



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

CITY HALL, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139 • (617) 498-9017

OFFICE OF
THE CITY CLERK

May 14, 1980

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to your communication to the City Council requesting a hearing regarding the problems related to public drinking and vandalism in the North Cambridge area, the City Council has scheduled a public hearing for Monday, May 19, 1980 at 9 P. M. in the City Council Chamber, City Hall.

You and any other concerned citizens are requested to attend and be heard.

Very truly yours,

Paul E. Healy
City Clerk

PEH/cs

RECEIVED BY
OFFICE OF CITY CLERK

MAY 12 2 44 PM '80

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

May 12, 1980

Cambridge City Council
c/o Paul Healey, City Clerk
Cambridge City Hall
Cambridge, Ma. 02139

Dear Members of the Council:

Residents of the North Cambridge neighborhood which surround the fields behind Fitzgerald School and adjacent to Bergin Park, request a hearing with the City Council to fully discuss the problems related to public drinking and vandalism in those areas. The people who make up the neighborhood feel these problems in several ways:

1. There is excessive noise and public drunkenness, which makes this neighborhood a less desirable and less safe place to live.
2. Unsightly litter and broken glass are strewn over the streets, the tennis courts, the baseball park and, worst of all, in Bergin Park making it unsafe for children to play.
3. There has been continued vandalism to city and private property.
4. Speeding cars.
5. The numbers of drinking teenagers presents negative role models for for younger neighborhood children to emulate.
6. The excessive drinking by large crowds during Recreation Department games - a special but related problem - has created unruly and aggressive crowds with potential for violence: not to mention the constant and expensive cost involved with cleaning up these messes on a daily basis.

RECEIVED BY
OFFICE OF CITY CLERK

MAY 12 2 44 PM '80

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

May 12, 1980

Page 2

7. The fact that much of the behavior is against the law or creates disturbances in an otherwise peaceful neighborhood, brings up the second question of police enforcement. Police have been repeatedly slow to respond to complaints and have made little impact on the drinking in the area.

We are very frustrated in our attempts to deal with these problems. We seek a meeting with the Cambridge City Council in order to find a solution to these community problems which negatively affect the quality to life in our neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Sandra Shaw
Sharon Beaudoin
Libby Zimmern
Kestia Beyman
Richard E. Beaudoin
Della Hardy
Ronald C. Oliver
Bonnie Oliver
Claude King
Dorothy King
Bruce Shaw
Bruce Poley
Albert J. Harrington

54 Pemberton St. Cambridge
44 Fairfield St.
79 Pemberton St.
" " "
44 Fairfield St.
21 Fairfield St.
20 Fairfield
20 Fairfield St.
20 Rindge
20 Rindge
54 Pemberton St.
34 Fairfield St.
64 Fairfield St.

Frances M. Harrington
Karen J. White
Nath J. Ward
Michael J. O'Shynlon
Isa Clare Washington
W. Bo White
William B. Fay
Catherine L. Fay
John M. Fay

64 Fairfield St., Camb.
60 Haskell St. Camb.
38 Fairfield St. Camb.
46 Fairfield St. Camb MA
46 Fairfield St. Camb
60 Haskell St. Camb.
48 Fairfield St. Camb
48 Fairfield St. Camb.
48 Fairfield St. Camb.

S-247

Comm. from Sandra Shaw, et al, requesting a hearing before the City Council regarding public drinking and vandalism in the area which surrounds the field behind the Fitzgerald School and adjacent to Bergin Park.

Hearing Held 5/19/80

*See Order Addressing
#14 thru #17*

In City Council,

May 12, 1980

5/12/1980

*Hearing Set
FOR*

May 19/80

AT

9 PM

Special to Addressees

ON

- PETITION -