



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
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Agenda

To Chief Nicholas J. Fratto

Date 11/24/76

From Dana Skiff, Planning & Research

Reference

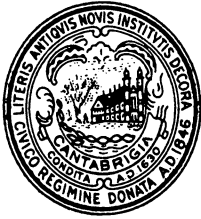
Subject City Council Order #2 - 11/15/76

In response to your request to answer City Council Order #2 of 11/15/76, I learned the following:

Specific data pertaining to the number of arrests made for violation of the city ordinance prohibiting the pasting up of signs is not readily available from either the department or the court.

The lack of such data is the result of record-keeping procedures which do not routinely capture and report the frequency with which minor miscellaneous offenses occur. The time involved in the manual tabulation of such information is prohibitive. In addition, the violation of this ordinance may result in the issuance of a summons rather than an arrest, thereby further complicating the problem of recording the frequency of specific criminal offenses.

The only information I was able to obtain relative to the attached request was an estimate from our court prosecutor, Lt. Stanton. He estimated that approximately 20-25 violations of the ordinance were prosecuted since June 1, 1976. Of these, several were dismissed while the remainder were either filed or fines assessed.



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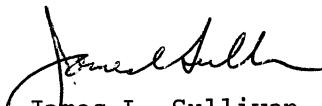
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JAMES L. SULLIVAN
City Manager

December 6, 1976

To the Honorable, the City Council:

With reference to City Council Order No. 2 of November 15, 1976, relative to the number of violations and arrests made in connection with the ordinance prohibiting the pasting up of signs, I transmit herewith a self-explanatory communication from Dana Skiff from Planning and Research Division of the Police Department.

Very truly yours,


James L. Sullivan
City Manager

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Agenda #2

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Answer to City Council Order No. 2 of 11/15/
76, re: number of violations and arrests
made in connection with the ordinance prohibi-
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In City Council,
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