

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 159

Approved April 5, 2024

WHEREAS, The Providence City Council acknowledges the importance of infrastructure improvements and construction projects for the advancement of Rhode Island College (RIC); and

WHEREAS, Recent construction activities related to the track field at Rhode Island College have resulted in significant drainage issues, leading to flooding on Rowley Avenue and causing damage to abutting property basements; and

WHEREAS, The flooding caused by these drainage issues poses a serious risk to public safety, property, and the overall well-being of residents in the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island College has a responsibility to ensure that construction projects are carried out in a manner that minimizes adverse impacts on the surrounding community and that any resulting issues are promptly addressed; and

WHEREAS, Under City Ordinance, developers are required to maintain stormwater on-site and prevent erosive flows to city streets and private property, as outlined in Article VI, Post-Construction Stormwater Control of the City Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council urges Rhode Island College to act with urgency to resolve the drainage issues caused by recent construction activities related to the track field, ensuring that proper drainage systems are implemented to prevent further flooding and damage to adjacent properties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Rhode Island College is encouraged to engage with the affected residents and the City of Providence to collaboratively address the drainage concerns and mitigate the impacts of the construction on the surrounding community; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to the President of Rhode Island College, the Board of Trustees, the Director of the Department of Public Works, the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards, the Office of Governor Dan McKee, the Office of the RI Senate President Dominick J. Ruggerio, the Office of the RI Speaker of the House K. Joseph Shekarchi, and the Office of Providence Mayor Brett Smiley to underscore the importance of addressing these drainage issues promptly and effectively.

IN CITY COUNCIL
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READ AND PASSED


RACHEL M. MILLER, PRESIDENT

CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.


Mayor
Date: 4/5/24