



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
POLICE DEPARTMENT
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Mr. Robert W. Healy
City Manager
FROM: Chief Anthony G. Paolillo
SUBJECT: City Council Order #12 of June 13, 1988

DATE: July 15, 1988

REFERENCE:

In response to City Council #12 of June 13, 1988 regarding the investigation of Professional Ambulance logs and taps as they pertain to activity on Sunday afternoons:

The logs of dispatched calls were obtained for Sunday afternoons from Professional Ambulance and Fire Rescue. The logs do show a normal amount of activity for that time period for every Sunday.

On the last Sunday that a procession was scheduled for the church of St. Anthony, ambulance activity involved Cambridge Street. On Sunday, June 12, 1988, Fire Rescue and Professional Ambulance were dispatched to Cambridge Street between Third St. and Sciarappa St. for a child struck by a motor vehicle. Conveyance was to the Cambridge Hospital. The call was dispatched at app. 4:30p.

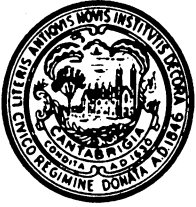
At the same time, Cataldo Ambulance of Somerville conveyed a patient with a cardiac disorder from Eighth Street to the Harvard Community Health Center at 1611 Cambridge Street.

Both of these medical emergency calls involved trips up and down Cambridge Street for both the Fire Rescue and ambulance companies disrupting the church procession.

Conversations were held with the owner and president of Professional Ambulance and with the Chief Telephone Operator of Fire Alarm. Both agreed, if advised in advance, they would be able to route all non-emergency, non-essential ambulance and fire rescue dispatches around Cambridge Street between Madeiros Avenue and Berkshire Street during the church procession.

A meeting was held with Father Ferreira of St. Anthony's Church. Father Ferreira stated his concern was for only two Sundays in the year: one in May and one in June. Father Ferreira agreed to notify the Police Department (through Detective Aurelio Ferreira) at least one week in advance of the scheduled processions next year. The Police Department will then notify the ambulance company and Fire Alarm.

Anthony G. Paolillo



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
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July 25, 1988

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report No. 16 regarding the appearance of Professional Ambulance in front of the Harrington School, I submit the attached report from the Police Department.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Robert W. Healy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "R".

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Agenda Item No. 5

S-494

Re: response to Awaiting Report Item 16 on
Professional Ambulances.

In City Council,

July 25, 1988

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