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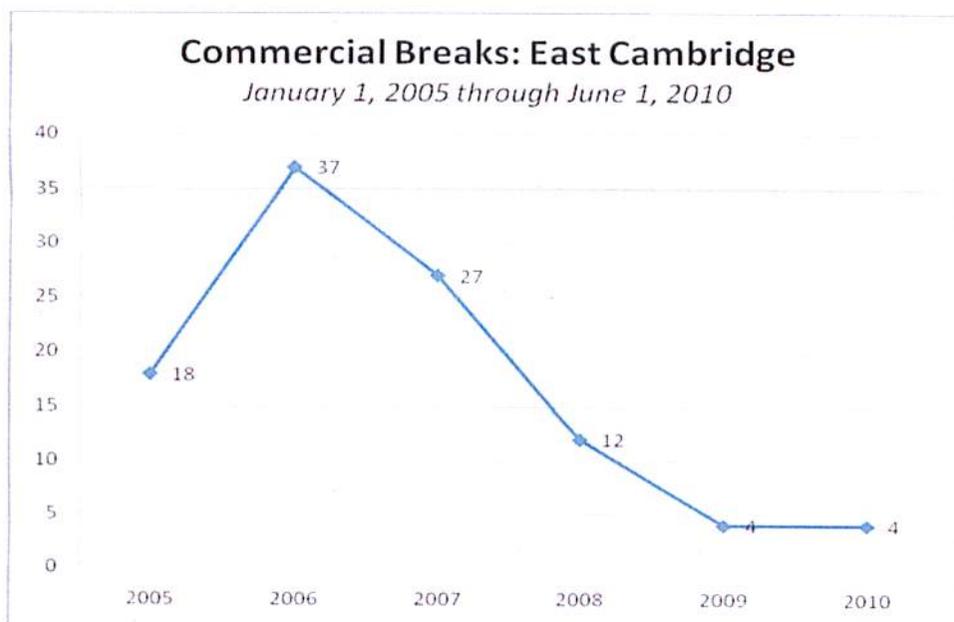
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City Manager

Re: City Council Order No. 12 dated May 24, 2010

Dear Sir:

As requested I am responding to the above City Council Order regarding reporting on recent Commercial Break-ins in East Cambridge.

There have been **4 reports year-to-date** (through June 1st) of Commercial Breaks in the East Cambridge Neighborhood. Commercial Breaks in this neighborhood have **averaged 19 per year** during the last 5 years. Based on these figures it can be projected that East Cambridge will see a **47% decline in Commercial Breaks during 2010** as compared to the 5 year average.



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Following is a summary of the 4 Commercial Break Incidents that have occurred in East Cambridge this year:

Date	Address / Business	Summary	Case Status
March 1	161 First St. / Sedo.com	Pried door and window smashed, suspect seen on surveillance, 6 laptops stolen.	Blood recovered from the scene of the break on some glass. This has been forwarded to the Mass State Police Lab for <i>DNA analysis</i> and will be sent through Codis (DNA data base) for comparison.
March 21	251 First St. / Sermo Systems	Freight elevator door and fire exit door accessed, suspect seen on surveillance, 3 laptops stolen.	No current solvability factors.
May 8-10	361 Cambridge St / Roselu's Boutique	Door was kicked in and around \$80 was missing from the cash register.	No current solvability factors.
May 19-20	616 Cambridge St / Boston Bed Co	A rear interior door had pry marks and a neighbor saw a male and female suspect around 8:38 pm on 5/19. Nothing stolen.	No current solvability factors.

The Cambridge Police Department Crime Analysis Unit (CAU) analyzes crime reports daily. In addition the CAU monitors regional crime activity and patterns. There are currently no Commercial Break patterns occurring in East Cambridge, or elsewhere in the City of Cambridge. Though the two Commercial Breaks in March may appear to have been related, no similar incidents have since been reported in that area. Further, there are no current Commercial Break patterns in the region that appear related to any of the Commercial Breaks that have occurred in the East Cambridge Neighborhood.

The department has also established and maintains an active liaison with the East Cambridge Business Association. Superintendent Steve Williams serves as the primary point of contact with the association. The department will continue to work closely with the association in reducing the opportunities for these and other preventative types of crimes.

Should you require additional information please contact me.

Sincerely,



Robert C. Haas
Police Commissioner

Cc: Supt. S. Williams

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