



PROVIDENCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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Executive Director

May 27, 1970

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

The Honorable City Council
City of Providence
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

The Providence Redevelopment Agency in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 11 of Chapter 1575 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved October 18, 1963, and Title 45, Chapters 31-33 (inclusive) of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, hereby reports concerning the proposed sale of real property within the Weybosset Hill Project No. R.I. R-7.

The Agency proposes to sell to the Weybosset Hill Development Corporation and Downtown Realty, Inc., as a joint venture, or its assignees, a certain parcel of land (see attached map) situated within the Weybosset Hill Project No. R.I. R-7. Said parcel consists of 37,631 square feet and has a sale price of \$78,300.00.

Weybosset Hill Development Corporation and Downtown Realty Inc., proposes the construction of a 12 story structure which shall include 116 dwelling units in the top 10 stories and approximately 18,000 square feet of professional, institutional office space in the first two stories. It is estimated that the total cost of construction will be approximately \$3.5 million dollars.

This development will be fully taxable.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Pallozzi
Vincent Pallozzi
Executive Director

THE COMMITTEE ON

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT
RENEWAL & PLANNING

VP/rs

Recommends

By Received
Vincent Pallozzi
Sept 30 1971
Clerk

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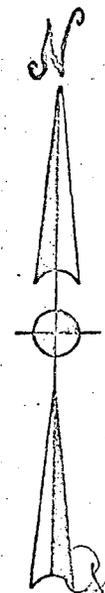
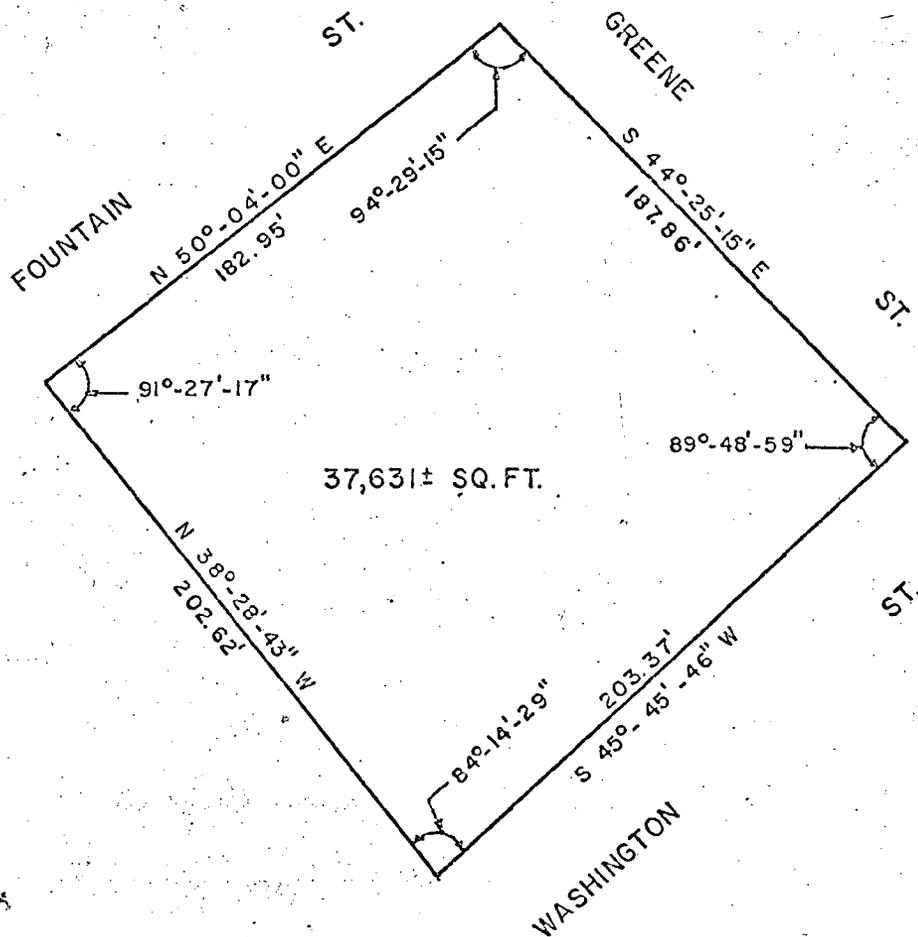
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RENEWAL & PLANNING

Benjamin Cropper
CLERK



Arthur W. Beauregard
 ARTHUR W. BEAUREGARD
 No.  2326
 REGISTERED
 PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

LAND WITHIN THE
 WEYBOSSET HILL PROJECT
 GRANTEE:
 GRANTOR: PROVIDENCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
 SCALE: 1" = 60'
 SEPT. 1965

Keybosses Hill Project No. R. I. R-7
Parcel 9
October 30, 1968
James E. Quigley

That certain parcel of land situated in the City of Providence, State of Rhode Island bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the northerly corner of that parcel of land herein described; said point being the intersection of the southeasterly line of Fountain Street and the southwesterly line of Greene Street;

thence, running S $44^{\circ}-35'-15''$ E along said southwesterly line of Greene Street, a distance of one hundred eighty-seven and $86/100$ (187.86') feet to its intersection with the northwesterly line of Washington Street;

thence, turning an interior angle of eighty-nine degrees, forty-eight minutes, and fifty-nine seconds ($89^{\circ}-48'-59''$) and running S $45^{\circ}-45'-46''$ W along said Washington Street line, a distance of two hundred three and $37/100$ (203.37') feet to its intersection with the northeasterly line of proposed Jackson walkway;

thence, turning an interior angle of eighty-four degrees, fourteen minutes, twenty-nine seconds, ($84^{\circ}-14'-29''$) and running N $38^{\circ}-28'-43''$ W along said northeasterly line of proposed Jackson walkway, a distance of two hundred two and $62/100$ (202.62') feet to its intersection with the southeasterly line of said Fountain Street;

thence, turning an interior angle of ninety-one degrees, twenty-seven minutes, seventeen seconds ($91^{\circ}-27'-17''$) and running N $50^{\circ}-04'-00''$ E along said Fountain Street line a distance of one hundred eighty-two and $95/100$ (182.95') feet to its intersection with the southwesterly line of Greene Street, said point also being the point and place of beginning.

The above-described parcel contains thirty-seven thousand, six hundred and thirty-one (37,631 sq. ft.) square feet of land, more or less.

MEMORANDUM

DATE : May 27, 1970
TO : Vincent Vespia, City Clerk
FROM : William F. Mattos, Land Disposition Officer
RE : Proposed Sale of Real Property - Parcel 9
Weybosset Hill Project No. R.I. R-7

Transmitted herewith is a Report to the City Council concerning the proposed sale of land (Parcel 9) within the above-captioned project to the Joint Venture of Weybosset Hill Development Corporation and Downtown Realty, Inc.

The Agency desires to have said Report placed on the Docket for the City Council Meeting of June 4, 1970.

Thank you for your continuing cooperation.



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May 27, 1970

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

The Honorable City Council
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Providence, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

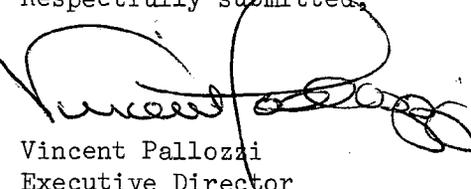
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The Agency proposes the sale of a parcel of land in the above mentioned project to the Roman Catholic Bishop of Providence, said parcel consists of approximately 2,993 square feet, and will be sold for a purchase price of \$3,300.00.

The developer proposes to incorporate the site improvements of this parcel into the recently completed Chancery Office Building development.

Said parcel is delineated on the attached map.

Respectfully submitted,


Vincent Pallozzi
Executive Director

VP/rs

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT
RENEWAL & PLANNING
THE COMMITTEE ON

Recommends

Be Received
Vincent Pallozzi
Sept 30, 1971
Clerk

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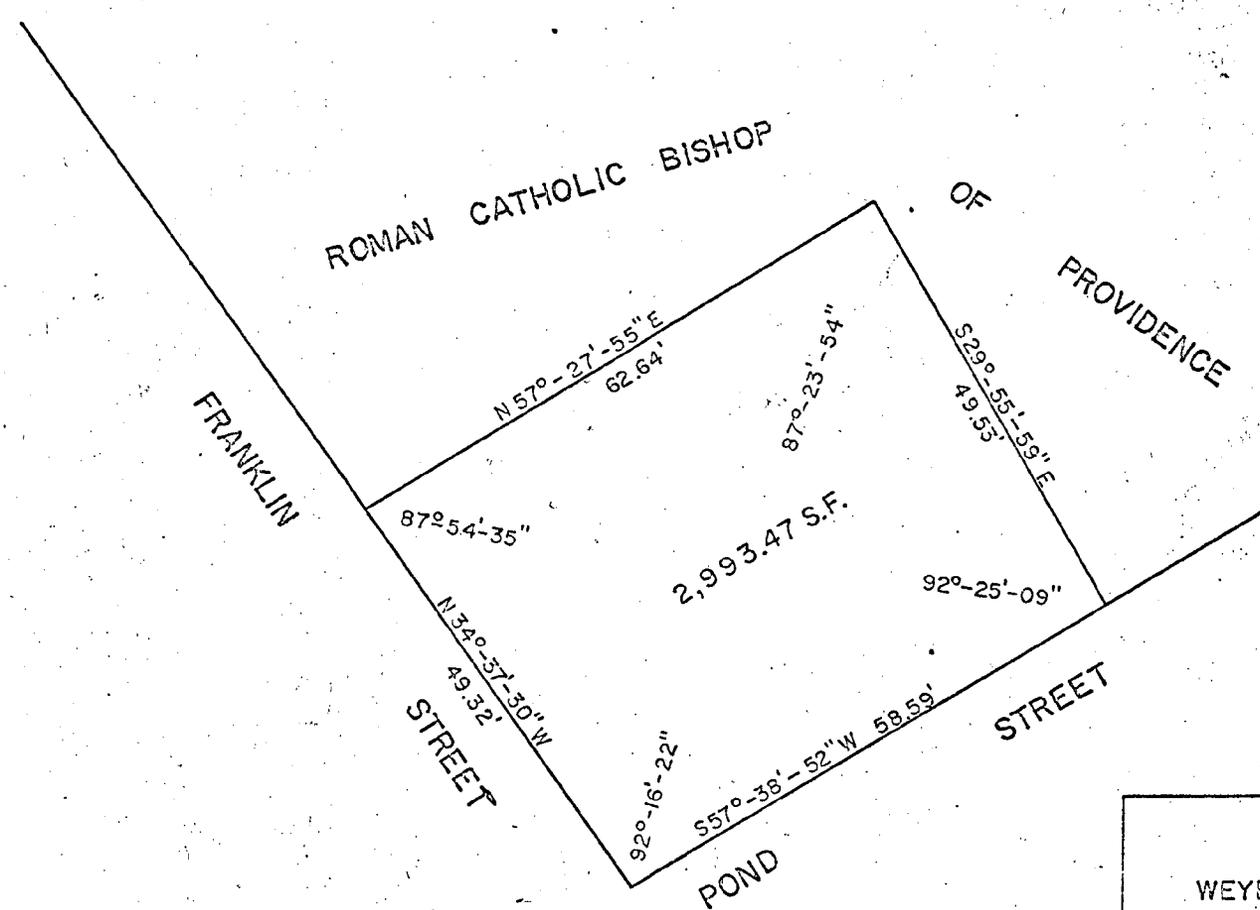
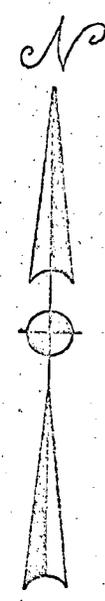
MEMORANDUM

Date : May 27, 1970
To : Vincent Vespia, City Clerk
From : William F. Mattos, Land Disposition Officer
Re : Proposed Sale of Real Property - Parcel 21A
Weybosset Hill Project No. R.I. R-7

Transmitted herewith is a Report to the City Council concerning the proposed sale of land (Parcel 21A) within the above-captioned project to the Roman Catholic Bishop of Providence.

The Agency desires to have said Report placed on the Docket for the City Council Meeting of June 4, 1970.

Thank you for your continuing cooperation.



LAND WITHIN THE
WEYBOSSET HILL PROJECT

GRANTEE:
GRANTOR: PROVIDENCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

SCALE: 1" = 20' AUGUST 1969

E.A.B.

Weybosset Hill Project R.I. R-7
Parcel 21A
August 20, 1969
James E. Quigley

That certain parcel of land situated in the City of Providence,
State of Rhode Island is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the southeasterly corner of the parcel of land
herein described, said point being the intersection of the northeasterly
line of Franklin Street and the northwesterly line of Pond Street;

Thence, running $N 34^{\circ} -37' -30''$ W along the northeasterly line of
Franklin Street a distance of forty-nine and $32/100$ (49.32) feet to a
point;

Thence, turning an interior angle of $87^{\circ} -54' -35''$ and running
 $N 57^{\circ} -27' -55''$ E along land now or formerly of the Roman Catholic Bishop
of Providence a distance of sixty-two and $64/100$ (62.64) feet to a point;

Thence, turning an interior angle of $87^{\circ} -23' -54''$ and running
 $S 29^{\circ} -55' -59''$ E along said land now or formerly of Roman Catholic Bishop
of Providence a distance of forty-nine and $53/100$ (49.53) feet to its
intersection with the northwesterly line of Pond Street;

Thence, turning an interior angle of $92^{\circ} -25' -09''$ and running
 $S 57^{\circ} -38' -52''$ W along said northwesterly line of Pond Street a distance
of fifty-eight and $59/100$ (58.59) feet to its intersection with the north-
easterly line of Franklin Street, said point also being the point and place
of beginning.

The last mentioned course forming an interior angle of $92^{\circ} - 16' - 22''$
with the first mentioned course.

The above described parcel contains two thousand nine hundred
ninety-three and $\frac{47}{100}$ (2,993.47 sq. ft.) square feet more or less.



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PROVIDENCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

May 27, 1970

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

The Honorable City Council
City of Providence
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

The Providence Redevelopment Agency in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 11 of Chapter 1575 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved October 18, 1963, and Title 45, Chapter 31-33 (inclusive) of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, hereby reports concerning the proposed sale of real property within the Weybosset Hill Project No. R.I. R-7.

The Agency proposed the sale of a certain parcel of land in the Weybosset Hill Project, designated as parcel 14A, as described on the attached map, to the 14A Realty Corporation. The parcel consists of approximately 17,025 square feet of land and will be sold for \$170,250.00 computed at a rate of \$10.00 per square foot.

An 8 story commercial structure is proposed by the developer initially with potential for elevation to 14 stories at a later date. In addition 131 parking spaces have been proposed to be included in the \$1.8 million dollar development.

The development will be coordinated with the park proposed on the adjoining parcel.

This development will be fully taxable by the City of Providence.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Pallozzi
Executive Director

THE COMMITTEE ON

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT
RENEWAL & PLANNING

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Recommends

VP/rs

Be Received
Vincent Vespi
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Clerk
Sept 30 1971

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Weybosset Hill
Parcel 14A
5/20/70

That certain parcel of land situated on the southwesterly side of Empire Street and the southeasterly side of Washington Street, in the City and County of Providence, State of Rhode Island, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the northerly corner of that parcel of land herein described, said corner also being the intersection of the southwesterly line of Empire Street and the southeasterly line of Washington Street;

thence, running S.44°-23'-32"E. along said southwesterly line of Empire Street, a distance of one hundred seventy and 22/100 (170.22) feet to a point;

thence, turning an interior angle of eighty-nine degrees, fifty minutes, forty-three seconds (89°-50'-43") and running S.45°-45'-45"W. one hundred and 28/100 (100.28) feet to the northerly line of Walnut Street;

thence, turning an interior angle of eighty-nine degrees, fifty-eight minutes, forty-seven seconds (89°-58'-47") and running N.44°-13'-02"W. along said northeasterly line of Walnut Street, a distance of one hundred seventy and 22/100 (170.22) feet to the southeasterly line of Washington Street;

thence, turning an interior angle of ninety degrees, one minute, twelve seconds (90°-01'-12") and running N.45°-45'-46"E. along said southeasterly line of Washington Street, a distance of ninety-nine and 76/100 (99.76) feet to the point of beginning, making an interior angle of ninety degrees, nine minutes, eighteen seconds (90°-09'-18") with the first-described course.

The above-described parcel contains seventeen thousand twenty-five (17,025) square feet of land.

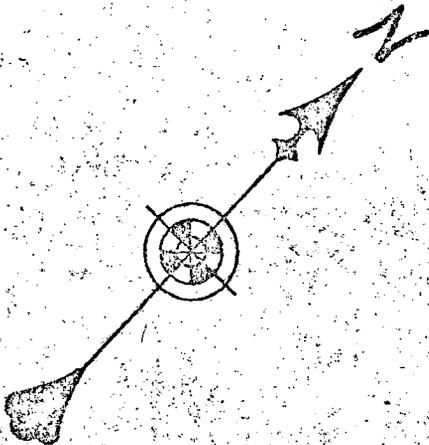
MEMORANDUM

DATE : May 27, 1970
TO : Vincent Vespia, City Clerk
FROM : William F. Mattos, Land Disposition Officer
RE : Proposed Sale of Real Property - Parcel 14A
Weybosset Hill Project No. R.I. R-7

Transmitted herewith is a Report to the City Council concerning the proposed sale of land (Parcel 14A) within the above-captioned project to the 14A Realty Corporation.

The Agency desires to have said Report placed on the Docket for the City Council Meeting of June 4, 1970.

Thank you for your continuing cooperation.



WASHINGTON STREET

STREET

WALNUT STREET

EMPIRE STREET

STREET

N. 44°-13'-02" W.

N. 45°-45'-46" E.

99.76

90°-01'-12"

90°-09'-18"

170.22

S. 44°-23'-32" E.

AREA = 17,025 SQ. FT.

170.22

89°-58'-47"

100.28

89°-50'-43"

S. 45°-45'-46" W.

STREET

EAST W. GILBERT
 No. 025
 PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER



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WEYBOSSETT HILL PROJECT

GRANTEE: REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
 GRANTOR: PROVIDENCE
 SCALE: 1" = 30'
 MAY, 1970

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

The Honorable City Council
City of Providence
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

The Providence Redevelopment Agency in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 11 of Chapter 69-45 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved November 28, 1969, and Title 45, Chapters 31-33 (inclusive) of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, hereby reports concerning the proposed sale of real property within the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area 3A.

The aforesaid sale of a 23,780 square feet parcel of land (see attached map) to the Citizens United Renewal Enterprises, Inc., for \$6,500 will provide twelve (12) units of FHA 235 Housing for low-moderate income families.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Pallozzi
Vincent Pallozzi
Executive Director

VP/mcr

THE COMMITTEE ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT
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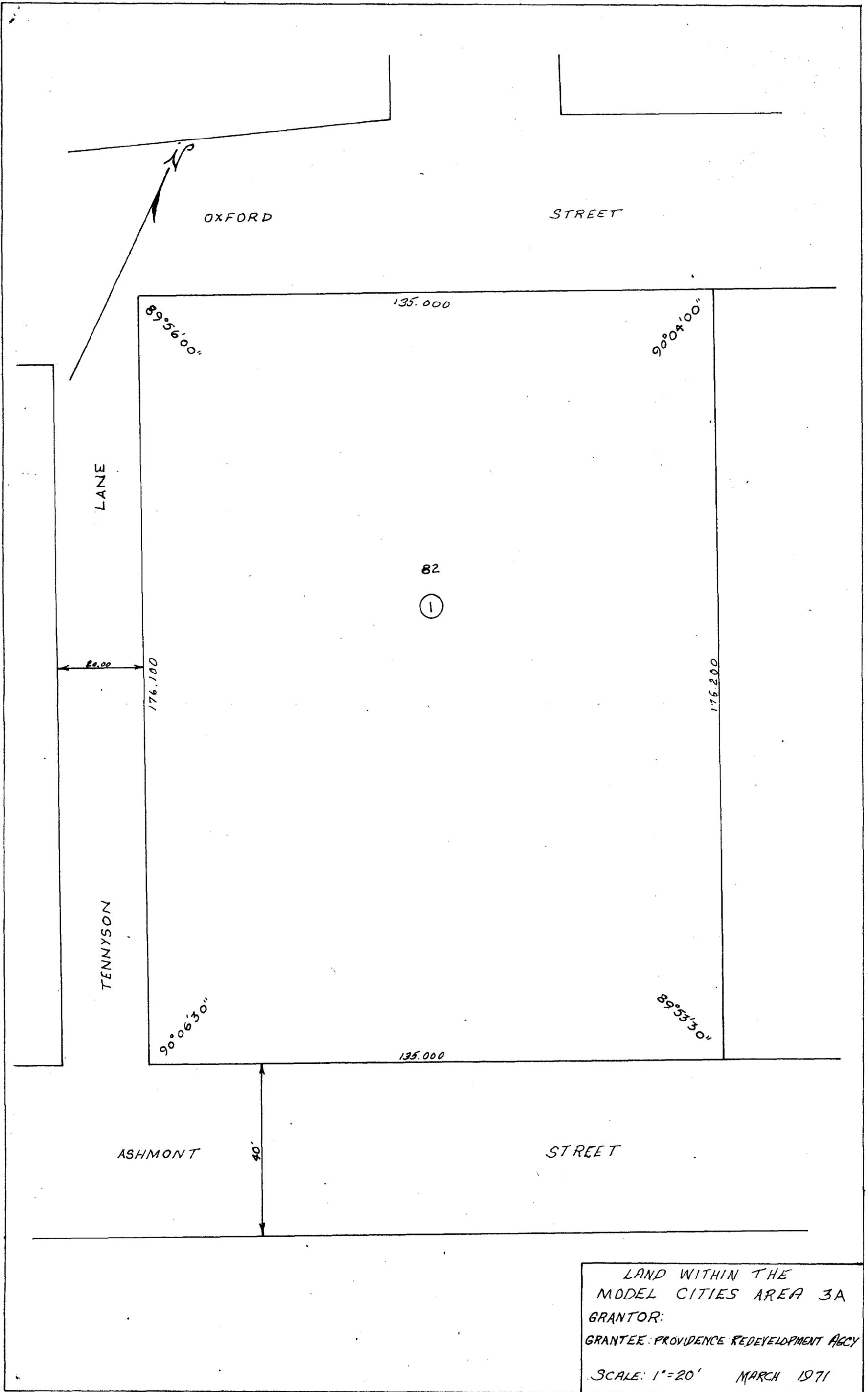
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LAND WITHIN THE
 MODEL CITIES AREA 3A
 GRANTOR:
 GRANTEE: PROVIDENCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
 SCALE: 1"=20' MARCH 1971

MEMORANDUM

Date : March 8, 1971
To : Vincent Vespia, City Clerk
From : James E. Quigley, Acting Land Disposition Officer
Re : Proposed Sale of Real Property - Parcel 1
Model Cities Urban Renewal Area 3A

Transmitted herewith is a Report to the City Council concerning the proposed sale of land (Parcel 1) within the above-captioned project to the Citizens United Renewal Enterprises, Inc.

The Agency desires to have said Report placed on the Docket for the City Council Meeting of March 18, 1971.

Thank you for your continuing cooperation.



CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND
MAYOR JOSEPH A. DOORLEY, JR.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS . 700 ALLENS AVENUE . 02905
Lawrence P. McGarry, Director Joseph J. Campo, Deputy Director

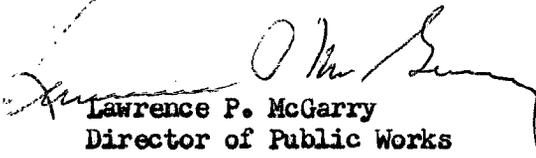
September 21, 1971

Mr. Vincent Vespia
City Clerk
City of Providence
City Hall-Prov., R. I.

Dear Sir:

I hereby appoint Joseph J. Campo Deputy Director of Public
Works as of May 24, 1971.

Very truly yours,

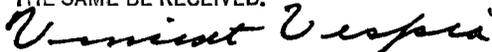

Lawrence P. McGarry
Director of Public Works

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State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

THE CITY OF



PROVIDENCE

I, Joseph J. Campo, 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*

Deputy Director of Public Works

to the best of my ability.

Joseph J. Campo

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I, Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., Mayor

do hereby certify that on the 8th *day of* July, *A. D.* 1971,

I did administer unto Joseph J. Campo

duly appointed to the office of

Deputy Director of Public Works

the above subscribed oath.

Joseph A. Doorley Jr.

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CHALLENGE '71

Providence Public Library

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The following report covers the Fiscal Year which ended June 30, 1971 and is my first report to you as President of your Board of Trustees.

During the past year an attempt has been made to broaden participation in the affairs of the Library. This was attempted by a resolution approved by the Executive Committee directing the Nominating Committee to adopt a policy looking to the rotation of officers and trustees. Basically this was sought to be accomplished by limiting the number of terms that could be served, thus attempting to avoid the evils of continuity, but trying to preserve the best features thereof. In order to further implement this objective, the full Board of Trustees was invited to attend the monthly meetings of the Executive Committee. It was felt that this latter suggestion would allow

the Trustees to keep in closer touch with the problems facing the Library, and, based upon the interest of the Trustees in such problems, would be a potential source from which the Nominating Committee could draw new persons interested in the Library's welfare.

Broadening the base of the persons interested in the Library was felt to be entirely appropriate by virtue of the transition through which our institution is passing, i.e., the transition from a private charity to a public utility, from a private library completely endowed, offering service to the public, to a public institution surviving in part on endowment, but largely on State and Municipal grants.

In this transition, it was thought desirable to attempt to broaden the services offered. For example, the Executive Committee reviewed and approved a proposal to make space available in the basement of the Mount

Pleasant Branch as a type of teen-age drop-in center. It was possible for us to undertake this project only so long as Rhode Island College personnel would volunteer to supervise the program. This unusual use of Library facilities was an attempt by our personnel to meet a community need which was abundantly apparent—the youngsters in this area had tried to find a space on their own and the Rhode Island College personnel had canvassed the neighborhood and existing community agencies, but until the Library stepped in, the efforts were unsuccessful.

Financial problems in the past year have been such that in preparing our budget for Fiscal 1972, it has been necessary to a limited extent to reduce our expenditures. These retrenchments were necessary in order to live within our anticipated income for Fiscal 1972 and amount to a reduction of

approximately \$160,000 in our budgetary needs.

Our Librarian, Mr. F. Charles Taylor, has met the emergencies with great ability and ingenuity. Among other problems faced in the past year was what appeared to be the necessity of closing our Fox Point and Wanskuck Branches. However, through the help and advice of Governor Frank Licht and Mayor Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., and through the generosity of contributors to our annual appeal, we were able to avoid closing these two branches. In addition, we have been fortunate in obtaining for Fiscal 1972 a confirmation that monies from the Model City supplemental funds will be allocated to the South Providence Branch of the Library, which will fund the cost of operating it in Fiscal 1972.

I wish to thank the Trustees, the Members of the Executive Committee, the Librarian and all his staff, for their interest and loyalty, and for their efforts in attempting to fulfill our civic aims.

Ronald C. Green, Jr.

Ronald C. Green, Jr.
President, Board of Trustees

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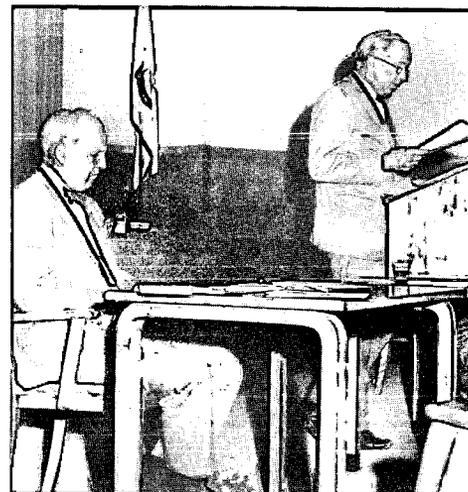
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Ronald C. Green, Jr., newly-elected President of the Board of Trustees, reads the Board's tribute to retiring President, Philip B. Simonds, at the 1970 Annual Meeting.

INFORMATION



Mrs. Joy Beardley, Children's Librarian, puts the finishing touches on the display of Children's Art at the Smith Hill Branch.

Meeting the Challenges of 1971

Libraries, like the society they serve, are in a period of transition. To meet the challenges of the '70s, the public library must be aware of and ready to adjust to change—change in the character and needs of its community, change in the material it selects, and in the techniques for making that material available. It must explore new ways to reach both present and potential users, at the same time assessing traditional services for relevancy and practicality. It must look perceptively at its public and at other social institutions and recognize its particular responsibilities to contemporary society.

The urgent need for self-education is evidenced by local estimated figures of over 100,000 Providence residents who have not completed high school and 30,555, aged twenty-five and over, with less than eight years of schooling. The library, dealing with individuals personally, and cooperating with other adult education agencies, must help these people develop.

Ironically, this time of challenge is also a period of economic restriction. This past year, the Providence Public Library, like so many urban institutions, has had to reconcile its goal of offering the best possible service with the realities of a limited budget and rising operating costs. As we seek new economies and new methods, however, we are finding much that *can* be done.

The Information Challenge

Despite a cut in the book budget and increases in the cost of books, 28,001 volumes were added to the collection, 8,993 of which were new titles. Reversing the trend of the past several years, circulation of materials increased to 822,348, and 131,862 reference and research questions were handled throughout the system. Nearly 550 films were provided to local organizations through the Rhode Island Library Film Cooperative.

Patrons seeking magazine and newspaper information used 41,358 reels of microfilm. Over 128,000 microprints and photocopies were provided by the Central Library. The popularity of the coin-operated public copy machines at Central and several branches continued.

As one of only sixteen depository libraries for the U.S. Department of Commerce Patent Office, we continued to serve the patent attorneys, businessmen, chemists, and inventors who make constant use of our patent collection, in person, by phone or by mail.

Attractive reading lists distributed to individuals and community groups focused, in many instances, on contemporary social issues: the generation gap, the population explosion, the legalization of marijuana, women's liberation and draft resistance. A series of three children's lists: "Black Is as Sweet as Berries," "... As Delicate as a Peach," and "... As Bright as Knowledge" was widely disseminated.

Central and branch library exhibits gave us an opportunity to relate books and visual materials and to offer individuals and groups a chance to exhibit their own work. Interesting displays included "Art Works from the Adult Correctional Institution," "The Landing of the Pilgrims: A 350th Anniversary," and "Witness to History: Special Collections in the Providence Public Library."

A series of lectures on investing, a concert by the U.R.I. Stage Band, films and discussions on drugs, a karate demonstration and library tours by children and adults were some of the programs that brought people into our buildings to learn, as well as to be entertained.

We continued to bring information on reading to the public through radio by means of our WEAN program "Speaking of Books," and through weekly book reviews contributed to WLKW.

The Portuguese in Fox Point and the Polish in Olneyville were pleased with the sizeable additions to the foreign language collections at their branch libraries.

In an effort to get new books to the public quickly, efficiently, and economically, PPL, on July 1, 1971, joined many other libraries in using the services of the Rhode Island Department of State Library Services' Processing Center. Over one-half of our acquisitions will be ordered and completely processed by the Center, saving money and manpower.

Another step toward obtaining books quickly and in sufficient quantity was made when we joined the McNaughton Plan. This should reduce our patrons' long wait for reserved books by providing us with multiple copies of many of those in great demand.

COMMUNITY

The Challenge of the Changing Community

Perhaps the best example of our attempts to meet new needs in new ways is the reorientation of goals for the Fox Point Branch. It is now staffed by bilingual neighborhood residents; the Portuguese collection has been expanded; paperbacks for teen-agers were purchased in quantity; "rap sessions" were started, and movies shown. The atmosphere is informal, cheerful and unstructured, and the successful Library-Community Festival held in May showed residents that "Libraries Aren't What They Used to Be," particularly their own library.

The Wanskuck Branch has focused its attention on increasing adult use. A program on cookery was highly successful and an enthusiastic group has organized a Senior Citizens Club.

Mrs. Margaret Deignan, Rochambeau Branch Librarian, provides an anchor for a timid kite-flyer at the Fox Point Library-Community Festival.



Teen-agers have influenced the Mount Pleasant Branch. With no community-sponsored drop-in center, the library has become the logical place to congregate. The result is the present Youth Center, supervised by Rhode Island College volunteers and located in the basement of the branch.

The Smith Hill community has changed rapidly in the last few years. Librarians at the Smith Hill Branch played a major part in the sponsoring of the Capital Hill Interaction Council, Inc., formed to bring greater stability to the area. Meeting at the branch, the group publishes a newspaper, has appointed a Youth Coordinator, and reactivated the Smith Hill Businessmen's organization.

A noontime Bookmobile stop on Westminster Mall has brought the Library directly to shoppers and lunch-hour strollers. Children are particularly affected by community change. Increased polarization,

tension, and street violence leave their mark. It is more important than ever before for the library to make children aware, through books, records, and films, of the wide range of human thought and endeavor, so that they can choose their own life style.

We have experimented with materials to reach more children. Paperbacks, records, filmstrips, more books in foreign languages, educational games—all these are used to encourage reluctant readers and challenge eager ones.

Work with community agencies brought children into the Library and us into the community. Nearly 12,500 children visited our libraries as part of groups such as Head Start, Cub Scouts, Boys' Clubs, and school classes, and from agencies such as the Salvation Army Day Care Center, Federal Hill House, and the Smith Hill Center. Over 8,000 youngsters attended story hours;

9,321 came to film programs, and 13,432 attended other programs of all types: music, creative arts and dramatics, and puppet and magic shows. Another 1,875 young people formed clubs for such diverse activities as candlemaking, sewing, sculpturing and learning French.

Children's librarians visited over 1,000 classrooms and told stories in 725 community agencies. They reached 500 children through sidewalk storytelling in the summer months.

This year the Library eliminated overdue charges for children, attempting instead to develop the concept of the library as a place for "taking turns" and sharing material. The loss of material has not been extensive, and the improved relationship between the child and the librarian strikes a positive note in our efforts to reach parts of the community where an overdue notice is a real barrier to library use.

The Challenge of the Expanding Community

Not only has our immediate community changed, but, for the past several years, our responsibility to all libraries in Rhode Island has increased through the development of the State's Interrelated Library System.

As Principal Public Library, we filled 9,428 regional library requests for books and information from our own resources.

Pursuing further for items we did not own, our Systems Office coordinated the filling of 2,524 regional requests by locating the material in other regional, academic, special, or out-of-state libraries.

PPL staff offered information and practical advice to other librarians through Reference, Periodical, and Book Repair workshops.

The Library and the Department of State Library Services sponsored "Thinking Network," a series of meetings to acquaint the entire staffs of the Principal Public Library, the four regional libraries, and DSLS with the total State program for the sharing of resources.

A program on Public and Religious Library Cooperation, sponsored jointly with DSLS, gave church and public librarians an opportunity to examine their respective roles and to plan together for cooperative efforts.

A Trustees Workshop and a program on Library Renovation brought Rhode Island trustees and librarians together to learn new techniques and to become better acquainted with one another.

Through the auspices of Senator Pell, eight sets of reproductions from the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., have been circulated to interested Rhode Island libraries under the direction of a committee called "Art to the People." PPL has coordinated the deliveries to these libraries.



Exchange Librarians, Mrs. Maureen Duffy and Miss Eileen Carnaffin, discover that books—and people—are the same in Providence, Rhode Island, and Gateshead, England.

Our community relations were expanded to the fullest in a library exchange program last fall, when two of our staff spent six weeks working in the Gateshead, England, Public Library and two charming English librarians spent that period with us. Our outlook on and understanding of the English library system was greatly broadened by the experience. Both Gateshead and PPL were highly satisfied with the arrangement.

FINANCIAL

The Financial Challenge

The August, 1970, announcement of the Library's plans to close the Fox Point and Wanskuck branches, a recommendation made previously by an Arthur D. Little, Inc., study and postponed until financial considerations made it necessary, produced a concerned response from both neighborhoods and from City and State officials. In October, the City, State, and the Library each agreed to pay one-third of the operating costs of the two branches for the 1971 fiscal year. Effective July 1, 1971, the Library reabsorbed the cost of maintaining these branches. As far as possible, any future curtailments will be on a system-wide basis, rather than placing the burden on specific neighborhoods.

In July, 1970, Friday evening service throughout the entire system was eliminated. Beginning July 1, 1971, it was necessary to further reduce evening hours of service because of new budgetary limitations. One bright note is the receipt of a Model Cities grant providing full funding for

the South Providence Branch, which will continue to be open two nights.

Evening staffing of the Central Library Children's Department also ended June 30, although the room is open for use.

Further reductions for Fiscal '72 include a freezing of personnel vacancies, a severe cut in part-time staff, and a reduction in security guard service at Central.

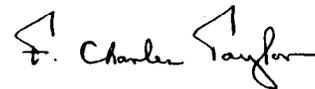
The response to our difficulties from the Friends of PPL and countless other regular patrons has been gratifying. Contributions to our annual financial campaign underwrote our share in keeping Fox Point and Wanskuck open. A proposed 56% cut in federal funds to libraries resulted in over 250 protest telegrams and letters from PPL friends to the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare.

We are not alone in our plight. Libraries all over the country, particularly those in urban

areas, face the same problems; branches are being closed, hours cut and service reduced. The demand upon Federal, State and local budgets increases yearly. Our own budget mounts as the cost of living rises.

Constantly dipping into our principal is not a financially sound solution. The answer lies, of course, in wise management, in close examination of our procedures to seek the most economical methods, in balancing carefully the need for community outreach with the maintainance of traditional services—and, unfortunately, in curtailing existing services until our situation improves. We can assure you that all this is being done with the needs of the community in mind, so that PPL can continue to maintain, in the challenging '70s, its nearly one hundred-year-old tradition of excellence.

Respectfully submitted,



F. Charles Taylor, Librarian

STATEMENT

Financial Operating Statement for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1971 and Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1972.

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1971	Budget Fiscal 1972
Receipts		
Grant from City of Providence	\$ 624,600	\$ 624,600
Grant from Providence Model Cities Agency	—	39,800
Grants from State of Rhode Island	268,607	276,000
Income from endowment	478,250	479,600
Income from trusts and rent	8,379	7,200
Overdue charges and other income	53,991	45,600
Contributions from friends of the Library	34,486	20,000
Total Receipts	<u>\$1,468,313</u>	<u>\$1,492,800</u>
Disbursements		
Salaries and related expenses	\$1,160,692	\$1,106,300
Purchases of books, periodicals and binding	155,410	184,800
Buildings and grounds	68,273	69,400
Supplies, furniture and equipment	58,716	56,300
Other operating expenses	53,746	76,000
Total Disbursements	<u>\$1,496,837</u>	<u>\$1,492,800</u>
(Deficit) Financed by withdrawal from Library's invested capital funds	<u>\$ (28,524)</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Building Development and Repair Fund		
Balance, June 30, 1970	\$ 42,645	
Receipts:		
Contribution toward fire loss	\$ 4,000	
Interest	489	
Total Receipts	<u>\$ 4,489</u>	
Disbursements:		
Fire reconstruction and alterations	\$ 40,769	
Other building projects	567	
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 41,336</u>	
Balance, June 30, 1971	<u>\$ 5,798</u>	

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