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City Hall, Cambridge Massachusetts 02139

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DATE: August 19, 1991
TO: Robert Healy, City Manager
FROM: James Maloney, Finance Director

As you are aware, Chapter 30B of the General Laws mandates that cities and towns in Massachusetts may only purchase property through an open and competitive bid process. After having viewed 806 Massachusetts Avenue with other City staff people, it is clear that this site offers many possibilities to the City. Because of its size and location, it would be a logical building to house both a Senior Center and one or more City Administrative Departments.

Lisa Peterson and I have begun the preparation of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the purchase of real estate by the City. Because of the competitive bid law, it cannot be guaranteed that this building can be purchased by the City. I anticipate that it is possible that the RFP will be released during the last week of August. Before any Purchase and Sale Agreement can be signed, however, the Council will need to appropriate funds (bond authorization) for the purchase. Additional funds will be needed to renovate the building.



City of Cambridge

Maloney

AMENDED ORDER 28. IN CITY COUNCIL

August 7, 1991

COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR CYR

WHEREAS: The Council on Aging and a Committee made up of various persons who are affiliated with Elderly Programs are meeting to begin the actual planning for a City Wide Senior Center; and

WHEREAS: During the course of discussions, it has become apparent that in this period of uncertainty in the economy, there are very few sites which would be suitable for the location of the Center which could be obtained at below market rates if acted upon quickly; and

WHEREAS: There exists such a unique site at 806 Massachusetts Avenue directly across the street from City Hall which would be ideal for a centralized senior center, due to the fact that it is located adjacent to City Hall and the Lombardi Office Building and there is parking, street level entry for the handicapped in both the front and rear, plus enough space for all programs, and the possibility of coordinating some functions with the Family "Y"; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Manager and the Assistant City Manager for Fiscal Affairs, look seriously with the view in mind of exploring the possibility of acquiring this building for use as both a senior center and for the location of other city agencies, and report within two weeks to the Committee on Elder Affairs.

In City Council August 7, 1991.

Adopted as amended by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton

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City Clerk



City of Cambridge

ORIGINAL ORDER
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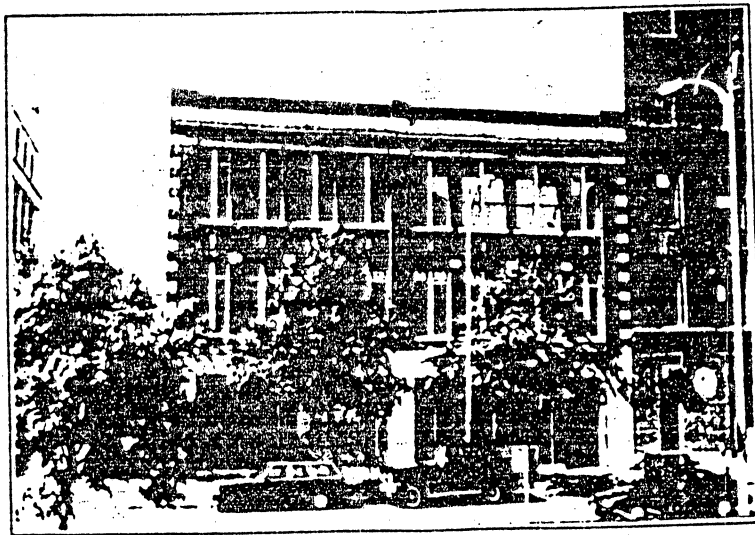
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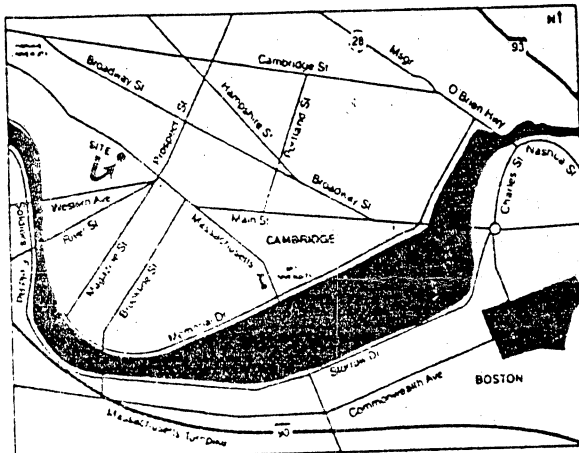
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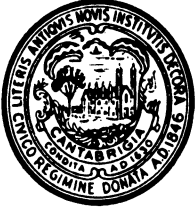


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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
City Manager

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Deputy City Manager

September 16, 1991

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Council Order No. 28, dated 8/7/91, received from James P. Maloney, Assistant City Manager for Fiscal Affairs, relative to the purchase of property located at 806 Massachusetts Avenue.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mev

Consent Agenda # 14 *S-978*

Relative to the purchase of property
located at 806 Mass. Ave.

In City Council,

Sept. 16, 1991

Placed on file