Traffic Department Collection

Cambridge Historical Commission
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Collection Description:
Correspondence, maps, plans, applications, and similar documents related to projects of the Cambridge Traffic Department. Projects include traffic installations, enhancements, and other forms of urban renewal.

Box list:

• Folder 1: Central Square
  o Pleasant and Auburn Streets, 1986
  o Central Square Enhancement (River at Western Avenue), 1985
• Folder 2: Harvard Square
  o Traffic and Parking Study, 1963
  o Cambridge Common, 1968
• Folder 3: Press Releases
  o Traffic Department press releases, 1963-1975
• Folder 4: Minibus
  o Memos, press releases, correspondence and other documents related to mini bus service in Cambridge, 1972-3
• Folder 5: News Clippings
  o General articles and news clippings about traffic (not all Cambridge-related), 1959-1979
• Folder 6: Riverbend Park
  o Letters, plans, tables, traffic counts, notes, etc. regarding a proposal to close Memorial Drive on Sundays for a people’s park, 1974-7
• Folder 7: Street Cleaning
  o Letter, analysis, clippings, and program statement regarding a street-cleaning effort, 1973, 1983-4
• Folder 8: Wellington-Harrington Urban Renewal Area
  o Letters, plans, traffic studies, and other materials related to urban renewal proposals (1970, 1978)
• Folder 9: Photographs
  o Mostly photocopied and one original photograph of Cambridge street/aerial views (c. 1950s-60s)
• Scrapbook materials (1 original, 2 photocopied packets)
  o News clippings regarding traffic and urban renewal

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