



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To James L. Sullivan, City Manager

Date 1/26/77

From Nicholas J. Fratto, Chief of Police

Reference

Subject City Council Order No. 3

In response to the City Council's resolution of 1/17/77 concerning the incident of crime in the Cambridgeport area, I am taking the following action:

1. To deter and prevent robberies and breaks, I am increasing the police presence in the area as follows:

Days: 8 AM - 4 PM

8R - 1 man car, periodic trips through area
14R - 1 man car, regularly assigned
3 - 2 man car, regularly assigned
School safety car - more patrol when checking schools in area
Traffic Car - Available to response to calls
Detectives - See below
Patrol Sergeant -
Patrol Supervisor -

Nights: 4 PM - 12 AM

13X - Walking man, regularly assigned
*14R - 1 man, regularly assigned
3 - 2 man car, regularly assigned
Roving Wagon - More concentrated patrol in area
Detectives - See below
Patrol Sergeant -
Patrol Supervisor -

- * Instructed to occasionally park vehicle and walk route to complement efforts to 13X whenever possible.

Nights: 12 AM - 8 AM

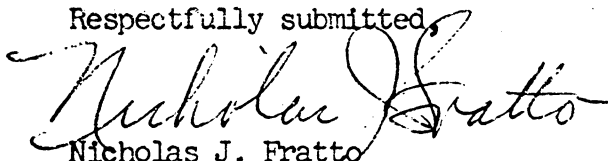
14R - 1 man car, regularly assigned
3 - 2 man car, regularly assigned
Roving Wagon - More concentrated patrol in area
Motor Cycles - Weather permitting
Detectives - Till 1 AM; see below
Patrol Sergeant -
Patrol Supervisor -

The patrol supervisor and the patrol sergeant have been instructed to spend an inordinate amount of their patrol time in this area. I feel that this added patrol of marked vehicles should deter crime and project the threat of apprehension to possible offenders.

2. In addition to marked vehicles, I have instructed the detectives from the Bureau of Criminal Investigation and the Crime Prevention Bureau to patrol the Cambridgeport area extensively. This will add two to three more vehicles to the marked patrol resources concentrated in this neighborhood. This coverage will continue till 1:00 AM when the detectives tour of duty ends.
3. I have also undertaken the following crime prevention measures through the department's community relation office.
 - a. Utilize the neighborhood task force meetings to help educate the residents through movies, lectures and crime surveys as to how they can better secure their homes, businesses and property.
 - b. Improve the coordination between the police department and the Youth Resources Bureau.
 - c. A new group of community volunteers with citizen band radios called Vanguard has been organized. The purpose of this group is to report via their radios any criminal or suspicious activity which they happen to observe. An individual monitoring the CB band will then notify the police via 911. A priority has been given to establish the first group of Vanguard volunteers in the Cambridgeport area.

Through the above actions I hope that the police department will be successful in reducing the incident of crime in the Cambridgeport area.

Respectfully submitted,



Nicholas J. Fratto
Chief of Police



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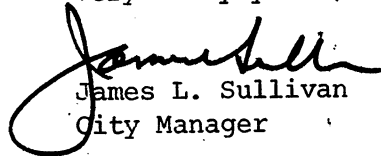
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JAMES L. SULLIVAN
City Manager

March 7, 1977

To the Honorable, the City Council:

With respect to Awaiting Report Item No. 10,
regarding robberies and break-ins at Newtowne Court,
enclosed is a report from the Chief of Police.

Very truly yours,


James L. Sullivan
City Manager

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Agenda #7.

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Response to Awaiting Report Item No. 10, re:
robberies and break-ins at Newtowne Court.

In City Council,
March 7, 1977

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