



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To Robert W. Healy
City Manager

From Joan Lastovica
City Engineer JL.

Subject Orrin Street Street: Boundaries
and Easements

Date May 26, 1987

Reference Council Order
No. 11, 3/30/87

Orrin Street was accepted September 10, 1886, from Garden Street to a point approximately 299 feet southwesterly. The accepted width of Orrin Street is 30 feet. (Plan attached)

A search of Engineering records did not uncover any easements to any abutters. (The deeds of the abutters may include easement rights; title research would be required to determine if deeded easement rights exist.)

A portion of the accepted Orrin Street is unimproved - approximately 50 feet is unpaved and overgrown with vegetation. A taped survey indicates that two encroachments exist on the accepted but unimproved portion of Orrin Street.

1. A pair of fence posts are located at the end of the improved portion.
2. A retaining wall between 25 Kelly Street and 40-42 Tierney Street appears to be an encroachment on Orrin Street. The wall is presently failing.

Sketch A is attached and shows the limit of unimproved public way and the locations of the encroachments.

Also attached for your information is correspondence relative to Orrin Street from Joseph Maguire to Mr. Robert Keating, Superintendent of Streets.

cc: Richard C. Rossi, Acting Commissioner of Public Works
Robert Patterson, Construction Engineer
Robert Keating, Superintendent of Streets

40 Tierney Street #2
Cambridge, MA 02138
876-5233

February 28, 1987

Mr. Robert Keating
Superintendent of Streets
Dept. of Public Works
Cambridge, MA 02139

Re: Orrin Street

Dear Mr. Keating;

I hereby formally request that Orrin Street be paved to the end so that I have access to my garage site and so that more parking places are created in a very tight neighborhood. The old garage has just been torn down and I intend to re-build it when this matter is resolved.

Since writing to you on October 3, 1986 regarding this matter (copy enclosed), I have repeatedly tried to reach you by telephone and left messages for you to contact me, but without success. I have tried to resolve this issue with others at the Department of Public Works but have always been referred to you as the only one who could resolve the issue. Please respond to this request.

If the City does not want to take the responsibility to pave the street and repair its retaining wall before it creates a greater hazard, then I request that the City sell it to me so that I can take the necessary steps myself.

Very truly yours,


Joseph Maguire

cc: Robert Healy, City Manager

certified mail #P 045 995 733

40 Tierney Street #2
Cambridge, MA 02139

October 3, 1986

Mr. Robert Keating,
Superintendent of Streets
Dept. of Public Works
Cambridge, MA 02139

Re: Orrin Street

Dear Mr. Keating;

I have recently purchased 40-42 Tierney Street, and plan to move in this month. Orrin Street, adjacent to the property, is not paved to the end where my garages are located, making access to them very difficult. Could the City do something to facilitate access to these garages?

Also at the rear of the property there is a retaining wall which has failed. According to my surveyor, it is located partially on my property and partially on City property. How should the City and I go about repairing or replacing it?

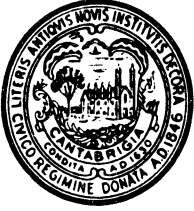
I will be away until October 13, but I thought if you could check it out in the meantime, we could discuss it when I get back. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Joseph Maguire _{RT}
Joseph Maguire

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
City Manager

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Deputy City Manager

June 29, 1987

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report No. 14 regarding the boundaries of Orrin Street, I submit the attached report from Joan Lastovica, City Engineer. I have requested that the Law Department investigate the current encroachments on the unimproved portion of the street and will ask the Public Works Department to complete paving of the street.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Re: response to Awaiting Report Item 14 on the
boundaries of Orrin St.

In City Council,

June 29, 1987

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LETTERS FROM C. MOORE
DIRECT ENCLAVEMENT
OF ORRIN ST. BOUNDARIES

JUN 30 1987