

City of Providence

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

CHAPTER 2002-33

No. 537

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING *PROVIDENCE 2000: THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN*

Approved September 20, 2002

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

WHEREAS, there are undeveloped, sensitive natural areas that exist in Providence that may include woodlands, rivers, streams, ponds, wetlands, floodplains and coastal areas, and

WHEREAS, these areas should remain in their natural and scenic condition and should be protected from the impacts of urban development, and

WHEREAS, use of these areas should be passive and should not impair the conservation values of the sensitive natural areas and wildlife that inhabit them, and

WHEREAS, these areas should be maintained to preserve their natural values and public enjoyment of them, and

WHEREAS, some of the natural woodlands in the city are Blackstone Park, Neutakonkanut Hill and Canada Pond, as well as wooded banks of the Woonasquatucket River and Mashapaug Pond, and

WHEREAS, *Providence 2000: The Comprehensive Plan* and the Providence Zoning Ordinance do not restrict inappropriate development in these areas,

IT IS ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE THAT:

Providence 2000: The Comprehensive Plan is hereby amended as follows:

3.9 Natural Resources and Environmental Protection (p.66)

3.9.1 EXISTING CONDITIONS (p.66)

8th line: After "wetlands;", insert "sensitive natural areas".

In the paragraph entitled "**Topography**", lines 8, 9 and 10. Change the sentence to read: "The majority of vacant sites with steep slopes are located in natural woodland in the Blackstone Park area along the Seekonk River shoreline".

Add after "**Wetlands**" (p.72):

Conservation Area - Conservation areas are those undeveloped, sensitive natural areas that exist in Providence, and may include woodlands, rivers, streams, ponds, wetlands, floodplains and coastal areas. These areas should remain in their natural and scenic condition and should be protected from the impacts of urban development. Use of these areas should be passive and should not impair the conservation values of the sensitive

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THE COMMITTEE ON
URBAN REDEVELOPMENT
RENEWAL & PLANNING
Approves Passage of
The Within Ordinance

Ann M. Stetson
Clerk
8-27-02

THE COMMITTEE ON

U.R.R.P.

Recommends

Michael R. Clement
CLERK

5-29-02

7-9-02 - Public hearing held

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ORDINANCES

Michael R. Clement
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THE COMMITTEE ON

Ordinances

Recommends

Claire D. Best
CLERK
Jan 9, 2002

THE COMMITTEE ON

U. R. R. P.

Recommends

Michael R. Clement, City Plan Comm.
CLERK

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3.12 Open Space, Parks and Recreation (p.97)

3.12.1 EXISTING CONDITIONS. First paragraph, 5th line, after "7 miles of boulevards" add "natural woodlands". Second paragraph, lines 3 and 4, change "passive green spaces" to read "passive green spaces and conservation areas".

3.12.3 CURRENT ISSUES AND FUTURE TRENDS IN OPEN SPACE (p. 103)

Add to 5th item after "available": "It will always be important to protect sensitive natural areas in the city as conservation areas."

4.4 Natural Resources and Environmental Protection (p. 143)

3rd paragraph: Change last sentence to read: "Improvement and protection of water quality of the harbor and all other water resources and protection of open space and conservation areas are items identified as having a significant impact upon the quality of life of City residents."

IN CITY COUNCIL

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FIRST READING
READ AND PASSED

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CLERK

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FINAL READING
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Barbara A. Young
PRESIDENT

ACTING

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CLERK

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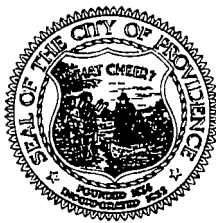
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John J. Lombardi
MAYOR

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JOHN F. PALMIERI
Director




VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.
Mayor

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

"Building Pride in Providence"

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 26, 2001
TO: Michael Clement, City Clerk
FROM: Samuel J. Shamoon, Associate Director 
SUBJECT: Comprehensive Plan Amendment

The attached ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan is being introduced to the City Council by Councilwoman Rita Williams.

attachment