

To His Honor the Mayor and
the Honorable Board ^{of Aldermen} of the City
of Cambridge.

Your petitioner respectfully represents
that he is the owner of a lot of land having
a frontage of eighty feet on Essex street,
that by the widening of said street a strip
of land one foot in width along the whole front
of his lot was taken, that the Committee have
awarded him therefor forty-five cents per
square foot.

And your petitioner ^{says} that by reason of the
loss of said strip he has been compelled to
make alterations in his steps and doors at
considerable expense, and he also says that
said land thus taken is worth much more
than forty five cents per foot viz: one dollar
per foot.
He therefore would most respectfully petition
for an increase of the sum awarded him, and
that he may be granted a hearing.
Dated Dec. 3, 1870 Martin Whitney

In Board of Aldermen. Dec. 7. 1870.

Reference to the Committee on Roads & Bridges,
with instructions to hear the Petitioner,

Sent down for concurrence.

Attest: Justin A. Jacobs, City Clerk

Concurred In Common Council Dec. 7, 1870
Attest J. W. Ottor,
Clerk

Dec 10, 1870

Approved. H. R. Handring,
Mayor

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of clean white
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Dec. 7. 1870

City of Cambridge
In Board of Aldermen

Dec. 28th. 1870

The Joint Standing Committee
on Roads & Bridges to whom was referred
the petition of Martin Whitney, asking
further compensation for land taken
to widen Essex Street would respectfully
Report

That in a former report on the widening
of Essex Street your committee find an
error in the areas of the land taken, —
the true amount being fifty five feet from
J. M. Cook & eighty one feet from your
petitioner.

That in correcting the areas it becomes
necessary to change the rate of awards per
foot; as the land taken is more or less remote
from Main Street. And your committee
recommend an award to J. M. Cook of
one dollar per foot; & to your petitioner

Seventy five cents per foot for land taken
& sixty five dollars for recessing three
doorways made necessary by the widening

Your Committee also recommend the
adoption of the accompanying Order

For the Committee

James W. Sparrow

City of Cambridge
In Board of Aldermen
Dec 28th. 1870

Ordered

That a strip of land one foot wide & ^{one hundred & thirty six feet long} running from Main Street along the Easterly line of Essex, be taken from the estates of J. M. Cook & Martin Whitney for the purpose of widening Essex street on its Easterly side. And that damages for the land so taken & for the injury to the buildings thereon, be estimated & awarded as follows

To J. M. Cook for fifty five feet of land taken \$55.00

To Martin Whitney for eighty one feet of land taken & for damage to building 125.75

Total

\$180.75

Ordered, - that so much of a former order of this Board as took any land of, or awarded any damages there for to J. M. Cook & Martin Whitney be & hereby is rescinded.

Dec 31, 1870
Approved
W. R. Whitney
Mayor

in favor of acceding. Dec. 28, 1870.

Accepted. Sewer down for encumbered

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In Common Council Dec. 28, 1870

Concurred Attest J. W. Starbuck

Report
of
Committee on Roads &
Bridges on Petition of
Martin Whitney with
an accompanying
Order

Dec. 28, 1870.