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To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 03-44, regarding a report on the installation of a shelter at the bus stop on Brookline Street, please be advised of the following:

During the Cambridgeport Roadways design process, the City's Advisory Committee and neighborhood residents supported improvements to Brookline Street to reduce the speed of traffic and emphasize the residential character of the street. Improvements will include traffic calming measures, modifications to sidewalks and streetscape elements such as street trees, and enhancements to bus stop locations. Given neighborhood interest in the bus stop at Brookline and Erie Streets, this location will be evaluated and looked at closely as the Brookline Street project moves forward. In order to install a bus shelter at this location, physical changes would most likely need to be made to the sidewalk, and these would appropriately be designed and implemented as part of the full street design.

The full design for Brookline Street will be done in conjunction with a thorough community process with neighborhood residents. The process to plan for Brookline Street improvements will begin once design funds have been identified. Construction of traffic calming measures will occur after completion of the Cambridgeport Roadways project, which is anticipated for summer 2005.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Consent Agenda #5

Awaiting Report Item No. 03-45,
regarding a report on the installation of
a shelter at the bus stop on Brookline
Street.

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