



City of Cambridge

19.

IN CITY COUNCIL

March 15, 1993

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
MAYOR REEVES

WHEREAS: Polaroid Corporation, a long standing corporate resident of the City of Cambridge, has been and continues to be a good and valued corporate neighbor and a friend to the community and its residents; and

WHEREAS: At a time when many companies are moving their operations out of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Polaroid Corporation is continuing to provide employment in the Commonwealth to over 8,000 people, over 2,000 of whom work in Cambridge and hundreds are residents of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Polaroid Corporation has for 24 years served the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a highly reliable supplier to the Registry of Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS: The Registry of Motor Vehicles has issued a Request For Proposal for a new, centrally issued driver's license system that exclude the use of Polaroid film products and that will result in an increase in cost per driver's license issued as well as an extensive, unnecessary capital investment by the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS: Systems to issue drivers licenses centrally have been abandoned by twelve other states as inconvenient to citizens and not cost effective and New York and California have experienced extensive backlogs in the issuance of new license and publicly embarrassing security problems with the distribution of centrally issued licenses; and

WHEREAS: The press reports that the Governor, who resides in Cambridge as does Polaroid, has declined to meet with the president of Polaroid to discuss these issues; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council hereby urges the Governor to initiate an immediate review of this situation and to prevent the award of any contract until such review has taken place; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council hereby urges the Governor of Massachusetts to meet personally with the president of Polaroid Corporation as part of such review; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council urges the members of the State Senate and House who represent the citizens of Cambridge to take such legislative action as necessary to prevent the awarding of a contract for a system to centrally issue drivers licenses; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Governor Weld, Senators Barrett, Travelini and Havern, Speaker Flaherty, Representatives Toomey and Thompson and I. M. Booth, President of Polaroid.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:- *D. Margaret Drury*

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

COUNCILLOR WOLF RECORDED AS NOT VOTING ON THIS MATTER

Councillor Sullivan

Consent

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^{Resolved} Be it resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Weld, Senators Barrett and Travelini, Speaker Flaherty, Representatives Toomey and Thompson and I. M. Booth, President of Polaroid.

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*Russell
Homes
is available*
CONSENT ORDER #19

R-1.15

Councillor Sullivan re: Registry of
Motor Vehicle new licensing
procedure.

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Order Adopted