



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR WYLIE

September 15, 1980

ORDERED:

That the order adopted on May 12, 1980 rescinding the permit to the Old Cambridge Baptist Church for two driveways at the premises numbered 400 Harvard Street, Cambridge, be and hereby is rescinded, and be it further

ORDERED:

That the original order adopted on January 14, 1980 granting the permit to the Old Cambridge Baptist Church for two driveway at the premises numbered 400 Harvard Street, be and hereby is reinstated.

In City Council September 15, 1980.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 9 members.

Attest: Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:



City of Cambridge

January 14, 1980

ORDERED:

That the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized to construct driveways over sidewalks in front of estates upon the streets as hereinafter named, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Paving (Edgestones and Sidewalks). The entire cost of material and labor furnished to be repaid to the City by the owners of the abutting estates.

Old Cambridge Baptist Church 400 Harvard Street (TWO DRIVEWAYS)

In City Council January 14, 1980

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 9 members.

Attest: Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

A true copy,

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul E. Healy".



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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OFFICE OF
THE CITY CLERK

September 9, 1980

Thomas & Howard
Attorneys at Law
56 Boylston Street
Cambridge, MA 02138

Dear Ms. Thomas:

In reference to your request that the two driveways be reinstated at the Cambridge Baptist Church at the premises numbered 400 Harvard Street, please be advised that a hearing has been scheduled by the City Council for Monday, September 15, 1980 at 6:00 P. M. in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

You are invited to attend and be heard at this time.

Your kind attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

PEH/dl

c.c. Cambridge Baptist Church.
Mid Cambridge Association

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September 4, 1980

The Honorable Francis Duehay
Members of the City Council
City Hall
Cambridge, MA 02139

RE: Old Cambridge Baptist Church

Dear Mayor Duehay and Members of the City Council:

On behalf of my client, the Old Cambridge Baptist Church, I would like to petition the Council to reinstate two curb cuts at 400 Harvard Street.

On January 14, 1980, the City Council authorized the Public Works Department to construct two driveways at 400 Harvard Street. The work was begun on May 7th and completed on May 12th. On May 12, 1980, the Council--without notice--rescinded the order. A copy of the order of authorization and a copy of the order of rescission are attached to this letter.

On behalf of the Church, I urge the Council to act favorably on this request for the following reasons:

- 1) The Church complied with the City's procedures in obtaining authorization for the curb cuts in the first instance. The parking area which has caused such great offense was noted on the diagram submitted to the various city departments responsible for recommending approval to the City Council.
- 2) Relying on the Council's order of January 14th, the Church spent \$246 on the curb cuts and substantial additional amounts on creating the parking area. (The \$246 was paid to the City, not to a private contractor.)
- 3) The Building Department has determined that three cars can legally be parked on the site.

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- 4) Mr. Sullivan of the Historical Commission has been consulted and is of the opinion that the parking area does not impair the historic character of the Church.
- 5) Finally, if the City Council reinstates the curb cuts, the Church is prepared to go forward with the \$1,000 landscaping plan voted upon by its Board of Deacons. In this way, the area will be restored as a neighborhood amenity.

Yours very truly,



Anne M. Thomas

AMT/afm



City of Cambridge

COUNCILLOR WYLIE

10.
IN CITY COUNCIL
May 12, 1980

ORDERED: That the order adopted on January 14, 1980 granting a permit to the Old Cambridge Baptist Church for two driveways at the premises numbered 400 Harvard Street, Cambridge be and hereby is rescinded.

In City Council May 12, 1980
Adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members.
Attest: Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

A true copy,

ATTEST:

COUNCILLORS W. SULLIVAN AND CRANE HAVE REQUESTED TO BE RECORDED IN THE
NEGATIVE.

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Comm. from Thomas & Howard, Attorneys-At-Law,
on behalf of the Old Cambridge Baptist Church
requesting that the City Council reinstate
two curb cuts at 400 Harvard Street.

In City Council,

September 8, 1980

Referred to Hearing

AT 6 PM

Sept 15, 1980

*petitioner notified
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