

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
Traffic and Parking
57 Inman Street,
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Administration 349-4700
Parking Violations 349-4705
Resident Parking 349-4701

November 16, 1994

TO: Robert Healy, City Manager

FROM: Lauren M. Preston *LM* Deputy Traffic Director

SUBJECT: Request for bus shelter opposite Mount Auburn Hospital

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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

I have reviewed this site and agree there is no area to safely install a standard 5'x10' bus shelter at the existing bus stop opposite the Mount Auburn Hospital. However, the bus stop could be relocated to a location before the pedestrian signal. Then, if the shelter could be placed at the back of the sidewalk on the Lowell School (City) property, the relocation would make sense. The shelter would not constrict the sidewalk, would meet A.D.A. guidelines, and would not be near any manholes or residence.

This change would reduce the number of resident parking spaces in the block between Lowell Street and Longfellow Road in half, to three (3) spaces. The house at the corner of Lowell Street would lose parking on Mt. Auburn Street (1 space) but has four (4) off street spaces in the rear, off of Lowell Street.

I have discussed this possible change with Jim Nolan from the MBTA and he does not feel there would be a problem if the stop was relocated. In addition, there would be no change in the distance people would have to walk to get the bus.

CC: Jim Nolan

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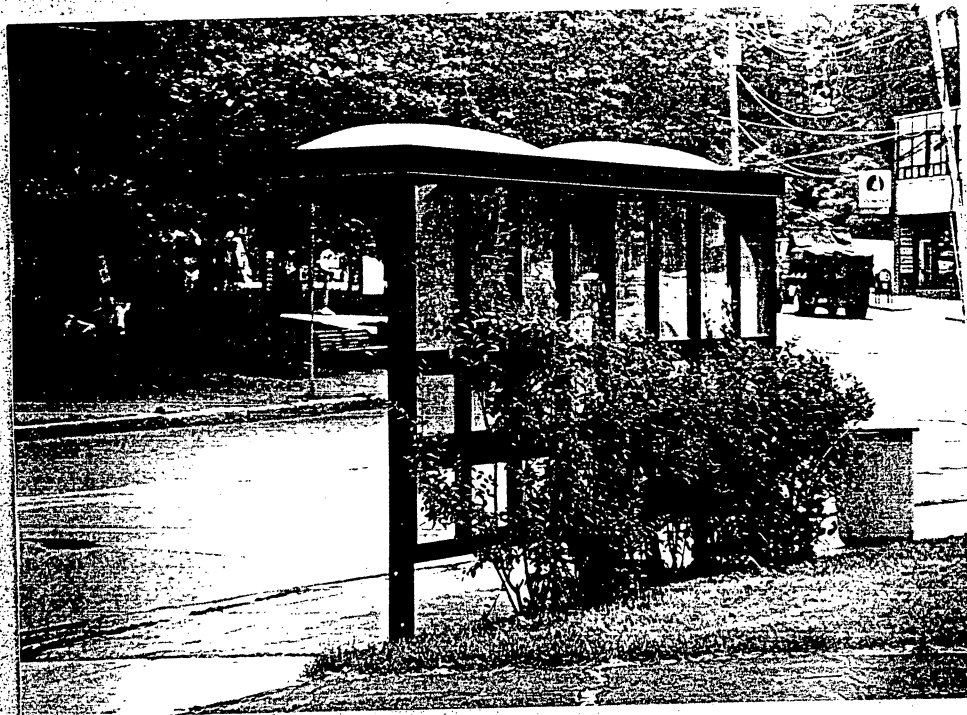
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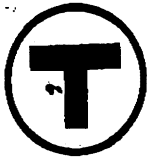
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Agreed to
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April 22, 1994

Mr. Robert W. Healy
City Manager
City of Cambridge
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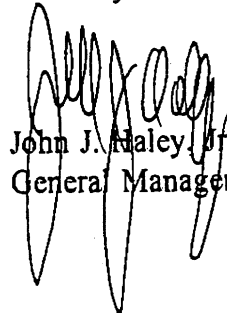
Dear Mr. Healy:

In response to your recent request that the MBTA consider the feasibility of installing a bus shelter opposite the Mount Auburn Hospital, our staff visited the site and contacted the abutter of the proposed installation.

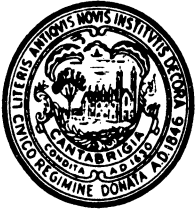
We found that the location is not suitable for a bus shelter, because of an underground transformer vault and other obstructions. In addition, the abutter and other neighbors objected to the proposed site. I am enclosing a copy of correspondence with Attorney Joan E. O'Connor who submitted names of several residents who signed a petition opposing the shelter.

For these reasons, we must report that a bus shelter opposite the Mount Auburn Hospital is not feasible. Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

Sincerely,



John J. Haley, Jr.
General Manager



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Deputy City Manager

January 23, 1995

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report #4 regarding the installation of a bus shelter opposite the Mount Auburn Hospital, please find attached correspondence from the MBTA indicating the infeasibility of a shelter at the precise location suggested, as well as a further report from the Traffic and Parking Department indicating a possible alternative site for the bus shelter. Also attached is a suggested design for the bus shelter at this location.

Neighborhood residents are meeting to discuss concerns and suggestions for this area, particularly Lowell Park. The alternative bus shelter location suggested by Deputy Traffic Director Lauren Preston will be included in these discussions. I will keep you apprised of the community's recommendations.

Very truly yours,

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

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Attachments

Consent Agenda # 5

Response to Awaiting Report Item
Number Four regarding the in-
stallation of a bus shelter opposite
the Mt. Auburn Hospital.

for original Communication
see #31 Highways 1994.

for 1st report see
1994-Sundries # 194

In City Council,

January 23, 1995

Placed on file