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No. 12 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, May 18, 1995, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.)

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

EVELYN V. FARGNOLI

IN CITY COUNCIL

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APPROVED:

*Michael R. Clement* CLERK

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Pro Tempore Fargnoli, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Igliozzi, Jackson, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins and Councilwomen Williams and Young—14.

Absent: Council President Petrosinelli—1.

## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCIL-  
WOMAN RITA M. WILLIAMS.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

COUNCILMAN JOHN H. ROLLINS leads  
the members of the City Council and the  
Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to  
the Flag of the United States of America.

## APPOINTMENT BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated April 25, 1995, Informing  
the Honorable Members of the City Council that  
pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home  
Rule Charter of 1980 and Public Laws, Chapter  
45-50, Sections 1 through 31, passed in 1987, he  
is this day reappointing Ms. Dianne Witman of  
64 Hazard Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as  
a Member of the Providence Public Building

Authority for a term expiring July, 2000 and  
respectfully submits the same for approval.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE  
FARGNOLI Refers the Communication to  
the Committee on Finance.**

**The motion to Refer, is Unanimously  
Sustained.**

## APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Communication dated May 10, 1995, informing the City Clerk of his appointment of seven (7) members to the Study Commission on the Water Supply Board in accordance with Resolution No. 292, approved April 30, 1995.

May 10, 1995

Michael Clement  
City Clerk  
City Hall  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. Clement:

Pursuant to Resolution No. 292, approved April 30, 1995, relative to the creation of a study commission on the Water Supply Board in the City of Providence, I am this day appointing:

—Council members: Josephine Joan DiRuzzo, Evelyn V. Fargnoli, and Peter S. Mancini

—Michael Lonardo, 274 Nelson Street, Providence

—Anthony Del Pico, 187 Flora Street, Providence

—Richard Rafanovic, Water Supply Board

—Thomas Massaro, Public Utilities Commission

Thank you for your consideration and if there is any need for question or further correspondence, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

JAMES A. PETROSINELLI  
Council President

**Received.**

## ORDINANCES SECOND READING

**The following Ordinances were in City Council May 9, 1995, Read and Passed the First Time, and are Severally Returned for Passage the Second Time:**

An Ordinance amending the City of Providence Zoning Ordinance Chapter 1994-24, approved June 27, 1994, as Amended.

*Section 1.* Chapter 1994-24, No. 365, approved June 27, 1994 shall be amended as follows (bold text indicates new language):

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*

1. *Section 101.3 — Downtown Zoning Districts*

— Delete last sentence, “This zone is for application in the downtown core.”, and replace with **See Downcity District Overlay Zone for additional regulations.**

2. *Section 101.7 — Overlay Zoning Districts — DD Downcity District.* Add new last sentence, as follows:

... are achieved. **This overlay zone’s boundary shall be the same as the D-1 District boundary as described in Section 101.3, generally encompassing the area bounded by Smith Street, North Main Street, South Water Street, Ship Street, Bassett Street, and Interstate 95. The D-1 zone north of Smith Street (bounded by Smith Street, Interstate 95, Orms Street, Charles Street and Mill Street) shall not be included in the DD Downcity District.**

3. *Section 205.2 — Change of Use — Break existing text into two subsections as follows:*

A) **All zones other than D zones — A building or structure nonconforming by parking ... existing language remains ... for the new use are provided.**

B) **D zones — All buildings within D Zones in existence, or completed in accordance with Section 1110 of this Ordinance, may be changed to a different use without providing additional parking.**

4. *Section 303 — Table of Use Regulations —*

a) For use code 14, D-1 zones, add new footnote 5: **5. See Section 502.2 for additional restrictions.**

b) Insert a new use code **15.9 Group Quarters/Halfway House**, and insert “N” for not permitted in every zone.

c) For use code 58, C-2 zones, change “Y” to “S”.

d) For use code 65, OS zones, change “N” to “S” and add new footnote 7: **7. The majority of communications and utility construction and equipment must be located below ground and have no negative impact on the use of the open space.**

5. *Section 306 — Dimensional Regulations — Downtown District:* In the column headed “D-1 and I-3,” add new footnote number “S” to the “maximum height” and “minimum lot area per rooming unit” categories.

6. *Section 306.1 — Footnotes for Dimensional Regulations — Downtown Districts —* Add new footnote 5: **5. Except if a bonus has been granted in accordance with section 502.7.**

7. *Section 409.6 — Requirements for Repairing and Washing Vehicles —* Amend text as follows:

Repairing shall be limited to ... *existing text remains*. . . engine tune-ups, **brake and muffler repair or replacement**, and similar type work ... *existing text remains to end*.

8. *Section 412 — Roof Structures*

a) Eliminate Section 412.1 (“Restrictions”). Renumber Section 412.2 (“Roof Structures permitted . . .”) as 412.1, and renumber Section 412.3 (“Structures Exempt. . .”) as 412.2.

b) Add new Section 412.3 as follows:

**412.3 — Roof Structure Setbacks and Screening:** It is intended that permitted roof structures shall not be visible from street level, as provided below:

A) For all buildings three (3) stories or more in height, all roof structures shall be set back from the edge of the roof a minimum distance of one (1) foot for every two (2) feet by which the structures extend above the roof.

B) For all buildings less than three (3) stories in height and for any building where roof structures cannot meet the setback requirement of 412.3(A), there shall be either a parapet wall to screen the roof structure, or the roof structure shall be housed in solid building material which shall be architecturally integrated with the building and which shall be counted as one story.

9. *Section 419.2 — Home Occupation* — Delete entire section and replace with the following:

**419.2 — Home Occupation:** One home occupation is permitted per dwelling unit by special use permit from the Board, provided that:

A) The home occupation is conducted entirely within a dwelling;

B) The home occupation is operated by the resident occupant(s) of the dwelling;

C) The home occupation is situated in the same dwelling as the primary residence of the occupant(s);

D) The residential character of such dwelling is not changed;

E) There shall not be more than one assistant worker who is not a resident of the dwelling;

F) There shall be no sale of goods, wares or merchandise on the premises;

G) No more than 50% of the gross floor area of the dwelling unit or 800 square feet, whichever is less, shall be used for the home occupation, including waiting areas for clients, patients, pupils or customers; and

H) Visits by clients, patients, pupils, or customers shall be limited to no more than two (2) at any given time, and such visits

shall be limited to hours between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.

Professionals who meet the above requirements may include lawyer, physician, dentist, psychologist, physical and mental health therapist, accountant, real estate or stock market broker, travel agent, insurance agent, architect, landscape architect, planner, engineer, interior designer, musician, artist, teacher, tailor/dressmaker, telemarketer and computer specialist.

Occupations not specifically listed above may be considered by the Board provided that such home occupation shall comply with items (A) through (F) above, shall not use more than 25% of the gross floor area of the dwelling unit or 400 square feet, whichever is less, and shall have no clients or visitors in connection with the occupation.

Occupations that are specifically excluded are hair dressers, barbers, manicurists, and tattooists, palm readers, tarot card readers, psychics and fortune tellers.

10. *Section 501.1 — Historic District Commission — Membership* — Delete and replace with new text as follows:

**501.1. Historic District Commission — Membership:** The Historic District Commission, hereinafter known as the HDC, shall be appointed in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws, Chapter 45-24.1-3, as amended.

11. *Section 502.1(A)(1) — Regulate Development in the Downcity District* — Break out last sentence into a new subsection (a) as follows:

a. Capital Center Special Development District. Any property located . . . existing language remains . . . Ordinances shall comply with the regulations herein pertaining to uses, height, signs, landscaping and park-

ing. properties in the Capital Center Special Development District shall be governed by the rules and regulations of the Capital Center Commission which it establishes from time to time pursuant to state law as well as the provisions of Section 504 of this ordinance. Until such time as the Capital Center Special Development District ceases to exist, properties in that District shall otherwise be exempt from the review process of the DRC established under this Section 502. . . . *delete remaining existing language to end of section.*

12. Section 502.1(A)(2) — *Waivers* — Amend text to read:

2. *Waivers*: Where specifically authorized by this Section, and in accordance with all requirements herein, the DRC may grant waivers to those regulations that carry out . . . *existing language remains . . .* of this Section. Waivers may be granted to those regulations governing parking garage uses, signs, parking lot landscaping, interior off-street loading, new construction and demolition. In granting a waiver, the DRC may . . . *existing language remains to end.*

13. *New Section 502.1(A)(4) — Incentives* — Add new subsection 4:

4. *Incentives*. The DRC is authorized to grant development incentives in the form of density bonuses, height bonuses, or transfers of development rights, in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

14. Section 502.1(C)(1) — *Quorum* — Amend text to read:

1. *Quorum*: Three (3) members shall constitute a quorum for reviewing applications for Certificates of Design Approval. Five (5) members shall constitute a quorum for business to be conducted before the DRC reviewing requests for waivers or for development incentives.

15. Section 502.1(C)(2) — *Required Vote* — Amend last sentence to read:

. . . The concurring vote of four (4) members shall be necessary to grant a waiver or a development incentive.

16. Section 502.1(C)(3) — *Public Hearing* — Amend text to read:

3. *Public Hearing*: The DRC shall hold a public hearing on any request for a waiver or development incentive in accordance with Article IX of this ordinance.

17. Section 502.1(C)(4) — *Record* — Insert new sentence after the phrase "Land Evidence Records of the City": No permit shall be issued until the waiver or development incentive is properly recorded in said Land Evidence Records. *Last sentence remains.*

18. Section 502.1(D)(2) — *Review* —

a) Insert new sentence following first sentence:

. . . and demolition. Such review shall be held during a regular meeting of the DRC open to the public, for which at least seven (7) days advance written notice has been given by first class mail to the applicant, property owner, abutting property owners, and all others requesting notice of the DRC's meetings.

b) Insert new phrase at end of what has now become the third sentence:

. . . and minor additions; staff reviews may be conducted without public notice.

19. Section 502.1(D)(5) — *Waivers* — Insert new text as follows:

5. *Waivers and Development Incentives*: Whenever an application requests a waiver to the regulations of this Section, or a development incentive in accordance with the regulations of this Section, a public hearing shall be held in conformance with Section 903 of this ordinance.

20. *Section 502.2(D)(7) — Appeals* — Delete all text and substitute new text as follows:

**7. Appeals** — A person or persons jointly or severally aggrieved by a decision of the DRC shall have the right to appeal the decision to the Board, and a further right of appeal from the Board to the Supreme Court by writ of certiorari. The concurrent vote of four (4) members of the Board shall be required for any decision upon said appeal. Said appeal shall be claimed within twenty (20) days following the issuance of a written determination by the DRC on any plan or petition submitted to it or any revisions thereof. When hearing appeals from DRC decisions, the Board shall not substitute its own judgement for that of the DRC, but must consider the issue upon the findings and record of the DRC. The Board shall not reverse a DRC decision except on a finding of prejudicial procedural error, clear error, or lack of support by the weight of the evidence on the record. The Board shall file a written decision explaining the basis of each decision for the record, and the Board shall send a copy of the decision to the applicant and to the DRC. The filing fee and the filing procedure for an appeal of the decision of the DRC shall be the same as that for an appeal of the decision of the Director.

21. *Section 502.2(A) — Downcity District — General Regulations — Uses* — Insert new text after first sentence, as follows: . . . in the District.

The intent of this section is to regulate some general uses more strictly in the Downcity District than may otherwise be provided by section 303. The DRC may grant waivers only for uses as indicated in Table 502.2; other uses are governed by section 303, with special use permits and variances to be granted by the Board. To determine . . . existing language to remain to end.

22. *Section 502.2(C) — Signs* —

a) In Subsection (1), add new sentence to end of paragraph:

. . . parking uses. Such signs shall only identify parking locations and rates, and shall not associate the parking use with an individual business name other than the name of the parking use operator.

b) Delete Subsection (2) and the paragraph following it (“The maximum area . . . of this Ordinance.”).

c) Amend Table of dimensional requirements: change projecting sign’s projection over public ROW from 0 feet to 6 feet.

d) Insert amended Table into new Subsection (2) as follows:

**2. The maximum area of any individual sign shall be limited as follows:**

Sign type	Area Sq. Ft.	Height Feet	Setback Feet	Projection Over Public ROW - Feet
Canopy	2/1' of building frontage			
Freestanding(1)	48 sq. ft.	18 feet	—	unrestricted
Projecting	48 sq. ft.	30 feet	0	6
Roof	128 sq. ft.	12' above roof	0	0
Wall	2/1' of building frontage	—	—	1.25 feet

(1) Only one freestanding sign is permitted per frontage.

The DRC may grant waivers from these requirements in a D-1 zone.

23. *Section 502.5 — Demolition* — Amend text to read:

*502.5 — Demolition of Structures on A Streets:* IN order to preserve the urban fabric that is created by the existing building stock on A Streets, and those significant historic buildings designated on the Overlay Zoning Maps, no building fronting on an A Street or designated on the Overlay Zoning Maps of the Downcity District, no building shall be demolished until the DRC has granted a waiver to demolish the building.

24. *Section 502.5(A)(2) — Review of Application* — Add new sentence to end:

... approvals are received. The DRC shall review the proposed new construction using standards herein for A streets or B Streets, as applicable.

25. *Section 502.6 — Downtown Educational Institutions (I-3)* — Delete existing section and replace with new text as follows:

*502.6 — Higher Educational Institutions:* When a higher educational institution is located in the D-1 Zone, the Institutional Master Plan, in addition to meeting the requirements of Section 503, shall identify A street properties and Retail Frontages designated in the Downcity District.

A) *Institutional Master Plan — Additional Requirements:* An Institutional Master Plan for an higher educational institution located in a D-1 District may identify in narrative form and with illustrations:

1. proposed major alterations to existing buildings on A streets, describing how such proposals will address the A street and Retail Frontage regulations;

2. proposed new construction on A or B streets, describing the height, massing, setbacks, siting, and exterior materials.

B) *Institutional Master Plan Approval:* An institutional master plan which addresses the Additional Requirements identified in (A) above shall be referred to the DRC for review once the plan is determined by the staff of the Commission to be complete in accordance with section 503.4. The DRC shall review the plan to determine if the information provided is sufficient and adequate to meet the requirements of sections 502.2 through 502.4, inclusive. The DRC shall have forty-five (45) days, from the date of the Commission's written confirmation that the Master Plan is complete, to review the Master Plan. Failure to act within this 45 days shall be equivalent to a recommendation for approval. After the 45 days, the Master Plan and DRC recommendation shall be submitted to the commission in accordance with Section 503.4 for review of conformance with the comprehensive plan. The Commission, in approving the Master Plan and the Additional Requirements, may take into consideration the DRC recommendations and may approve in whole or may approve portions of the plan. An approved copy of the Master Plan with Additional Requirements shall be submitted to the Director.

C) *Application for Building Permit:* The Director shall issue no building permit for a higher educational institution in the D-1 zone until the DRC has approved the plans in accordance with this section. However, if an approved Master Plan addresses the Additional Requirements noted in (A) above and meets other applicable requirements of this ordinance, the Director shall issue a building permit without further review by the DRC as follows:

1. Existing Buildings: A building permit shall be issued if the Director determines

that the proposed alteration is in accordance with the approved Master Plan.

2. **New construction:** A building permit shall be issued for foundations and structural steel if the Director determines that the items listed in (A)(2) above are in accordance with the approved Master Plan. However, no building permit shall be issued for the remainder of the building until the DRC has approved the plans in accordance with this section.

26. *Section 502.7(B) — Incentives — General* — Add 2 new subsections to read:

1. All requests for development incentives must be reviewed at a public hearing in accordance with section 903 of this ordinance.

2. The DRC may consider the physical changes required to the building or site if the incentive is granted, including interior alterations that affect the exterior appearance and character of the property, and may impose any conditions necessary to mitigate the visual impact of such changes, in accordance with the design regulations of this Section.

27. *Section 503.4(C) (3) — Institutional Master Plan — Plan Contents* — amend text as follows:

3. A list of properties on the National Register of Historic Places or designated in a local historic district, and proposed exterior changes to these properties (other than ordinary maintenance as defined in section 501.6 herein), if known.

28. *New Section 504 — Capital Center Special Development District* — Add new text as follows:

**504 — Capital Center Special Development District:** The Capital Center Special Development District created in accordance with Section 2-361 through 365 of the City code of ordinances and state law is established

to govern in a coordinated manner the development of the capital Center District, including, implementation of special land use controls, proper urban planning, developmental tools and implementation and administration of the Plan of Development which sets forth design and development criteria, regulations and enforcement procedures. Said Plan of Development is subject to those criteria, regulations and enforcement procedures as well as the provisions of this ordinance.

**504.1 — Capital Center Commission:** The Capital Center Commission (CCC), created in accordance with section 2-364 of the city Code of Ordinances, is established to carry out the purpose of the capital Center Special Development District. In addition to the design review process established by the CCC pursuant to state statute, all development in the District shall be reviewed to determine its conformance to the provisions of this section.

A) *Powers and Duties of the CCC:* In addition to those powers granted to the CCC pursuant to Title 45, chapter 24.4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, the CCC shall have the following additional powers and duties:

1. *Regulate Development in the Capital Center Special Development District:* The CCC shall be authorized to regulate all improvements on public and private land in the Capital Center special Development District, including the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, demolition, removal, rehabilitation of the exterior of new and existing buildings and appurtenances pursuant to the authority granted under this Section 504 and in a manner not otherwise inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance.

2. *Waivers:* Where specifically noted by this Section, and in accordance with all

requirements herein, the CCC may grant waivers that carry out the purpose of the Capital Center Special Development District, are in harmony with the general purposes and intent of these regulations, and are in accordance with the requirements of this Section. Waivers may be granted to those regulations governing building height, setback, signs, landscaping and parking. In granting a waiver, the CCC may impose such conditions deemed necessary to carry out the purpose of this section.

3. *Adoption of Rules:* The CCC shall adopt and publish all rules necessary to carry out its functions under the provisions of this section.

4. *Incentives:* The CCC is authorized to grant development incentives in the form of density bonuses, height bonuses, or transfers of development rights, in accordance with the provisions of Section 502.7 of this ordinance.

**504.2 — Capital Center Special Development District — General Regulations**

A) *Plan of Development:* In accordance with section 2-364 of the City code of ordinances, the CCC shall adopt a Plan of Development to regulate the type of development, use, height, setback, size, design, and parking in the District. The provisions of this ordinance shall be minimum standards for the Plan of Development. The Plan of Development may contain a parking plan that establishes a minimum number of parking spaces for each parcel in the District and permits the required parking for any use to be supplied in public or private parking garages or lots on any parcel in the District.

B) *Zoning Requirements:* All development in the District must conform to the provisions of this Ordinance.

C) *Waivers:* The CCC may, after holding

a public hearing in accordance with the provisions of section 903, grant waivers as follows:

1. *Building Height:* The CCC may grant a waiver to permit a building height increase of up to 30% of the permitted height specified by zoning.

2. *Signs:* To permit maximum flexibility in the location and type of signs requested, the CCC may grant a waiver for location, the maximum area of the size of a sign on a building (but not the maximum total area of all signs on a building), illumination and materials.

3. *Landscaping:* The CCC may grant a waiver to the landscaping provisions of this ordinance. In granting a request for a waiver, the CCC must find that the proposed landscaping meets or exceeds the intent of this regulation, and that the proposed landscaping is found to better address the needs of the development proposal.

4. *Parking:* The CCC may, if it has not adopted a parking plan, grant a waiver to permit parking required by this ordinance to be supplied in public or private parking garages or lots in the district. The CCC may grant a waiver to permit a reduction of up to of the required number of parking spaces per parcel.

5. *Setbacks:* The CCC may grant a waiver to permit 20% of the building frontage to be set back from the street line or left open to form a courtyard. A waiver may also be granted for construction on a lot with a curved frontage, so that the building follows the chord or the tangent rather than the curve of the lot line. A waiver may also be granted where nonconforming setbacks exist on adjacent buildings.

29. *Section 602.1 — Governmental Signs —*  
Add new text after last sentence, as follows:

... by law. Signs erected on government facilities to advertise non-governmental tenants shall be subject to the provisions of sections 603 through 609 inclusive.

30. *New Section 604.8 — Banner Sign* — Add new section:

**604.8 — Banner Sign:** Banners (including pennants and flags) may be considered either as wall signs, projecting signs or roof signs, depending on their placement, and the relevant dimensional requirements in section 607 will apply for each zone. Banners erected across a public right of way are not permitted except on a temporary basis as defined in section 602.6.

31. *Section 605.5 — Maximum Permitted Sign Area* — Delete entire section and replace with the following:

In all Zones, other than R, OS, PS, RP, I-1 and I-2 Zones, the maximum permitted area for signs shall be based on the building frontage as provided in sections 607.3, 607.4 and 607.5. The following additional requirements shall apply:

A) Buildings with more than one tenant or owner — Each tenant's or owner's sign shall be based on the building frontage of each individual tenant space, as long as the total area of all signs on the building does not exceed the total allowable.

B) Buildings on lots that front two or more streets — The total sign area shall be calculated by the building frontage of only one (1) street, said street to be selected by the owner or tenant. Once a sign has been approved by the Director, the owner or tenant may change the frontage calculation only upon written notice to the Director and

agrees to remove any nonconforming signs that may exist at the time of the request.

C) Any drive-in business that has a booth for employees only with no public access — street frontage shall be used to calculate maximum sign area. For corner lots or lots that front on two or more streets, only one (1) street may be used to calculate sign area, said street to be selected by the owner or tenant. Once a sign has been approved by the Director, the owner or tenant may change the frontage calculation only upon written notice to the Director and agrees to remove any nonconforming signs that may exist at the time of the request.

32. *Section 607.3 — Signs in C-1, C-2 and W-1 Zones* — Amend text as follows:

*The maximum total area ... existing text remains ... in this calculation. All signs may be illuminated externally or internally, except that internally illuminated signs are not permitted in HD overlay zones. The maximum area ... existing text remains to end.*

33. *Section 607.5 — D-1 and D-2 Zones* — Delete and replace with subsections A and B as follows:

(A) D-1 Zones: See section 502.2C for sign regulations for D-1 zones.

(B) D-2 zones: The maximum total area of all signs on a facade shall not exceed three (3) square feet per one (1) lineal foot of building frontage. Window signs shall not be included in the above calculation. Such signs may be externally illuminated and shall be made of metal, painted wood or other painted similar material (no plastic). Signs shall be placed on the building so as not to obscure architectural featured and detail. Permitted sign types are indicated below.

Sign type	Area Sq. Ft.	Height Feet	Setback Feet	Projection Over Public ROW - Feet
Canopy	2'/1' of building frontage			
Freestanding(1)1	48 sq. ft.	18 feet	—	unrestricted
Projecting	48 sq. ft.	30 feet	0	0 6
Roof	128 sq. ft.	12' above roof	0	0
Wall	2'/1' of building frontage	—	—	1.25 feet

(1) Only one freestanding sign is permitted per frontage.

34. *Section 703.2 — Parking in All Other Zones* — Add the following to the Table 1.0 Residential, USE CODE 11 through 14, under the column heading "Parking Spaces," after "1.5 per dwelling unit: "except for Use Code 14, when the structure is developed for elderly or handi-capped individuals: 1 parking space per dwelling unit.

35. *Section 705.6(E) — Landscaping — D Zones* — Delete and replace as follows:

E) D Zones:

1. D-1 Zones — See section 502.2 for landscaping requirements.

2. D-2 Zones — Parking areas shall provide one shade tree for every forty (40) feet of frontage. A landscape strip of at least three (3) feet in width shall be provided between parking lots and any adjacent public street, walk or right of way. A landscape strip at least three (3) feet wide shall also be provided between a parking lot and any contiguous property; the strip shall contain one shade tree for every 50 feet of interior lot lines. A hedge of compact evergreens or other suitable plantings may be substituted for the planted strip.

36. *Section 707 — Special Use Permit — Parking* — Amend text as follows:

The Board may grant by special use permit, pursuant to Section 904 902 of this ordinance, the following:

37. *Section 707.1 — Modification of Requirements* — Amend text as follows:

Any requirements in this Article with the exception of Section ~~707.5~~ 707.2 may, . . . existing text remains to end.

38. *Section 708.2 — Required Loading Spaces/ Use Codes 3.0 through 8.0* — Delete existing text in column labelled "Loading Spaces" and insert new text as follows:

1 loading space for 10,000 sq. ft. to 50,000 sq. ft. of GFA and 1 additional space for every 50,000 sq. ft. GFA or fraction thereof in excess of 50,000 sq. ft.

39. New Section 1000.18 — Automotive Repair Shop — Add amended definition relocated from Section 1000.73.

*1000.18 — Automotive Repair Shop* — A building or portion of a building, in which major repairs (such as replacment of

engines, replacement of transmissions, body work and glass work) are made to vehicles.

40. *New Section 1000.19 — Automotive Service Station* — Add amended definition relocated from Section 1000.74:

**1000.19 — Automotive Service Station** — A building or portion of a building in which minor automotive repairs or services are performed; fuel, oil, batteries and accessories are sold; grease racks, elevators and tire mounting devices are employed; but excluding automobile body repairing and painting and automotive body parts.

141. *Section 1000.18 — B Streets* — Change section number, delete existing definition and insert new definition as follows:

**1000.20 — B street:** Any lot in the Down-city District (DD) overlay zone not designated as an A street lot on the overlay Zoning Maps.

42. *New Section 1000.21 — Banner* — Add new definition:

**1000.21 — Banner (also Flag, Pennant):** A strip of soft natural or synthetic fabric placed on or attached to any building, structure or site by means of brackets, flagpoles, wires or the like. Banners, pennants and flags bearing lettering, emblems, figures, logos or graphics intended as advertisement, announcement, direction or communication shall be considered signs and regulated in accordance with Article VI, excepting only the flags of any local, state or national government.

43. *Sections 1000.19 (Basement) and 1000.20 (Bed and Breakfast)* — renumber as 1000.22 and 1000.23, respectively.

44. *Section 1000.21 — Billboard* — Change Section number to 1000.24 and the word “pre-mises” to “lot.”

45. *Sections 1000.22 (Block Frontage) through 1000.30 (Building Frontage)* — renumber as 1000.25 through 1000.33.

46. *Section 1000.31 — Building Height* — Renumber as 1000.34 and delete last sentence.

47. *Sections 1000.32 (Building, principal) through 1000.72 (Garage, private)* — Renumber as 1000.35 through 1000.75.

48. *Section 1000.73 — Garage Repairshop* — Delete.

49. *Section 1000.74 — Gasoline Service Station* — Delete.

50. *Section 1000.75 — Grade* — Renumber as 1000.76.

51. *New Section 1000.77 — Group Quarter* — Add new definition:

**1000.77 — Group Quarter:** A dwelling unit in which individuals requiring supervision are provided living, sleeping, cooking, eating and sanitation facilities.

52. *Sections 1000.76 (HDC) through 1000.109 (Permitted Use)* — Renumber as 1000.78 through 1000.111.

53. *New Section 1000.112 — Religious Housing* — Add new definition:

**1000.112 — Religious Housing** — residence for the clergy of a religious institution chartered by the state of Rhode Island; also a convent (religious community of nuns) or monastery (religious community of monks).

54. *Sections 1000.110 (Removal) through 1000.150 (Zoning Use Districts)* — Renumber as 1000.113 through 1000.153.

55. *Appendix A* — Amend as follows:

15.5 — Religious Housing and Convent —

**Residence for clergy of a religious organization; also a religious community of nuns (convent) or monks (monastery).**

**15.7 — Group Quarters, With No Medical or Substance Abuse Treatment, More than 8 Residents (transitional living)**

**not a halfway house (not permitted in R zones)**

**15.8 — Group Quarters, With Medical or Substance Abuse Treatment — Maximum 15 residents (transitional living).**

**not a halfway house**

**New 15.9 — Halfway House**

**a residential facility for adults or children who have been institutionalized for criminal conduct and who require a group setting to facilitate the transition to a functional member of society.**

**24.4 — Drug or Alcohol Rehabilitation —**

**non-residential facility not owned by or operated . . .**

**45 — Repair Service —**

**automobile service station and gas retail, garage . . .”**

*Section 2. Amend Section 103(B) of Chapter 1994-24, No. 365, approved June 27, 1994 (Providence Overlay Zoning District Map) by extending the Downcity Overlay District into Overlay Zoning District Map 10, Lots 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 37, 38, 40, 45, 50, 552, 585, 680, 39, 43, 44, and 355; and into Overlay Zoning District Map 12, Lots 1, 7, 8, 15, 16, 17, and 24. In addition, the following Overlay Zoning Map corrections are proposed for the Downcity District:*

**A. Overlay Zoning District Map 4:**

**1. Change from A Streets to B Streets: Lots 149, 150, 151, 153, 155, 159, 193, 195, 196, 245.**

**2. New Retail Frontage: Lot 213.**

**B. Overlay Zoning District Map 10:**

**1. New A Streets and Retail Frontages: Lots 30, 31, 32, 33, 37, 38, 40, 45, 50, 552, 585.**

**2. New A Streets: Lots 39, 43, 44.**

**3. New B Street: Lots 35, 355, 680.**

**C. Overlay Zoning District Map 12:**

**1. New A Streets: Lots 1, 7, 8, 15, 16, 17, 24.**

**D. Overlay Zoning District Map 19:**

**1. New Retail Frontages: Lots 20, 42, 49, 50, 110, 111, 116, 117, 127, 128, 129, 130.**

**E. Overlay Zoning District Map 20:**

**1. New A Streets: Lots 1, 2, 5, 31, 35, 71, 72, 76, 100, 105, 111, 171, 205, 301, 343, 363, 365, 368.**

**2. New Retail Frontage: Lot 369.**

**3. Change from A Street to B Street: Lots 117, 138, 143, 161.**

**F. Overlay Zoning District Map 24:**

**1. New A Streets: Lots 555, 601, 615, 630.**

**G. Overlay Zoning District Map 25:**

**1. Delete as Retail Frontages: Lots 152, 154.**

**2. New A Streets: Lots 293, 305, 354.**

**3. New Retail Frontages: Lots 322, 323, 354.**

*Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.*

An Ordinance amending the City of Providence Zoning Ordinance Chapter 1994-24, No. 365, approved June 27, 1994, as follows: To amend Section 103 — Official Zoning Map by changing the zoning district designation on the Providence Zoning District Map 13, Lots 45 and 235 from R-3 Three Family to a C-2 General Commercial as amended.

*Be it Ordained by the City of Providence:*

Section 1. Chapter 1994-24, No. 365, approved June 27, 1994 shall be amended as follows:

SECTION 103 — Official Zoning Map, by changing the zoning designation on Providence Zoning District Map 13, Lots 45 and 235 from R-3 Three Family Residential to C-2 General Commercial.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO by the following Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fagnoli, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Iglizzo, Jackson, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—14.**

**Noes: None.**

**Absent: Council President Petrosinelli—1.**

**The motion for Passage the Second Time, is Unanimously Sustained.**

## PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCE

**COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG, COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI:**

An Ordinance providing for the restriction subsequent elimination of Tobacco Advertisements within Five Hundred Feet (500') of Health-care, Social Service Agencies, Public Libraries,

Educational Buildings, Religious Institutions and Recreational Areas.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Ordinance.**

**The motion to Refer, is Unanimously Sustained.**

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

### COUNCILMAN CLARKIN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Charlesfield Street, between Hope Street and Brook Street, and "No Parking" Signs on either side on Sunday, May 14, 1995 between the hours of 11:00 o'clock A.M. to Monday, May 15, 1995 at 1:30 o'clock P.M. for a Memorial Service to honor Police Officers killed in the line of duty.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Charlesfield Street, between Hope Street and Brook Street, and "No Parking" Signs on either side on Sunday, May 14, 1995 between the hours of 11:00 o'clock A.M. to Monday, May 15, 1995 at 1:30 o'clock P.M. for a Memorial Service to honor Police Officers killed in the line of duty.

### COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO and COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI:

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Laurel Hill Avenue, between Hillhurst Avenue and Magdalene Street on Saturday, May 20, 1995 between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. to 3:00 o'clock P.M. in order to celebrate Saint Bartholomew's School "Meadow Muffin Day".

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Laurel Hill Avenue, between Hillhurst Avenue and Magdalene Street on Saturday, May 20, 1995 between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. to 3:00 o'clock P.M. in order to celebrate Saint Bartholomew's School "Meadow Muffin Day".

### COUNCILMAN GLAVIN (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Francis Street, Gaspee Street and Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Bridge on Sunday, July 23, 1995 between the hours of 7:00 o'clock A.M. to 6:00 o'clock P.M. to accommodate the Annual Pro-Am Cycling Event.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Francis Street, Gaspee Street and Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Bridge on Sunday, July 23, 1995 between the hours of 7:00 o'clock A.M. to 6:00 o'clock P.M. to accommodate the Annual Pro-Am Cycling Event.

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI, COUNCILMAN ALLEN, COUNCILMAN CLARKIN, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN MANCINI, COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN, COUNCILMAN ROLLINS, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and COUNCIL WOMAN YOUNG:

Resolution Congratulating Ambassador Joseph R. Paolino, Jr. upon the occasion of the celebration of his 40th birthday.

*Resolved*, That the Providence City Council Members extend their congratulations to Ambassador Joseph R. Paolino, Jr., upon the occasion of the celebration of his 40th birthday.

**COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (By Request):**

trees located along Blackstone Park and along the Park Trails to be cut back.

Resolution requesting the Forestry Division of the Parks Department to cause those trees located along Blackstone Park and along the Park Trails to be cut back.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO.**

*Resolved,* That the Forestry Division of the Parks Department is requested to cause those

**The motion for Passage, is Unanimously Sustained.**

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES  
COUNCILMAN ROBERT M. CLARKIN, Chairman  
COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYEES'  
RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

**Transmits the following with Recommendation the same be approved:**

Resolution that the City Council endorses and urges passage of House Bill 95-H 6212 and Senate Bill 95-S 0581 relating to Retirement and Disability benefits both introduced on behalf of the General Treasurer in order to promote sound Statewide Public Policy in the granting and monitoring of Disability Pensions.

*Whereas,* An offset has been in place since 1936 for all state employees, since 1948 for all teachers in Rhode Island and since 1951 for all municipal employees enrolled in the state retirement system; and

*Whereas,* Disability pensions are designed to make whole those municipal employees injured on the job, thereby safeguarding a standard of living that would otherwise be reduced through no fault of their own; and

*Whereas,* The City of Providence and other cities and towns that operate their own retirement systems currently do not have offsets in place for those who are employed subsequent to being granted a disability pension, thereby causing extreme fiscal stress on municipal budgets and providing too great an incentive for municipal employees to seek a disability pension; and

*Whereas,* The obligation to make municipal employees whole should be offset against income earned when those employees are capable of supporting themselves through alternative employment; and

*Whereas,* Statewide action is needed to create a uniform rule in this important area for all public employees in Rhode Island; and

*Whereas,* There are currently two identical bills

in the Rhode Island House and the Senate that would offset a disability pension if that pension, when added to employment earnings, exceeds what the disability recipient would have earned had he/she stayed on the job; and

*Whereas*, Such a rule would allow a disability recipient to obtain a part-time job with no offset taking place, and would allow the recipient to earn a small amount more each year as the salary of the job the recipient left increases; and

*Whereas*, The bills in the General Assembly specifically require that those benefits due to widows or other beneficiaries of disability recipients shall not in any way be reduced by the application of such an offset provision.

*Now, therefore, be it Resolved*, That the City of Providence hereby supports 95-H 6216 and 95-S 0581, Relating to Retirement and Disability Benefits, both introduced on behalf of the General Treasurer, in order to promote sound, statewide public policy in the granting and monitoring of disability pensions.

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO.**

**The motion for Passage, is Unanimously Sustained.**

**COUNCILWOMAN JOSEPHINE DiRUZZO, Chairwoman  
COMMITTEE ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT,  
RENEWAL AND PLANNING**

**Transmits the following with recommendation the same be severally adopted:**

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1980-27 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence approved May 3, 1980 and entitled: "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Charles Street Renewal Project" for the extension of the Project Boundary and for Additional Acquisition.

Lot 83 on Plat 107, Lot 190 on Plat 112 and Lot 275 on Plat 114.

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1982-15 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence approved March 26, 1982 and entitled: "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Hartford Avenue Renewal Project" for the acquisition of

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1983-4 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence approved February 18, 1983 and entitled: "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Silver Lake Revitalization Project" for the acquisition of Lot 460 on A.P. 108.

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1984-17 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence approved March 9, 1984 and entitled: "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Upper South Providence Revitalization Project" for additional acquisition.

**COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO by the following Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Council President Pro Tempore Fagnoli, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Iglizzo, Jackson, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—14.

**Noes:** None.

**Absent:** Council President Petrosinelli—1.

An Ordinance amending Section 20-2 of Chapter 20 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled: "Redevelopment Areas" as amended.

**The motion for Passage the First Time, is Unanimously Sustained.**

**Read and Passed the First Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by**

**Transmits with following with Recommendation the same be approved:**

Resolution Authorizing the City of Providence, Rhode Island to file a Consolidated Plan and Annual Funding Statement under the Housing and Community Development Act.

and will also receive \$1,800,000 in funding from the HOME Investment Partnership program, and

*Whereas,* The City of Providence is interested in the continuation of the Community Development Block Grant, the HOME Investment Partnership and the Emergency Shelter Grant programs in its neighborhoods, and

*Whereas,* The Statement of Consolidated Plan Annual Plan shall be filed with the Boston Regional Office of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development as soon as possible,

*Whereas,* These programs provide funding to important programs in the areas of housing, public facilities expansion, rehabilitation, human services to the homeless and economic development, and

*Now, Therefore,* The City Council of the City of Providence, State of Rhode Island, hereby authorizes the City of Providence through its official representative, the Mayor, to file such Statement of Consolidated Plan and Funding with the Boston Regional Office of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the purpose of obtaining Community Development Block Grant entitlement funds.

*Whereas,* The City of Providence, Rhode Island is eligible to receive Community Development Block Grant entitlement funds in the 21st Program Year beginning July 1, 1995 and ending June 30, 1996 under Section 106 (a) and (h) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987 in the amount of \$7,960,000 and will also receive \$280,000 in Emergency Shelter Grant resources for support of homeless services

City of Providence's

Consolidated Plan for 1995

Citizen's Summary

The City of Providence's Consolidated Plan

represents a new process required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that replaces all current HUD required planning and application requirements for the following formula programs: Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) and Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG). The 1995 plan represents a strategic vision for housing and community development in Providence. This summarizes that plan so that Providence residents and others can have a quick overview of Providence's housing and community development problems; the 5-year broad goals, strategies, and actions proposed to deal with those problems; and the specific projects proposed for 1995 to carry out this strategy, along with maps showing the location of most of these projects and how they relate to neighborhood needs.

#### Goals

Elimination of slums and blight, elimination of conditions that are detrimental to health, safety and public welfare, conservation and expansion of the nation's housing stock, expansion and improvement of the quality and quantity of community services, better utilization of land and other natural resources, reduction of the isolation of income groups within communities and geographical areas, restoration and preservation of properties of special values and alleviation of physical and economic distress.

#### Action Plan

The Consolidated Plan also includes an Action Plan constituting an application for funds under three different HUD formula programs (including allocations from prior years) for a total of \$10,040,000 : Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) \$7,960,000 The Emergency Shelter Grants Program (ESG) \$280,000 and the HOME Investments Partnership Program \$1,800,000. These funds, plus \$720,000 in income to the city from prior projects and local funds will support the activities to be funded for the 1995 program year (July 19, 1995 to June 30, 1996).

#### Citizen Participation

Elements of the plan were developed with active citizen participation. The plan is a reflection of various on going planning and community development initiatives that have encouraged community input. These initiatives include the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy, Providence 2000 (City of Providence Comprehensive Plan), the Providence Plan's Provision (a Community-Based strategic Plan for Providence), the United Way's Needs for the Nineties A Human Services Agenda) and the Providence Housing Authority's Comprehensive Plan (Comprehensive Grant Program).

In regard to this specific plan two public hearings were held. A public information session was held first on December 20 at the Department of Planning and Development followed by a public hearing on March 14, 1995 at City Hall to give information and to obtain the views of citizens, public agencies and other interested parties in regard to the proposed submission of the Consolidated Plan. The second public meeting was held on May 16 at City Hall to give information and take comments on the proposed draft Consolidated Plan. The draft Consolidated Plan will be made available on or about May 22, 1995 for public review at the City of Providence's Department of Planning and Development, the Providence Public Library and the City's thirteen community centers. The City will take comments (thirty day comment period) on the final draft of the Consolidated Plan from May 25, 1995 to June 25, 1995. The final draft was available at the City of Providence's Department of Planning and Development, the Providence Public library and the City's thirteen community centers. The two public hearings, and availability of first and final plan drafts and the thirty day comment period were or will be advertised in the Providence Journal and other newspapers that serve minority groups.

#### COMMUNITY PROFILE

Providence is the Capitol city of the State of

Rhode Island and the State's leading center of employment. Providence's economy is today largely driven by the services sector, with services employment concentrated primarily in the areas of health care, education, banking and insurance, and business services. In 1992, less than one out of five jobs were in manufacturing (17,445 manufacturing jobs versus 48,044 other jobs).

Providence with a population of 160,727 (1990 census) has become one of the most racially and ethnically diverse cities in the country. Providence is home to a sizable population of Black, Hispanic nine nationalities) and Asian (five nationalities) residents. According to the 1990 census almost one in five residents was foreign born. The Providence Public School Department reports that more than 80 different languages are spoken in the homes of its growing student population of 21,852 (1993).

Providence's population is increasing and becoming younger and poorer. In 1990 the median age of the Providence population was 29.4 years, a slight decline from 1980. The fastest growing age group was persons under five years old (27%) and the sharpest decline in an age group was for persons between the ages 55 and 64 (-32%). According to the 1990 census, the median family income for Providence residents was \$28,342 which is 28% lower than the State's median income of \$39,172. Nearly one quarter of all Providence residents have an annual income below the poverty rate. In 1990 one of every three persons living in poverty in the state of Rhode Island lived in Providence.

Providence is comprised of 24 neighborhoods that ring the downtown business center. Providence is proud of its rich ethnic and cultural heritage that distinguishes its neighborhoods. Providence's neighborhoods are primarily residential with detached woodframe housing built before 1940. Providence has 66,794 units of year round housing. Most of the residential units are in one to three family type homes with approximately 25% single family and 55% two to four family structures.

## HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS

The needs section of the Consolidated Plan outlines the extent of need by various groups for housing and community development assistance in the City of Providence.

### Housing

Providence is clearly a city where a disproportionate number of its residents earn far below the State and National median family income standards. In addition, more than 23% of the city's residents have incomes below the poverty level and over 18% of Providence's families have incomes below the poverty level. Providence's housing stock is old and expensive to maintain. Unfortunately many Providence property owner's and tenants do not have sufficient incomes to generate the necessary cash flow to maintain and or upgrade their homes to acceptable standards.

It is estimated that 25% of the residential housing stock containing 17,000 living units is in below average condition. Approximately 6000 residential structures in the city (primarily three family homes) are in below average condition with many needing substantial renovation work.

There are currently 700 abandoned residential properties in the city. The abandoned houses are found throughout Providence's neighborhoods but are primarily concentrated in the poorest neighborhoods closest to downtown in the city's Southside and eastern neighborhoods.

According to the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation the family income needed to pay the average rent in Providence was approximately \$22,120 while the median renter income was \$17,599. In 1989 the average purchase price of a home in Providence was \$122,586 while the income needed to purchase a home in the City was \$48,704. At the same time, the median income of Providence residents was only \$28,208. It is obvious that there are significant gaps in housing affordability.

Among the needy groups are renters in sub-standard units, property owners with insufficient cash flow to make repairs, first time homebuyers who can't meet downpayment requirements, elderly households, female headed households, immigrant households, the frail elderly and persons with disabilities.

There is a need for a continuum of housing with varying degrees of supportive services for persons with HIV/AIDS.

#### Homeless needs

The 1990 Census counted a total of 1,758 persons in the City who were sheltered homeless. Data from the Rhode Island Emergency Food Board-Homeless Project indicate that 1,908 total unduplicated clients were given emergency shelter by participating shelter providers. A report (1993) by the Travelers Aid Society of Rhode Island counted 3,693 homeless clients in the City but it is not known whether all the homeless clients received shelter.

Despite an initial response of treating the problem of homelessness as an emergency, many "emergency" programs have become institutionalized responses. The length of stay in emergency shelters has lengthened; in some cases, emergency shelters have become defacto transitional housing facilities. A recent trend is emerging among shelter providers to move away from shelters toward longer term solutions such as interim housing with supportive services that move homeless clients back into permanent housing arrangements.

#### Community development needs

There is a need in the City of Providence for a wide variety of public facilities to provide services in City neighborhoods, need for capital improvements to existing community centers, need for public infrastructure improvements, need for economic development, need for housing

development, need for non-profit housing group program support, need for community revitalization activities and a need for human service program support.

#### Public and assisted housing needs

Among the assisted housing available are 2,471 (1991) units of conventional public housing. As of March 1991 there were 1,689 Section 8 certificates/vouchers (rental subsidy) recipient families and 4,316 affordable housing units with Section 8 subsidies tied to the unit for income eligible families. The demand for rental subsidies and subsidized units by income eligible families far exceeds the the number available.

#### Other issues

An overwhelming majority of the residential properties in the City of Providence were built before 1978 thus can be reasonably expected to have been painted with lead paint. Tests for lead poisoning taken by the RI Department of Health from 6447 Providence children six years of age or younger during the winter of 1993 found 42.14% with enough lead poisoning to cause learning and behavioral problems, 10.58% with enough lead poisoning to cause possible mental retardation, seizures, coma and permanent kidney damage and 5.25% with enough lead to be considered lead poisoned. Unfortunately lead paint removal is very costly and the problem is often most serious in properties that need other costly repairs which are owned and occupied by families least able to afford the "necessary" work.

In 1990, there were 11,071 non-institutionalized disabled persons age 16 and over living in Providence. The vast majority of Providence's residential structures were built before handicapped accessibility was considered an issue. Thus the housing accessibility needs of physically disabled persons in Providence are not met in either private dwellings or in public housing facilities.

## HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN

The strategic plan lays out a long term strategy to deal with the housing and community development needs of the City of Providence.

### Housing and community development resources

The City of Providence like most older cities in the north east has a broad spectrum of unmet housing and community development needs and a very limited local tax base that is hard pressed to deliver basic city services. The city must look to federal, state and private sources of funds to address some of these unmet needs. The Consolidated Plan contains an inventory of Federal, State and local resources that maybe available to carry out the plan.

### Priority housing and homeless objectives

First priority, Rehabilitation of existing residential structures:

Rehabilitation of the existing stock of old housing offers the most direct, efficient, and least costly way of attempting to meet the need for housing for all income categories and for making home ownership possible for many low income families.

Second priority, Rental assistance for all low income renters:

The overwhelming cause for the lack of safe, sanitary and affordable housing for Providence's poor population is their lack of money to pay for housing. Too many of the rental units that are up to standard have fixed debt service costs, often deriving from the speculative investment and improvements made in the recent past thus preventing landlords from being in a position to adjust rents downward.

Third priority, Homebuyer assistance:

Maintaining and improving the rate of homeow-

nership is a key goal of all neighborhood improvement efforts throughout the City of Providence. Unfortunately, because of the low incomes of many Providence residents, families that might be able to afford the monthly cost of owning a Providence home can not often meet the down payment and closing cost requirements.

Fourth priority, New construction activities:

Some sections of the City have large amounts of vacant land that once was occupied by solid neighborhood homes. Most of this land is in the form of scattered site vacant lots with a few larger parcels. New affordable housing in the form of infill housing, a planned unit development and small to mid-size subsidized rental or cooperative development can be designed to add to the neighborhood fabric and fill a need for affordable housing.

Fifth priority, Acquisition for development:

Meeting unmet housing needs presents situations where acquisition of sites or property is necessary to set the stage for development or rehabilitation activity foreseen in the immediate future.

Sixth priority, Supportive services and facilities:

Some un-met housing needs cannot be addressed by simply supplying standard living units but require specially designed units and or supportive services for the individual or family to reside in a reasonable manner. Persons or families that may need such assistance include the frail elderly, HIV/AIDS infected, physically disabled, mentally disabled and others.

### Non-Housing Community Development Objectives

Improve neighborhood environment and facilities used for community services and activities

This includes support for public infrastructure

improvements and capital improvements to neighborhood service providers.

Service strategies for improving economic development

This strategy includes the use of a variety of resources and has included the use of Section 108 resources for both large commercial and industrial projects and small commercial enterprises on a neighborhood level.

Improve City's planning and management

Improve the City of Providence's capacity (through its Department of Planning Development) to plan and manage programs and activities; and redevelopment activity funded with "program income" such as loans and sales.

Other Considerations

Institutional structure

The plan describes the roles of City departments and agencies, non-profit housing groups, non-profit human service agencies, State departments and agencies, and the private sector role in affordable housing activities in the City.

Public housing strategies

The plan includes the goals for improving and maintaining the public housing inventory of the Providence Housing Authority.

Lead-based paint

The plan includes a number of priority actions to reduce lead-based paint hazards and prevent childhood lead poisoning.

Fair housing

Among the actions proposed in fair housing is to promote affirmative marketing and to monitor compliance with fair housing policies in government subsidized or operated affordable housing and to monitor private sector housing.

ONE YEAR ACTION PLAN

The one year action plan lays out the proposed uses of funds from the three formula grant programs, funds recaptured through "program income" and funds from local sources. Some projects are listed in the plan and can be identified on the map, showing the geographic impact of activities.

Overview of proposed activities

The Community Development Block Grant provides a broad program of support for housing, human services including services for the homeless, public infrastructure improvements, public facility improvements and economic development as well as planning and administration expenses. For the upcoming year, funds can be grouped in the following general categories:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

PROGRAM YEAR 21 BUDGET

MAY 15, 1995

PUBLIC FACILITIES - REHABILITATION OR NEW CONSTRUCTION

NAME	Yr. 21 Recommendation
Amos House ..... 415 Friendship Street Interior rehabilitation	\$20,000
Camp Street Ministries ..... 194 Camp Street Interior/exterior rehabilitation	\$15,000
CITYARTS ..... 891 Broad Street Interior rehabilitation	\$25,000
Community Boating India Point Park ..... Construction of storage/training building	\$10,000

Dorcas Place .....	\$25,000	Women's Center .....	\$25,000
270 Elmwood Avenue		45 E. Transit Street	
Interior/exterior rehabilitation		Interior rehabilitation	
		NOTE: Project to be funded in Year 21, Year 22	
		and Year 23 (25K each)	
Genesis Center .....	\$44,400		
620 Potters Avenue			
Interior/roof repairs			
Allocation in next program year (22) will be			
\$45,600		SUB TOTAL .....	\$635,400
		PUBLIC FACILITIES - ACQUISITION	
International Institute .....	\$80,000	Center for Hispanic Policy/ Advocacy (CHISPA) .....	\$82,500
645 Elmwood Avenue		421 Elmwood Avenue	
Interior rehabilitation		Acquisition of property	
John Hope Center Gym .....	\$60,000	CITYARTS .....	\$75,000
7 Burgess Street		891 Broad Street	
Construction of gymnasium facility		Acquisition of property	
Luso American Society .....	\$50,000	Community Prep Acquisition .....	\$60,000
PO Box 40939		126 Somerset Street	
Purchase of facility (site undetermined)		Acquisition of property	
McAuley House .....	\$20,000	Family Service .....	\$75,000
Niagara Street		55 Hope Street	
Interior rehabilitation		Acquisition of property	
Providence Ambulatory Health Center .....	\$25,000	The Music School .....	\$10,000
Construction of addition		75 John Street	
		Acquisition of property/rehabilitation	
Providence Center .....	\$20,000	School One .....	\$50,000
469 Angell Street		220 University Avenue	
Interior rehabilitation		Acquisition of property	
Providence Performing Arts Center Section 108 .....	\$200,000	Urban Collaborative .....	\$25,000
228 Weybosset Street		130 Broadway (tentative)	
Repayment of Section 108 loan - stage wall expansion		Acquisition of property	
		NOTE: Project to be funded in Year 21, Year 22	
		and Year 23(25K each year)	
The Turning .....	\$10,000	SUB TOTAL .....	\$387,500
86 Holden Street		COMMUNITY CENTERS REHABILITATION OR NEW CONSTRUCTION	
Interior/exterior rehabilitation		Elmwood Community Center .....	\$30,000
Veterans Memorial Auditorium/sign ...	\$16,000	155 Niagara Street	
Installation of signage		Interior rehabilitation	

Federal Hill House .....	\$27,000
9 Courtland Street Rehabilitation	
Hartford Park Center .....	\$10,000
20 Syracuse Street Rehabilitation	
Joslin Center .....	\$25,000
431 Amherst Street Exterior rehabilitation	
Nickerson Center .....	\$23,600
133 Delaine Street Gymnasium rehabilitation	
Smith Hill Community Center .....	\$25,000
110 Ruggles Street Interior/exterior rehabilitation	
Washington Park Center .....	\$50,000
42 Jillson Street Construction of new addition	
<b>SUB TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$190,600</b>

**PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE**

Mashapaug Pond Acquisition .....	\$50,000
Acquisition of additional public land	
Richardson Park (Lower South Providence) .....	\$50,000
Rehabilitation	
Summit Neighborhood .....	\$50,000
Public improvements (sites not yet determined)	
Westminster Street .....	\$75,000
Public improvements (sites not yet determined) NOTE: This project will be funded in Year 21, Year 22 and Year 23 (65-75K each year)	
Revitalization Projects - Public infrastructure improvements sites not yet determined) (Note: These three projects will be funded in Year 21, Years 22 and Year 23 (220 - 250K each year)	

*Broad Street .....	\$220,000
*North End/Charles Street .....	\$220,000
*Plainfield/Pocasset .....	\$220,000
Revitalization Projects - continuation of pre- viously funded public improvement projects	
*Douglas Avenue .....	\$125,000
*Valley Street .....	\$125,000
<b>SUB TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$1,135,000</b>

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Wiggin Village .....	\$100,000
Exterior/interior rehabilitation	
Section 108 Repayment (PEDC) .....	\$720,000
Repayment of Section 108 loan used to recapitalize PEDC revolving loan fund.	
Program Delivery/Economic Dev. ....	\$170,000
<b>SUB TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$990,000</b>

**HOUSING - Non-Profit Support**

Each of the following agencies provides an array of housing services to low/moderate income individuals and families in neighborhoods in the City of Providence. Services include rehabilitation services, home buyer counseling, construction of affordable housing and development of affordable rental and owner occupied housing.

Elmwood Foundation .....	\$84,000
1 Trinity Square	
Elmwood NHS .....	\$57,000
9 Atlantic Avenue	
Good News Land Trust .....	\$50,000
1043 Broad Street	
Housing Corp. of the North End .....	\$20,000
478 Charles Street	

Mt. Hope Land Trust .....	\$59,000	KPB/TRASH RECEPTACLES .....	\$11,000
199 Camp Street		236 Promenade Street	
Olneyville Housing Corporation .....	\$69,000	SUB TOTAL .....	\$91,150
243 Manton Avenue			
OMNI .....	\$66,500	HUMAN SERVICES	
391 Pine Street		CHISPA	
PPS Revolving Fund .....	\$60,000	421 Elmwood Avenue .....	\$25,000
24 Meeting Street		Outreach/referral	
Smith Hill CDC .....	\$65,000	DaVinci Center	
110 Ruggles Street		471 Charles Street .....	\$87,761
SWAP .....	\$71,250	Youth, seniors, intake	
431 Pine Street		East Side Seniors	
West Broadway Incentive Corp. ....	\$18,600	670 North Main Street .....	\$27,876
31 Willow Street		Senior program	
Silver Lake/Hartford Housing Corp. ...	\$30,000	East Side/Mt. Hope YMCA	
529 Plainfield Street		420 Camp Street .....	\$10,000
West Elmwood Housing Dev. Corp. ....	\$55,000	Youth recreation	
392 Cranston Street		Elmwood Community Center	
Women's Development Corp. ....	\$50,000	155 Niagara Street .....	\$118,594
851A. Broad Street		Youth, intake, seniors	
New Start HOMES - Pro-CAP .....	\$10,000	Federal Hill House	
46 Aborn Street		9 Courtland Street .....	\$27,714
Dept. of Planning and Development		Senior case management	
Program Delivery .....	\$625,000	Federal Hill Tutorial	
400 Westminster Street		254 Atwells Avenue .....	\$36,952
SUB TOTAL .....	\$1,390,350	Youth education	
		Fruit Hill Elderly Day Care	
COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION		399 Fruit Hill Avenue .....	\$4,619
Anti-Graffiti/Pro-CAP .....	\$50,000	Adult day care	
46 Aborn Street		Hartford Park Center	
Program of graffiti removal in the City's		20 Syracuse Street .....	\$73,904
neighborhoods		Youth, seniors	
Conservation Corps - Pro-CAP .....	\$30,150	International Institute	
46 Aborn Street		645 Elmwood Avenue .....	\$18,000
		Immigration services	

John Fogarty Center 220 Woonasquatucket Avenue ..... \$15,705 Handicapped transportation	Summerbridge c/o Wheeler School ..... \$10,000 youth education, mentoring
John Hope Settlement House 7 Burgess Street ..... \$ 5,000 After school day care transportation	Talbot House 75 Chapman Street ..... \$13,095 Substance abuse counseling
Joslin Community Development Corp. 231 Amherst Street ..... \$73,904 Senior, youth, intake	Urban League 246 Prairie Avenue ..... \$50,000 senior citizens
Keep Providence Beautiful 236 Promenade Street ..... \$43,700 litter education	Visiting Nurse Association 157 Waterman Street ..... \$21,247 senior health services
Langston Hughes Center for the Arts One Hilton Street ..... \$22,500 arts education - youth	Vietnam Era Veterans 250 Prairie Avenue ..... \$18,476 veterans counseling
Mt. Hope Neighborhood Center 199 Camp Street ..... \$104,694 Youth, intake, after school day care	Washington Park Center 42 Jillson Street ..... \$115,475 Youth, intake, seniors
Nickerson Community Center 133 Delaine Street ..... \$18,476 senior case management	West End Center 109 Bucklin Street ..... \$124,713 Youth, intake, day care
Roger Williams Day Care 64 Richardson Street ..... \$33,095 day care	Providence Community Action Interim House ..... \$15,000 support for homeless family shelter Senior Transportation ..... \$ 66,805 Fuel Assistance ..... \$45,000 Administrative costs of LIHEAP
Silver Lake Center 529 Plainfield Street ..... \$95,880 Youth, intake, Seniors	Hmong United Association 392 Cranston Street ..... \$15,000 youth program
Smith Hill Center 110 Ruggles Street ..... \$115,475 Youth, day care, seniors	RI Black Heritage Society 46 Aborn Street ..... \$7,500 African American cultural understanding and enrichment program
South Providence Tutorial 1 Louisa Street ..... \$40,647 Youth education	RI Donation Exchange 25 Acorn Street ..... \$10,000 Furniture bank
Southside Land Trust 188 Dudley Street ..... \$23,193 Urban gardening	

Westminster Senior Center  
 133 Matthewson Street ..... \$10,000  
 health care linkages for Hispanic families  
 SUB TOTAL ..... \$1,548,000

6. Urban League Shelter ..... \$15,000  
 246 Prairie Avenue  
 7. Women's Center ..... \$18,000  
 45 E. Transit Street

PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION

EHOP/Prov. Human Relations Comm. \$ 65,000  
 151 Weybosset Street

8. Westminster Seniors ..... \$6500  
 133 Matthewson Street

General administration  
 Dept. of Planning and Development \$1,527,000  
 400 Westminster Street

9. Nickerson House ..... \$6500  
 133 Delaine Street

SUB TOTAL ..... \$1,592,000

10. The Turning ..... \$3000  
 86 Holden Street

TOTAL ALL CATEGORIES ..... \$7,960,000

CITY OF PROVIDENCE

HOME INVESTMENT

PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

One Year Action Plan for Emergency Shelter Grant

Introduction

Funding will be provided to the following agencies to support the City's program of homeless services. The State of Rhode Island has prepared a continuum of care for the homeless which supports these programs that focus on crisis services, referral and job training, followed by transitional and permanent housing. These include:

The City of Providence intends to administer its FY95 allocation of \$1,800,000 from the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) through its Department of Planning and Development. The funds will be administered in accordance with the City of Providence's Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) and HOME Program Regulations.

1. Travelers Aid ..... \$100,000  
 177 Union Street

Program Description

2. Interim House Shelter ..... \$85,000  
 46 Aborn Street

Estimated Used of Home Funds

3. Advent House ..... \$18,000  
 130 Linwood Avenue

The City of Providence will utilize its formula allocation from the HOME Investment Partnership Program of \$1,800,000 for FY95 to strengthen public private partnerships in order to provide more affordable housing opportunities to Providence residents. The following list of programs activities have been developed to be in conformance with the City of Providence's Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (FY94 CHAS). In addition, the activities are designed to conform to the purposes of the HOME Invest-

4. Amos House ..... \$18,000  
 415 Friendship Street

5. George Hunt Health Center ..... \$10,000  
 (Providence Intown Church Association)  
 Matthewson Street

ment Partnership Program whose primary purpose is to expand the supply of decent, sanitary and affordable housing with primary attention to rental housing with units for low and very low income families.

The primary use of HOME funds will be to rehabilitate the 2-6 units multifamily housing stock and return it to owner occupancy. The unique housing stock in Providence and other North East cities allows us to create 1-2 units of affordable rental housing units for every home ownership opportunity created. We propose to rehabilitate at least 20 homes that will provide approximately 40 units of rental housing. Most of this work will be done in partnership with the CHDO organizations currently identified. Rehabilitation and/or acquisition costs from the HOME Program range between \$20,000 and \$30,000 and leverage additional funding from RIHMFC, Local Initiative Support Corporation (LISC) and local lenders. PPHC receives many structures below the appraised value and these donations will be used to offset the match requirements for 94-95.

#### New Construction \$200,000

The City of Providence will primarily utilize its HOME Program funds for the rehabilitation of its existing housing stock. New construction though subordinate to rehabilitation in regards to the priority use for HOME funds is necessary to address the special needs of families and individuals. In addition, new construction is necessary on a limited basis for the reuse of vacant land as part of the City's Neighborhood Turnaround Program.

New construction of affordable housing to address the special needs of families and individuals will be used for the following:

1. Housing for families of five persons or more
2. Housing for persons with disabilities
3. Single room occupancy housing

Programs that would utilize HOME funds for new construction of special needs housing include the following:

1. PPHC/RIHMFC Rental Housing Program
2. Mortgage Assistance Program
3. Lease Purchase Program
4. Housing Development

Programs that would utilize HOME funds for new construction of affordable housing as needed to facilitate a Neighborhood revitalization program in low income neighborhoods include the following:

1. PPHC/RIHMFC Rental Housing Program
2. Mortgage Assistance Program
3. Lease Purchase Program
4. Housing Development

#### Substantial Rehabilitation - \$350,000

As significant number of residential properties in Providence's neighborhoods are in need of substantial rehabilitation (greater than 25,000 per unit total development cost). Many of the properties in need of substantial rehabilitation are found within the group of over (640) vacant 1-6 family residential buildings now casting a blighting influence in Providence's neighborhoods.

Programs that would utilize HOME funds for substantial rehabilitation projects include the following:

1. PPHC/RIHMFC Rental Housing Incentive Program
2. Abandoned Housing Program
3. HOPE III Program

- 4. Mortgage Assistance Program
- 5. Lease Purchase Program
- 6. Neighborhood Development Program

Other Rehabilitation - \$700,000

The majority of Providence's homes are wood frame structures built over 60 years ago. This housing stock is in constant need of repair and replacement, many of the mechanical systems are obsolete and faulty. Unfortunately, repairs necessary to bring homes up to building code and energy efficiency standards are often unaffordable to many of Providence's owners.

Programs that would utilize HOME funds for rehabilitation (less than 25,000 per unit total rehabilitation cost) include the following:

- 1. Affordable Home Repair Program
- 2. Paint Program
- 3. Small rental Property rehabilitation Program
- 4. Neighborhood development program
- 5. Abandoned Housing Program

Acquisition Only - \$ 550,000

The creation of programs to increase the home

ownership rate in Providence neighborhoods is a vital ingredient in Providence's neighborhood revitalization efforts. The Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation (RIHMFC) provides a number of innovative first time home buyers programs available to families wishing to own a Providence home. Many Providence low income families do not quite meet RHMFC guidelines but could be viable homeowners if given proper counseling and limited financial assistance.

Programs that would utilize HOME funds for first time home buyers include:

- 1. Abandoned Housing Program
- 2. Mortgage Assistance Program
- 3. Lease Purchase Program
- 4. Neighborhood Development Program
- 5. Down Payment and Closing Cost Assistance

Tenant Based Rental Assistance \$0

The City of Providence, in conformance with its CHAS, will not utilize any HOME funds for Tenant Based Rental Assistance.

Estimate of Rental and Owner Occupied Home Assisted Units

Activity	Rental	Homeownership	Program Total
New construction	75,000	75,000	150,000
Substantial Rehab	150,000	200,000	350,000
Other rehab	250,000	400,000	650,000
Acquisition	400,000	250,000	650,000
Tenant Assistance	0	0	0
Total	875,000	925,000	1,800,000

**Community Housing Development Organizations**

The HOME Program Regulations define (sec. 92.2) a specific type of nonprofit organization for which 15% of the City of Providence's HOME finding allocation will be set aside for the organization to develop sponsor or own affordable housing. Nonprofit groups which meet the regulatory definition are called community housing development organizations CHDOs.

**Description of CHDO Activity**

The City of Providence will set aside 15% of its 1995 HOME allocation (\$270,000) exclusively for CHDOs to carry out any eligible HOME development activity. This set aside will be used primarily for the rehabilitation of vacant and abandoned multifamily housing that can provide both ownership and affordable rental opportun-

ities. Up to \$27,000 or 10% of the set aside will be used for project specific predevelopment activities such as site control, technical assistance and seed loans.

Community development organizations are a significant partner in all PPHC programs. They promote home repair and paint programs, develop affordable homeownership and

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO.**

**The motion for Passage, is Unanimously Sustained.**

## **COUNCILWOMAN EVELYN V. FARGNOLI, Chairwoman COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

**Transmits the following with recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted:**

Resolution authorizing the City Collector to cause the taxes to be abated in the amount of Seven Hundred Fourteen Dollars, Ten Cents (\$714.10) on that property located along 104 Gallup Street and designated as Assessor's Plat 54, Lot 86 as requested by Simon Reyes and Dennisse M. Cruz.

*Resolved*, That the City Collector is authorized to cause the taxes to be abated in the amount of Seven Hundred Fourteen Dollars, Ten Cents (\$714.10) on that property located along 104 Gallup Street and designated as Assessor's Plat 54, Lot 86 as requested by Simon Reyes and Dennisse M. Cruz.

Resolution authorizing the City Collector to cause the taxes to be abated in the amount of Four Thousand, Six Hundred Forty-One Dollars, Ninety-Three Cents (\$4,641.93) on that property located along 106 Gallup Street and designated as Assessor's Plat 54, Lot 85 as requested by Carolyn Lemon.

*Resolved*, That the City Collector is authorized to cause the taxes to be abated in the amount of Four Thousand, Six Hundred Forty-One Dollars, Ninety-Three Cents (\$4,641.93) on that property located along 106 Gallup Street and designated as Assessor's Plat 54, Lot 85 as requested by Carolyn Lemon.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO by the following Roll Call Vote:

**Ayes:** Council President Pro Tempore Fagnoli, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Igliazzi, Jackson, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman

Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—14.

**Noes:** None.

**Absent:** Council President Petrosinelli—1.

The motion for Passage, is Unanimously Sustained.

### COUNCILWOMAN JOHN J. LOMBARDI, Chairman COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND PENDING SUITS

Transmits the following with recommendation the Same be Severally Approved for Cancellation:

Certificates from the City Assessor (Nos. 17y and 24y) Recommending the same be Severally Cancelled pursuant to the Provisions of Sections 14 and 15 of Title 44, Chapter 7 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 1956, as Amended.

Severally Approved for Cancellation, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO by the following Roll Call Vote:

**Ayes:** Council President Pro Tempore Fagnoli, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, De-

Luca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Igliazzi, Jackson, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—14.

**Noes:** None.

**Absent:** Council President Petrosinelli—1.

The motion to Approve for Cancellation, is Unanimously Sustained.

## FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

**Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz;**

Kristen L. Coppola

Horacio Espino

Ramon Peguero and Gonzalez Taxi Service

N. Signor p.p.a. Shelbie Signor

Allstate Insurance Co., a/s/o Alexander Meland

Ann J. Songen p.p.a. Amy Songen

Margaret Fico

Antoinette Drolet

Mickeda S. Barnes

Deborah M. Pine

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI Severally Refers the Petitions to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits.**

**The motion to Refer, is Unanimously Sustained.**

## PRESENTATION OF CITATIONS

### *"In Congratulations"*

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:**

Citations Extending Congratulations.

*Resolved*, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere congratulations to the families of the following:

Nicole Bolvin, in recognition of the celebration of her graduation from Providence College on May 21, 1995.

Dorothy DeCristofaro, in recognition of the celebration of her retirement from the North Providence School Department on May 30, 1995.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Richardson, in recognition of the celebration of the birth of their daughter, Rebecca Rose Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Nocera, in recognition of the celebration of the birth of their daughter, Amy Elizabeth Nocera, born on April 12, 1995, weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. David Spinella, in recognition of the celebration of the birth of their son, David Michael Spinella, born on May 1, 1995.

Theodore C. Littler, in recognition of the celebration of his retirement after 25 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

William Hudson, in recognition of being the recipient of the 1995 Academic Excellence Award for Providence College.

Judge Vincent A. Ragosta, in recognition of being the recipient of the 1995 Verrazzano Day Award.

Richard S. Tamburini, in recognition of being

the recipient of the 1995 Merit and Achievement Award from the Silver Lake Community Center.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO.**

**The motion for Passage, is Unanimously Sustained.**

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

### “In Memoriam”

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:**

**Resolutions Extending Sympathy.**

*Resolved*, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere sympathy to the families of the following:

Mercidieu Montervil

Helen P. Booker

Louis J. Pugh

William A. Burgess

Silvio “Slim” DiBello

Fannie Lepore

Armando Girasole

Aaron M. Littlejohn, Sr.

Raymond Joseph Sicard

Mary Katherine Trainor, R.N.

Frederick J. Maher

Lillian A. Simmons

John C. Bolvin

Sandra Lee Cardi-Zompa

Anthony Iannazzi

Ann Smith

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.**

**The motion for Passage, Unanimously is Sustained.**

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, the City Council adjourns at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 1995 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.).

*Michael R. Clement*

City Clerk