



City of Cambridge

14.

IN CITY COUNCIL

January 27, 1992

COUNCILLOR WALSH

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WHEREAS: Hearings were held before the Council's Cable TV and Communications Committee and one of the requests emerging therefrom was that the City Solicitor provide an opinion to Continental Cablevision as to whether discontinuation of the Cable Guide was in compliance with the mandates and obligations as set out in their license; and

WHEREAS: The final paragraph in the attached letter of 1/9/92 from Continental Cablevision's General Manager indicates that no answer/opinion has been provided by the City Solicitor; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager request the City Solicitor to provide the requested opinion to Mr. Philip S. Ripa, General Manager of Continental Cablevision, within one week; and be it further

ORDERED: That copies of said opinion be provided to all Council members at the same time.

In City Council January 27, 1992.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy; *Joseph E. Connarton*

ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton
City Clerk



**Continental
Cablevision**

January 9, 1992

Mr. William Walsh
Chair, Cable TV & Communications
Committee of the City Council
795 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

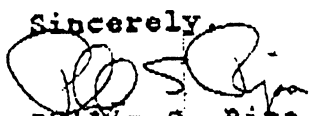
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I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the City Council, the Commission for Persons with Disabilities, and Michael McDermott, for bringing to our attention the needs of a specific group of our community. It is our hope that this new service does in fact meet some of the needs of Cambridge's sight impaired community members.

Finally, as I have not yet received a response from you or the City Solicitor in regards to our compliance with our license as it concerns Cable Guides, I have made no further adjustments to our current guide policy. I look forward to hearing from you on this matter.

Sincerely,



Philip S. Ripa
General Manager

cc: Mayor Kenneth Reeves
Councillor Walter J. Sullivan



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January 21, 1992

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(ATTACHMENT)



CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

(617) 498-9094

William H. Walsh
City Councillor

FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL FORM:

DATE: JANUARY 21, 1992

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City Hall, Cambridge, MA. 02139

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REMARKS: Councillor Walsh requests that the enclosed Council Order
(with attachment) be included in the CONSENT AGENDA for the
JANUARY 27, 1992 Council Session.

Re: Cable TV

Signature of person in Councillor Walsh's office transmitting
the document(s).

David F. Noonan *David F.*

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR USUAL COURTESY & COOPERATION.

Please telephone to confirm receipt & filing of same.



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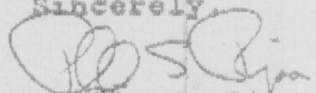
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City Council JAN. 27 1992
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Consent Order # 14

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Councillor Walsh re: discontinuance of
Cable Guides by Continental Cablevision.

In City Council,

January 27, 1992

Order adopted