

The Cornelia B. Wheeler Collection
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Dates covered

1963-1976

Extent

36 linear ft. in 3 boxes

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Scope and Content: The collection documents the work of Cornelia B. Wheeler who was elected to three terms on the Cambridge City Council (1964-65; 1966-67; 1968-69). The collection reflects Councillor Wheeler’s work on and off the Council; it includes extensive material regarding the Harvard Square Development Taskforce. Records also include meeting agendas, clippings, project material (e.g. Bennett Street Yard; Red Line Extension; parking; traffic; zoning); correspondence, and notes.

Biographical Abstract: Cornelia B. Wheeler, née Balch, died in August 2005.

Wheeler donated the Charles P. Bowditch Family Papers (1849-1952) to the Massachusetts Historical Society. A finding aid for that collection is available online at <http://www.masshist.org/findingaids/>.

Historical Abstract: According to its own website (on Dec. 22, 2008), the Cambridge City Council “is the policy-setting and legislative branch of city government. The Council authorizes public improvements and expenditures, adopts regulations and ordinances, levies taxes and adopts the annual budget. Under the Plan E Charter, the City Council consists of nine members elected at-large every two years.”

Language: All items in the collection are in English.

Topics: Harvard Square development, parking, and traffic; Cambridge business; elections

System of Arrangement: The collection is organized into 5 series, within which folders are organized alphabetically, as follows:

Series 1 - Harvard Square Development Taskforce Series (Box #1)

Series 2 - Cambridge Business Series (Box #2)

Series 3 - Correspondence

Series 4 - Election materials

Series 5 - People

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Correspondence

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