



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To Robert W. Healy, City Manager
George Teso, Director of Traffic & Parking
Anthony Paolillo, Chief of Police

Date February 16, 1984

From Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

Reference

Subject Enclosed communication

PEH

Enclosed you will find a copy of a communication received by the City Council at its meeting of Monday, February 13, 1984 from Peter E. Lombardi of 12 Mellen Street, relative to a parking ticket he received on December 11, 1983 on Albany Street.

The City Council at the aforementioned meeting referred this communication to the City Manager, Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police, respectively, for report.

Your very kind attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated by the City Council.

PEH/mh

Enclosure

Comm. from Peter E. Lombardi, 13 Mellen St. Re:
a parking ticket he received on December 11,
1983.

In City Council,

February 13, 1984

2/13/84

Referred to the
City Manager
Finance Director
Chief of Police
F.O.

to

or

RECEIVED BY
OFFICE OF CITY CLERK

FEB 13 3 26 PM '84

12 Mellen Street
CAMBRIDGE, MASS 02138
February 5, 1984

Parking Clerk
City of Cambridge
P.O. Box 2004
Cambridge, MA 02139

To Whom It May Concern:

Concerning a parking ticket (#5671482) issued December 11, 1983
on Albany Street at 12:30 a.m.:

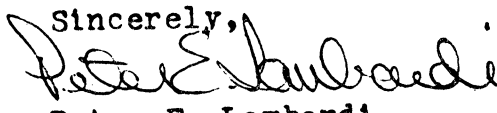
I do not believe I should be required to pay this fine.
This ticket should never have been issued. The area in question
was ~~is~~ not posted. I have returned to the site (the following day)
in daylight to verify the absence of "no parking" signs.

It is very unusual for Cambridge Police to ticket parked
vehicles in unposted, low traffic, primarily industrial areas
in the early morning hours. This is the second ticket I've
received at this hour, in the same area, and I've spoken with
several others who have been ticketed under the same circumstances.

My sense is that this ticketing is a result of discriminatory
enforcement on the part of one or more Cambridge police officers.
People parking in the area at that hour are mostly patrons of
"The Paradise", a bar catering primarily to gay men. I find
this behavior not only unacceptable, but also highly offensive.
Many recently elected Cambridge officials have pledged themselves
to address the issues of oppression of and discrimination against
the gay community and I would suggest that this is an instance
that deserves their attention.

I would like this ticket and fine dismissed, and I would
hope that any officers involved in this or any action like it
be educated as to the rights of the entire community they serve.

Sincerely,



Peter E. Lombardi

cc: Cambridge City Council
Office of the Mayor
Cambridge Gay and Lesbian Political Alliance

RECEIVED BY
OFFICE OF CITY CLERK

FEB 13 3 26 PM '84

12 Mellen Street
CAMBRIDGE, MASS. 02138
February 5, 1984

Parking Clerk
City of Cambridge
P.O. Box 2004
Cambridge, MA 02139

To Whom It May Concern:

Concerning a parking ticket (#5671482) issued December 11, 1983
on Albany Street at 12:30 a.m.:

I do not believe I should be required to pay this fine.
This ticket should never have been issued. The area in question
WAS ~~is~~ not posted. I have returned to the site (the following day)
in daylight to verify the absence of "no parking" signs.

It is very unusual for Cambridge Police to ticket parked
vehicles in unposted, low traffic, primarily industrial areas
in the early morning hours. This is the second ticket I've
received at this hour, in the same area, and I've spoken with
several others who have been ticketed under the same circumstances.

My sense is that this ticketing is a result of discriminatory
enforcement on the part of one or more Cambridge police officers.
People parking in the area at that hour are mostly patrons of
"The Paradise", a bar catering primarily to gay men. I find
this behavior not only unacceptable, but also highly offensive.
Many recently elected Cambridge officials have pledged themselves
to address the issues of oppression of and discrimination against
the gay community and I would suggest that this is an instance
that deserves their attention.

I would like this ticket and fine dismissed, and I would
hope that any officers involved in this or any action like it
be educated as to the rights of the entire community they serve.

Sincerely,


Peter E. Lombardi

cc: Cambridge City Council
Office of the Mayor
Cambridge Gay and Lesbian Political Alliance

12 Mellen Street
Cambridge, MA 02138
February 5, 1984

Parking Clerk
City of Cambridge
P.O. Box 2004
Cambridge, MA 02139

To Whom It May Concern:

Concerning a parking ticket (#5671482) issued December 11, 1983
on Albany Street at 12:30 a.m.:

I do not believe I should be required to pay this fine.
This ticket should never have been issued. The area in question
~~WAS~~ ~~is~~ not posted. I have returned to the site (the following day)
in daylight to verify the absence of "no parking" signs.

It is very unusual for Cambridge Police to ticket parked
vehicles in unposted, low traffic, primarily industrial areas
in the early morning hours. This is the second ticket I've
received at this hour, in the same area, and I've spoken with
several others who have been ticketed under the same circumstances.

My sense is that this ticketing is a result of discriminatory
enforcement on the part of one or more Cambridge police officers.
People parking in the area at that hour are mostly patrons of
"The Paradise", a bar catering primarily to gay men. I find
this behavior not only unacceptable, but also highly offensive.
Many recently elected Cambridge officials have pledged themselves
to address the issues of oppression of and discrimination against
the gay community and I would suggest that this is an instance
that deserves their attention.

I would like this ticket and fine dismissed, and I would
hope that any officers involved in this or any action like it
be educated as to the rights of the entire community they serve.

Sincerely,

Peter E. Lombardi

cc: Cambridge City Council
Office of the Mayor
Cambridge Gay and Lesbian Political Alliance

12 Mellen Street
Cambridge, MA 02138
February 5, 1984

Parking Clerk
City of Cambridge
P.O. Box 2004
Cambridge, MA 02139

To Whom It May Concern:

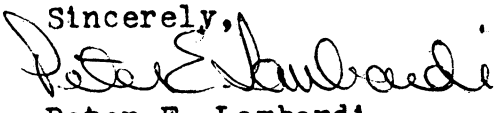
Concerning a parking ticket (#5671482) issued December 11, 1983
on Albany Street at 12:30 a.m.:

I do not believe I should be required to pay this fine.
This ticket should never have been issued. The area in question
was ~~is~~ not posted. I have returned to the site (the following day)
in daylight to verify the absence of "no parking" signs.

It is very unusual for Cambridge Police to ticket parked
vehicles in unposted, low traffic, primarily industrial areas
in the early morning hours. This is the second ticket I've
received at this hour, in the same area, and I've spoken with
several others who have been ticketed under the same circumstances.

My sense is that this ticketing is a result of discriminatory
enforcement on the part of one or more Cambridge police officers.
People parking in the area at that hour are mostly patrons of
"The Paradise", a bar catering primarily to gay men. I find
this behavior not only unacceptable, but also highly offensive.
Many recently elected Cambridge officials have pledged themselves
to address the issues of oppression of and discrimination against
the gay community and I would suggest that this is an instance
that deserves their attention.

I would like this ticket and fine dismissed, and I would
hope that any officers involved in this or any action like it
be educated as to the rights of the entire community they serve.

Sincerely,

Peter E. Lombardi

cc: Cambridge City Council
Office of the Mayor
Cambridge Gay and Lesbian Political Alliance

12 Mellen Street
Cambridge, MA 02138
February 5, 1984

Parking Clerk
City of Cambridge
P.O. Box 2004
Cambridge, MA 02139

To Whom It May Concern:

Concerning a parking ticket (#5671482) issued December 11, 1983
on Albany Street at 12:30 a.m.:

I do not believe I should be required to pay this fine.
This ticket should never have been issued. The area in question
WAS ~~is~~ not posted. I have returned to the site (the following day)
in daylight to verify the absence of "no parking" signs.

It is very unusual for Cambridge Police to ticket parked
vehicles in unposted, low traffic, primarily industrial areas
in the early morning hours. This is the second ticket I've
received at this hour, in the same area, and I've spoken with
several others who have been ticketed under the same circumstances.

My sense is that this ticketing is a result of discriminatory
enforcement on the part of one or more Cambridge police officers.
People parking in the area at that hour are mostly patrons of
"The Paradise", a bar catering primarily to gay men. I find
this behavior not only unacceptable, but also highly offensive.
Many recently elected Cambridge officials have pledged themselves
to address the issues of oppression of and discrimination against
the gay community and I would suggest that this is an instance
that deserves their attention.

I would like this ticket and fine dismissed, and I would
hope that any officers involved in this or any action like it
be educated as to the rights of the entire community they serve.

Sincerely,


Peter E. Lombardi

cc: Cambridge City Council
Office of the Mayor
Cambridge Gay and Lesbian Political Alliance

Comm. from Peter E. Lombardi, 13 Mellen St. Re:
a parking ticket he received on December 11,
1983.

forwarding letter & copy of comm
sent to Traffic Director, Police
Chief & City Manager (both in
his folder & by separate letter)
2/16/84

In City Council,

February 13, 1984

2/13/84

Referred to the
City Manager
Traffic Director
Chief of Police
F-0

Referred to the
City Manager