

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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BUILDING DEPARTMENT

July 13, 1982

JOSEPH J. CELLUCCI
SUPT. OF BUILDINGS AND
INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

TO: Richard Rossi, Asst. City Manager
FROM: Joseph Cellucci, Building Commissioner
Re: 79-81 Brookline St.

This lot has been vacant for over (5) years and is a blight on the neighborhood. As you know the City ordered demolition of the structure due to fire damage. Subsequently, the City holds a lien for back taxes and demolition costs.

The Mass. State Building Code requires a municipality in this situation to accept responsibility for maintaining the lot. Any further improvements made such as erection of a fence or cleaning by the Public Works Department should be added to the liens.

We have on previous occasions tried, unsuccessfully, to contact the owners by Certified Mail. Enclosed are copies of correspondence that refers to this property.

SECTION 115.0 CONDITIONS OF PERMIT

115.1 Compliance with code: The permit shall be a license to proceed with the work and shall not be construed as authority to violate, cancel or set aside any of the provisions of this code, except as specifically stipulated by modification or legally granted variation in accordance with Section 126.0.

115.2 Compliance with permit: All work shall conform to the stamped or endorsed application and plans for which the permit has been issued and any approved amendments thereto.

115.3 Change in site plan: A lot or site shall not be changed, increased or diminished in area from that shown on the official site plan, as specified in Section 113.6, unless a revised plan showing such changes accompanied by the necessary affidavit of owner or applicant shall have been filed and approved.

Exception: A revised site plan will not be required if the change is caused by reason of an official street opening, street widening or other public improvement.

SECTION 116.0 DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES

116.1 Service connections: Before a building or structure can be demolished or removed, the owner or agent shall notify all utilities having service connections within the building or structure, such as; water, electric, gas, sewer and other connections. A permit to demolish or remove a building or structure shall not be issued until a release is obtained from the utilities, stating that their respective service connections and appurtenant equipment, such as; meters and regulators have been removed or sealed and plugged in a safe manner.

116.2 Lot regulation: When a building or structure has been demolished or removed and a building operation has not been projected or approved, the vacant lot shall be filled with non-organic fill, graded and maintained in conformity with adjacent grades. The lot shall be maintained free from the accumulation of rubbish and all other unsafe or hazardous conditions which endanger the life or health of the public; provisions shall be made to prevent the accumulation of water or damage to any foundations on the premises or the adjoining property; and the necessary retaining walls and fences shall be erected in accordance with the provisions of Article 13.

SECTION 117.0 MOVED STRUCTURES

117.1 General: Buildings and structures moved into or within the jurisdiction shall comply with the provisions of this code.



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BUILDING DEPARTMENT

CHARLES F. SPRAGUE
SUPT. OF BUILDINGS AND
INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

July 27, 1976

John H. Allen
26 Ronald Road
Arlington, Massachusetts

Re: 79-81 Brookline Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Upon inspection of complaint of the above-listed property which is owned or controlled by you the following violations were found: A fire at the above address has left the building in a dangerous condition. It is also open to the elements. This is a violation of the State Building Code, Section 124.0, Subsection 124.1. Secure this building immediately.

Please contact me at 876-6800, extension 267, Monday thru Friday, 8:30 to 9:30 A.M. as to what action you will be taking.

Very truly yours,

Vincent A. Gillis
Building Inspector



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LAW DEPARTMENT

EDWARD D. MCCARTHY
ACTING CITY SOLICITOR

ROWENA E. TAYLOR
ASSISTANT CITY SOLICITOR

CHARLES WATSON
LEGISLATIVE AGENT

August 11, 1976

Mr. Charles F. Sprague
Superintendent of Buildings
City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Re: 79-81 Brookline Street, Cambridge, Mass.

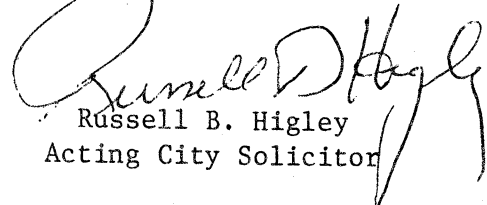
Dear Commissioner:

As a result of a Board of Survey conducted on July 23, 1976 relative to 79-81 Brookline Street, it is my opinion, that you should hire a contractor to demolish said building.

General Laws, Chapter 143, section 9 provides that the City may order the building to be demolished and if the owner has not complied with said order, the City may move in and demolish the building as soon as possible.

Therefore, you are not required to obtain bids on the demolition of the building.

Sincerely,


Russell B. Higley
Acting City Solicitor

RBH:jl



City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Charles F. Sprague
Supt. of Buildings and
Inspector of Buildings

Mr. James L. Sullivan, City Manager

Cambridge, Mass.

Re: 79-81 Brookline Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 143, General Laws, Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9, an inspection was made of the above named premises reported as dangerous and unsafe. Persons having an interest therein were notified. No effort has been made on their part to rectify conditions.

The public safety requires that these dangerous and unsafe structures be taken down at once, and I respectfully request permission through Order of the City Council to immediately enter on the premises and take same down without delay. The costs and charges incurred shall constitute a lien on the land, and shall be enforced as provided in the same manner as the collection of taxes on land.

Last known owner of the premises:

Cost of Razing \$ 2400.00

John H. Allen
26 Ronald Road
Arlington, Massachusetts

Very truly yours,

Charles F. Sprague
Supt. of Buildings and
Inspector of Buildings

CFS:n

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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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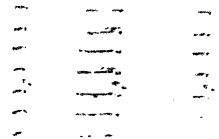
John H. & Patricia K. Allen
26 Ronald Road
Arlington, Massachusetts

ELFRID H. ALLEN

CERTIFIED

No. 804908

MAIL





CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

A.R. #21

To : Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Date : July 12, 1982

From : Kevin Doherty *[Signature]*
Public Health Coordinator

Reference

Subject : Council Order #2 - June 28, 1982

Enclosed please find Housing Inspection Report
and Order for 79-81 Brookline St.

OFFICE OF THE
CITY MANAGER

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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, HOSPITAL AND WELFARE
16 CAMELIA AVENUE CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

No 5283

Telephone 498-1463 498-1464

HOUSING INSPECTION REPORT AND ORDER

ADDRESS OF PREMISES: 81 BROOKLINE ST
Number Street Apartment Number

OCCUPANT: VACANT LOT TELEPHONE: _____
Last Name First Middle I.

OWNER: ALLEN JOHN & PATRICIA K TELEPHONE: _____
Last Name First Middle I.

OWNER'S ADDRESS: 26 RINALD ROAD ARLINGTON MA. 02174
Number Street City

INSPECTION REQUESTED BY: CITY COUNCIL ORDER DATE: 7-8-82

DATE OF INSPECTION: MO. 7 DAY 9 YEAR 82 HOUR 11:30 AM

ROOM(S)/VIOLATIONS REGULATION 105 CMR 410.
CUT DOWN HIGH VEGATATION & CLEAN DEBRIS FROM EMPTY LOT 602A

JJ
(INITIAL)

One or more of the violations cited above is a condition which may materially impair the health, safety or well-being of the occupant(s) as determined by Regulation 410.750 of the State Sanitary Code or the authorized inspector.

The OWNER is hereby ordered to remedy the above cited violations within 7 days or face prosecution by the City of Cambridge.

RECEIPT OF THIS INSPECTION REPORT BY THE OWNER IS NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 239 SECTION 8A.

SIGNED UNDER PAINS AND PENALTIES OF PERJURY:
INSPECTOR J. Jalavino APPROXIMATE DATE & TIME OF REINSPECTION 7-16-82

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY
I THIS DAY DELIVERED A TRUE COPY WITHIN
IN HAND TO _____ ON _____ TIME _____
CONSTABLE OF CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Melvin H. Chalfen, M.D.
Commissioner



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139
Tel. 498-9011

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
City Manager

August 2, 1982

To the Honorable, the City Council:

With respect to Awaiting Report Item No. 21 relative to the inspection of the premises at 81 Brookline Street to determine if violations of the Building and Health Codes exist, enclosed please find copy of a report from Joseph Cellucci, Building Commissioner.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mbf
Enc.

Agenda Item Number Fourteen

S-537

Re: response to Awaiting Report Item No. 21
regarding the inspection of the premises at
81 Brookline Street.

In City Council,

August 2, 1982

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