



# City of Cambridge

Consent Agenda #2

IN CITY COUNCIL

July 27, 1998

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to meet with the residents of the Manning Apartments to discuss the issue of the request for a mid-block crosswalk; and be it further

ORDERED: That the report of the meeting include how that crossing can be made safer.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

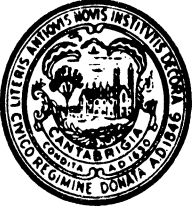
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "D" and "M".

D. Margaret Drury  
City Clerk



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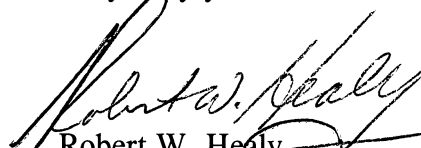
To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 25, regarding a report on installing a crosswalk between Manning Apartments and the Green Street entrance to City Foods supermarket, Traffic, Parking & Transportation Director Susan Clippinger reports the following:

The section of Green Street between Pearl Street and Magazine Street is a very busy section of roadway. The north side of the street consists of loading areas for stores that back up to Green Street as well as a bus stand. On the south side of the street is a City-operated parking garage which accommodates 290 vehicles, with the main entrance and exit located off Green Street next to the Manning Apartments. The building on the corner of Magazine Street also has underground parking access from Green Street.

There are marked crosswalks at the intersections of both Pearl Street and Magazine Street crossing Green Street. These are standard locations for crosswalks that are expected by drivers. In this particular instance, vehicles exiting the garage combined with tractor-trailers making deliveries at the designated loading areas will cause a demand for drivers attention to be on too many different locations making this a very unsafe crosswalk location. It is important to try and maintain uniformity in street design to aid in safety and driver awareness. Due to the nature of the traffic at this location, installing a midblock crosswalk would be encouraging pedestrians to cross at an unsafe location which would be negligent on the City's behalf. For these reasons the Department does not recommend installing a crosswalk.

Very truly yours,

  
Robert W. Healy  
City Manager

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Relative to AR #25 regarding  
A report on installing a crosswalk  
between Manning Apts. and Green Street  
entrance to City Foods supermarket.

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