



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To Les Barber, Planning Board

Date September 12, 1985

From Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

Reference

Subject petition to amend the Zoning Ordinances by rezoning
the MBTA Green Line's Lechmere Station

Pursuant to the request of the City Council, I am forwarding to you a copy of the report of the Council's Committee on Ordinances on the above referenced petition. Said petition has been referred back to the Planning Board to prepare an amendment to Residence C-1 on motion of Councillor David Sullivan.

Your kind attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated, both by the City Council and this office.

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Enclosure: City Council Comm. #13 of 9/9/85

REPORT

Committee on Ordinance

petition of the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinances by rezoning a parcel of land known as Lot #86 on Assessors Plat #20 and used as Lechmere Station on the MBTA Green Line from its present designation A/PUD-4 to Residence C-1/PUD-4.

In City Council,
September 9, 1985

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Referenced above to
Planning Board to
prepare Res C-1 - on
motion of C.D. Sullivan

City of Cambridge

In City Council September 9, 1985

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Councillor David E. Sullivan, Chairman of the Committee, presided and called for the proponents to appear.

Councillor Vellucci, who sponsored the Council order of May 6, 1985 requesting the downzoning of the Lechmere MBTA Station site to Residence C-1, appeared at the call of the Chair and outlined in great detail his reasons for requesting the change to a residence area.

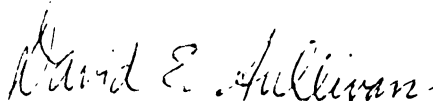
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There being no objection - the motion carried and the Committee adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

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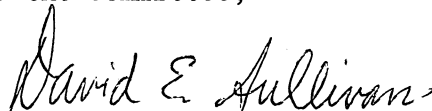
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motion re CD Station*