



City of Cambridge

70.

IN CITY COUNCIL
January 11, 1999

COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
MAYOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

WHEREAS: A recent Boston accident involving a pedestrian and bicyclist traveling the wrong direction on a one way street left the pedestrian critically injured; and

WHEREAS: The newspaper reported that the City of Boston had no legal recourse against the reckless bicyclist because he was not a registered bicycle courier; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge, although it does not have laws governing bicycle couriers, is currently stepping up enforcement of "Same road - Same laws" for bicyclists including stopping and fining cyclists who do not stop for traffic lights; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report to the City Council what recourse the City of Cambridge would have in an accident similar to the recent Boston accident, specifically: would we be able to press charges for reckless cycling, and if not, what legal steps can the Council take to be sure that this would be a possibility in a similar situation.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:- *D. Margaret Drury*

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REFERRED TO LAW DEPARTMENT.



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Consent Order #70

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Councillor Born re: report on what recourse the City would have in an accident similar to the recent Boston bicycle accident.

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ORDER ADOPTED

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