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To Robert Healy, City Manager

Date Sept. 12, 1990

From *M. Teso*
George Teso, Traffic Director

Reference

Subject City Council Order #60 of 9/10/90 Re: Parking in East Cambridge

The Traffic and Parking Department has initiated an extensive enforcement of the Resident Parking Program in East Cambridge due to the opening of the CambridgeSide Galleria Mall. We have assigned extra personnel to this area and will monitor the results of our endeavor as well as determining the effect the mall will have on parking in the area. We will do whatever is necessary to stop this from happening.

In order to change the Resident Parking Law to include Sundays, the City Council would have to approve this change. Some of the problems that would arise with this law is that it would have to be citywide and it would conflict with church services. We would need additional personnel to enforce this law, signs would have to be changed at a tremendous cost to the City and Sunday is the day that many family relatives and friends visit each other.

As for implementng a neighborhood parking program such as Boston has, the City of Cambridge initially started the Resident Parking Program as a neighborhood type in 1972. At that time, a resident of Mt. Auburn Street challenged the program in court and the Judge ruled that it was discriminatory to prohibit a resident of one neighborhood of Cambridge to park in another area. As a result of this ruling we changed the law to include all residents of the City.

As far as Boston is concerned there law is different than ours, as they do allow two hour parking for non-residents and their neighborhoods are legally designated as such, where ours are a result of community planning. I will, however, pursue this with the legal department and the court to determine if it is legally possible.

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September 17, 1990

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In reference to Awaiting Report Item No. 66, relative to Resident Parking in East Cambridge surrounding the CambridgeSide Galleria Mall, attached please find a response from George Teso, Director of Traffic & Parking.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Robert W. Healy", is written over the typed name.

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Agenda #1

S-891

Awaiting Report Item Number 66, regarding
Resident Parking in East Cambridge,
surrounding the CambridgeSide Galleria Mall.

In City Council,

Sept. 17, 1990

*Referred back to the
City Manager on motion
of Councillor Toomey.
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