



City of Cambridge

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COUNCILLOR WOLF
COUNCILLOR VELLUCCI

IN CITY COUNCIL
January 21, 1985

- WHEREAS: City Councillors are regularly confronted with the problems of helping families who face severe housing emergencies; and
- WHEREAS: The Cambridge Housing Authority usually cannot provide housing for these families, who by any reasonable standards would be called emergency cases, because the Authority's definition of "emergency" is defined so narrowly; and
- WHEREAS: The City Council does understand that there is a closed five-year waiting list for family housing and that the Authority must define limits for people trying to enter public housing under the emergency provisions out of fairness to those who have waited so long; therefore, be it
- ORDERED: That the City Council hereby requests the Cambridge Housing Authority to review its policy and definitions for emergency housing in an attempt to expand them to severe situations that would be declared "emergency" by any reasonable definition; and be it further
- ORDERED: That the Cambridge Housing Authority review the rent control law as enacted by the Legislature, to wit that it has been declared by said Legislature that a housing emergency does exist in Cambridge.

In City Council January 21, 1985.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of 8 members.
Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature of Paul E. Healy in dark ink, written over a horizontal line.
Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

Order # 4 S-61

C. Wolf & C. Vellucci order re: Cambridge Housing Authority to review its policy & definitions for emergency housing in an attempt to expand them to severe situations that would be declared "emergency" & further, to review the rent control laws enacted by the Legislature to wit, that a housing emergency does exist in the City.

*copy sent to Daniel Wenschel,
Exec. Director, CHA, 1/23/85 mh*

In City Council,

January 21, 1985

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