



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To Everett R. Kennedy
Commissioner of Public Works
From James P. Woods
Highway Foreman
Subject Upgrading of Park Maintenance

Date July 31, 1985

Reference

As of April 16th 1985, the Parks Division of The Public Works Department assumed the responsibility of maintenance of all tot lots in the city. As of this date we have been able to provide heavy cleaning, pruning and repairs to twenty nine (29) areas.

This work was accomplished in addition to our regular duties. It is our aim to finish the remaining tot lots by the end of August.

In some cases, repairs are hampered by not having stock on hand. To solve this problem we are forecasting material needs such as swings, and etc. that will be used, and have these in stock at all times.

Vandalism of bubblers, fencing and playground equipment is high, and has to be dealt with on a daily basis. This is depending on availability of material to provide better service to the park areas. We are having signs made up, giving the Public Works phone number to call and report any complaints.

These will be posted in the parks, and the calls will be answered within a short period of time on work days by a Foreman. With the addition of five (5) summer workers we have been able to paint all equipment in five (5) tot lots, and hope to do five (9) more by the end of August.

In the fall we will work on drawings for all water systems, bubblers, sprays and sprinklers. At this time we will also repair or replace equipment where possible. Any painting not done will be finished.

Scheduled service for park areas will be as follows:

cc William Ryan Assist. Commissioner
Robert Healy City Manager

PARK SCHEDULESHurley St. Tot Lot:

1. Paint playground equipment and repair
2. Cut back all overgrown shrubs
3. Mulch plants
4. Repair playground equipment where possible
5. Repair water spray

Kennedy Tot Lot @ 6th St.:

1. Remove dead shrubs
2. Mulch plants
3. Repair playground where possible

Costa - Lopez @ 2nd & Charles:

1. Remove dead trees and shrubs, clean up entire area
2. Remove dangerous pipes and timbers

THIS AREA IS ON REHAB. LIST

Donnelly Field Tot Lot:

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All defensive equipment has been removed

Two depressed areas were filled in with 250 yds. of fill and leveled off

Donnelly Field:

1. Back stops repaired
2. Water hydrant installed on Berkshire St. side of field to water Babe Ruth Infield
3. Water bubbler repaired

Ahern Field:

1. All over growth cut back
2. Infield filled and graded

THIS AREA NEEDS FIELD WORK, GRADING, OVERSEEDING ETC.

Elm & Hampshire:

1. All shrubs cut back and edged
2. Mulch plants
3. Dead tree removed

Inman Sq. Park:

1. Shrubs cut back
2. Area weed around tree wells
3. Trees pruned

Maple & Marie Tot Lot:

1. Hedge removed
2. Shrubs cut low all areas mulched
3. Equipment repaired

PARK SCHEDULES CONT.Paine Park: Amory St.

1. Trees pruned and lights cleared
2. All shrubs lowered
3. Weeds and debris removed
4. Sand box filled with sand to cover stones
5. Three (3) benches removed
6. Basketball back boards repaired.
7. Planting beds mulched

Center & Hancock Tot Lot:

1. Mulch plants
- MR. CHARLES ROGERS MAINTAINS THIS PARK

Wilder Park Lee & West

1. Mulch plants
2. All shrubs pruned and edged
3. Repair playground equipment
4. Trees raised

Franklin St. Park:

1. Clean up weeds
2. Pruned trees

Lopez Tot Lot Lopez St.:

1. General cleanup
2. Prune area

Dana Park Tot Lot Magazine St.;

1. Remove dead trees
2. Repair basketball back stops

Old Morse Park Putnam to Allston:

1. Lower shrubs
2. Remove old shrubs and grade
3. Weed Control (Systemic)
This area needs fence repairs and removal of concrete walls and new plantings:

Alberico Park Allston St.:

1. Repair playground equipment
2. Remove overgrown shrubs
3. Lower hedge

PARK SCHEDULES CONT.Fulmore Tot Lot Sidney St.:

1. Cut back all over growth
2. Repair 10' fence
3. Repair sewer line to drain
4. Plant two (2) new trees
5. Mulch area
6. Paint playground equipment

Lindstrom Field & Tot Lot Granite St.:

1. Hedge cut back
2. Equipment repaired as needed
3. Ballfield top dressed and seeded
4. Weed control (Systemic)

Corporal Burns Park Banks St.:

1. Hedges and shrubs cut back
2. Weeds removed
3. Equipment repaired as needed
4. Bubbler repaired
5. Weed control (Systemic)

Dog Park Mt. Auburn & Hawthorne St.:

1. Cut back and lower all shrubs
2. Mulch plants

Lowell School Lowell St.:

1. Prune all shrubs
2. Repair equipment as needed
3. Remove play horse
4. Prune trees

Tobin Field & Tot Lot:

1. Repair fence
2. Prune trees
3. Repair equipment as needed
4. Cut hedge lower along fence

St Peter's Field:

1. Remove hedge along Sherman Street
2. Repair water bubbler
3. Overseed field
4. Weed control(Systemic)
5. Remove dead tree

PARK SCHEDULES CONT.

Raymond Park:

1. Remove four (4) timber play structures and fill in
2. Repair slide
3. Repair swings
4. Remove 200' decayed railroad ties
5. Prune trees
6. Add eight (8) tons stone dust

Bergin Park Haskell St.:

1. Repair Bubbler
2. Repair shower head
3. Prune shrubs
4. Weed control (Systemic)

Comeau Field Rindge Ave.:

1. Top dress field
2. Add stone dust
3. Add park soil
4. Prune trees

Sacramento & Oxford St. Tot Lot:

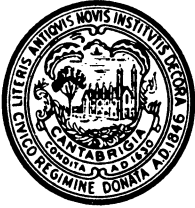
1. Repair water shower
2. Remove decayed timbers
3. Weed area spray (Systemic)
4. Cut back over growth

This area will need more work by spring many timbers decaying:

Sacramento Field Railroad 15 Sacramento St.:

1. Remove all over growth
2. Cut back trees and vines
3. Repair gates

TOT LOTS	HARVARD COLUMBIA STS. AREAS	BARRELS
1.	Harvard & Clark Sts. Tot Lot 2 Tennis 3 (Contract)	5
2.	Pine St. Tot Lot 1 (Contract)	1
3.	Columbia St. Park 2 (Contract)	2
4.	Hurley St. Tot Lot 2	2
5.	Sixth St. @ Hurley Tot Lot 2	2
6.	Otis St. Tot Lot 1	1
7.	Gore St. Field 3	3
8.	Jefferson St. Warrens Pals Tot Lot	2
9.	Donnelly Field 7	7
MID CAMBRIDGE		
10.	Maple @ Marie Ave. Tot Lot	1
11.	Center @ Hancock St. Tot Lot	2
12.	Lee St. Park & Tot Lot	1
13.	Amory St. Paine Park	2
14.	Sennott Park Broadway (Contract)	5
CAMBRIDGEPORT		
15.	Lopez St. Tot Lot	1
16.	McTiernan Park Lawrence St @ Magazine St.	2
17.	Brookline 2 @ Putnam 1 Park	3
18.	Lindstrom Field	5
19.	Pleasant @ Allston St. Alberico Tot Lot	2
20.	Hoyt Field	7
21.	Franklin St. Park	1
22.	Cpl. Burns Park	2
HARVARD SQ. BRATTLE ST. AREA		
23.	Common (Contract)	15
24.	Russell School Tot Lot Larch Rd. (Contract)	1
WEST CAMBRIDGE FRESH POND		
	Haggerty Tot Lot	1
26.	Glacken Field Huron	4
27.	Sancta Maria Rear	1
28.	Tobin Field Concord Ave.	7
NORTH CAMBRIDGE		
29.	St. Peter's Field	7
30.	Raymond Park	3
31.	Bergin Park Haskell St.	1
32.	Sleeper Park Norris St. 1 Dudley St. 1	
33.	Comeau Field Rindge Ave.	5
34.	Mass. Ave. @ Churchill Tot Lot	2
35.	Alewife Brook Pkwy. Tot Lot	2
36.	Oxford St. Tot Lot	2
37.	Sacramento St. Y.W.C.A.	2



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August 5, 1985

To the Honorable, the City Council:

Enclosed please find copy of a report from James P. Woods of the Public Works Department relative to the maintenance of all parks and tot-lots in the City.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mbf
Enc.

Agenda Item No. 22

5-587

Re: comm. from the Public Works Dept. on
maintenance of all parks & tot-lots in the
City.

In City Council,

August 5, 1985

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