

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 670

Approved December 10, 1982

RESOLVED, DECREED AND ORDERED:

That the following streets (or portions thereof) as set forth on the attached map designated Exhibit A hereto;

VIZ:

- 1) Gaspee Street  
from Smith Street to Exchange Terrace
- 2) Railroad Street  
from Gaspee Street to Stillman Street
- 3) Francis Street  
from Railroad Street to Exchange Terrace
- 4) Stillman Street  
from Railroad Street to Gaspee Street
- 5) Promenade Street  
from Stillman Street to Steeple Street and  
from Park Street to Gaspee Street
- 6) Kinsley Avenue  
from Park Street Bridge to Gaspee Street
- 7) Francis Street  
from Gaspee Street to Hayes Street

having ceased to be useful to the public and are proposed to be abandoned as Public Highways subject to the Narragansett Electric Company being permitted to retain their present facilities in existing locations in said streets (or portions thereof), together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same; New England Telephone being permitted to retain their present facilities in existing locations, together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same and with 24 hour access to said facilities; and the damage to the abutters is appraised at nothing and so awarded, and it is further

ORDERED, That the Director of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to cause a sign to be placed on the above-named streets (or portions thereof) abandoned as aforesaid, having thereon the words, "Not a Public Highway," and it is further

ORDERED, That after the entry of this order or decree the City Clerk shall cause a notice thereof to be published in a newspaper published in the County of Providence at least once a week for three successive weeks and a further and personal notice shall be served by the City Sergeant upon every owner of land abutting the above-named highway (or portion thereof), which has been abandoned who is known to reside within the State, and it is further

ORDERED, That the City of Providence execute and deliver to the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantation ("State"), Providence & Worcester Realty Company ("P & W") and the National Railroad Passenger Corporation ("Amtrak") a certain agreement with respect to the continued maintenance of said streets (or portions thereof) and removal of snow and ice therefrom by the City, which said agreement has heretofore been executed by the said State, P & W and Amtrak or agreed to in principal by said parties, in consideration of said other parties thereto agreeing to forebear from taking any action which would preclude the continued use by the public over the former location of said streets (or portions thereof). Said agreement shall provide further that in the event that any real estate acquired by said other parties is a result of said abandonments, it shall be reconveyed to the City for street purposes. In the event the said streets (or portions thereof) are no longer needed for any reason whatsoever to accomplish the transactions contemplated by that certain agreement entitled "Providence Rail Relocation Project Cooperative Agreement" dated January 27, 1982 by and among the City, the State, P & W, Amtrak and a certain Master Property Conveyance Contract executed pursuant to said Cooperative Agreement, and it is further

ORDERED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed for and on behalf of the City, to execute and deliver an agreement among the parties as set forth above, which said agreement shall be in such form, with such changes therein as may be approved by the Mayor so executing the same and such approval to be conclusively evidenced by his execution and delivery thereof, and by which the City agrees to be bound.

IN CITY COUNCIL

DEC 2 1982

READ AND PASSED

*Robert F. Lynch* PRES.  
*Rose M. Melone* CLERK

APPROVED

DEC 10 1982

*Vincent A. Canino*  
MAYOR

READ AND PASSED  
DEC 5 1955  
IN CITY COUNCIL

DEC 10 1955

THE COMMITTEE ON  
PUBLIC WORKS

Approves Passage of  
The Within Resolution

Rose M. Newhouse  
Chairman

November 30, 1952

### EXISTING STREETS TO BE ABANDONED

ASSESSOR'S PLAT NO	LOT NO	PROPERTY OWNER
10	01	PROVIDENCE LIFE INS CO
10	02	PROVIDENCE LIFE INS CO
10	03	PROVIDENCE & WORCESTER HEALTH CO
10	04	"
10	05	"
10	06	"
10	07	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
10	08	CITY OF PROVIDENCE
10	09	"
10	10	"
10	11	"
10	12	PROVIDENCE & WORCESTER HEALTH CO
10	13	10th & IN S WIFERVA
10	14	CITY OF PROVIDENCE
10	15	"
10	16	STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
10	17	"
10	18	"
10	19	NATIONAL ANTIQUITY RESTORATION CORPORATION

11/30  
LEVY, GOODMAN, SEMONOFF & GORIN  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

PARK ROW

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

TELEPHONE (401) 421-8030 CABLE: LEVGO PVD

TELEX - 927614

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JUDAH C. SEMONOFF 1914-1960  
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JORDAN TANENBAUM 1954-1969

December 1, 1982

Rose Mendonca, City Clerk  
City of Providence  
City Hall  
Providence, RI 02901

Dear Rose:

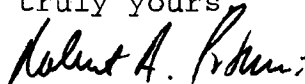
Re: Capital Center Project

Enclosed please find an original and ten copies  
of a Resolution dealing with the issues raised last  
night at the Public Works Committee of the City Council.

I am forwarding copy of this Resolution to  
Edward R. DiPippo, Assistant Solicitor, for his review,  
but I assume the same to be in order.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours



Robert A. Pitassi

RAP:PS

Enclosures

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JORDAN TANENBAUM 1954-1969

December 2, 1982

Rose Mendonca, City Clerk  
City of Providence  
City Hall  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Rose:

Re: Capital Center Project

Enclosed please find original and ten copies  
of revised Resolution with regard to the above-  
entitled matter as we have discussed.

Very truly yours,



Robert A. Pitassi

RAP:PS

Enclosures

## PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

*The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body*

To abandon the following streets:

- 1) Gaspee Street  
from Smith Street to Exchange Terrace
- 2) Railroad Street  
from Gaspee Street to Stillman Street
- 3) Francis Street  
from Railroad Street to Exchange Terrace
- 4) Stillman Street  
from Railroad Street to Gaspee Street
- 5) Promenade Street  
from Stillman Street to Steeple Street and  
from Park Street to Gaspee Street
- 6) Kinsley Avenue  
from Park Street Bridge to Gaspee Street
- 7) Francis Street  
from Gaspee Street to Hayes Street

These abandonments are depicted on the attached map.

*Henry Stevenson*  
Executive Director  
Providence Redevelopment Agency



IN CITY COUNCIL  
OCT 7 1982  
FIRST READING  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

*Joseph M. Anderson*  
CLERK

THE COMMITTEE ON Nov. 16, 1982  
PUBLIC WORKS

Recommends *Be Continued*  
*Richard R. Chavira*  
Clerk

*Gunnarman Xavier and Gunnarman Flynn (By Request)*

STANLEY P. BLACHER  
Chairman

JOHN RAO, JR.  
Vice Chairman

ROBERT J. BEVILACQUA

FREDRICK LIPPITT

JOSEPH MOLLICONE

EDWARD W. XAVIER

LAURENCE K. FLYNN

STANLEY BERNSTEIN  
Executive Director  
and Secretary



PROVIDENCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

MAYOR VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.  
Ex-Officio

October 1, 1982

The Honorable Rose M. Mendonca  
City Clerk  
c/o City Clerk's Office  
City Hall  
Providence, RI 02903 - 1887

RE: Capital Center Project  
Petition for Abandonment

Dear Mrs. Mendonca:

Over the past three (3) years the City has worked closely with State and Federal agencies in an effort to achieve the timely implementation of this important project. The cooperation we have received from all concerned has brought within our grasp the achievement of a goal identified over four generations ago -- the removal of the "Chinese Wall" which has restricted the orderly growth of the Downtown.

To date, public hearings have been held and approvals given by the Federal Railroad Administration and State of Rhode Island. The City Council has approved an amendment to the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan to include Capital Center within its boundaries and has approved \$4.6 Million of Providence Redevelopment Agency funds to match approximately \$100-Million in Federal, State and private funds. In addition, the Council has recently approved the creation of the Capital Center Development District and a Commission empowered to guide the project to a successful conclusion. That Commission includes two (2) members of the City Council who have actively participated in the deliberations.

We are now in the final stages of completing the engineering documents so that a late 1982 construction date is projected. In order to meet our objectives, it is necessary that the Committees on City Property and Public Works meet to review and recommend to the full Council the approval of certain property transfers as well as street abandonments and dedications. It is noted that there are no financial costs to the City in acquisition, condemnation, or relocation of property, residences, or businesses.

In order to assist the Committees on City Property and Public Works in its review of these matters, the attached maps have been prepared which illustrate the following:

The Honorable Rose M. Mendonca  
City Clerk

October 1, 1982

RE: Capital Center Project  
Petition for Abandonment

Map One: Illustrative Site Plan showing the full  
development of the 60 acre project.

Map Two: Existing Property Ownership as surveyed  
and authenticated via title search.

Map Three: Proposed Ownership indicating the owner-  
ship once parcels are swapped.


Map Four: Streets to be Abandoned.

Map Five: New Streets to be Dedicated.

I am attaching hereto a petition for the proposed abandonments as set forth in attached map number 4, and am also requesting that this letter and the maps numbered two and three be referred to the City Property Committee for its review and approval. It is also requested that I be allowed the opportunity of presenting the petition and maps to the City Property and Public Works Committees before any action is undertaken by them.

Submission of this letter and the attachments hereto are respectfully requested for the October 7, 1982 City Council meeting.

Sincerely yours,

  
Stanley Bernstein  
Executive Director

Attachments:

SB:MJD

City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 20, 1982

TO: \* SEE BELOW

SUBJECT: VARIOUS STREET ABANDONMENTS - SEE ATTACHED

\* CONSIDERED BY: Committee on Public Works

DISPOSITION: Attached is a copy of the subject Petition, for your study and report back in writing, as soon as practical.

\* Frank Tibaldi, Traffic Engineer *sh*

Sanford H. Gorodetsky, Commissioner of Public Safety

Stanley Bernstein, Director of P.U.D.

Wiley Archer, Chief Engineer - Water Supply Board *sh*

*Michael R. Clement*  
FIRST DEPUTY City Clerk

# THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE

## CITY SERGEANT'S OFFICE

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY**, That I have caused the notice, of which a true copy is hereto annexed, to be served upon the following named persons, by handing to each of said persons, or by leaving at their last and usual place of abode in this State a true copy of said notice, to wit: Petition of the Providence redevelopment Agency to Abandon Portions of Gaspee Street, from Smith Street to Exchange Terrace;

<u>Plat</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
4	231	State Of RI	Smith Street Providence, RI 02908
	17	Providence & Worcester RR	1 Depot Square Woonsocket RI 02890
	213	State Of RI	Smith Street Providence, RI 02908
	1	Providence & Worcester RR	1 Depot Square Woonsocket, RI 02890
	43	City Of Providence	Providence, RI 02903
	12	Penn Central Transport Co.	PO Box 8499 Philadelphia, PA 19101
	15	Sheridan Realty Co.	402 Spring Green Rd. Warwick, RI 02888
	11	National RR Passenger Corp.	Union Station Providence, RI 02903
	45	State Of RI	Smith Street Providence, RI 02908
	42	John Rao	40 Fountain Street Providence, RI 02903
	20	" "	" " "

  
Giacomo Martone  
City Sergeant

11/9/82


Councilman Thomas C. Boyle  
Councilman Thomas M. Glavin

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<u>Plat</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
19	43	City Of Providence	Providence, RI 02903
	15	Sheridan Realty Co.	402 Spring Green Rd. Warwick, RI 02888

  
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<u>Plat</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
19	15	Sheridan Realty Co.	402 Spring Green Rd. Warwick, RI 02888
	11	Nat'l RR Passenger Corp.	Union Station Providence, RI
	45	State Of RI	Smith Street Providence, RI 02908
	46	"	"
	10	Nat'l RR Passenger Corp.	Union Station Providence, RI
	27	Providence & Worcester RR	1 Depot Square Woonsocket, RI



Giacomo Martone  
City Sergeant

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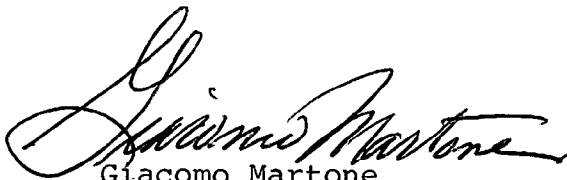
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<u>Plat</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
19	43	City Of Providence	Providence, RI 02903
	1	Providence & Worcester RR	Union Station Providence, RI 02903

  
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<u>Plat</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address--</u>
19	1	Providence & Worcester RR	1 Depot Square Woonsocket, RI 02890
	9	Nat'l RR Passenger Corp.	Union Station Providence, RI 02903
	19	Providence & Worcester RR	1 Depot Square Woonsocket, RI 02890
	3	"	"
	6	"	"
	41	"	"
	36	City Of Providence	Providence, RI 02903
	33	United States Of America	Federal Building Providence, RI 02903
	21	Providence Terminal	PO Box 8499 Philadelphia, PA 19101
	22	Penn Central Transportation Co.	" "
	48	Nat'l RR Passenger Corp.	Union Station Providence, RI 02903
	34	City Of Providence	Providence, RI 02903
	23	Providence & Worcester RR	1 Depot Square Woonsocket, RI 02890
4	213	State Of RI	Smith Street Providence, RI 02903

  
Giacomo Martone  
City SERgeant  
11/9/82

Councilman Thomas C. Boyle  
Councilman Thomas M. Glavin


THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE

CITY SERGEANT'S OFFICE

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<u>Plat</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
19	12	Penn Central Transportation	1 Depot Square Woonsocket, RI 02890
	44	City Of Providence	Providence, RI 02903
4	231	State Of RI	Smith Street Providence, RI 02903

Councilman Joseph R. Paolino  
Councilman Anthony P. Pennine

  
Giacomo Martone  
City Sergeant  
11/9/82

Gaspee St  
Smith St to Exchange Terrace <sup>at</sup>

Plat 4

Lot 231 ✓

State of Rhode Island

" 17 ✓

Providence & Worcester

" 213 ✓

State of Rhode Island

Plat 19

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1 ✓

Providence & Worcester Railroad Co.

"

43 ✓

City of Providence.

"

12 ✓

Baker, Richard

"

15 ✓

Sheridan Realty Co.

"

11 ✓

National Railroad Passenger Corp.

"

45 ✓

State of Rhode Island

"

42 ✓

John Rao, Jr., Kay. Verna

46 Fountain Street

Providence, R.I. 02903

"

20 ✓

Same

Stillman St.  
Railroad St. to Gaspee St.

at

Plat 19

Lot 43 ✓

City of Providence

1 ✓

Providence Worcester Railroad Co.

Francis St. <sup>at</sup>  
Railroad St. to Exchange Terrace

Plat 19

Lot 15 ✓ Sheridan Realty Co.  
402 Spring Green Road  
Warwick, R.I. 02888

11 ✓

45 ✓ State of Rhode Island

46 ✓ Same

10 ✓ National Railroad Passenger Corp.

27 ✓ Providence & Worcester Railroad Co.

Railroad St. <sup>at</sup>  
Gaspee St. to Stillman St.

Plat 19

Lot 43 ✓ City of Prov.

" 15 ✓ Sheridan Realty Co.  
702 Spring Green Road  
Warwick, R. I. 02888

Promenade St. <sup>sk</sup>  
Stillman St to Steeple St.

Plot 19

Lot 1- Providence & Worcester Railroad Co.

" 9✓ National Railroad Passenger Corp.

" 19✓ Providence & Worcester Railroad Co.

" 3✓ Same

" 6✓ Same

" 41✓ Same

" 36✓ City of Prov.

" 33✓ United States of America

" 35✓ City of Providence

" 21✓ Prov. Terminal Co

" 22✓ Penn Central Transportation Co.

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Promenade St.  
Stillman to Steeple St. at

7-12-19

Lot 48 National Railroad Passenger Corp.

34 City of Providence

23 Providence and Worcester Railroad Co.  
1 Depot Square, Woonsocket, R.I. 02895  
Promenade St.

Park St. to Gaspee St.

Plat 4

Lot 213 v State of Rhode Island



Kinsley Ave.  
Park St. Bridge to Gaspee St.

Lot 12 ✓ Baker, Richard C. Bond, Jarvis Langdon,  
Jr., & Willard Wirtz, Trustees  
c/o Penn Central Transportation Co.

Lot 44 City of Prov.

Francis St.  
Gaspee St to Hayes St.  
Plot 4

Lot 231 State of Rhode R. L.

" 213 ✓ Same

City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** October 20, 1982

**TO:** Joseph C. DiSanto, Director of Public Works

**SUBJECT:** VARIOUS STREET ABANDONMENTS - SEE ATTACHED

**CONSIDERED BY:** Committee on Public Works

**DISPOSITION:** Attached is a copy of the subject Petition, for your study and report back in writing, along with a list of abutting owners and tracing of said area.

*Michael R. Clement*  
FIRST DEPUTY City Clerk



CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND  
MAYOR VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS . 700 ALLENS AVENUE . 02905

Joseph C. DiSanto, Director

James F. Lembo, Deputy Director

November 15, 1982

Mr. Laurence R. Flynn, Chairman  
Public Works Committee  
City Clerk's Office  
City Hall  
Prov., R. I. 02903

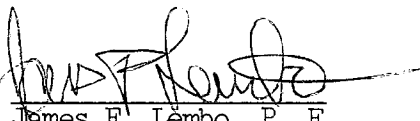
Re: Street Abandonments

Dear Sir:

The Department of Public Works has no objection to the abandonment of the following streets providing that full utility easements be implimented:

1. Gaspee St. from Smith to Exchange
2. Railroad St. from Gaspee St. to Stillman St.
3. Francis St. from Railroad St. to Exchange Terrace
4. Stillman St. from Railroad St. to Gaspee St.
5. Promenade St. from Stillman St. to Steeple St.
6. Kinsley Ave. from Park St. Bridge to Gaspee St.
7. Francis St. from Gaspee St. to Hayes St.
8. Promenade St. from Park St. to Gaspee St.

Very truly yours,

  
James F. Lembo, P. E.  
City Engineer/ Deputy Director

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DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS  
PROVIDENCE, R.I.

RICHARD A. CARROLL  
Chairman  
ALFRED T. CICCONE  
Member  
JOHN A. DOHERTY  
Member  
ROBERT F. HOWARD  
Member  
VINCENT J. CIRELLI  
Councilman  
LAURENCE K. FLYNN  
Councilman  
JAMES R. BERNARDO  
Ex-Officio

## WATER SUPPLY BOARD



CITY OF PROVIDENCE

WILEY J. ARCHER  
P.E., Acting Chief Engineer  
WILLIAM J. MCGAIR  
Legal Advisor  
JAMES A. LOMBARDI  
Secretary

October 22, 1982

Councilman Laurence K. Flynn, Chairman  
Committee on Public Works  
City Clerk's Office  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Councilman Flynn:

This department received from the City Clerk a Petition of the City Council for the abandonment of various streets; Gaspee Street, Railroad Street, Francis Street, Stillman Street, Promenade Street, Kinsley Avenue, and Francis Street from Gaspee Street to Hayes Street.

The Water Supply Board has no objection to the abandonment of these streets as all aspects of the Capital City Center project are being coordinated with the Water Supply Board, the office of Providence Redevelopment Agency, and CE Maguire Inc. through progress reports.

Very truly yours,

  
Wiley J. Archer, P.E.  
Chief Engineer

ms

cc: Mr. Edward Bondarevskis  
Sr. Principal Engineer

DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS  
PROVIDENCE, R.I.  
OCT 29 6 50 AM '82

FRANK A. TIBALDI  
TRAFFIC ENGINEER



VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.  
MAYOR

## TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

60 ERNEST ST.

PROVIDENCE, R. I. 02905

781 - 4044

October 28, 1982

Committee on Public Works  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

The Traffic Engineering Department has reviewed a petition to abandon the following listed streets and offers no objection to said abandonments:

Gaspee Street - from Smith Street to Exchange Terrace

Railroad Street - from Gaspee Street to Stillman Street

Francis Street - from Railroad Street to Exchange Terrace

Stillman Street - from Railroad Street to Gaspee Street.

Promenade Street - from Stillman Street to Steeple Street  
from Park Street to Gaspee Street

Kinsley Avenue - from Park Street Bridge to Gaspee Street

Francis Street - from Gaspee Street to Hayes Street.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank A. Tibaldi".

Frank A. Tibaldi  
Traffic Engineer

FAT/it

STANLEY BERNSTEIN  
DIRECTOR



VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.  
MAYOR

**DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

40 FOUNTAIN ST., - PROVIDENCE, R. I. 02903 - TEL. 401-831-6550

November 10, 1982

Committee on Public Works  
c/o City Clerk  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Subject: Referral No. 2076: - To Abandon the Following Streets:

- (A) Gaspee Street  
from Smith St. to Exchange St.
- (B) Railroad St.  
from Gaspee St. to Stillman St.
- (C) Francis St.  
from Railroad St. to Exchange Terrace
- (D) Stillman St.  
from Railroad St. to Gaspee St.
- (E) Promenade St.  
from Stillman St. to Steeple St.  
and from Park St. to Gaspee St.
- (F) Kinsley Ave.  
from Park St. Bridge to Gaspee St.
- (G) Francis St.  
from Gaspee St. to Hayes St.

Gentlemen:

The subject referral was to be presented to the City Plan Commission at the November 3, 1982 monthly meeting which was unofficial since a quorum could not be assembled. However, this Department reviewed the referral, field checked the information contained therein, and reports as follows: -

A field inspection revealed that all subject streets are improved with curbs, pavements and sidewalks. The circular roadway pattern constitutes Pershing Square between the State Capital and Union Station. The subject abandonments are part of the overall development plan of the Capital Center Project which was presented to the Commission on August 13, 1981. At that time, the Commission approved the plan as being consistent with the land use pattern established by the Master Plan for Downtown Providence.




continued Referral No. 2076

The street abandonments are part of a process that will establish new rights-of-way in support of the overall plan.

Therefore, this Department recommends to your Committee that this petition be approved.

Sincerely yours,

  
Stanley Bernstein  
Director

SB/cd

cc: Councilwoman Carolyn F. Brassil  
Councilman Edward W. Xavier

NOV 10 1 32 PM '82  
DEPT. OF CITY CLERK  
PROVIDENCE, R.I.



# The City Plan Commission

40 FOUNTAIN STREET

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

December 2, 1982

Committee on Public Works  
c/o City Clerk  
City Hall  
Providence, R. I. 02903

Attention: Michael Clement

Re: Referral No. 2076--To Abandon the Following Streets:

- (A) Gaspee Street  
from Smith St. to Exchange St.
- (B) Railroad Street  
from Gaspee St. to Stillman St.
- (C) Francis Street  
from Railroad St. to Exchange Terrace
- (D) Stillman Street  
from Railroad St. to Gaspee St.
- (E) Promenade Street  
from Stillman St. to Steeple St. and  
from Park St. to Gaspee St.
- (F) Kinsley Street  
from Park St. Bridge to Gaspee St.
- (G) Francis Street  
from Gaspee St. to Hayes St.

Gentlemen:

An earlier letter from the Department of Planning and Urban Development dated November 10, 1982 was transmitted to you, setting forth the Department's recommendation of approval of the subject petition.

The City Plan Commission at its December 1, 1982 regular monthly meeting voted unanimously to concur with the staff recommendation and to recommend to the Committee on Public Works that this petition be approved.

Sincerely yours,

  
Stanley Bernstein,  
Director

SB/rb

cc: Councilwoman Carolyn F. Brassil  
Councilman Edward W. Xavier

*Sanford H. Gorodetsky*  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY



*Leonard W. Reilly*  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

**COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY**  
209 FOUNTAIN ST., PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

December 17, 1982

The Honorable City Council  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island

Att: Committee on  
Public Works

Gentlemen:

The Department of Public Safety has no objection to the abandonment of the streets listed on the attached petition.

Respectfully submitted,

*Sanford H. Gorodetsky*  
Commissioner of  
Public Safety

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## PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

*The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body*

To abandon the following streets:

- 1) Gaspee Street  
from Smith Street to Exchange Terrace
- 2) Railroad Street  
from Gaspee Street to Stillman Street
- 3) Francis Street  
from Railroad Street to Exchange Terrace
- 4) Stillman Street  
from Railroad Street to Gaspee Street
- 5) Promenade Street  
from Stillman Street to Steeple Street and  
from Park Street to Gaspee Street
- 6) Kinsley Avenue  
from Park Street Bridge to Gaspee Street
- 7) Francis Street  
from Gaspee Street to Hayes Street

These abandonments are depicted on the attached map.

*Stanley D. Smith*  
Executive Director  
Providence Redevelopment Agency



**Narragansett Electric**

The Narragansett Electric Company  
280 Melrose Street  
Providence, Rhode Island 02901

November 15, 1982

Committee on Public Works  
Providence City Hall  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island

Re: Petition of the Providence Redevelopment Agency to abandon as Public Highways portions of Gaspee Street, Railroad Street, Francis Street, Stillman Street, Promenade Street and Kinsley Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

Gentlemen:

The Narragansett Electric Company presently has underground electrical facilities in said portions of Gaspee Street, Railroad Street, Francis Street, Stillman Street, Promenade Street and Kinsley Avenue. These facilities are active and are of the utmost importance for the operation and reliability of the A.C. network system and would be very difficult and costly to relocate and should be retained in their present locations.

However, the Narragansett Electric Company will not object to the granting of said petition, provided that in the event that the petition is granted, the Petitioner will convey an easement acceptable to The Narragansett Electric Company which will permit retention of our underground facilities in existing locations in said Gaspee Street, Railroad Street, Francis Street, Stillman Street, Promenade Street and Kinsley Avenue, together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same.

Total cost of further studies and final relocations if required will be at the expense of the Petitioner.

Very truly yours,

Edward J. Hayes  
Senior Field Right of Way Agent

AJL:1

cc: Francis Dowitz, The Narragansett Electric Company

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**New England  
Telephone**

100 New England Way  
Warwick, Rhode Island 02886

November 16, 1982

Committee on Public Works  
Providence City Council  
City Hall  
Providence, R. I. 02903

RE: PETITION TO ABANDON PORTIONS OF GASPEE ST., PROMENADE ST., FRANCIS ST.,  
RAILROAD ST., STILLMAN ST. AND KINSLEY AVE.

Dear Sirs:

New England Telephone and Telegraph Company presently has underground facilities consisting of manholes, conduits and cables located in the above mentioned streets. These facilities presently serve all the State of R. I. office buildings as well as the general area.

New England Telephone and Telegraph Company will not object to the granting of said petition, provided that in the event the petition is granted, the petitioners will convey an easement acceptable to New England Telephone, which will permit retention of our facilities in existing locations, together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same and with 24 hour access to said facilities.

If it is decided by the petitioner that telephone facilities are to be relocated, the petitioner will assume all costs of the relocation.

*for* Edythe R. Pennington  
Robert J. O'Leary  
District Manager-Dist. Service

cc: D. Moore  
J. Jones  
John Murphy

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Economic Development • Project Coordination

November 24, 1982

Councilman Laurence K. Flynn  
Chairman  
Committee on Public Works  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Subject: Capital Center Project

Dear Larry:

Per our conversation last evening, enclosed are the materials relevant to the petition for abandonment of certain streets within the Capital Center Project area. In general, the materials are intended to achieve the following objectives:

1. Officially abandon the named streets.
2. Assures the continued use by the public of the former streets until they are needed for construction purposes.
3. Indicates the alternative circulation routes via new or temporary roads.
4. Provides for maintenance and snow removal by the City until the former roads are needed for construction purposes.
5. Requires the reconveyance of the former streets to the City in the event that they are no longer needed to accomplish the objectives identified in the Capital Center Plan.

As you know, the Committee on City Properties unanimously voted to recommend that the Council, at its December 2 meeting, authorize the Mayor to execute the Master Property Conveyance Contract. A draft of that resolution is attached for your

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review. You will note that paragraph 3 contains language relative to the abandonments under consideration by your committee and indicates that an agreement re: maintenance, interim use by the public, and reverter to the City is also contemplated. The City Solicitor's office and our Counsel believe that this language ought to appear in both resolutions-- i.e. City Properties and Public Works--in order to assure the effectiveness of this agreement.

If the information is satisfactory to you and the Committee, we would like to enter it into the record at the Tuesday, November 30 meeting as additional information relative to the present abandonment petition.

If you have any questions regarding the above or the attached, please don't hesitate to contact me first thing Monday.

Looking forward to our meeting on the 30th.

Sincerely yours,



Ron Marsella

RM:bm

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MARY E. FOLEY  
BARBARA S. COHEN

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ARTHUR J. LEVY 1920-1972  
JORDAN TANENBAUM 1954-1969

December 2, 1982

Rose Mendonca, City Clerk  
City of Providence  
City Hall  
Providence, RI 02901

Dear Rose:

Re: Capital Center Project

Enclosed please find the following documents relative to the side letter agreements to be entered into between the City of Providence and the Providence & Worcester Realty Company, the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, and the National Railroad Passenger Corporation relative to the petition pending before the City Council for the abandonments of certain streets within the project area of the Capital Center Project:

1. Letter to the Public Works Committee bearing the original signature of J. Joseph Garrahy, Governor of the State of Rhode Island, together with twenty-six copies thereof.
2. Letter to the Committee on City Properties bearing the signature of J. Joseph Garrahy, Governor of the State of Rhode Island, together with twenty-six copies thereof.
3. Letter to the Public Works Committee bearing the original signature of Joseph R. DeStefano, President of the Providence & Worcester Realty Company, together with twenty-six copies thereof.
4. Letter to the Committee on City Properties bearing

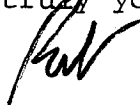
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the original signature of Joseph R. DeStefano,  
President of the Providence & Worcester Realty  
Company, together with twenty-six copies thereof.

5. Letter to the Public Works Committee bearing the  
signature of Elyse G. Wander, Senior Director,  
Real Estate Management of the National Railroad  
Passenger Corporation, together with twenty-six  
copies thereof.
6. Letter to the Committee on City Properties bearing  
the signature of Elyse G. Wander, Senior Director,  
Real Estate Management of the National Railroad  
Passenger Corporation, together with twenty-six  
copies thereof.

If there is anything further you need, please don't  
hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



Robert A. Pitassi

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December 1, 1982

City of Providence  
c/o Committee on City Properties  
of the City Council  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island 02901

Attention: Harry A. Johnson, Chairman

Gentlemen:

Re: Capital Center Project

The undersigned hereby make reference to a Petition to the City Council for the Abandonment of Streets pending before the City Council requesting the abandonment of the following streets, or portions thereof, to facilitate accomplishment of the purposes set forth in the Providence Rail Relocation Project Cooperative Agreement dated January 27, 1982 ("Cooperative Agreement"):

Kinsley Avenue; Promenade Street; Gaspee Street;  
Francis Street; Railroad Street and Stillman Street


The undersigned agree that in the event the said streets or portions thereof are abandoned by the City of Providence, they shall forebear from taking any action which would preclude the continued use by the public over the former location of said streets (or portions thereof) until such time as said streets or portions thereof are required by the respective parties for the development of real estate pursuant to the Cooperative Agreement or for the construction of public improvements thereon in consideration of the continued maintenance of said streets or portions thereof and removal of snow and ice therefrom by the City.

The undersigned further agree that any real estate respectively acquired as a result of said abandonments shall be reconveyed to the City for street purposes in the event that said streets (or portions thereof) are no longer needed, for any reason whatsoever, to accomplish the transactions contemplated by the Cooperative Agreement.

Very truly yours,

THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND  
PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

By:

  
J. Joseph Garrahy, Governor

City of Providence  
Committee on City Properties  
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PROVIDENCE AND WORCESTER  
REALTY COMPANY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph R. DiStefano, President

NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER  
CORPORATION

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Duly authorized officer)

AGREED AND ASSENTED TO:

CITY OF PROVIDENCE

By: \_\_\_\_\_

ASSENTED TO AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Acting City Solicitor)

City of Providence  
c/o Committee on Public Works  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Attention: Laurence K. Flynn, Chairman

Subject: Agreement re: Capital Center Project

Gentlemen:

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Very truly yours,

THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND  
PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

By: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Providence  
Committee on Public Works

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PROVIDENCE AND WORCESTER REALTY COMPANY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Duly authorized officer)

NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Duly authorized officer)

AGREED AND ASSENTED TO:

CITY OF PROVIDENCE

By: \_\_\_\_\_

ASSENTED TO AS TO FORM:

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(Acting City Solicitor)