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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE • EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Robert W. Healy, City Manager Richard C. Rossi, Deputy City Manager

November 5, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 00-59, regarding a real time closed captioning on all televised City Council meetings, the cost estimate of this service would result in an annual increase in the Cable Office Operating Budget of \$50,000. This would likely double given the inevitable consequence of providing a similar service for School Committee meetings.

Given this time of declining revenues, including cable revenues, if internet connection is held to be a telecommunication service, not a cable service, I am not recommending adding this recurring expenditure to the City Budget at this time.

Very truly yours,

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Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Consent Agenda #5

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00-59**, regarding a report on real
time closed captioning on all
televised City Council meetings.

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