



City of Cambridge

(Calendar Item No. 26)

21.

IN CITY COUNCIL

January 9, 1989
January 23, 1989

COUNCILLOR WALSH

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- WHEREAS: Under the State Building Code, Section 108.5.1, Table 108, REQUIRED MINIMUM INSPECTIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS FOR SPECIFIED USE GROUPS calls for inspection of multi-family residences every five years; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the City Manager direct the Commissioner of the Department of Inspectional Services to advise this Council whether in fact this policy is carried out in the City of Cambridge, and to provide this Council with the most recent date on which the residence at 361 Western Avenue was so inspected and found to be in complete compliance; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the Commissioner's Report be provided to this Council by January 23, 1989.

In City Council January 23, 1989.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of 9 members.
Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Joseph E. Connarton", is written over the printed name of the City Clerk.



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Ch. M. C. D. Sullivan



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1/9/89 - CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR DAVID SULLIVAN.

C. Walsh order re: that the City Manager direct the Inspectional Services Commissioner to advise the Council whether said Dept. carries out the policy under the State Building Code, Sec. 108.5.1, Table 108, REQUIRED MINIMUM INSPECTIONS & CERTIFICATIONS FOR SPECIFIED USE GROUPS; which calls for inspections of multi-family residences every 5 years & further, to provide the Council the most recent date on which the residence at 361 Western Ave. was last inspected & found to be in compliance.

In City Council,

January 9, 1989

1/9/89 - Charter Right by Councilman
David Sullivan

1/23/89 - Order Adopted