

2 Vinton Street  
Providence, RI 02909  
February 4, 1986

Hon. City Council  
City of Providence  
City Hall  
Providence, RI 02903

To Whom It May Concern;

This is to inform the Honorable City Council that I, Jane L. Mayerson, have been accepted as the preferred developer for land presently owned by the Providence Redevelopment Agency, and, with final approval by their Board of Directors, will purchase their land.

In support of this, I have requested a ruling from the Counsel for the Providence Housing Authority, my employer, regarding the possibility of Conflict of Interest. His letter informing me that there is no conflict is attached, along with an excerpt from the City Charter, the enabling legislation for the Housing Authority, and an excerpt from the Providence Redevelopment Agency legislation.

Sincerely,

  
Jane L. Mayerson


cc. Providence Redevelopment Agency

Enc.

IN CITY COUNCIL

FEB 20 1986

READ  
WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT  
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.

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165 Atwells Avenue  
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

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February 3, 1986

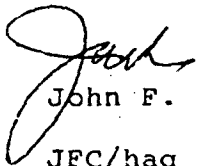
Jayne Mayerson  
Director of Development  
Housing Authority  
100 Broad Street  
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Ms. Mayerson:

I have considered your inquiry and have examined the documents which you submitted for review.

It is my opinion that no conflict of interest exists prohibiting your purchase of the two parcels of land within the West Broadway Project.

Sincerely,



John F. Cicilline

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DEPT. OF CITY CLERK  
PROVIDENCE, R. I.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Providence, R.I.

July 14, 1939.

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION  
ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 344 OF THE  
GENERAL LAWS OF 1938 (Formerly Chapter 2255, of  
the Public Laws, May Session, 1935).

I, J. HECTOR PAQUIN, Secretary of State, HEREBY  
CERTIFY that the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND, filed in this office the  
application for a Certificate of Incorporation as  
required by Section 4 of Chapter 344 of the General  
Laws of 1938 (formerly Chapter 2255 of the Public  
Laws, passed at the May Session, A.D. 1935) entitled

CHAPTER 344  
(Pub. Laws, 1935, Ch. 2255)

"THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITS POWERS AND DUTIES,  
AND THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY SUCH AUTHORITY.", and

I FURTHER CERTIFY that said application complied  
with all the provisions set forth in said chapter and

I HEREBY ISSUE this certificate incorporating THE  
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE  
ISLAND

(Seal)

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have  
hereunto set my hand and af-  
fixed the seal of the State  
of Rhode Island this four-  
teenth day of July, A.D.  
1939.

/s/ J. Hector Paquin,

Secretary of State

ing herein shall preclude the solicitation or acceptance of lawful contributions for election campaigns.

- (2) Accept any service or thing of value directly or indirectly upon more favorable terms than those granted to the public generally from any person, corporation or firm having dealings with the city.
- (3) Make available confidential information gained by reason of his or her office or position or use such information for the personal gain or benefit of anyone.
- (4) Solicit or receive any compensation for his or her services as an officer or employee of the city, except as otherwise provided by this Charter or by ordinance.
- (5) Represent private interests in any action or proceeding against the interests of the city or appear in behalf of private interests before any boards, commissions, authorities or agencies except as otherwise provided by law.

(c) [*State provisions adopted.*] All definitions of prohibited activities contained in state conflict of interest statutes, and the applications thereof as provided therein to elected and appointed officers of the city, their families and business associates, are hereby adopted and incorporated in this Charter and shall be enforceable to the full extent of state law, including but not limited to the obligation of such officers to file reports as required with the state conflict of interest commission.

(d) [*Disclosure of interests.*] Any elected or appointed officer or employee of the city who possessed or who acquires such interests as might tend to create a conflict with the public interest shall make full disclosure in writing to his appointing officer or in the case of a member of the city council, to the city council at any time such conflict occurs. Such disclosure statements shall be made a matter of public record and be filed with the city clerk for submission to the city council. The disclosure obligation created by this subsection shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, obligations incurred pursuant to state law.

#### **1207. Officers, defined.**

The term "officer" or "official" as used in this Charter shall refer to and include the mayor, the members of the city council and of the

school board, the members of all boards, commissions and authorities whose members are appointed by the mayor with or without city council approval and those appointed or elected by the city council, all department heads, deputy department heads and all persons serving in positions of whatever sort that are specifically established by the provisions of this Charter.

#### **1208. Oath of office; entry upon duties of office.**

(a) All officers of the city as defined in section 1205 of this article shall take and subscribe the following oath of office:

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the State of Rhode Island, and the Providence Home Rule Charter, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of such office to the best of my ability;"

and shall file such oath, duly certified by the officer before whom it was taken, in the office of the city clerk.

(b) Officers who are elected at regular or special city elections shall enter upon their duties as provided in section 202. Appointive officers and officers who are elected at other than regular city elections shall enter upon their duties within fifteen (15) days next following certification of their election or appointment. If any officer shall willfully neglect to take and subscribe his oath of office within said period of fifteen (15) days, the city council may by resolution in such case declare the office vacant, and such vacancy shall be filled as provided in this Charter.

#### **1209. Separability.**

The unconstitutionality or invalidity of any section or part thereof of this Charter shall not invalidate or impair the validity, force or effect of any other section or part thereof unless it clearly appears from the context that such other section or part thereof is wholly and necessarily dependent for its operation upon the section or part thereof held unconstitutional or invalid.

#### **1210. Residence requirement.**

All officers of the city as defined in section 1207 above, and all employees of the city and of any and all agencies and instrumentali-

Excerpt  
P R A legislation  
Prov. REDEVELOPMENT  
AGENCY

45-31-19. INTEREST OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN PROJECT AREA PROPERTIES.--No officer or employee of the community or of the agency who in the course of his duties is required to participate in the formulation of plans or policies for the redevelopment of a project area, or to approve such plans or policies, shall acquire any interest in any property included within a project area within the community. If any such officer or employee owns or has any financial interest direct or indirect, in any property included within such a project area he shall immediately disclose, in writing, such interest to the legislative body of the community and such disclosure shall be entered in the minutes of the agency and of the legislative body. Failure to so disclose such interest shall constitute misconduct in office. No payment shall be made to any member or officer of an agency for any property or interest therein acquired by the agency from such member or officer, unless the amount of such payment is fixed by court order in eminent domain proceedings, or unless such payment is unanimously approved by the legislative body.

45-31-20. ADMINISTRATIVE APPROPRIATIONS.--When the agency created for any community becomes authorized to transact business and exercise its powers, the legislative body of the community may at that time, and from time to time thereafter, make an estimate of the amount of money required for the administrative