

City of Providence

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

CHAPTER 1992-2

No. 2 **AN ORDINANCE** IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO ARTICLE I AND ARTICLE III OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE ENTITLED: "IN GENERAL AND GARBAGE, TRASH AND REFUSE" BY ADDING SECTION 12-88.

Approved January 10, 1992

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

SECTION 1 - Amend Section 5-4, Protection of lots after demolition of structures thereon, by changing the last sentence to read as follows:

If no immediate reuse of the property is proposed and a building permit is not issued for the reuse of the property in a timely fashion and the property is located in an area subject to littering and dumping, the building inspector shall require the fencing of said lot within ten (10) days upon completion of demolition.

SECTION 2 - Amend Section 12-79, Violations and penalties, to read as follows:

Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this article or the rules and regulations of the director of public works or the superintendent of health, as the case may be, promulgated hereunder, shall be punishable as provided in section 1-10 of the Code of Ordinances.

In addition to any fine imposed under this chapter, a person convicted of such a violation shall be ordered to remove and properly dispose of the litter and to fence the property on which the litter was located; and in the event such disposal is not accomplished within a reasonable period of time, the director of public works may cause such removal and fencing of the property and for such purpose may enter upon any real property necessary to cause the removal.

In the event that the director of public works is required to remove litter and to fence any real property, the city shall obtain a special lien against said real property for the cost of said litter removal and fencing which lien shall be removed only upon reimbursement of the cost of the litter removal and fencing by the owner of the property.

Said fence shall be at least six (6) feet in height and shall be chain link. Said fence shall remain in place and be maintained by the owner until a building permit has been obtain for the reuse of the property.

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Michael R. Clevett
CLERK

Councilwoman Young

SECTION 3 - Add Section 12-88, Fencing of Vacant Lots.

Any vacant and unused lot in a residential section of the city shall be fenced so that the lot does not become a dumping ground and a nuisance to the neighborhood. Said fence shall be at least six (6) feet in height and shall be chain link. Said fence shall remain in place and be maintained by the owner until a building permit has been obtain for the reuse of the property.

Vacant and unused shall mean any lot that is not used for a side yard and/or parking and is not maintained and kept free of litter. The director of public works shall enforce this regulation and within ninety (90) days of the adoption of this ordinance shall establish rules and regulations for the placement of fences around vacant and unused lots. If the owner of a property does not install a fence in accordance with this ordinance or the rules and regulations adopted, the director of public works may cause such fence to be installed and for such purpose may enter upon any real property necessary to install such fence. In the event that the director of public works is required to fence said lot, the city shall obtain a special lien against said real property for the cost of said fence and installation which lien shall be removed only upon reimbursement of the cost of the fence and its installation by the owner of the property.

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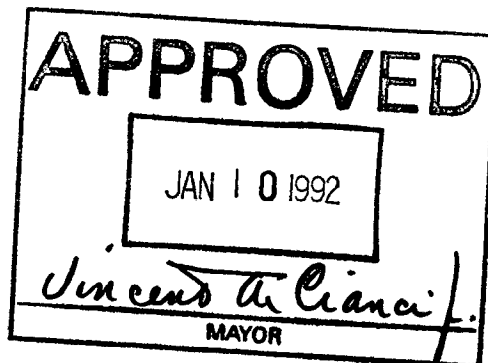
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**FINAL READING
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James H. Hennessey **PRESIDENT**
Michael R. Clement **CLERK**



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