

To the Honorable - the City Council of the
City of Cambridge.

The undersigned would respectfully call your attention to the fact that ~~a~~ a large portion of the city advertising has been for the past year done in only one of the two newspapers published in Cambridge, viz: the Cambridge Press. The advertising referred to has been principally sales of real estate for the non-payment of assessments levied by the city. Believing it right and just that all such advertising should be given full publicity, and realizing that under the present rule many residents may justly claim to have received no notification of such sales, I respectfully ask your honorable body to adopt such an ordinance as will order all of the city advertising to be published in both the Cambridge Chronicle and the Cambridge Press, as a portion of it is now by ordinance published. It is well known to your honorable board that the Cambridge Chronicle has been established in this city for nearly thirty years, and reaches many of the old citizens who see no other Cambridge paper. If the present distribution of the city advertising

shall prove to have been due to the
fact that the Chronicle has in the past
taken the liberty to criticize rather sharply
the acts of some of the city officials, I
trust that a sense of justice and equity
will remove the objections nowed. And
I also trust that the Chronicle will never
hesitate to speak the truth of any city officer,
even though it be followed by loss of
official patronage. Hoping that this, my
petition will receive early attention, your
petitioner will ever pray.

Wm B. Porter.

In Board of Aldermen, July 13, 1874 -
Referred to the Committee on Ordinances
and Sewer claim for sewerage.

Attest, Justice A. J. Adams, City Clerk

Concurred,

In Common Council July 14/
174 Attest,

J. W. Cotton, Clerk.

Approved, July 16, 1874 -

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Mayor -

City of Cambridge
In Board of Aldermen

Oct. 1917
The Committee on Ordinances to whom
was referred the petition of Saml B. Porter
for the passage of an ordinance requiring
the publication of all city advertising in
each of the papers published in Cambridge -
report -

The Committee consider that it would
be in excess of their duty to pass such an ordinance
as the petitioner asks -

The General Statute make provision for
the collection of taxes and other assessments
and prescribe the course of procedure.

The Committee are of the opinion that
the City Council cannot, by ordinance, give
direction to the Officers who by law have
the duty of advertising.

The Committee believe, however, that full
public notice should be given of all matters
of so public an interest, and would recommend
that all advertisements of the Departments

and officers of the city should
be published in each of the newspapers
of the city -

For the found

Theo. K. Hunt

Accepted, Sewer board for commenced.

Attest, Justin A. Jacobs City Clerk

In Commencement Oct. 20, 1874,

Concurred,

Attest J. W. Ottum, City

approved, Oct. 22, 1874 -
E. A. Bradford -
Mayor.

Report of the 26
Com. on Ordnance

Oct. 19, 1876

City Advertising