



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To James L. Sullivan
City Manager

Date July 23, 1979

From Richard B. Griffin RBG
Executive Director

Reference Council on Aging

Subject Dial-A-Ride Transportation Proposal

This is to inform you that the Council on Aging has been funded from Title III of the Older Americans Amendment Act to begin a new transportation program for elderly citizens of Cambridge over 65. The program, developed by planners on my staff, is known as Dial-A-Ride Transportation (DART). We are arranging for a private transportation company to run the program with this office acting as monitor. For this purpose, we are inviting bids from taxi companies and other transportation agencies operating in Cambridge.

DART will operate as follows: elderly persons will register with this office and receive an identification card entitling them to use the system. They will then call a special transportation company number at least 24 hours in advance. They will be scheduled and a vehicle will be dispatched at the proper time to pick them up and carry them to their destination anywhere within Cambridge at a cost of 50¢ per ride. Their trip will be logged by the dispatcher and the driver. The logs will be sent to our office where we will check them and call selected riders to see if they were well served by the program. Our primary responsibility is simply to monitor the program and to pay the difference between the 50¢ and the bid price of the ride (probably about \$1.50).

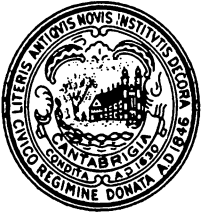
The program requires no city monies, nor have we made any commitments that would entail future city financial support. We have received funding for this year and expect funding for the fiscal year 1980, and possibly the next two years. I want to begin the program and to get it working smoothly with the intention of turning it over to a direct service agency, probably for fiscal year 1981.

I hope this brief outline meets with your approval. If there are any questions or concerns, I will be pleased to answer them.

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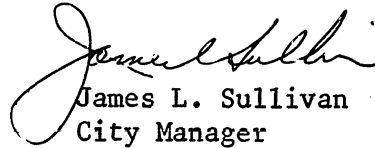
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JAMES L. SULLIVAN
City Manager

September 10, 1979

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I transmit herewith for your information a communication received from Richard B. Griffin, Executive Director of the Council on Aging, relative to the proposal for Dial-A-Ride Transportation Program for our elderly.

Very truly yours,


James L. Sullivan
City Manager

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RE: funding of a proposal for Dial-A-Ride
Transportation Program for the elderly.

In City Council,

Sept. 10, 1979

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