



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

March 31, 1997

COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU
VICE MAYOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR REEVES
MAYOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Department of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to ascertain whether the intersection of JFK Street and Memorial Drive can be made more "user" friendly and safe for pedestrians and cyclists, now that the warmer weather is approaching.

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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
City Clerk

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

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KT Resolution

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FROM: Jan Puibello, 75773,2225
TO: KT Campaign, 102743,1675
DATE: 5/7/96 5:44 AM

Re: A request

Hi Katherine,

I actually have a constituent (sp?) type request for you to think about:

I have now and have had for years great concern regarding the lights, timing of the lights and the lack of left turn right turn lights and pedestrian "walk" signs at the intersection of JFK St and Memorial drive. Since I drive, walk or bike ride through there frequently, it amazes me that there has never been an apparent upgrading of the traffic/pedestrian flow at that spot. I have seen many accidents there, and I have been almost hit by cars there on several occasions.

Cars going west on Mem drive have to cut across oncoming traffic going east to go across the bridge, which means that pedestrians crossing to and from Harvard Sq are all moving into each other, and cars moving east who want to go to Harvard sq have to cut across westbound traffic...and the same pedestrian stuff happens. Actually, perhaps there is a walk sign but the traffic still cuts you off. Ther seems to be a constant backup of traffic there. And..the people on bikes and walking who just want to cross to the other end of the bridge to continue on the bike path are dead ducks for the turning traffic.

Anyway, could you put in an order to ask Healy to communicate concern to the MDC to do some kind of traffic/pedestrian efficiency and safety eval on that area and then to make the needed adjustments? I had a conversation a few months ago with Liz Epstein and it seems that there are many who share my concern.

I 'd be glad to do an outing there with you some day at rush hour! No, I do not want to comment on this at the public comment section on some Monday. :) But, I'd be happy to write a letter if that would help.

It was fun to hang out yesterday....garbage and all!
See you soon.....Love, Jan



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Entire Membership
Consent Order #1 except Davis

Councillor Triantafillou re: Whether the
intersection of JFK Street and Memorial
Drive can be made more "user" friendly
and safe for pedestrians and cyclists.

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ORDER ADOPTED