she noticed mail on the floor. Alerted to the possibility of wrong-doing, she heard the sound of running footsteps upstairs. She then called the police, who, upon arriving on the scene, discovered an opened rear window. A hi-fi amplifier and jewelry were found to be missing.

Still on the second, a man on Kelly road reported that unknown persons smashed his rear window to pieces with a brick. It is believed that those same persons then entered his apartment, for a VCR was taken from his bedroom. Found on the scene of the crime was a book with the name of a possible suspect.

On December 2 once more, a resident of Western avenue told police that two juveniles gained entrance to the building by pretending to ask for a resident. The two rogues then proceeded to the third floor and stole tropical fish from an aquarium. They also stole several three-quart containers of water.

On December 3, an Ellery street woman reported that unkown persons entered her apartment on false premises and removed approximately $400 in bills, change, passbooks, and savings bonds.

On December 4, a man living on Mass avenue said that the proverbial unknown person(s) forced open the rear door to his room and pilfered a violin.

A Pearl street woman told police on December 4 that she returned to her condo and found her lock smashed into pieces. Unknown person(s) had entered her apartment. Numerous gold and diamond jewelry pieces valued at approximately $8000 were taken.

Robberies

On December 2, an employee of Tileston Company reported that two men entered the stock assembly area and grabbed 200 wool coats. The two men then fled down the stairs.

On December 3, a person taken for a ride in a White Cab told police that he gave a driver a $50 bill for a taxi ride from Boston to Cambridge. The man reported that the driver dropped him off in Harvard Square instead of Davis Square, and drove off without giving the fare any change from his bill.

Also on December 3, an employee of Stonestreet on 1276 Mass Ave. told police that a group of about 12-15 males descended on the store. When they left, the person found that about $1200 of clothing had also left. This is the third time such an incident has occurred.

An employee of Church's Fried Chicken reported on December 3 that three men came into the office area and stated that they had a gun and wanted money. The man turned over $680 in cash. The robbers fled down Douglass street to Bishop Allen drive to Columbia street.

On December 5, a Garden street man told police that while walking down Linnean street near Garden a man approached him and said, "give me your money." The victim then attempted to flee, and was slashed in the chest by the assailant.

A woman said on December 5 that while in the Cantab lounge, unknown persons took her black shoulder bag containing a black wallet and ID's valued at approximately $1000.

A Memorial Drive woman reports that persons entered her store at 575 Memorial Drive and stole a ceramic set of autos valued at approximately $300.

Arrests

On December 3, Samuel Bard (aka) Glenn, Somerville, and Kimberly Najarian, Arlington, for larceny of $236.55, a carton of Marlboro cigarettes, and a red baseball hat from Store 24 in Harvard Square.

On December 4, Christine Rene Williams, Mattapan, for shoplifting at the Harvard Coop.

On December 4, Rafael Sanchez, 364 Rindge Ave, shoplifting at TJ Maxx.

On December 4, Robert Kennedy, Roxbury, shoplifting at the Harvard Coop.

On December 5, Douglas MacDonald, Somerville, on various warrants.

On December 6, Leroy Ward Jr., 7 Marvin Place, for breaking and entering.

On December 7, Tito Matos, 56 Willow St., and Robert Carroca, Somerville, for disorderly conduct and malicious destruction.

Cambridge aging council taps officers

The Cambridge Council on Aging has elected the following slate of new officers: Mary Samp, chairperson; Julia Ruiz, vice-chair; Pauline Hollingsworth, secretary; and Emily Lewis, treasurer.

Crime watch

Crime patterns detailed for Neighborhood Two

By Anthony G. Paolillo
Chief of Police

As Chief of Police the ability to know the future would enable me to anticipate the level of resources required to combat crime and allocate existing resources efficiently. Three years ago our crime analysis unit embarked on a crime forecasting project. Over the next few weeks we will be publishing the results of that project in this columm. In today's article Neighborhood Two will be featured.

NEIGHBORHOOD 2 - MIT area.
POPULATION: 4736
BOUNDARIES: Bounded by Main Street, Broadway, the Boston & Albany Railroad, and the Charles River.

Neighborhood Two is encompassed in the patrol boundaries of CAR 2 (A two-officer car). Also included within its borders is Car 2R (A one-officer car) and one walking route (Kendall 7). MIT Police also patrol this neighborhood. Between 1400 to 1600 calls for service are received from this neighborhood each year. Neighborhood Two accounts for 5 percent of the serious crime reported in the city each year.

Over the past five years the major crime problems in Neighborhood Two have been auto theft and larceny from motor vehicles.

Individual crime breakdown

Auto Theft: average per month - 7; predicted average month - 8.

Auto Theft is down slightly from 1984 when the average per month was eight in this area. The last two months have increased with 13 thefts per month in both October and November. Parking lots on Vassar and Ames streets have been pattern areas on numerous occasions. Toyota's, BMW's and Audi's have been the target of thieves in this area in the past.

Larceny from motor vehicles: average per month - 4, 5; predicted average month - 3.

Larceny from motor vehicle activity has increased here over the past four months. Foreign car stereos remain the favorite target. Vassar and Ames street lots are the hot areas.

Housebreaks: average per month - 0.5; predicted average month - 1.

There were only six housebreaks reported in this neighborhood in the first eleven months of 1985. In the average year, 10 to 12 housebreaks will be recorded for this area. The majority of these breaks are into dormitory rooms.

Street Robbery: averge per month - 0.5; predicted average month - 1.

From January through October there were only seven street robberies reported here. However, in November there were three robberies between 77 Mass. Ave. and Vassar street. An arrest in this area in late November of two suspects from Boston appears to have eradicated this pattern.

As projected by the Crime Analysis unit, the crimes of commercial robbery, commercial burglary and vandalism have been virtually nonexistent in this neighborhood.

Special Problems: larceny of bikes from racks around MIT, and pickpockets working the bus stop at 77 Mass. Ave.

Crime trend statistics released today covering January through November indicates that serious crime in Cambridge has risen slightly when compared with the first eleven months of 1984. There were 6,066 serious crimes reported between January and November this year while for the same time period last year 6,038 were recorded. This increase of 28 crimes represents an increase of 0.5 percent. A further analysis of crime statistics reveals that violent crime has decreased 8 percent while property crime has increased 1 percent.

FIRST ELEVEN MONTHS OF 1984

Crime	Total
Murder	5
Rape	31
Robbery	327
Assault	344
Burglary	1316
Larceny	2775
Auto Theft	1250
Index Total	6038

FIRST ELEVEN MONTHS OF 1985

Crime	Total	% Change
Murder	0	—
Rape	26	-16%
Robbery	332	+2%
Assault	295	-14%
Burglary	1260	-5%
Larceny	2991	+8%
Auto Theft	1162	-7%
Index Total	6066	+.5%

For further information on this topic contact Lt. George A. Donovan of the Cambridge Police Community Service Division at 498-9318.



JAMES B. KING of Larch road in Cambridge, senior vice president for public affairs at Northeastern University, has been elected president of the Massachusetts Cultural Alliance. King was elected president at the Alliance's October 15 annual meeting. He will serve a one-year term for the Cultural Alliance, an umbrella organization for some 250 groups and individuals involved in the arts in Massachusetts. The Alliance helps arts organizations learn more about management and political advocacy, and improve communication with others involved in the arts. King has been a member of the Alliance's board of trustees since 1982. King holds a bachelor's degree in political science and history and an honorary doctorate of laws from American International College. He has been with Northeastern since 1983.

Hero cop saves three

By Tom Ehrenfeld
Staff writer

Though he wasn't dressed in the familiar blue garb of the Cambridge Police force, Detective Robert Cloran showed his true colors during a recent vacation to Aruba.

At the time, a witness recounted, a grandson and his grandparents — Helen and Arthur Chrapowitzky — were frolicking in the waves when they were pulled out to sea by a strong undertow.

The mother of the child, and daughter of the couple, became upset when she observed this, and notified Cloran and others on the beach.

Cloran immediatly grabbed a raft, paddled out to the potential tourists to Atlantis, and brought them to shore.

The hotel Cloran stayed at recognized his heroic deed with a mention in the newsletter.

And perhaps the greatest reward for him came in the form of a letter from the Chrapowitzkys, who stated, "Thank you for saving our lives. Without your actions surely our vacation would have ended in tragedy."

Nurses, city still deadlocked

Cambridge nurses and the city of Cambridge remain deadlocked in their attempts to work out a contract.

The nurses staged an informational picket line outside the hospital last week to protest the city's latest offer for a contract this year. Negotiations have fallen through at this point, leaving the two parties to resort to an independent fact-finder to help resolve the matters.

According to city-retained labor attorney Phil Collins, the situation may not be resolved until after January. Collins said that after the two parties come up with a fact-finder, it could take a month to come to terms.

—*TOM EHRENFELD*

Cantabs

Dennis H. McCarthy of Cambridge recently received a bachelor of science degree in law enforcement from Western New England College. He is presently lieutenant detective in charge of the Vice Unit for the Cambridge Police Department.

Joanne Sylvestre, 11 John Corcoran Park, is enrolled in the nursing program at Laboure College in Boston. She is a graduate of Cardinal Cushing Central High School and attended Northeastern University.

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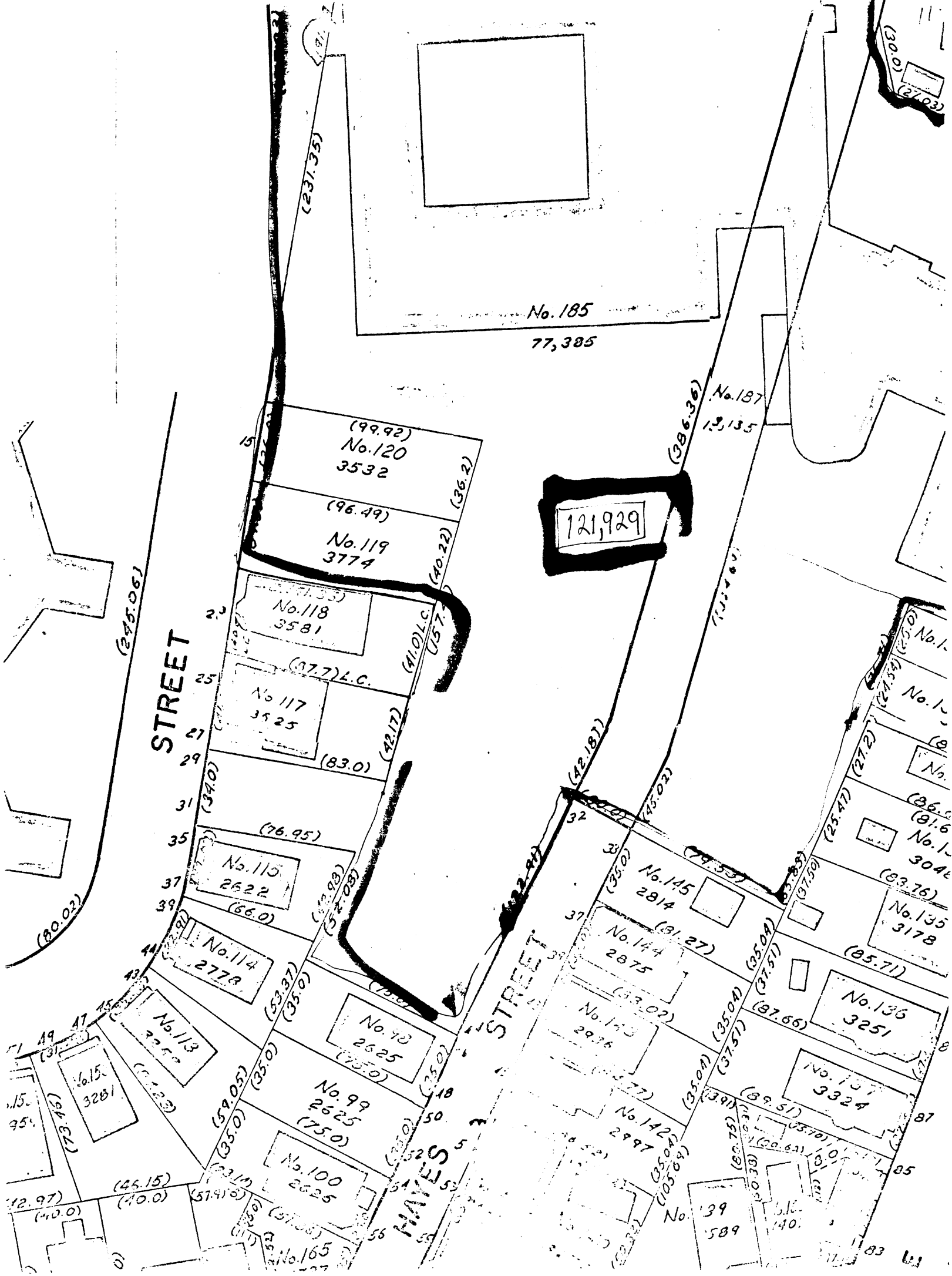

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DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

To the Honorable, the City Council December 16, 1985

The Community Development Department is proposing that the City of Cambridge apply to the State Executive Office of Communities and Development for $140,000 in Community Development Action Grant funds to build a playground at the Martin Luther King School and to leverage $400,000 in private funds for the development of six units of affordable housing at a site adjacent to the school. The housing development will be sponsored by the Riverside Cambridgeport Community Corporation (RCCC) with the assistance of the Community Development Department.

The proposed housing site is located on Hayes Street (Lots 94-97, Block 121) and Magee Street (Lot 116, Block 121.) These adjoining lots are both owned by the City and form part of the Houghton School Parcel No. 185 as recorded in Book 11529, Page 549, Plan number 684 (B of 2) of 1968. The School Department is not currently using this land, however, and has expressed an interest in relinquishing an interest in the site provided that a small playground be built on school property for the use of younger neighborhood children.

RCCC is interested in developing new affordable housing to enable neighborhood residents to become homeowners. In order to develop affordable housing on the above described site, RCCC would need to reduce development costs by paying a nominal fee for the land. RCCC would also work closely with the City's Resident Coop Ownership Program to develop a limited equity housing cooperative to maintain affordability while providing ownership benefits.

RCCC is meeting with neighborhood residents to discuss the proposal and consider suggestions from the community. An architect is working with RCCC and the Community Development Department to prepare site plans and estimate costs for both the school recreation site and the housing site. This information is necessary for the CDAG application.

In order to receive $140,000 in CDAG funds to make the public improvements to the school property, the City must take the following steps:

1. City Council Action:

   (a) Hold a Public Hearing on December 30, 1985 with two weeks published notice;

(b) Declare the site a Blighted Open Area as defined by Section I of Chapter 121B of the Massachusetts General Laws;

(c) Authorize the City Manager to execute and file the CDAG application with the EOCD, to make any amendments to the application as may be required, and to act as the authorized correspondent and representative of the Applicant in connection with the CDAG application.

The Public Hearing has been tentatively scheduled for 6 p.m. on December 30, because of a requirement for two weeks published notice and because the CDAG grant application deadline is January 17, 1986. I request that the City Council confirm this date and time and formally schedule the hearing for December 30, 1985.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH:cdg

Agenda Item No. 11

F-435

Re: a request for a public hearing on December 30, 1985 in connection with the City applying for a grant of $140,000. in Community Development Action Grant funds to build a playground at the Martin Luther King School.

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