

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 542

Approved November 3, 1961

Resolved,

That the accompanying Review of Progress Under The Program For Community Improvement (Workable Program) for the elimination and prevention of slums and blight in Providence, Rhode Island <sup>for 1962</sup> as submitted by the Urban Renewal Coordinator be approved.

IN CITY COUNCIL

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READ and PASSED

*Edward P. Dwyer*  
President  
*Robert W. Hillman*  
Clerk

APPROVED

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*William H. Reynolds*  
MAYOR

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CITY COUNCIL

**A REVIEW OF PROGRESS  
UNDER THE PROGRAM  
FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT  
(WORKABLE PROGRAM)**

**for the elimination and prevention  
of slums and blight in**

Providence, Rhode Island

city and state

submitted to the  
Housing and Home Finance Agency on

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date

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signature of the chief executive  
Walter H. Reynolds, Mayor  
City of Providence

\_\_\_\_\_  
name and title

This form is designed to cover the essential and pertinent information necessary for HHFA action and can be used as a guide in preparing the documentation of a complete program. If the form does not permit a full picture of the local situation, do not hesitate to include additional information.

CITY OR TOWN Providence	COUNTY Providence	STATE Rhode Island
POPULATION, 1950 CENSUS 248,674	POPULATION, 1960 CENSUS 207,498	
THIS REVIEW OF PROGRESS WAS APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COMMUNITY ON		DATE OF ACTION
NAME AND TITLE OF THE OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATING THE PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES Charles R. Wood, Urban Renewal Coordinator		

#### DECLARATION OF POLICY

In reviewing progress under its Program for Community Improvement, a locality is taking stock--evaluating its accomplishments and deciding on new goals for the coming years. This is an important process--publicize it as a means of building community understanding and support for community improvement objectives. Prepare a Declaration of Policy statement to be made by the chief executive officer and governing body to the people of the community. The statement should identify and summarize (1) significant achievements during the past year; (2) changes or revisions in the community's overall objectives, and (3) major goals which are set for attainment during the coming year. (See following page.)

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## DECLARATION OF POLICY FOR THE PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

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The primary goals of Providence's urban renewal program are (1) economic development and expansion and, (2) improvements in the social and physical environment for living, working and leisure time activities.

Inherent in adoption of these goals is recognition of the close relationships between levels of economic activity and the nature of physical and social problems. In depressed areas underemployment tends to aggravate social difficulties. By programs directly improving the economic base, it is believed possible to alleviate indirectly many problems of a social and/or physical nature.

To concentrate solely upon economic development, however, without consideration of residential areas and the transportation between them and work places would hardly constitute a balanced program. Population must be held within the City, and out-migrants attracted back to it by establishing densities, housing types and amenities which they like and can afford. These densities, housing types and community facilities must be developed in such a way that an attractive and functional physical environment is provided to all income and social groups, thus supplying increasing incentive to the investment of money, ability and energy in a cumulative enrichment of urban living in a modern metropolitan setting.

## CODES AND ORDINANCES

**OBJECTIVE:** To assure adequate standards of health, sanitation, and safety through a comprehensive system of codes and ordinances which state the minimum conditions under which dwellings may lawfully be occupied.

- A. Complete column 1 for codes already in effect at the time of the community's last submission; column 2 for codes put into effect since that time; column 3 for codes not now in effect. When model codes are or will be used, also complete column 4. In addition to the basic codes listed, show any other codes the community considers essential to meet its community improvement objectives.**

KIND OF CODE	1 CODES PREVIOUSLY IN EFFECT	2 CODES MADE EFFECTIVE SINCE LAST SUBMISSION	3 CODES NOT NOW IN EFFECT	4 MODEL CODES THAT ARE OR WILL BE ADOPTED	
	DATE ADOPTED	DATE ADOPTED	PROPOSED DATE FOR ADOPTION	TITLE OF MODEL CODE	YEAR PUBLISHED
BUILDING	December 22, 1956	-	-	-	-
PLUMBING	December 22, 1956	-	-	-	-
ELECTRICAL	December 22, 1956	-	-	National Electric Code	1956
HOUSING	July 9, 1956	-	-	-	-

- B. Has the community, as shown above, met the goals for the adoption of codes set forth in its last submission?  Yes  No. If "No" is checked, indicate fully what progress was made and why goals were not met.**

The existing codes are still very recent, and constitute excellent bases for further improvements by amendment whenever new needs arise for them. Specific goals for future amendment are not therefore set forth although actual amendments will probably continue to be frequent, as the process of review is continuous.

- C. Briefly describe the past year's work of the group or committee established for continuing codes study.**

The Building Code Revision Committee during 1960 reviewed and revised the electrical portion of the Code. It also reviewed the mechanical portion of Section 1105.0, which has to do with maintenance and operation of steam boilers. The Building Inspector, as Chairman of Subcommittee No. 5 of the Building Officials Conference of America, has participated as an ex-officio member of the Code Changes Committee of B. O. A. C., which reviews and passes upon proposals for amendments to the Basic Building Code.

**D. Schedule for the periodic review and up-dating of codes.**

If "Yes" is checked, complete the following:

See Section B above.

(Under review continuously)

KIND OF CODE	CODE REVIEWED SINCE LAST SUBMISSION		SCHEDULED DATE NEXT REVIEW TO BE COMPLETED
	YES	NO	
BUILDING	✓		-
PLUMBING	✓		-
ELECTRICAL	✓		-
HOUSING	✓		-

**E. Has the community met the goals for code review set forth in its last submission?**  
 Yes  No. If "No" is checked, indicate fully what progress was made and why such goals were not met.

See Section B above.

**F. Briefly indicate new goals that have been established for the coming year:**

To keep each of our codes current with respect to the development of nationwide progress in this field and with respect to the development of actual conditions in this locality, Among the subjects to be considered during the coming year are private swimming pools and fallout shelters. Currently under consideration are standards for copper piping and fire-resistant masonry.

For an account of the administrative activities and progress of our housing code enforcement program, see the annual reports of these two agencies (Exhibit IV-Y and IV-Z).

**Supplementary material required. Submit with this Review of Progress, the following supplementary material for each code adopted or revised since the last submission.**

- (1) **Model Codes.** In each case where the community has adopted, since the last submission, a regional or state standard model code, submit one copy of the adopting ordinance and one copy of each subsequent ordinance amending or affecting that code. Do not submit a copy of the code itself. Not applicable
- (2) **Other Codes.** In each case where a code has been adopted since the last submission and a model code was not used, submit one copy of the code now in effect and of each amendment thereto. Also submit one copy of the adopting ordinance and one copy of each subsequent ordinance amending or affecting that code if code itself does not specifically note adoption ordinance, number and date. Not applicable
- (3) **Submit one copy of each revision or amendment of a code in effect at the time of the last submission which has been adopted since that submission.**  
 (Exhibits I-O and I-P)

# COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY PLAN

**OBJECTIVE:** *The formulation and official recognition of a comprehensive general plan for the community as a whole.*

A. A Planning Commission or Agency was established on December 2, 1913,  
and reorganized on July 21, 1944.

B. Complete column 1 for those items already in effect at the time of the community's last submission; column 2 for items adopted or approved since that time; column 3 for items not now in effect.

ITEM	1 DATE ITEMS PREVIOUSLY IN EFFECT WERE ADOPTED OR APPROVED	2 DATE ITEMS EFFECTIVE SINCE LAST SUBMISSION WERE ADOPTED OR APPROVED	3 DATE PROPOSED FOR ADOPTION OR APPROVAL OF ITEMS NOT NOW IN EFFECT
LAND USE PLAN	November 25, 1946	-	-
MAJOR THOROUGHFARE PLAN	November 25, 1946	-	-
COMMUNITY FACILITIES PLAN (See	Public School Sites and Playgrounds and Playfields plans below "C")		
Capital Public IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM	June 23, 1959	October 4, 1960	-
ZONING ORDINANCE	April 5, 1951	-	-
SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS	See pp. 13-14 of original Workable Program submitted 12-31-57		
Redevelopment of Residential Areas	September 23, 1946	-	-
Downtown Master Plan	Prelim: October 4, 1960	-	-
College Hill	February 10, 1959	-	-

C. Has the community, as shown above, met the goals for the adoption or approval of the items set forth in its last submission?  Yes  No  
If "No" is checked, indicate fully what progress was made and why such goals were not met.

Publication of the final report on the "Downtown Master Plan" was anticipated in the last submission. It will be submitted in addendum form within one month.

Continuation of Sec. B Above:

Public School Sites	October 18, 1949	-	-
Playgrounds and Playfields	January 13, 1953	-	-

D. Is the community participating in regional, area, or metropolitan planning program?  Yes  No. If "Yes" is checked, identify the program and the participating agencies.

The City Plan Commission is cooperating with the Rhode Island Development Council in the latter's preparation of a state-wide plan including land uses and traffic. Within the framework of the Community Renewal Program, our economic and social studies are being extended to encompass the entire metropolitan (state) area. The Downtown Master Plan project (R.I. D-2) included an economic analysis of the position of downtown Providence in the Southeast New England Trading Area.

**E. Schedule for the periodic review and up-dating of the plan.**

ITEM	CHECK IF CURRENT	WERE ITEMS REVISED SINCE LAST SUBMISSION?		SCHEDULED DATE NEXT REVIEW IS TO BE COMPLETED
		YES	NO	
LAND USE PLAN			✓	*
MAJOR THOROUGHFARE PLAN			✓	*
COMMUNITY FACILITIES PLAN (See public school sites and playgrounds and playfields below)				
Capital Improvements Program (Annual)	✓	✓		August 1962
ZONING ORDINANCE	✓ **	✓		
SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS (None)				
Redevelopment of Residential Areas			✓	December 1962
Downtown Master Plan	✓			
College Hill	✓			
Public School Sites			✓	*
Playgrounds and Playfields			✓	*

\* It is anticipated that each of these elements of the plan will be reviewed by the City Plan Commission concurrently with related portions of the Community Renewal Program during the next 15 months.

\*\* See Exhibits II-U through II-W.

**F. Has the community met the goals for plan review set forth in its last submission?**

Yes  No. If "No" is checked, indicate fully what progress was made and why such goals were not met.

In recent years' submissions, specific goals were not defined, but these are being established by the City Plan Commission concurrently with the development of the Community Renewal Program by the Urban Renewal Coordinator, and will provide the basis for checking progress in detail.

**G. Briefly describe the ways in which other agencies of local government have implemented the plans and policies developed by the planning agency.**

All activities of this sort are included in the annual review of the Capital Improvements Program (see Exhibit V-K), with the exception of the Providence Housing Authority's program. The Authority works very closely with the City Plan Commission in determining locations for new projects and has been in agreement with the Commission in each instance. Schools, playgrounds, highways and traffic improvements, water supply and indeed all urban renewal activities are scheduled in the Capital Improvement Program.

H. Does the Planning Commission receive technical help in its planning activities:

1. On a consulting basis?  Yes  No (Not at present)

2. From resident staff employed to serve the Commission?  Yes  No

If "Yes" is checked for either item, indicate specifically the kind of technical help provided at this time, including the number and types of technical employees.

List of staff positions:

1 Planning Director	4 Senior Planners
1 Deputy Planning Director	5 Associate Planners
2 Principal Planners	3 Assistant Planners
	4 Planning Aides

I. Describe briefly plans (1) to provide or (2) to increase the present level of technical help, including the time schedule for putting such plans into effect.

The number of technical staff positions is being increased from 18 to 20 as of October 1, 1961. See organization chart, Exhibit IV-AA, and accompanying list of technical and project planning positions in the Redevelopment Agency.

J. Briefly indicate new goals that have been established for the coming year.

See section F above. See also work program, Exhibit II-Z.

Supplementary material required. Submit, with this Review of Progress, the following supplementary material:

- (1) In each case where a land use plan, a thoroughfare plan, a community facilities plan, a public improvements program, or other special plan has been adopted or revised since the last submission, submit one copy of the plan or revision, including maps, text, and other related material.
- (2) In each case where a zoning ordinance has been adopted or amended since the last submission, submit one copy of the new ordinance or amendment, including one copy of any amended zoning map.
- (3) In each case where the community has adopted or amended subdivision regulations since the last submission, submit one copy of the ordinance or amending ordinance.
- (4) In each case where the community has placed in effect since the last submission, a land use plan, a major thoroughfare plan, a public improvements program, or a community facilities plan, submit one copy of the evidence of official recognition of such plan. This evidence may be in the form of minutes of the meeting of the Planning Commission or governing body at which such action was taken, or of a letter from the Mayor, City or Town Manager, or Chairman of the Planning Commission stating that such plan is officially recognized and used in planning and controlling the development of the community.
- (5) One copy each of any plan reports issued since the last submission which indicate the progress of planning in the community. (Exhibit II-Y)

# NEIGHBORHOOD ANALYSES

**OBJECTIVE:** A community-wide study to determine what areas are blighted or in danger of becoming blighted and the identification of the nature, intensity, and causes of blight as a basis for the planning of neighborhoods of decent homes in a suitable living environment.

- A. Indicate the status of each of the following items by completing either column 1, or columns 2 and 3, with respect to a complete analysis of all neighborhoods in the community.

ITEM	1 DATE THIS ITEM WAS COMPLETED	2 PERCENT COMPLETED	3 DATE FOR COMPLETION OF THIS ITEM
DELINEATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD AREAS AND BOUNDARIES	1947		
INFORMATION ON HOUSING CONDITIONS INCLUDING LOCATION AND EXTENT OF BLIGHT OR POTENTIAL BLIGHT	1946-Master Plan 1951-Central Areas Study		To be included in Phase II of Community Renewal Program
CHARACTERISTICS OF FAMILIES AFFECTED BY POOR HOUSING			
ADEQUACY OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES, BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE.			during the last quarter, 1961, and first quarter 1962.
CAUSES OF BLIGHT			
IDENTIFICATION OF STEPS NEEDED TO ELIMINATE PRESENT BLIGHT AND PREVENT FUTURE BLIGHT			December 1962 (Phase II of C.R.P.)

- B. Briefly describe progress made during this last year and indicate new goals established for the coming year. Application for Federal assistance in preparing the Community Renewal Program was submitted on September 27, 1960 and approved March 16, 1961. Work on this began June 5, 1961 with the engaging of consultant services being rendered under contracts by Blair Associates and Brown University. The Rhode Island Council of Community Services was engaged for its work on August 1, 1961. Completion is scheduled for December, 1962. See C.R.P. Memoranda Nos. One and Two, respectively, entitled, "Work Statement" and "Community Framework Background Information", submitted herewith as Exhibits III-K and III-L. A land use and marketability study contract for the Providence-Pawtucket Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area is being negotiated. Certain items concerning housing conditions are to be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.
- C. What has the community made since the last submission of the data assembled through the neighborhood analyses to develop and carry out a specific program for the elimination and prevention of slums and blight in any neighborhood?

Not Applicable

D. What plans does the community have for the further use of such data in developing specific programs for the elimination and prevention of slums and blight in each neighborhood?

Not Applicable

E. What progress has been made in community-wide programming of renewal activities (code enforcement, rehabilitation, clearance and redevelopment, etc.), neighborhood by neighborhood.

Code enforcement has progressed through Census Tracts 17, 16, 18, 31(pt.), 14, 13, 3, 4, 6, 12(pt.), 11, 10, 9(pt.), and 32, and is nearly complete in those areas with the exception of hard-core cases of which many involve hardships and litigation. Inspections are progressing in Census Tracts 5, 1, and 19. 28,500 of the total of 73,027 housing units in the city have been inspected to date.

Rehabilitation is about 2/3 completed in the pilot project, Lippitt Hill, and is scheduled to begin with preliminary work during the project planning period in the East Side Renewal Area. By the time that project is under way in all its phases, the Community Renewal Program will have established further priorities for this work in other areas of the City.

Clearance and Redevelopment activities are proceeding in approximate accordance with priorities originally established in 1951 and modified several times since then. This program is expected to be rescheduled in the Community Renewal Program during the next two years.

Supplementary material required. To the extent that such material is available and has not been previously submitted.

- (1) Submit one copy of analyses, statistical data or estimates (including maps and charts) on the total blight problem of the locality (e.g. numbers and locations of substandard units, data on occupancy characteristics, etc.)
- (2) Submit one copy of a map showing the delineation of logical residential neighborhoods for planning purposes. The map should also indicate those neighborhoods where early action to correct conditions of blight is planned, if such information is known.
- (3) Submit one copy of community-wide program for renewal activities.

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION

**OBJECTIVE:** To identify and establish the administrative responsibility and capacity for carrying out overall Program for Community Improvement activities and for the enforcement of codes and ordinances.

**A. Coordination.** Describe changes since the last submission in the way in which the community's overall Program for Community Improvement is being coordinated.

For purposes of coordination the Community Renewal Program is being developed under the direction of the Urban Renewal Coordinator who is devoting currently about 60% of his time to this endeavor. The Coordinator is being actively assisted in this by three of the members of the City's Technical Steering Committee, namely the Director of the Division of Minimum Housing Standards, the Executive Director of the Providence Redevelopment Agency, and the City Plan Director, who meet with the Coordinator once a month. The entire Technical Steering Committee is to meet quarterly to review progress and contribute toward decisions to be made by the Urban Renewal Coordinator who represents the Mayor as the Committee's chairman. (See Minimum-Standards Housing Ordinance, Sec. 2.5 as amended)

For a review of the principal agencies involved, and the functions of each, in housing and urban renewal, see Exhibit II-X. The annual reports of the Redevelopment Agency and Housing Authority comprise Exhibits IV-BB and IV-CC, respectively.

**B. Describe briefly progress made during the past year in strengthening any weak spots--insufficient staff, ineffective procedures--in the community's administrative organization for carrying out the Program.**

The inspection staff of the Division of Minimum Housing Standards has been increased during the past year from 7 to 9 inspectors, and the clerical staff from 3 to 4 stenographers.

**C. Code Enforcement.** Describe briefly (a) any changes since the last submission in code enforcement techniques and (b) plans for improving the code enforcement program, including the time schedule for putting such plans into effect.

Arrangements have been made with the Public Safety Commissioner and the officers of the Police Court for handling housing enforcement cases every Tuesday, using as much of the day as necessary, before considering other matters. An assistant city solicitor has been assigned to the preparation of warrants on housing code violations on Thursday of each week.

**NOTE: If any data provided below is for less than 12 months, give the beginning and ending dates of the period actually covered.**

**1. Complete the following for each code already in effect:**

KIND OF CODE	DEPARTMENT OR OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT	NUMBER OF INSPECTORS THIS YEAR	NUMBER OF INSPECTORS PROPOSED FOR NEXT YEAR
Housing	Division of Minimum Housing Standards	9	9
Building	Department of Building Inspection	32	36
Zoning	Department of Building Inspection	4	5

**2. Complete the following for codes proposed to be adopted during the next 12 months.**  
(None)

KIND OF CODE	DEPARTMENT OR OFFICIAL TO BE RESPONSIBLE	ADDITIONAL INSPECTORS

**3. For each of the following codes already in effect, provide the data indicated below for the past 12 months as evidence of the community's enforcement activity.**  
September 1, 1960 to August 31, 1961

ITEM	BUILDING CODE	PLUMBING CODE	ELECTRICAL CODE	HOUSING CODE	Mechanical OTHER
NUMBER OF PERMITS ISSUED UNDER CODE	2590	3454	3415	Applicable	3573
NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS MADE	15540	13543	11179	31,316*	12880
NUMBER OF VIOLATIONS DETECTED <sup>1/</sup>	950	727	3796	18,668**	871
NUMBER OF VIOLATIONS VOLUNTARILY CORRECTED <sup>1/</sup>	600	654	2517	9,642**	871
NUMBER OF STOP ORDERS ISSUED	120	18	1	0	20
NUMBER OF COURT CASES INSTITUTED	56	6	0	85	9
A. WON BY CITY	56	6	0	83	9
B. LOST BY CITY	0	0	0	0	0
C. PENDING TRIAL	5	0	0	2	0
D. FINES LEVIED (NUMBER)	12	6	0	1	9
E. FINES LEVIED (AMOUNT)	\$105	\$100	\$0	\$25	\$125

<sup>1/</sup>Count only violations for which a formal notice is issued. Multiple violations of any one code in a single structure should be counted as a single violation. However, if records are maintained on another basis, use available figures and explain below the basis upon which such figures are maintained.

**4. Condemnation actions in past 12 months in connection with code violations**

	NUMBER
A. DWELLING UNITS CONDEMNED FOR CODE VIOLATIONS (none ordered to be vacated)	4356
B. DWELLING UNITS BROUGHT INTO COMPLIANCE WITH CODE AFTER BEING CONDEMNED	2260
C. DWELLING UNITS RAZED AFTER CONDEMNATION	0

\* Structure having 4 dwelling units inspected routinely counts as 5 separate inspections.  
\*\* Records are based upon the number of individual violations and not upon number of 11 structures in violation of housing code.

5. Describe briefly the results of any planned program of code enforcement. If areas of the community have been newly selected since the last submission for an especially intensive planned program of code enforcement, identify them and describe briefly the techniques to be used.

See Section E of Neighborhood Analysis for the schedule of census tracts covered to date and now being inspected. After census tract 19, the tentative future schedule for housing code administration includes tracts 25, 26, 7, and 2(pt.). Priorities were adjusted to cover the balance of the South Providence area (tracts 5, 1 and 2) in response to requests for such cooperation received from the South Providence Improvement Association; and tract 32 was done upon the request of the Mount Hope Neighborhood Improvement Association.

**D. Zoning Ordinance**

1. By what department or official is the zoning ordinance administered?  
Department of Building Inspection
2. By what department, official, or board are variances from the ordinance considered?  
Zoning Board of Review with referral to City Plan Commission
3. By what department, official, or board are appeals from administrative decisions considered?  
Zoning Board of Review
4. Furnish the following data for the past 12 months:

ITEM	NO. FILED	NO. GRANTED
A. REQUESTS FOR REZONING	24	12
B. REQUESTS FOR VARIANCES UNDER THE ZONING ORDINANCE	126	85
C. APPEALS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS ON ZONING	0	0

**E. Subdivision Regulations (None)**

1. By what department or official are the subdivision regulations administered?
2. Number of preliminary plats submitted during the past 12 months?  
Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Number of final plats  
Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved: \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_

- F. Describe briefly progress made and planned to improve (1) administrative procedures and (2) record keeping on administrative actions.

(See Sections A, B and C on page 10)

Supplementary material required. None required under this section.

# FINANCING

**OBJECTIVE:** *The recognition of need by the community and the development of the means for meeting the costs of carrying out an effective program for the elimination and prevention of slums and blight.*

**A. Complete the following table. If accounts and budgets are not set up on this basis, reasonably accurate estimates may be used. Estimate expenditures this year on a full 12-month basis through the end of the community's fiscal year.**

ACTIVITY		AMOUNT EXPENDED OR BUDGETED		SOURCE OF FUNDS (Fees, general funds, etc.)
		THIS FISCAL YEAR	NEXT FISCAL YEAR	
Building Housing	}	CODE ENFORCEMENT	{	
		\$248,565 72,266	\$260,770 94,219	General Funds General Funds
DEVELOPMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN		28,372	50,000	General Funds
ZONING ADMINISTRATION		35,000	45,000	General Funds
SUBDIVISION CONTROL ADMINISTRATION		(Not Applicable)		
(Community	NEIGHBORHOOD ANALYSES Renewal Program)	9,300	66,000	General Funds
URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS		\$3,890,296	\$4,238,204	Bond Issues 90% General Funds 10%

**B. List any contributions or grants of money or services within the past year to the community, by private sources or other public sources, for the kinds of activity indicated in A, above.**

ACTIVITY	CONTRIBUTED BY	AMOUNT OR ESTIMATED VALUE OF SERVICES
Community Renewal Program	City of Providence	\$ 92,358
Community Renewal Program	Housing & Home Finance Agency	\$184,715

C. Does the community have a capital improvements budget or similar program for financing the future provision of scheduled public works and improvements?  Yes  No  
If "Yes" is checked, what is the latest fiscal year covered by this program? 1960-1961  
If "No" is checked, when does the community contemplate formulating such a program or budget? Beginning with what fiscal year? \_\_\_\_\_

D. Describe briefly any significant changes since the last submission in the community's ability or willingness to give financial support to activities in any of the categories identified in Paragraph A on the preceding page. If the amounts actually expended last year for any category was substantially less than that estimated in the last submission, indicate the reason therefor. Briefly indicate new goals established for the coming year.

Budget for Housing Code administration was increased from \$72,266 to \$94,219.  
Budget for Providence Redevelopment Agency was increased from \$36,250 to \$50,063.  
Budget for City Plan Commission was increased from \$114,545 to \$153,513.  
Budget for Building Code and Zoning administration was increased from \$248,565 to \$260,770.

E. If one or more Federally-assisted Urban Renewal projects are contemplated, what tentative plans, if any, have been made to provide the community's share of project costs?

The Capital Improvements Budget and Program includes annually a systematic schedule for providing local grants to finance present and future urban renewal projects, of both Federally-assisted and purely local types.

Supplementary material required. Submit one copy of capital improvements budget or similar program if available. (Exhibit V-K)



2. Describe the measures being taken to make certain that the new construction indicated above will take place in the volume estimated. If Section 221 or public low-rent housing is contemplated, what steps have been, or will be, taken by the community to obtain such housing. If a deficit of available housing is shown, what measures will be taken to overcome it?

Providence has been for a decade or two essentially a filled-up city in the residential sense, with few opportunities for new housing programs. Much new construction continues throughout the surrounding metropolitan area. The regular F.H.A. programs, and the terms available to borrowers and lenders under them, are reported to be so favorable that Section 221 does not offer any substantial advantage over them. Although 375 units were certified for Providence, only one unit has so far been insured under that sections.

- D. Has a long-range (beyond two years) plan for providing housing for displaced families been prepared or revised?      Yes      No  
If "No" is checked, by what time will it be prepared and put into effect?

Late in 1962, using Housing Market Analysis data from the Community Renewal Program.

- E. Describe any significant changes that have occurred since the last submission in the community's ability to provide housing for displaced families, including housing for minority groups.

Based on past performance in this community, the situation has improved relative to both the quantity and quality of the housing available to displaced families. There are more acceptable facilities available now to non-whites than formerly, even though this does not indicate equality of opportunity in an open market.

- F. Indicate progress made, or planned, in establishing working relationships between officials responsible for this phase of the Program for Community Improvement and those of all governmental programs likely to cause family displacement--both in helping plan relocation needs and resources and in helping displaced families relocate in the housing available or to be made available.

The City of Providence and the State of Rhode Island have joined in placing responsibility for all phases of relocation needs growing out of governmental projects of the City and State, in the City's Family and Business Relocation Service. To implement this, a definite program has been effectuated for the exchange of information between the Family and Business Relocation Service and the Public Works Department of the State. Through the office of the Urban Renewal Coordinator, the relocation needs in other types of city projects involving schools, roads and other public facilities are centralized with urban renewal relocation needs in this same agency.

Supplementary material required. Submit one copy of any report or plan for the relocation of displaced families prepared since the last submission.

## CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

**OBJECTIVE:** *Community-wide participation on the part of individuals and representative citizens' organizations which will help to provide, both in the community generally and in selected areas, the understanding and support necessary to insure success.*

**A. Official responsible for the development of citizen participation in the Program for Community Improvement.**  
Mayor Walter H. Reynolds, with the assistance of Urban Renewal Coordinator Charles R. Wood.

**B.1. A Citizens' Advisory Committee was established on June 25, 1961.**

**2. How frequently has the committee met and when was the last meeting held?**  
Executive Committee met on October 10, 1961. Expects to meet monthly.  
Next meeting scheduled for November 21, 1961.

**3. If not given in previous submissions, list the members of the Citizens' Advisory Committee, including any new members appointed since the last submission, and show their business, professional, civic, and other affiliations.**

See press release of 6-25-61 and attached personal biographies (Exhibits VII-D through VII-G)

**C.1. A subcommittee of the Citizens' Advisory Committee or a special committee on minority group housing problems was established on \_\_\_\_\_.**  
If not given in previous submissions, list the members and the groups or organizations they represent.

(To be submitted in addendum form within one month)

**2. Describe briefly the progress of this special committee or subcommittee in the study of minority group housing problems and the means of assuring full opportunity in housing for all.**

(See Section C-1 above)

- D. List any other subcommittees of the citizens advisory committee established, or to be established, to study special problems, showing officials and citizen groups represented.

Other subcommittees presently proposed to be established:

Banking and Finance  
Public Relations  
Downtown Development  
Industrial Development  
Community Renewal Program  
Representation of Citizens in Renewal Areas (Project Subcommittees)

- E. Describe briefly citizen participation programs carried out or planned for neighborhoods or areas to be directly affected by clearance, intensive code enforcement, conservation, etc.

Methods for developing citizen participation programs in areas to be directly affected are to be studied and formulated by the subcommittee on Renewal Area Representation.

- F. Summarize briefly significant changes that have taken place since the last submission in the extent of citizen support and participation in the community improvement effort including significant activities of business, professional and civic groups and of the press, radio and television. Indicate new goals for the coming year.

An executive committee has been appointed for the Citizen's Advisory Committee for Urban Renewal, and a Redevelopment Agency staff person has been employed to serve the Committee. Several of the new neighborhood associations have intensified their programs, including the South Providence, Mount Hope and Lippitt Hill groups. Impact R. I., Inc., has a full-time staff of 3 persons and is currently engaged in activating eleven major projects (see attached list), three of which are the subject of accompanying committee reports. Exhibits VII-H through VII-M.

Supplementary material required. Submit available material, including a copy of the Citizens' Advisory Committee report and other locally prepared explanatory material, press clippings, and similar material, evidencing citizen participation and interest since the last submission.



APPENDIX

List of Exhibits

Section I: Codes and Ordinances

- O: Building Code Amendment, Chapter 1376,  
Ordinances of 1960
- P: Rules and Regulations for Installation  
of Electric Wiring and Apparatus

Section II: Comprehensive Community Plan

- U: Zoning Ordinance Amendment, Chapter 1342,  
Ordinances of 1960
- V: Historic Area Zoning Map, Approved August 5, 1960
- W: Zoning Ordinance Amendment, Chapter 1420,  
Ordinances of 1961
- X: Principal Agencies Involved in Housing and Urban  
Renewal, September 1961
- Y: Annual Report of City Plan Commission, 1959-1960
- Z: Work Program of City Plan Commission

Section III: Neighborhood Analyses

- K: Community Renewal Program, Memorandum Number One,  
Work Statement
- L: Community Renewal Program, Memorandum Number Two,  
Community Framework Background Information

Section IV: Administrative Organization

- Y: Annual Report of Division of Minimum Housing  
Standards, 1960
- Z: Annual Report of Department of Building Inspection,  
1960
- AA: Organization Chart, Redevelopment Agency, October 1,  
1961
- BB: Annual Report of Providence Redevelopment Agency, 1960
- CC: Annual Report of Providence Housing Authority, 1960

Section V: Financing

- K: Capital Improvement Program, 1960-1966

Section VI: Housing for Displaced Families

C: Residential Relocations, 1949-1961

Section VII: Citizen Participation

D: Citizens' Advisory Committee, Prospectus  
E: Press Release, June 25, 1961  
F: Statement Regarding Citizens Advisory Committee  
G: Biographies of 11 Initial Members appointed to  
Citizens Advisory Committee  
H: Impact R. I., Inc. - Statement of Policy  
I: Officers and Directors, Impact R. I., Inc.  
J: Current Projects of Impact R. I., Inc.  
K: Report of the Committee on Mass Transit  
L: Report of the Committee on Parking  
M: Report of Committee on Red Bridge

**IN CITY  
COUNCIL**

OCT 19 1961

FIRST READING  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON  
**ORDINANCES**.....

*W. Everett Whelan* CLERK

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE  
PROVIDENCE, R. I.

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**FILED**

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 543

Approved November 3, 1961

Resolved,

That permission be and hereby is granted to the Industrial National Bank of Rhode Island to clean by sand blast process the stucco portion of the northeasterly elevation of the building situated at 111 Westminster Street, Plat 20, Lot 14, all in accordance with the attached petition, approved by the Director of the Department of Building Inspection.

IN CITY COUNCIL

NOV 2 - 1961

READ and PASSED

*Edward P. Quigley*  
.....  
President  
*Deverett Whelan*  
.....  
Clerk

APPROVED

NOV 3 - 1961

*Walter R. Arnold*  
.....  
MAYOR

RECORDED  
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RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

*Mrs. Bayler Cory, by request*

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PROVIDENCE, R.I.

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PROVIDENCE, R.I.

**FILED**

CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

*The undersigned respectfully petition your honorable body*

For permission to Sandblast the stucco portion of the Northeasterly elevation of the Building situated at 111 Westminster Street Providence, R. I.

Your Petitioner being the sole owner of said property located on Plat #20 - Lot #14.

Said work to be performed at night - no work to be performed on Sundays or Holidays.

The aforementioned Sandblasting is to be performed by the EASTERN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, 121 Waldo St., Providence, Rhode Island, which Company has on file with your Petitioner the following certificates of Insurance:

Public Liability (\$100,000.00 each person - \$300,000.00 aggregate)

Property Damage (\$100,000.00 each accident - \$100,000.00 aggregate)

Workmen's Compensation - full coverage under the law.

Your Petitioner hereby agrees to follow and adhere to any and all requirements or conditions your Honorable Body sets for the performance of this work.

Respectfully submitted,

Industrial National Bank of R.I.

By: *[Signature]*

Title *Asst. Vice Pres.*

Dated at Providence, R. I.  
October 26, 1961

*Vincent DiMase*  
*[Signature]*

DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT  
OF BUILDING INSPECTION

IN CITY COUNCIL

NOV 2 - 1961

READ AND GRANTED

*Deverett Whelan*  
CLERK

**FILED**

**OCT 27 9 31 AM '61**

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE  
PROVIDENCE, R. I.**

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 544

Approved November 3, 1961

Resolved,

That the following named person, firm or corporation is hereby granted permission to erect, alter or use a building or structure at the location named herein for the sale of petroleum, kerosene, gasoline, coal oil and their products, compounds and components as described and shown in and on the application therefor and accompanying plat, all on file in the Office of the Department of Building Inspection subject to the conditions that said person, firm or corporation shall not violate any of the laws of the State of Rhode Island or any of the Ordinances of the City of Providence relative to the erection, use or occupation of said structure and that said person, firm or corporation shall not allow petroleum, kerosene, gasoline, coal oil or their products, compounds or components, to be conveyed over or across any sidewalk by means of any pipe or hose, and upon such special conditions as are hereby enumerated and further provided that the Director of the Department of Building Inspection may authorize minor changes in the structural detail of plans on file, viz:

Ward 8. American Oil Co. and Nina Anderton, 231-237 Elmwood Avenue & 133 Peace Street, Plat 44, Lots 414 & 498, 1-4000 gallon gasoline storage tank, additional; 1 gasoline filling pump, additional, making a total storage capacity of 12,500 gallons and a total of 4 filling pumps upon the premises.

The erection or location of any buildings or structures not shown on the original plat on file with the Director of Department of Building Inspection, or any change in the location of buildings or structures from that shown on said plat shall be deemed a violation of this permit.

IN CITY COUNCIL

NOV 2 - 1961

READ and PASSED

*Edward P. Cusack*  
President  
*Robert Whelan*  
Clerk

APPROVED

NOV 3 - 1961

*Walter H. Reynolds*  
MAYOR



**INSPECTED & APPROVED**  
**BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION**

*John E. Butler*  
CHIEF

**APPROVED:**

*Lewis A. Marshall*  
Chief of Department

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE  
PROVIDENCE, R.I.

FILED



CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

*City Clerk*

ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW

112 UNION STREET

Frank P. Manieri, Secretary

August 9, 1961

RESOLUTION NO. 2477

American Oil Company  
555-5th Avenue New York, N.Y.  
and Nina Anderton  
c/o M. Anexit Webster, Mass.

Gentlemen and Madam:

At a meeting of the Zoning Board of Review held on Tuesday, August 8, 1961, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, American Oil Company and Nina Anderton, owners of Lots 414 and 498 on Assessor's Plat 44 (231-237 Elmwood Avenue and 138 Peace Street) in a Commercial C-2 Zone and a Residence R-3 Zone, on July 12, 1961, filed an application for permission to replace the present gasoline service station with a new modern service station 29' x 49' and to install one additional 4,000 gallon underground storage tank and one additional fuel pump, making a total underground storage of 12,500 gallons of petroleum products and four fuel pumps in all on the above described premises, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on this application by the Zoning Board of Review at its meeting held on Tuesday, August 8, 1961, after public notice as provided by the Zoning Ordinance,

RESOLVED: That the Zoning Board of Review does hereby make an exception to the use district regulations under the Zoning Ordinance and does hereby grant the application of the American Oil Company and Nina Anderton substantially in accordance with the plans and plot plan filed with said Board provided that an overgreen screen be planted along the westerly lot line of Lot 498 and further provided that the proposed new building does not extend beyond the commercial zone boundary. A copy of said plans and plot plan are hereby made a part of this resolution and filed with the Director of the Department of Building Inspection.

August 9, 1961

By Order of the Zoning Board of Review.



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ANTHONY VIOLA  
CHAIRMAN

ATTENTION: SECTION 92-A UNDER THE ZONING ORDINANCE REQUIRES THAT YOU APPLY TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION FOR A PERMIT WITHIN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION. UNLESS YOU COMPLY WITH SAID REQUIREMENT, THIS RESOLUTION WILL BECOME INVALID.

bao

cc: Jacob J. Alprin, Esq.  
Nina Anderton  
City Clerk

Parcels of land within a 150 Ft. Radius of lots No. 414 & 498 on Assessors Plat No. 44 of the City of Prov., owned by the American Oil Co.

LOT NO.	OWNERS NAME	ADDRESS
411	Genevive T. Bolster	243 Elmwood Ave.
497	Francis X. Fay	133 Congress Ave.
496	Alexia & Doris Blais	146 Peace St.
495	Herbert D. Eastwood	152 Peace St.
494	William A. Ramsden	156 Peace St.
500	R.I. Hosp. Trust, Robert L. Knight Emerson Trustees, u/w Webster Knight	R.I. Hosp. Bank Bldg.
501	George A. Gray	79 Oak St.
502	George W. Simons Est.	152 Whitmarsh St.
415	The Church of The Mediator	225 Elmwood Ave.
697	Etta K. Franklin	217 Elmwood Ave.
695	Laura Gilmore	12 Bellevue Ave.
696	James J. Johnston	10 Bellevue Ave
694	Laura E. Mac Donald	18 Bellevue Ave.
693	A. Ester & Leona M. McGinn	20 Bellevue Ave
462	Harry A. McLaughlin	153 Peace St.
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460	Mary H. McGovern	151 Peace St.
147	W. P. Hamblin Inc.	220 Elmwood Ave.
409	Atlantic Refining Co.	430 Hosp. Trust. Bldg.
469	John P. Hayden	181 Peace St.
532	Raymond J. King	142 Whitmarsh St.
701	Vera C. Kiernan	232 Elmwood Ave.
383	Second Church of Christ Scientist	244 Elmwood Ave.
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*Councilmen Saluberte & Payne*

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CITY OF PROVIDENCE - RHODE ISLAND - Walter H. Reynolds, Mayor

## TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

ROGER T. CHANDLER

Traffic Engineer

JOHN I. LOGAN

Assistant Traffic Engineer

147 Fountain Street

Providence 3, R. I.

September 13, 1961

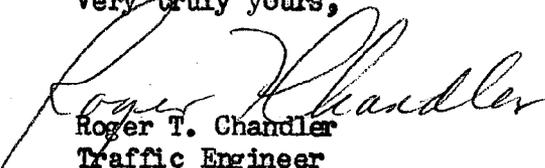
Mr. Vincent DiMase  
Building Inspector  
112 Union Street  
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. DiMase:

The Traffic Engineering Department has reviewed the plans for a gasoline station at 231-237 Elmwood Avenue on plat 44, lots 444 and 498.

This department offers no objection to the plans provided a 6-inch curb is installed along those areas where the paved lot adjoins the sidewalk (with the exception of the driveway openings and five feet either side thereof).

Very truly yours,

  
Roger T. Chandler  
Traffic Engineer

RTC:gd

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Cities Service Oil Company  
Fields Point - Prov. R.I.

Plat 56  
Lot 4

17 various size tanks  
148,430 bbls.

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 545

Approved November 3, 1961

Resolved,

That the following named person, firm or corporation is hereby granted permission to erect, alter or use a building or structure at the location named herein for the sale of petroleum, kerosene, gasoline, coal oil and their products, compounds and components as described and shown in and on the application therefor and accompanying plat, all on file in the Office of the Department of Building Inspection subject to the conditions that said person, firm or corporation shall not violate any of the laws of the State of Rhode Island or any of the Ordinances of the City of Providence relative to the erection, use or occupation of said structure and that said person, firm or corporation shall not allow petroleum, kerosene, gasoline, coal oil or their products, compounds or components, to be conveyed over or across any sidewalk by means of any pipe or hose, and upon such special conditions as are hereby enumerated and further provided that the Director of the Department of Building Inspection may authorize minor changes in the structural detail of plans on file, viz:

Ward 10. Cities Service Oil Company, Fields Point - Municipal Wharf; Plat 56, Lot 4, 17 tanks for storage of 148,430 barrels of asphalt.

The erection or location of any buildings or structures not shown on the original plat on file with the Director of Department of Building Inspection, or any change in the location of buildings or structures from that shown on said plat shall be deemed a violation of this permit.

IN CITY COUNCIL

NOV 2 - 1961

READ and PASSED

*Edward P. Chugley*  
President  
*W. Everett Whitman*  
Clerk

APPROVED

NOV 3 - 1961

*Walter H. King*  
MAYOR

## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

## STORAGE OF PETROLEUM AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN BULK

PROVIDENCE October 19, 1961 19

## To the Inspector of Buildings:

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit for the storage of Petroleum and Petroleum products in bulk, as hereinafter specified and agrees to observe and conform to all the conditions, limitations and requirements of the building law of the City of Providence.

1. 1 st. Fire Zone ..... Building District 10 ..... Ward
2. Location Fields Point - Municipal Wharf
3. Plat 56 ..... Lot Number 6
4. Owner City of Providence - leased by Cities Service Oil Company
5. Architect Frederick Stanton of Sumner Sollett Co., Chicago, Ill.
6. Type of Tank (above or below ground) Above Ground
7. Number of Tanks 17
8. Size of Tanks 1-80' x 48'; 3-60' x 48'; 1-40' x 48'; 2-30' x 40'; 2-25' x 32'; 1-25' x 24'  
2-20' x 18'; 3-15' x 16'; 1-10' x 10'; 1-10' x 24'
9. Height of Tanks Last figure in No. 8 indicates heights of Tanks
10. Capacity of Tanks 148,430 Barrels
11. Ventilation of Tanks Pressure vacuum vents on 6 tanks (light oils)  
screened goosnecks on 11 tanks
12. Fire Extinguishing System None
13. Diking of Tanks Only around light oils tanks # 10, 11, 12, & 15. (see dwg. S-1)  
Concrete with haydite mat for elev. tanks
14. Foundation Sand mat for grade tanks
15. Material Concrete & Haydite, Gravel & Sand Thickness 12" concrete plus 10" Haydite  
12" gravel plus 6" sand
16. Flash Point of Products (Naphta) (Kerosene) (#2 FO) (Diluent) (No. 6 Oil) (Additive)  
(50° TCC) (132° TCC) (162° PM) (150° TCC) (150° PM) (200° PM)  
(Asphalts - 460° to 520° CCG) (Cutbacks - 175° PM)
17. Distance between Tanks Average 65'
18. Distance from Buildings Nearest building 75' from heavy oil tank.
19. Distance from Lot Lines 50'
20. Number of Tanks now on Premises None
21. Total Capacity of Storage on the Premises ~~148,430~~ 148,430 Barrels

Approved:

*Francis A. Lennon*  
Com. Board of Public Safety.

Approved:

*Albert Small*  
Chief Engineer.

Approved:

*J. E. Meade*  
Dep. Commissioner of Public Works.  
Director

Approved:

*Vincent DiMase*  
Inspector of Buildings.

REMARKS

*D. B. Pruess*  
Name: D. Pruess, Mgr. of Manufacturing  
Cities Service Oil Company  
Address 60 Wall St.

New York 5, New York

**INSPECTED & APPROVED**  
**BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION**

*John E. Butler*  
**CHIEF**

**APPROVED:**  
*Laura A. Marshall*  
**Chief of Department**

No. ....  
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**Application for Permit**  
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*Location* .....

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*Permit Granted* ..... 19.....

## PROVIDENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Providence, R. I., ~~October 24, 1961~~

From: John E. Butler, Battalion Chief, Bureau of Fire Prevention.

To: The Chief of Department.

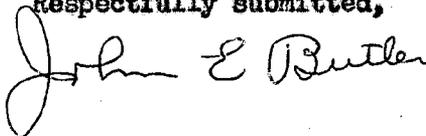
Subject: Construction of Asphalt Terminal - Cities Service Oil Co.  
Fields Point - Municipal Wharf

Sir:

The proposed asphalt marine terminal and blending plant of Cities Service Oil Co., Fields Point - Municipal Wharf has the approval of the Providence Fire Department providing the following recommendations are complied with:

1. The installation of a foam system giving coverage to tanks No. 10,11,12,15,16.
2. A loop hydrant system with three (3) post hydrants adjacent to fire lanes at locations agreed upon by resident engineer.
3. Fire extinguishers at loading rack and tank filling stations.
4. A 20' x 35' stone penetration platform at dock side for fire apparatus.

Respectfully submitted,



Chief of Dept. to the Commissioner of Public Safety, October 24, 1961

Received and forwarded.



List of Owners Within 150 Feet of Boundaries

1. City of Providence, Rhode Island - Lot Nos. 2 and 7.
2. The Providence Gas Co., Providence, Rhode Island - Lot No. 5.



D. Everett Whelan  
City Clerk

## OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

CITY HALL

Vincent Vespia  
First Deputy  
William E. McWilliams  
Second Deputy

IN CITY COUNCIL  
November 2, 1961

### ELECTION OF CLERK OF PROBATE COURT

The City Council proceeds to elect a Clerk of Probate Court in accordance with the provisions of Section XI of Chapter 3340 of the Public Laws of 1954, approved April 26, 1954 entitled, "An Act in Amendment of Clause I of Section XI of Chapter 598 of the Public Laws, 1866, as amended, relating to the Probate Court of the City of Providence".

JOHN L. McELROY, ESQ., only nominee, was nominated to succeed J. Henry A. Griffin, Esq., retired, for the remainder of the term ending on the first Thursday of November, 1965 at open meeting of the City Council held on October 5, 1961 which date has allowed for the elapsed time of twenty (20) days between the nomination and the election of a Clerk of Probate Court.

On motion of Mr. Wexler, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, it is voted to take from the Clerk's desk said nomination and elect JOHN L. McELROY, ESQ. to the office of Clerk of Probate Court to succeed J. Henry A. Griffin, Esq., retired, for the remainder of the term ending on the first Thursday in November, 1965 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. President Quigley and Councilmen Aiello, Alprin, Boyle, Corry, Egan, Gallogly, Goddard, Laliberte, Laudati, Lazarus, Lorenzo, Loughran, Luongo, Matera, McNulty, McOsker, O'Connor, Payne, Perry, Powers, Rosedale, Sciarretta and Wexler - 24.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilmen Brock and Prete - 2.

D. EVERETT WHELAN, CITY CLERK

(The oath of office is subsequently administered to John L. McElroy, Esq., by Mayor Walter H. Reynolds on November 6, 1961.)

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

THE CITY OF



PROVIDENCE

I, JOHN L. McELROY, ESQ., do

*solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Rhode Island and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of*

CLERK OF THE PROBATE COURT

*to the best of my ability.*

*John L. McElroy*

I, Walter H. Reynolds, Mayor

*do hereby certify that on the* 6th *day of* November, *A. D.* 1961,

*I did administer unto* JOHN L. McELROY, ESQ.

*duly appointed to the office of*

CLERK OF THE PROBATE COURT

*the above subscribed oath.*

*Walter H. Reynolds*