

Charter Right #16

City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council

JUNE 4

1979

Motion to Table by E. Preusser

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mr. Crane		✓		
Mr. Duehay	✓			
Mr. Frisoli		✓		
Ms. Graham			✓	
Ms. Preusser	✓			
Mr. Sullivan		✓		
Mr. Vellucci	✓			
Mr. Wylie	✓			
Mayor Danehy			✓	

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Motion to Table Failed 4-3-2

*Under Rule #19 of the City
Council - Removed from the Calendar.*

ordered

Elaborate Motion to Suspend Rules

City of Cambridge

1 To dispense MASSACHUSETTS WITH ~~the~~ Regular
 order of BUSINESS In City Council June 4 1979
 and proceed to ER #10

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Mr. Crane		✓		
Mr. Duehay			✓	
Mr. Frisoli				✓
Ms. Graham	✓			
Ms. Preusser	✓			
Mr. Sullivan		✓		
Mr. Vellucci	✓			
Mr. Wylie	✓			
Mayor Danahy			✓	

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Rules Not Suspended

#10
Chadwick
No Check
No Return
yet

May go off
the list

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE CAMBRIDGE RENT CONTROL LAW AS PREVENTING THE EVICTION
OF CERTAIN ELDERLY TENANTS IN CONTROLLED CONDOMINIUM UNITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court
assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection (a) of Section 9 of Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1976 is hereby amended by striking cut paragraph (8) and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

(8) The landlord seeks to recover possession in good faith for use and occupancy of himself, or his children, parents, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law or daughter-in-law, except that notwithstanding Chapter 183A of the General Laws, no action shall be brought under this paragraph to recover possession of a condominium unit from a tenant who is 62 years of age or older and who occupied the unit continuously since before the recording of the master deed;

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage but shall not impair any existing rights of a condominium unit purchaser who purchased before its effective date.



City of Cambridge

IN CITY COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR GRAHAM

WHEREAS: Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1976 declared the existence of a housing emergency in the City of Cambridge because of a substantial and increasing shortage of decent rental housing accommodations especially for families of low and moderate income and for elderly people on fixed incomes, and accordingly continued the rent and eviction control program; and

WHEREAS: That Act also declared the public policy of this city that conversion of rental housing units to condominium units was not a valid reason for evicting tenants; and

WHEREAS: That policy is being avoided by the sale of individual condominium units to landlords ^{who} under present Rent Control Board policy are then able to occupy the units themselves, thus further aggravating the shortage of decent rental housing accommodations which it is the policy of this city to alleviate; and

WHEREAS: The eviction of elderly tenants, those 62 years of age or older, poses imposes particularly harsh burdens on them because of their generally long stay in the community, hardship in relocating to another residence, and usual inability to afford the purchase price of a condominium unit; now, therefore be it

ORDERED: That the Cambridge City Council hereby petitions the General Court under Section 8 of Article II, as amended by Article XXXIX, of the Amendments to the Constitution, to enact the attached special law entitled "AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE CAMBRIDGE RENT CONTROL LAW AS PREVENTING THE EVICTION OF CERTAIN/ TENANTS ELDERLY IN CONTROLLED CONDOMINIUM UNITS".

CP
LF

#12



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

May 21, 1979

COUNCILLOR GRAHAM

- WHEREAS: Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1976 declared the existence of a housing emergency in the City of Cambridge because of a substantial and increasing shortage of decent rental housing accommodations especially for families of low and moderate income and for elderly people on fixed incomes and accordingly continued the rent and eviction control program; and
- WHEREAS: That Act also declared the public policy of this city that conversion of rental housing units to condominium units was not a valid reason for evicting tenants; and
- WHEREAS: That policy is being avoided by the sale of individual condominium units to landlords under present Rent Control Board policy are then able to occupy the units themselves, thus further aggravating the shortage of decent rental housing accommodations, especially for the elderly, which it is the policy of this city to alleviate; and
- WHEREAS: The eviction of these tenants is contrary to the original legislative intention of this City Council as expressed in the 1976 Act and that intention must now be made clear; now, therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the Cambridge City Council hereby petitions the General Court under Section 8 of Article II, as amended by Article IXXXIX, of the Amendments to the Constitution, to enact the attached special law entitled "AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE CAMBRIDGE RENT CONTROL LAW AS PREVENTING THE EVICTION OF CERTAIN ELDERLY TENANTS IN CONTROLLED CONDOMINIUM UNITS".

Cal #10 S-342
Order #12
S-342

C. Graham re: filing of legislation entitled
"AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE CAMBRIDGE RENT CONTROL
LAW AS PREVENTING THE EVICTION OF CERTAIN
ELDERLY TENANTS IN CONTROLLED CONDOMINIUM
UNITS".

*See New order filed
June 14, 1979 on
- the same subject -*

In City Council,

May 21, 1979

*5/21/79
Charter Right
by E. Frisoli*

AMENDED ORDER CHARTER RIGHT BY COUNCILLOR
FRISOLI 5/21/79

*6/4/79
Motion to suspend Rules by
C. Graham filed 4-2-2-1
Motion to table filed on
Roll Call 4-3-2
Removed from calendar
under Rule #19*