



City of Cambridge

29.

IN CITY COUNCIL

June 3, 1991

COUNCILLOR WALSH

WHEREAS: The saga surrounding disposition of Riverside Cambridgeport Community Housing Inc.'s properties, including 59 low and moderate income apartments along Pearl, River, Pleasant and Magazine Streets, is an outrageous display of RCCHI's insensitivity to the casualties of the stalemate, i.e., families of low and moderate income who have a need for a right to affordable housing; and

WHEREAS: The urgency for a full Council Hearing on this, as contained in April 22, 1991 Council Order (copy attached) and adopted by this Council, but delayed temporarily at the suggestion of Her Honor, the Mayor, has intensified now therefore be it

ORDERED: That Her Honor, the Mayor, schedule a date for that full Hearing before this Council as soon as possible prior to the last Council Session during the month of June, 1991. Further, that Her Honor invite the Board Members of RCCHI and an appropriate representative from Cambridge Savings Bank to be in attendance; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager, upon being advised of the date for the scheduled Hearing, direct the following persons to be present and participate: Executive Director of the Rent Control Board; Members of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund; City Solicitor; Assistant City Manager for Community Development

In City Council June 3, 1991.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joseph E. Connarton".

ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk



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April 22, 1991

WHEREAS: The attached news clip from the Chronicle about the impending auction and foreclosure on April 29, 1991 of properties (including 59 low and moderate income apartments) owned by Riverside Cambridgeport Community Housing Inc. (RCCHI) at 53 Pearl Street, 45-49 River Street, 26 Pleasant Street and 33 Magazine Street conveys a very serious situation and calls for immediate intervention by City government; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That, given the gravity and emergency nature of the matter and the time restrictions for possible resolution imposed, Her Honor, the Mayor, call a special session of the City Council to meet before the close of the business day on Friday, April 26, 1991 for the purpose of providing a full Hearing on this scheduled auction before the full Council. Further, that Her Honor invite the Board Members of RCCHI and an appropriate representative of Cambridge Savings Bank to be present and request the City Manager to direct the following persons to be in attendance at the same Hearing: Executive Director of the Rent Control Board; Members of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund; City Solicitor; Assistant City Manager for Community Development for the purpose of determining what action the City is able to take which may prevent foreclosure and enable the City to acquire ownership of the properties with the intention of providing affordable housing to low and moderate income families only.

(ATTACHMENT)



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CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

(617) 498-9094

William H. Walsh
City Councillor

BY HAND

May 29, 1991

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Joseph E. Connarton
City Clerk

FROM: David Noonan, for
Councillor Walsh

RE: Council Order for June 3, 1991 (NON CONSENT AGENDA)

Councillor Walsh requests that the enclosed Council Order regarding Riverside Cambridgeport Community Housing Inc.'s properties be included in the ~~NON CONSENT AGENDA~~ for the Council Session of Monday, June 3, 1991.

As you will note, there is an attachment to the text of the Order.

Thank you for your usual courtesy and cooperation.

(ENCLOSURE)



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(ATTACHMENT: Council Order of 4/22/91)



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of 9 members

Joseph E. Conner
City Clerk

Order # 29

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NON-CONSENT

Councillor Walsh re: Mayor to schedule
a hearing regarding the disposition of
Riverside Cambridgeport Community Housing,
Inc. properties.

In City Council,

June 3, 1991

Order adopted.