

**THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE**  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

**No. 148**

EFFECTIVE ~~XXXXXX~~ **Approved** March 26, 2006


RESOLVED, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the  
installation of a "Four-Way Stop" Sign at Elmgrove Avenue and Irving Avenue.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAR 26 2006  
READ AND PASSED

  
PRES.

  
CLERK

Effective without the  
Mayor's Signature:

  
Anna M. Stetson  
City Clerk

IN CITY COUNCIL  
SEP 1 2006  
FIRST READING  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON  
PUBLIC WORKS  
Craig E. Bestwick Acting Clerk

THE COMMITTEE ON  
Public Works  
Recommends  
Ann M. Steen Clerk  
11-8-05 Cor 4

THE COMMITTEE ON  
PUBLIC WORKS  
Approves Passage of  
The Within Resolution  
Ann M. Steen Clerk  
3-7-06

Courageous and Willing (By Request)



## Department of Public Works

Traffic Engineering Division  
"Building Pride in Providence"

# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Anna Stetson, Office of the City Clerk  
**FROM:** E. Bernard Lebby, Traffic Engineer *EBL*  
**CC:** John D. Nickelson, PE, Director  
Councilman Terrance M. Hassett, Chairman, Committee on Public Work  
**DATE:** March 6, 2006  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution Requesting to explore the possibility of the installation of a "Four-Way STOP" at the intersection of Elmgrove Avenue and Irving Avenue.

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The office of Traffic Engineering has investigated the request for a 4-way STOP at the intersection of Irving Avenue and Elmgrove Avenue and has the following to offer:

### Existing conditions

- Presently there are STOP signs eastbound and westbound on Irving Ave.
- A review of the accident history shows a very limited number of right-angle accidents during the last five years. The right-angle accident history is as follows:

2004	2
2003	2
2002	0
2001	3
1999	1

The average is 1.6 over a five (5) year period.

Based on the information above, this intersection does not qualify for a four-way stop, according to the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices. The installation of a 4-way STOP at this intersection is **NOT** justified nor warranted.

*"...signs, if used to excess, tend to lose their effectiveness."*  
Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices