



# City of Cambridge

5.  
IN CITY COUNCIL

*Amended  
by  
Council*

October 7, 1991

COUNCILLOR WALSH  
COUNCILLOR CYR

WHEREAS: This City Council is in receipt of a petition (see Communication # 1) from 29 residents in the Pearl/Franklin Streets area calling for action to clean up and clear out the sheltered area with benches in front of the Cambridgeport library conveys its own urgency; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to take action to respond appropriately, including the evaluation and carrying out the petitioners' request that benches and pay phone be removed and the area fenced off; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager report back to the Council on this matter before the end of October, 1991.

In City Council' October 7, 1991.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

*Joseph E. Connarton*

ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton  
City Clerk



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE  
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To  
David Haley, Public Works Commissioner  
Perry Anderson, Police Commissioner

Date October 11, 1991

From  
Robert W. Healy, City Manager

Reference

Subject  
Communication No. 1, dated 10/7/91, RE: Issues with the CambridgePort Library.

Please review the attached Council Order and report back to this office with your findings.

NOTE: WHEN RESPONDING TO COUNCIL ORDERS, PLEASE REFERENCE ORDER NUMBER AND DATE OF ORDER.

September 15, 1991

Cambridge City Council  
City Hall  
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Members:

The sheltered area with benches in the front of the Cambridgeport library (corner of Pearl and Franklin streets) originally intended for persons waiting on the bus, has become a haven for public intoxication, loitering, obscenity, fights, stabbings, drug-dealing, prostitution and other types of criminal activity.

We, the community, are constantly confronted by litter - discarded food and clothing, liquor bottles, beer cans, and paper products - the stench of urine, and the sight of blood, vomit, and human feces.

The problem is continuous - days, evenings, weekends - around the clock.

The police and public works departments have made every effort to patrol and clean this area but the problem remains.

As a result, we the undersigned residents of the Pearl/Franklin street community are petitioning the city to do the following:

1. REMOVE BENCHES FROM THE AREA
2. REMOVE PAY PHONE FROM AREA
3. FENCE OFF AREA (like Library has already done)  
(to stairway.)

| NAME                    | ADDRESS                           |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <u>Enyon Galt</u>       | 48 Pearl Str. Cambridge, MA 02139 |
| <u>Paul E. Boudette</u> | 48 Pearl St. Cambridge MA 02139   |
| <u>Lazin Ahmed</u>      | 42 Pearl St Cambridge MA-02139    |
| <u>Heaven Henry</u>     | 36 Pearl St East                  |
| <u>Duncan Keefe</u>     | 52 Pearl St Cambridge 02139       |
| <u>Esther Loskatis</u>  | 52 Pearl St. " "                  |
| <u>Erin McMurtry</u>    | 52 Pearl St. " "                  |
| <u>J. Calyn</u>         | 52 Pearl St " "                   |

Pearl/Franklin street community PETITION (continued...)

NAME

ADDRESS

H. T. S. 56 Pearl Street, Camb. MA.

V. Georgaklis 64 Pearl St

~~Margaret S. Noble~~ 54 Pearl St

~~Paul D. Jones~~ 54 Pearl St. #2

Betsy Burkhardt 206 Franklin Street

Norbert O'Connell 204 Franklin St

David Kauer 206 " "

Connie Mamm 200 Franklin St.

Gregory O'Connell 204 Franklin St

~~Sharon S.~~ 203 Franklin St.

Andy G. Proctor 48 Pearl St

~~Kimberly J. Wages~~ 48 Pearl Street

~~John S. Smith~~ 44 PEARL ST.

Keren & Lucy 45 pearl street Cambridge MA 02139

Margaret E. Thornton 45 Pearl St. Cambridge MA 02139

Jeff M. D. 32 Pearl Cambridge, MA.

~~Kevin H.~~ 202 Franklin St. Cambridge MA 02134

~~Terence D.~~ " " " " " "

Jara Rose 204 Franklin St. Cambridge MA. 02

Lauren Chromster 262 Pearl St Camb MA

David Chromster 202 Pearl St Camb MA

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## CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

ROBERT W. HEALY

City Manager

RICHARD C. ROSSI

Deputy City Manager

November 4, 1991

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 49, regarding issues at the Cambridgeport Library, please be advised that the Department of Public Works removed the benches on October 29, 1991 and has order the fence which will take approximately 90 day for delivery and installation. Also, the Electrical Department has notified New England Telephone to remove the pay phone which should be completed by November 6, 1991.

In addition, the Police Department will continue to patrol Franklin and Pearl Streets in an effort to alleviate any problems in that area.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert W. Healy", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert W. Healy  
City Manager

RWH/mev

CONSENT AGENDA # 10

S-1213

Awaiting Report Item Number 49 regarding  
issues at the Cambridgeport Library.

In City Council,

Nov. 4, 1991

11/4/91 No action taken  
11/18/91 Placed on file