



# City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

May 21, 1990

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- RESOLVED: That it is the sense of this City Council that the above suggestion responds effectively to both the effort to combat drug dealing from pay phones and to the convenience factor for elderly residents; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to forward a copy of this sense of the City Council resolution to the Police Chief with the request that he update the City Council membership as soon as possible regarding the outcome of his conversations with New England Telephone.

In City Council May 21, 1990.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

*Joseph E. Connarton*

ATTEST:

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Joseph E. Conforti City Clerk

Order # 1 F- 289

Councillor Walsh re: drug dealing transaction from touch-tone phones.

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*Order adopted*