



# City of Waltham

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*Mayor*

CITY OF WALTHAM  
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TO: The City Council  
RE: Naming of Buildings

Dear Councillors:

I have received requests from the family of James Cannon and the family of Dr. Samuel Cohn requesting that the James Cannon Lecture Hall and the Samuel Cohn gym dedications be transferred to the new high school.

I told them that I would forward their requests to the City Council, since it is responsible for the naming of buildings. They are just seeking assurances from you at this time that their loved ones will continue to be honored.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jeannette A. McCarthy

JAM/ccb

Enclosure

cc: Cannon and Cohn Families  
School Committee

preliminary plan showing the proposed location and grade of the structure shall first be filed in his office.

(b) Any person violating the foregoing provisions shall be subject to the penalty provided in Section 1-9 of this Code and shall remove any structure placed contrary to the provisions of this section if required so to do by the City Engineer, and upon failure to do so, the City Engineer may make such removal or change, or, may request, with the consent of the Mayor, that the Director of Public Works make such removal or change, and the cost thereof shall be paid to the City by the person owning or controlling the structure. (Gen. Ords. 1962, § 2-69; Ord. No. 30000, 8-2-2004)

**Sec. 17-19. Naming and changing names of streets, municipal buildings, municipal parks and municipal property.**

(a) The several streets and squares in the City shall retain the names by which they are now known, and all streets or squares hereafter to be laid out shall be named by the Council. No street or square shall hereafter be named for any person then living, except by unanimous vote of the members of the Council present and voting on the proposed name. The Council may, by a two-thirds-vote of the whole Council, change the name of any public street or square in the City, provided that no deed or contractual restriction prohibits a change of name; and provided, further, that whenever the Council intends to change any such name it shall, before final action thereon, appoint a time and place for hearing all persons interested therein, and direct that notices of such hearing and of its intention to change such name shall be given to all owners of land adjoining such street or square in the manner required in case of the laying out of streets.

(b) Whenever the name of a street or square is discontinued, such name shall not be reestablished for a period of at least five years from the time of discontinuance.

(c) Municipal buildings, municipal parks and all other municipal property in the City shall retain the names by which they are now known, and all

buildings, parks, property or any part thereof hereafter to be named, shall be named by the Council, except that no name shall be given to the City Hall or the Common. No building, park, property or part thereof shall hereafter be named for any person then living, except by unanimous vote of the members of the Council present and voting on the proposed name. The Council may, by a two-thirds vote of the whole Council, change the name of any municipal building, park or property in the City, provided that no deed or contractual restriction prohibits a change of name; and provided, further, that whenever the Council intends to change any such name it shall, before final action thereon, appoint a time and place for hearing all persons interested therein.

(Gen. Ords. 1962, § 17-3; Ord. No. 28679, 11-23-1998)

**Sec. 17-20. Numbering buildings; changing numbers.**

The City Engineer shall assign numbers to the owners of buildings who may apply for the same, such numbers to be as near as may be in accordance with the plans for sewer assessments now on file in the office of the City Engineer. He may require existing numbers to be changed whenever, in his judgment, it may be necessary to do so in order to make the numbering of buildings consistent. The owner or occupant of any building subject to such order shall, within 30 days after being duly notified of the same, comply therewith. (Gen. Ords. 1962, § 17-4)

**Sec. 17-21. Closing streets.**

The Director of Public Works and Forestry shall, whenever the public safety so requires, direct and cause the entrances of any street opening into any public street to be closed. (Gen. Ords. 1962, § 17-5)

**Sec. 17-22. Removal of structure or vehicle illegally on street.**

Any fixture, structure, property or vehicle which has been erected, placed or left illegally in any street, including the sidewalk, may be removed by