



July 5, 1988

TO: Robert W. Healy, City Manager

FROM: William Sommers, Commissioner, DPW

Subject: Council Order No. 6, 12/7/87, Councillor Wolfe
Re: Cost of public restrooms in the active
squares throughout the City

147 Hampshire Street
Cambridge
Massachusetts 02139
617.498.9051

William Sommers
Commissioner

As you are aware, I replied to this request when it was first presented prior to the date indicated. My reply stressed the fact that a) the cost for building separate rest rooms in the active squares would run to at least \$250,000 in total at a conservative estimate and b) experience in maintaining these would be such as to warrant costly and frequent replacements and clean-up well beyond our current budget and personnel capacity.

In light of the continued interest in this problem as evidenced by Councillor Wolfe's second request, I did conduct a survey of available public use rest rooms in six squares which included both Firehouses and various eating establishments. The results of the survey are attached.

It should be noted that in conducting the survey we found that a number of the establishments expressed a desire to close their public facilities because of destruction of property, dirt and the cost of clean-up, especially with grafitti.





CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To Robert Healy, City Manager

Date June 30, 1988

From William Sommers, Commissioner, DPW

Reference

Subject Availability of restrooms to the general public in Cambridge.

A survey of the establishments in all the major squares of Cambridge has revealed the following information on those which offer their restrooms to the general public.

HARVARD SQUARE

ESTABLISHMENT

ADDRESS

Au Bon Pain

1560 Massachusetts Avenue

Charles Square Mall

20 University Road

Fire Station

The Harvard Coop

1400 Massachusetts Avenue

Harvard University Science Center

1 Oxford Street

Leo's Place

34 JFK Street

Whitney's Bar

37 JFK Street

CENTRAL SQUARE

Cantab Lounge

738 Massachusetts Avenue

Fire Station

McDonalds

463 Massachusetts Avenue

PORTER SQUARE

Andy's Diner

2030 Massachusetts Avenue

Fire Station

McDonalds

Shopping Center

ESTABLISHMENTADDRESSKENDALL SQUARE

Fire Station

French Bakery Cafe

Mime Street

INMAN SQUARE

Fire Station

S&S Restuarant

1334 Cambridge Street

LECHMERE SQUARE

Courtside Food & Spirits

438 Cambridge Street

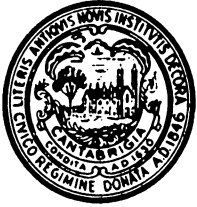
Fire Station

Pugliese's Restaurant

635 Cambridge Street

Sunset Restaurant

857 Cambridge Street



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

ROBERT W. HEALY

City Manager

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Deputy City Manager

July 25, 1988

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report No. 5 regarding public restrooms in the active squares in Cambridge, I submit the attached report outlining a list of establishments which open their restrooms to the public.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert W. Healy", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Agenda Item No. 3

S-492

Re: response to Awaiting Report Item 5 on
public restrooms in the active squares of
Cambridge.

.. In City Council,

July 25, 1988

Placed on file