



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JOHN H. CORCORAN
City Manager

December 6, 1971

To the Honorable, the City Council:

The Cambridge Conservation Commission wishes to be recorded in opposition to the cutting down without warning of 18 mature Maple trees by the Metropolitan District Commission on November 22d and to express concern over the possible repetition of such destructive actions. A similar incident occurred last year in Elmwood Park where 9 live trees were marked for destruction without prior notification; prompt action forced reconsideration.

In response to these actions we wish to record our support for the House bill which Councillor Mahoney has recently submitted to the Massachusetts Legislature. This bill requires the M.D.C. when planning changes for roads, trees, or recreational areas, to post notices in local newspapers. It also requires the M.D.C. to notify the appropriate local planning agency and conservation commission as well as such other regional organizations as the Charles River Watershed Association and the Mystic River Watershed Association.

The Conservation Commission would like to see a year's moratorium on the cuts to be made for Section 207B of the M.D.C. Sewer Construction plan. During this time we feel the following questions should be considered -

1. Should the underpasses at Western, River and Boylston Streets to be constructed by 1964 Mandate of Massachusetts State Legislature by the M.D.C. be rescinded?
2. Should the planned sewer construction be relocated under Memorial Drive rather than the riverbank?
3. Should an overall plan for tree planting and maintenance be developed, in conjunction with local officials, interested parties and the M.D.C.

In conclusion the Cambridge Conservation Commission feels present and future planning for the Memorial Drive riverbank must be a joint effort of all affected parties.

Respectfully submitted,

Cambridge Conservation Commission

The Neighborhood Ten Association would like to be recorded as being very distressed over the destruction of the eighteen maple trees along the Charles River by the M.D.C.; and we would respectfully request that we be included in deliberations concerning the extension of this storm-sewer project into ^{our} their area.



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(Mrs. Paul R. Lawrence)
Vice President for the
Neighborhood Ten Association

Public Hearing
City Council Chambers
Cambridge, Massachusetts
December 6, 1971

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City of Cambridge

Councillor Sullivan

In City Council,

December 6, 1971.

ORDERED:-

That the City Council go on record as being opposed to cutting down of any more trees along Memorial Drive unless a public hearing is held by the M. D. C. and all abutters notified.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote

of 9 members

Paul E. Healey

City Clerk

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ORDER

Council to go on record as opposed to
cutting down any more trees on Memorial
Drive without a public hearing

December 6, 1971

Mr. Sullivan