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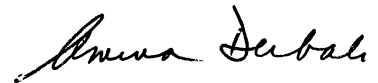
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OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS
October 2, 1998

Ms. Margaret Drury
City Clerk
City Hall
795 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA. 02139

Dear Ms. Drury:

Please process the attached as a communication to all Cambridge City Council members.

Sincerely,



Amina Derbali
President

Attachments (2)

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL



BE A PART OF YOUR CITY'S FUTURE

The City of Cambridge is starting its yearly planning for the next fiscal year - July 1, 1999 to July 1, 2000. In September the planning cycle will start with community members identifying priorities, trends, opportunities and areas for improvement. Informed by community input, the City Council will then set its priorities and objectives in October to provide guidance for the City Manager as he begins in November to develop goals and departmental budgets. The City Council is trying a variety of new approaches to get thoughtful and candid community feedback. Thus, your response to this survey is important to us. Though these questions are broad and quite general, please try to be as specific as possible in your responses.

When you have completed the survey, please clip it and mail or bring it to the City Clerk's Office or City Council Office, City Hall, 795 Mass. Ave., Cambridge 02139, or drop it off at any branch of the Cambridge Library by October 9, 1998.

Thank you.

1. What 3 issues do you think the city government of Cambridge should focus on in the next year (July 1, 1999-July 1, 2000) to ensure that Cambridge maintains its vitality?

- see attachment -

2. What trends or threats should the city take note of in its planning?

3. Are there any other trends or opportunities that the city should be thinking about now for its future benefit?

- see statement attached -

4. What should the Cambridge City government do better? Please check three that you think need the most improvement from the functions listed below and specifically note the improvement needed. (Please note that many of these functions are not totally within the control of the Cambridge City government, but that the City plays a strong role in all of them.)

- ☐ public safety (includes fire and police)
- ☐ traffic flow and parking management
- ☐ street maintenance (repair, snow plowing)
- ☐ garbage/recycling
- ☐ water and sewer services
- ☐ planning and zoning
- ☐ housing
- ☐ civil functions (licenses, permits)
- ☐ business climate support
- ☐ library services
- ☐ children, youth, and family services
- ☐ public schools (K-12)
- ☐ adult education and training
- ☐ elderly services

- ☐ fiscal management
- ☐ taxes and fees
- ☐ public issue exploration and deliberation
- ☐ public art and celebration
- ☐ parks/open space
- ☐ recreation
- ☐ other

5. What does the Cambridge City government do particularly well? Please check the three that you think the city does best and specifically note what aspect is strongest. (Again, please note that many of these functions are not totally within the control of the Cambridge City government, but that the City plays a strong role in all of them.)

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Name Cambridge Youth Soccer
Address _____

Your name and address will not be included in the tally of results. If you choose not to provide your name and address the survey will be counted separately and given less weight.

CAMBRIDGE YOUTH SOCCER

September 29, 1998

To: Members of the Cambridge City Council

Cambridge Youth Soccer on behalf of its over 800 families and 1,100 children asks the City Council to give high priority to inclusion of open spaces and playing fields in planning and funding decisions, particularly those related to development opportunities in the eastern half of Cambridge where there is a shortage of active recreational open space.

Executive Committee of Cambridge Youth Soccer:

Amina Derbali, President
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Consent Communication #2

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A communication was received from Amina Derbali, President, Cambridge Youth Soccer, Inc., transmitting a City Council survey form on behalf of over 800 families and 1,100 children requesting that priority to inclusion to open space and playing fields be given in planning and funding decisions.

In City Council October 19, 1998

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