

City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

Agenda #3 Proposed legislation authorizing the Traffic Director of the City, with the approval of the City Manager, to appoint Traffic Control Officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

In City Council November 22 1976

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mrs. Ackermann	✓			
Mr. Clem		✓		
Mr. Clinton		✓		
Mr. Danehy		✓		
Mr. Duehay	✓			
Mrs. Graham	✓			
Mr. Russell	✓			
Mr. Sullivan	✓			
Mayor Vellucci		✓		

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R. Danehy

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R. Danehy

No Change
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City of Cambridge

IN CITY COUNCIL

November 22, 1976

ORDERED:

That the City Council go on record as favoring an amendment to Chapter 455 of the Acts of 1961, being an Act establishing a Department of Traffic and Parking and a Board of Traffic and Parking in the City of Cambridge, by authorizing the Traffic Director to appoint Traffic Control Officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

In City Council Nov-22, 1976

Adopted by roll call and may Vote

Yeas 5 Nays 4 Absent 0

Paul E. Leahy
City Clerk



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY- SIX

AN ACT Authorizing the Traffic Director of the City of Cambridge to appoint traffic control officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Chapter 455 of the Acts of 1961 as amended by Section 7 of Chapter 786 of the Acts of 1962 and by Chapter 340 of the Acts of 1972 is hereby further amended by inserting at the end of the fourth sentence, the following "including parking control officers as provided in Section 10F of Chapter 147 of the General Laws, and notwithstanding the provisions of said Section 10F of Chapter 147, the traffic director shall appoint the same." so that said fourth sentence shall read "Upon recommendation of the traffic director, the city manager shall have authority to create subordinate staff positions in the department of traffic and parking including parking control officers as provided in Section 10F of Chapter 147 of the General Laws, and notwithstanding the provisions of said Section 10F of Chapter 147, the traffic director shall appoint the same."

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Section 2. Said Chapter 455 of the Acts of 1961 is hereby further amended by inserting after paragraph (d) of Section 3 of said Chapter 455 the following, - (e) The Traffic Director may promulgate regulations, subject to the approval of the City Council, that provide that any sergeant or officer of higher rank in the police department may cause to be removed to some convenient place by towing by an independent contractor any vehicle, except a vehicle owned by the Commonwealth or a political subdivision thereof or by the United States or an instrumentality thereof or registered by a member of a foreign diplomatic corps or by a foreign consular officer who is not a citizen of the United States and bearing a distinctive number plate otherwise conspicuously marked as so owned or registered, and except also a vehicle owned by a disabled veteran and bearing a distinctive number plate authorized by the General Laws which is parked or standing on any part of any street, way, highway, road or parkway if in the calendar year in which such vehicle is so removed and in the preceding calendar year, five or more notices, in the aggregate, have been affixed to said vehicle as provided in Section 20C of Chapter 90 of the General Laws and remain unpaid and the cost of such removal and of storage charges resulting therefrom, in accordance with the traffic regulations then in effect, shall be imposed upon the owner of such vehicle. Any such vehicle so removed shall be held until all charges imposed for such removal and storage following the same have been paid and due notice has been received that the fines provided in such notices affixed to said vehicle have been paid or security for

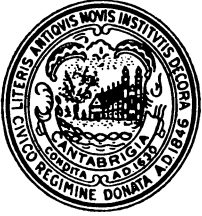
the payment thereof has been deposited. The police department shall promptly mail written notice to the registered owner of any such vehicle so removed, directed to the address furnished by the Registry of Motor Vehicles or comparable agency of the State in which said vehicle is registered, stating the date on which such vehicle was removed, the location to which such vehicle has been removed, and a statement that the vehicle shall be released by the police on the payment of all fines, storage and towing charges, due. Any such vehicle so removed shall be deemed to have been abandoned and may be disposed of in accordance with Section 22C of Chapter 90 of the General Laws if, within thirty days of the mailing of the notice to the registered owner as provided for herein, said owner has not paid all charges imposed for such removal and storage following the same and the fines provided in such notices affixed to said vehicle.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
in General Court assembled.

The undersigned, citizens of Cambridge, respectfully
petition for the passage of the accompanying bill or resolve, and/or for legislation

Authorizing the Traffic Director of the City of Cambridge to
appoint traffic control officers and to promulgate regulations
for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

Petitioners are requested to sign names and addresses legibly.



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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DEPARTMENT OF
TRAFFIC & PARKING

George Teso
Director

November 18, 1976

Mr. James L. Sullivan
City Manager
City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

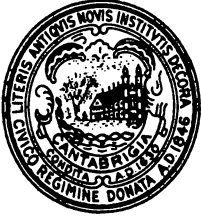
I am enclosing legislation which would authorize the City Manager or Traffic Director to appoint Parking Control Officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles. This legislation must be approved by the Mayor and by order of the City Council prior to being filed with the Legislature.

Please place this matter on the agenda for City Council action.

Very truly yours,

George Teso
Traffic Director

GT: jm



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139
Tel. 876-6800

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JAMES L. SULLIVAN
City Manager

November 22, 1976

To the Honorable, the City Council:

Enclosed please find communication from George Teso, Traffic Director, relative to the proposed legislation authorizing the Traffic Director of the City, with the approval of the City Manager, to appoint Traffic Control Officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

Also enclosed is a copy of the proposed bill for your consideration and approval, and a proposed order recording the City Council as favoring an amendment to Chapter 455 of the Acts of 1961.

Very truly yours,

James L. Sullivan
City Manager

JLS/mbf
Encs.

Re: to proposed legislation authorizing the Traffic Director of the City, with the approval of the City Manager, to appoint Traffic Control Officers and to promulgate regulations for the towing and removal of repeatedly tagged motor vehicles.

In City Council,
November 22, 1976

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Order Adopted
to file legislation

Petition signed
By 5 Councilors
for filing with
legislature -