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May 31, 2000

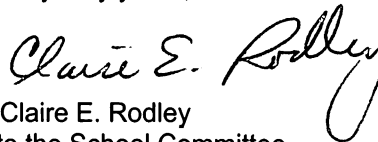
Cambridge City Council
c/o D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk
City Hall
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Councillors:

I am enclosing the following orders adopted by the School Committee at the meeting of May 16, 2000 for your consideration:

1. Order #C00-324 asking that you again look into traffic calming measures around the high school, and the redesign of Rindge Avenue; also that you support the installation of school safety signals for September 2000. The Committee asked that I extend thanks and appreciation to you for your support of traffic calming measures around the schools.
2. Order #C00-261 asking that you keep the School Committee informed on the planning for a new library.
3. Order #C00-323 asking that you separate the playground in front of the Maynard School (open space) from the park renovation.

Very truly yours,



Claire E. Rodley
Secretary to the School Committee

cc Superintendent

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May 16, 2000

ORDERED:

That the School Committee ask City Manager to again look into traffic calming measures around the high school, and the redesign of Rindge Avenue from Jefferson Park to Sherman Street. Further, that the Council and City Manager be asked to support the installation of school safety signals at all schools prior to the start of school in September 2000. Further, that the City Manager request that the Traffic Department look at the blind driveways along Rindge Avenue. Further, that the Committee thank former Mayor Duehay and the City Council for their support of traffic calming measures around the schools.

A true copy:

Attest:

Claire E. Rodley
 Claire E. Rodley
 Secretary of the School Committee

cc Superintendent
 Mr. Grassi
 City Manager
 City Council, c/o City Clerk
 Francis Duehay

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NANCY WALSER**ORDERED:**

That the School Committee send a letter to the City Manager and City Council asking that the Members be kept informed on the planning for a new library. Further, that the matter of the impact on the high school if the present site is selected, be referred to the Sub-Committee on Buildings and Grounds for further discussion.

A true copy:

Attest:


Claire E. Rodley

Secretary of the School Committee

cc Superintendent
Executive Director of Management Services
Ms. Turkel

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ORDERED:

That Superintendent's Recommendation #00-103, be adopted as amended as follows: that the School Committee approve the following recommendations relative to the facilities for the merger of the Fletcher and Maynard Schools:

1. That the Maynard School building be the site for the New Merged School for September 2000, and that \$1.1 Million in capital funds for renovations to the facility, authorized by the City Manager and the City Council, be expended to prepare the facility for the opening of the School in September, and provide replacement windows and school technology improvements for the second year of the merger, and;
2. That the Maynard School building be designated as the permanent site for the New Merged School, and;
3. That the matters of funding and planning for long-term facilities objectives for the new school be taken up by the Buildings and Grounds/Long-Range Planning Sub-Committee of the School Committee.

The above recommendations are based on the Fletcher/Maynard Merger Feasibility Study prepared by HKT Architects, Inc. and discussions with various City and Schools officials and others. Although the Fletcher/Maynard Steering Committee declined to make a recommendation on the site at their meeting on May 15, 2000 (earlier meetings on this topic were held on May 1 and May 8), we believe the information provided in the feasibility study clearly indicates the Maynard facility is the appropriate site for both the short term and the long term.

According to the study, the Maynard facility has sufficient space for the program in September 2000, and also can be renovated to accommodate the education needs of the full program for the school and provide flexibility in locating various support spaces. The Fletcher building cannot satisfactorily house the complete program for the new merged school, either in the short term or with renovations in the long term.

A draft budget plan was provided to the City Manager and the Building and Grounds Sub-Committee, for the use of the \$1.1 million in capital funds. Also the following motion regarding the long-range issue relative to the facility was approved by the Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee on May 10 and will be referred to the full Committee for approval: that to facilitate communication and planning, the School Committee Sub-Committee on Buildings & Grounds, Facilities, and Long Range Planning, request that the Merger Steering Committee designate four people to meet on a regular basis with the School Committee Sub-Committee to work on funding and long term facilities' objectives for the new school until such time as the School Council is convened. At that time the School Council, whose role is to advise the Principal on a variety of appropriate issues, may choose to create a sub-committee on facilities to continue such work.

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Further, that the School Committee forward to the Sub-Committee on Buildings & Grounds the request to separate the playground in front of the school (open space) from the park renovation. Further, that this concern also be sent to the City Manager and City Council.

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Attest:

Claire E. Rodley
Claire E. Rodley

Secretary of the School Committee

cc School Committee Members
Superintendent
Executive Director of Management Services
Principal, Maynard School
Acting Principal, Fletcher School
✓ City Manager
City Council, c/o City Clerk

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A communication was received from
Claire E. Rodley, Secretary to the
School Committee, transmitting three
orders adopted by the School Committee
at the meeting of May 16, 2000.

In City Council July 31, 2000

Referred to the City Manager