



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

April 26, 1993

COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR WOLF

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to respond at the earliest possible time to the attached request from Stephen Baird, Director of the Street Artists' Guild, for regulation of street performers according to the city ordinance.

In City Council April 26, 1993.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

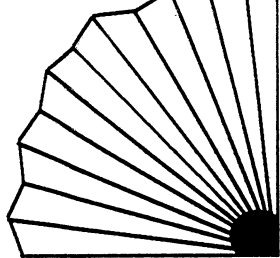
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Councillor Francis H. Duehay
26 LOWELL STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02138
617-547-0271

Councillor Duehay

consent

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STREET ARTISTS' GUILD

P.O. Box 570, Cambridge, MA 02238 617/522-3407

Executive Director

Stephen Baird
Founder, Folk Arts
Network, Street Artists'
Guild, Performing
Artist

Board of Directors

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Librarian and Coffee-
house Assoc. of New
England

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Consultant, Teacher

Treasurer

Cornell Coley
Producer, Dancer,
and Arts Manager
Dance & Drum

Clerk

Richard Reinert
Community Arts
Consultant, WADN

Janice Allen
Artist, Teacher and
Choral Director

Jorge Arce

Humano Cultural
Program

Dillon Bustin
Folklorist

Marianne Donnelly
Performing Artist,
Cambridge Earth Day

Barbara Herson
Earhtunes

Billie Hockett
Robin Blecher
Memorial Fund

Patricia Monteith
General Manager
WUMB

Bill Schaepe
Director, Joyful Noise
Coffeehouse

Sandy Sheehan
Sandy's Music

Ted Thomas
Poet, Director of Youth
Services City Mission

April 16, 1993

Cambridge City Council
Cambridge City Hall
795 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear City Councilors:


This letter concerns the regulation of street performances. We are now facing the fourth year of no enforcement of the ordinance despite repeated assurances by the Cambridge City Council that a decibel meter would be on-hand in Harvard Square. I am concerned that the ordinance amendments passed last fall by the City Council may have not been enacted in a final reading (Please check).

Most importantly I am concerned that the disruption at the Cambridge Arts Council will mean there will be no person ensuring artists are licensed. The Cambridge Arts Council's decibel meter should not be left unused. Presently no person at the arts council has been trained and has access to the meter.

Therefore, I request for the second time, that the City Council instruct the Cambridge Arts Council to train additional staff members to use the meter and to leave the meter with the police in Harvard Square when Arts Council staff are not available.

I really hope the City Council will not let a few abusive performers to take advantage of the current situation at the Arts Council. The Street Artists' Guild wants the performances to work for everyone. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Stephen Baird
Director

cc: Harvard Square Business Association, City Manager



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CONSENT ORDER #40

*Russell
Wolf*

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Councillor Duehay re: Response to communication from Stephen Baird regarding the regulation of street performers.

In City Council,

April 26, 1993

Order Adopted