



City of Cambridge

Consent Communication #16

IN CITY COUNCIL

June 3, 1996

ORDERED: That the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized to construct curb cuts over sidewalks in front of estates upon the streets as hereinafter named, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Paving (Edgestones and Sidewalks). The entire cost of material and labor furnished to be repaid to the City by the owners of abutting estates.

Margaret D. Prebensen

37 Magoun Street

In City Council June 3, 1996

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

D. Margaret Drury

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

#19960501
CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INSPECTIONAL SERVICES
APPLICATION FOR DRIVEWAY CUTS AND OPENINGS
96 MAY 8 PM 1 28
CITY OF CAMBRIDGE



INSTRUCTIONS:

In order to obtain permission for a driveway cut or opening you must first get approval from the Department of Inspectional Services on the zoning requirements for off-street parking, including the cooperation of your immediate abutters.

To receive a review from Inspectional Services you must fill out Part I of the application. Be sure to draw your plot plan on Drawing 1, choosing the lot that represents your lot's position, i.e. corner or interior. You must also include a sketch of the proposed driveway, including dimensions, on Drawing 2. You may then calculate the cost of the driveway by using the formula based on your choice of surfaces. You must also include a signed abuttor sheet for each of your abuttors: back yard, one on either side and the abuttor directly across the street.

Once you have gathered this information on the application, it should be submitted to:

**Zoning Officer
Inspectional Services
831 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139**

If the application is approved by Inspectional Services, it will then be sent on to Traffic and Parking, the Historical Commission and the Department of Public Works. If approved by Public Works, the application and backup will be sent to the City Council for their approval. Once the City Council approves, the driveway curb cut can be installed. However, the full cost of the cut must be paid to Public Works before the work will start.

If, however, Inspectional Services denies your application you may then appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

DATE:

5 / 8 / 96

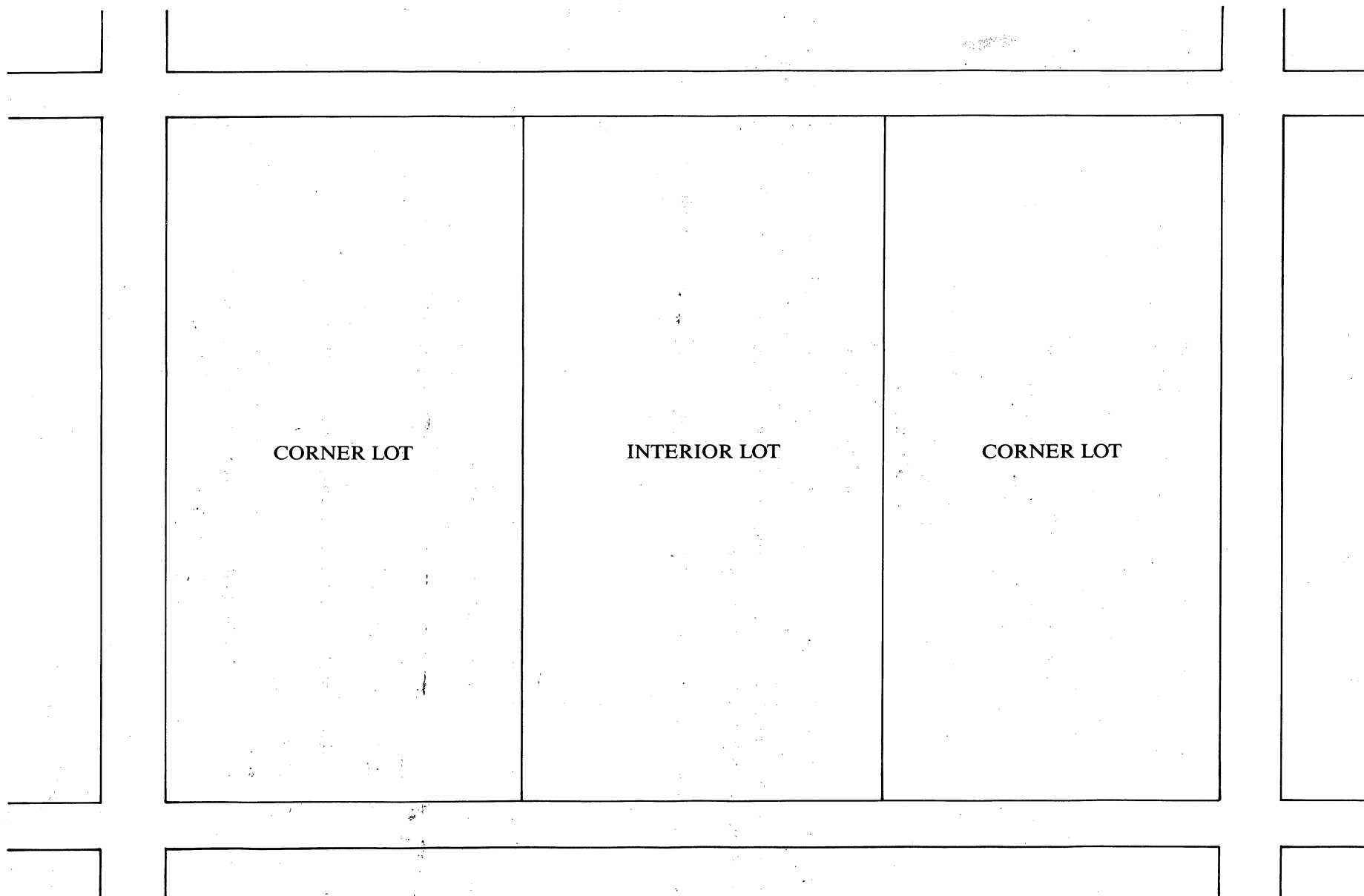
PART I

Address of proposed curb cut or off-street parking facility: <u>37 MAGOUN ST</u>	
Frontage: <u>40</u>	Block and Lot: <u>188 - 189 / 76</u>
Setback (distance from building to sidewalk): <u>10' ±</u>	
Distance from proposed driveway to surrounding structures and property line: <u>10' ±</u>	
Dimensions of proposed driveway: <u>38 x 10</u>	
Location of any trees, sign posts, fire hydrants, utility poles, etc., in direct vicinity of proposed driveway: <u>NONE</u>	

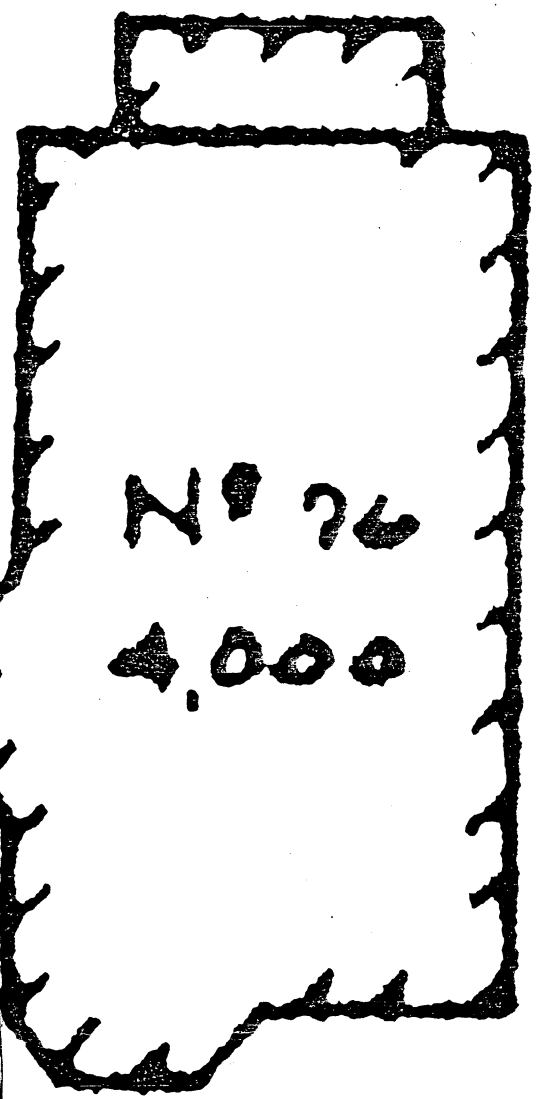
- ☒ Plot plan is included
- ☐ Sketch of driveway with cost estimate is included
- ☐ All abuttor's forms are included

DRAWING 1:

**PLEASE INDICATE LOCATION OF HOUSE AND DRIVEWAY.
BE SURE TO GIVE DIMENSIONS OF LOT.**



0800



(400)



FRONT YARD
NO
PARKING

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

APPLICATION FOR DRIVEWAY CUTS AND OPENINGS
ABUTOR'S FORM

To Whom It May Concern:

As owner or agent of 31 Madison Ave,

☐ approval

Cambridge, Massachusetts, I do hereby declare ☐ disapproval

of the installment of:

Off-Street Parking Facility located at Owner refused to sign
MBE

Signed: 7 Date: _____

Address: _____

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

APPLICATION FOR DRIVEWAY CUTS AND OPENINGS
ABUTTOR'S FORM

To Whom It May Concern:

As owner or agent of 41 MAGOUN ST CAMBRIDGE

☒ approval

Cambridge, Massachusetts, I do hereby declare ☐ disapproval

of the installment of:

Off-Street Parking Facility located at 37 MAGOUN ST CAMBRIDGE

Signed: Donald E. Carney Date: 5-7-96

Address: 41 MAGOUN ST CAMBRIDGE

To Whom It May Concern:

As owner or agent of 33 MAGOUN ST

☒ approval

Cambridge, Massachusetts, I do hereby declare ☐ disapproval

of the installment of:

Off-Street Parking Facility located at 37 MAGOUN ST

Signed: Donald E. Carney Date: 5-7-96

Address: 33 MAGOUN ST CAMBRIDGE

To Whom It May Concern:

As owner or agent of 36 MAGOUN ST

☒ approval

Cambridge, Massachusetts, I do hereby declare ☐ disapproval

of the installment of:

Off-Street Parking Facility located at _____

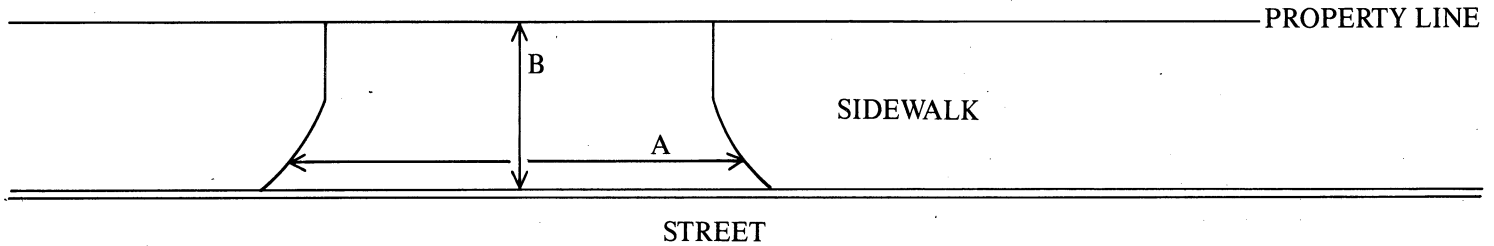
Signed: Frederick J. Gerecht Date: 5-8-96

Address: 36 MAGOUN ST CAMBRIDGE

DRAWING 2:

SKETCH OF PROPOSED DRIVEWAY WITH COST ESTIMATE

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE



A = _____ FT. ÷ 3 = _____ YARDS

B = _____ FT. ÷ 3 = _____ YARDS

A × B = _____ SQUARE YARDS

COST ESTIMATE:

BRICK: _____ SQUARE YARDS × \$70/SQUARE YARD = \$ _____

BRICK ON CONCRETE: _____ SQUARE YARDS × \$85/SQUARE YARD = \$ _____

CONCRETE: _____ SQUARE YARDS × \$40/SQUARE YARD = \$ _____

ASPHALT: _____ SQUARE FEET × 1 TON/40 SQUARE FEET × \$125/TON = \$ _____

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS SCHEDULED DATE FOR CONSTRUCTION:

/ /

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STATED FEE: \$ _____

The undersigned agrees to pay the stated fee for the driveway installation in full within two (2) weeks of the estimated starting date of construction before the Department of Public Works shall proceed with construction:

Owner's signature: Margaret R. Osherson Date: 5-8-96

Address: 37 Magoun Street

Funds Received: \$ _____

Check Number: _____

APPLICATION FOR DRIVEWAY CUTS AND OPENINGS

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

PART II: INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

☒ Application approved

☐ Application denied

Reason:

Signature:

Date:

Title:

ZONING BLA APPROVED CASE 7214

PART III: TRAFFIC AND PARKING DEPARTMENT

☒ Application approved

☐ Application denied

Reason:

Signature:

Date:

Title:

Det. Traffic Div.

PART IV: HISTORICAL COMMISSION

☒ Application approved

☐ Application denied

Reason:

Signature:

Date:

Title:

EXD CHZ

PART V: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

☒ Application approved

☐ Application denied

Reason:

Signature:

Date:

Title:

Supt. of Streets

NORTH CAMBRIDGE STABILIZATION COMMITTEE

6 St. Gerard Terrace
Cambridge, MA 02140
24 May, 1996

R. Margaret Drury
City Clerk
Cambridge City Hall
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Ms. Drury:

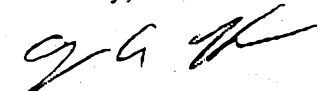
Enclosed you will find the North Cambridge Stabilization Committee (NCSC) remarks on the curb cut request for 37 Magoun Street. As you can see, we have no opinion on this matter. The immediate abutters do not seem to have any problems with this curb cut, there is no curb cut at this property now and there is not an overwhelmingly important traffic issue in question, so I suggest you leave this particular curb cut to the immediate neighbors.

We had scheduled a vote on this curb cut and I had made out fliers to pass to the neighborhood, as the removal of on-street parking, which is one result of a curb cut, has a regional effect in many areas. However, because the City involves neighborhood groups in the curb cut process at the last moment, it became clear that addressing this particular curb cut was going to cause more confusion and ill-will than it was going to protect the public interest. To avoid further upsetting the proponent, who thought she had completed the entire curb cut requesting process, and confusing things even more, I pulled the vote on this curb cut from our 22 May agenda.

I reiterate my opinion that neighborhood groups such as the NCSC have an important role to play in helping the City decide which curb cut requests should be granted, but to ask us what we think at the eleventh hour, when the proponent(s) have already started the process and, in many cases, do not understand what is going on, is not fair for anyone involved and it is not good public policy. I suggest that the City redesign the curb cut request procedure to get community groups involved at the start of the process.

Feel free to call me at any time at 354-8353 should you have any questions or comments regarding this letter or any other North Cambridge issue.

Sincerely,



Craig A. Kelley
Chair

**OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

CITY HALL, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

(617) 349-4260

FAX (617) 349-4307

D. MARGARET DRURY
CITY CLERK

May 9, 1996

Dear Neighborhood Representative:

This office is in receipt of a copy of a petition from Margaret Prebesen requesting a new curb cut at the premises numbered 37 Magoun Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

The City Council has directed that all curb cut petitions be submitted to the appropriate Neighborhood Associations for the locality where the curb cut would be made, so that the association may have an opportunity for review, prior to action by the City Council.

Please indicate by return mail your approval or disapproval of the petition within twenty one days from the date of this letter. If the response is "disapproval" please state reasons. Be sure to sign the form and include a daytime phone number. I have enclosed a self-addressed stamped envelope to facilitate your reply.

As soon as this office has received both the completed application and your neighborhood association response, I will place the petition on the agenda for the next City Council meeting. If I do not receive a response from your neighborhood organization by twenty one days from the date of this letter, I will place the petition on the agenda for the next City Council meeting.

If your neighborhood association cannot complete its review by twenty one days from today, you may extend the reply time another seven days by requesting an extension by letter to me with a copy to the petitioner. However, I urge you to make every effort to complete your review as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,


D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

Name of Neighborhood Association: Bill O'Hearn - North Camb. Stabilization Comm.

hereby _____ approve _____ disapprove of said driveway petition. *NO OPINION*Comments: *PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LETTER*Signature of authorized association representative *[Signature]*Daytime telephone no. *508-796-6273*

cc: Petitioner

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Petition was received from Margaret D. Prebensen, requesting a curb cut at the premises numbered 37 Magoun Street.

In City Council June 3, 1996

Order Adopted