

City of Providence
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

CHAPTER 2012-17

No. 182

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 2002-16, NO. 375, APPROVED JUNE 13, 2002, ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE APPORTIONING THE FIFTEEN WARDS", AS AMENDED

Approved March 30, 2012

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

SECTION 1. Section 204 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

The City of Providence is hereby apportioned into fifteen wards in accordance with Section 204 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as approved by the Electors of the City of Providence at the General Election held November 4, 1980 and validated by the General Assembly on May 7, 1981.

FIRST WARD

The First Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of the Providence River and Exchange Terrace; thence northeasterly on Exchange Terrace to Steeple St; thence northeasterly on Steeple St to N Main St; thence southerly on N Main St to S Main St; thence southerly on S Main St to Power St; thence easterly on Power St to Thayer St; thence northerly on Thayer St to Angell St; thence easterly on Angell St to River Rd; thence southerly on River Rd to Henderson Expressway; thence easterly on Henderson Expressway to the Providence – East Providence boundary line; thence southerly on the Providence – East Providence boundary line to Wilkes Barre Pier; thence westerly on Wilkes Barre Pier to the mid-point of the Providence Harbor channel where the Providence River meets the Seekonk River; thence northerly on the Providence River to the I-195 Bridge; thence westerly on the I-95 Bridge to the northbound lane of Allens Ave, thence southerly on Allens Ave to Crary St, thence westerly on Crary St to the southbound lane of Allens Ave, thence northerly on Allens Ave to Eddy St; thence southerly on Eddy St to I-95; thence northerly on I-95 to Memorial Blvd; thence easterly on Memorial Blvd to the point of origin.

SECOND WARD

The Second Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of Steeple St and N Main St; thence southerly on N Main St to S Main St; thence southerly on S Main St to Power St; thence easterly on Power St to Thayer St; thence northerly on Thayer St to Angell St; thence easterly on Angell St to River Rd; thence southerly on River Rd to Henderson Expressway; thence easterly on Henderson Expressway to the Providence – East Providence boundary line; thence northerly on the Providence – East Providence boundary line to the Pawtucket – Providence boundary line; thence westerly on the Pawtucket – Providence boundary line to Hope St; thence southerly on Hope St to the southbound lane of Blackstone Blvd; thence southerly on Blackstone Blvd to Elmgrove Ave; thence westerly and southerly on Elmgrove Ave to Hazard Ave; thence westerly on Hazard Ave to Taber Ave; thence southerly on Taber Ave to Laurel Ave; thence southwesterly on Laurel Ave to Arlington Ave; thence northerly on Arlington Ave to Olney St; thence westerly on Olney St to the northbound lane of N Main St; thence southerly on N Main St to Benefit St; thence southerly on Benefit St to Thomas St; thence westerly on Thomas St to the point of origin.

THIRD WARD

The Third Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of the Pawtucket – Providence boundary line and Hope St; thence southerly on Hope St to the southbound lane of Blackstone Blvd; thence southerly on Blackstone Blvd to Elmgrove Ave; thence westerly and southerly on Elmgrove Ave to Hazard Ave; thence westerly on Hazard Ave to Taber Ave; thence southerly on Taber Ave to Laurel Ave; thence southwesterly on Laurel Ave to Arlington Ave; thence northerly on Arlington Ave to Olney St; thence westerly on Olney St to the southbound lane of N Main St; thence northerly on N Main St to Hewes St; thence westerly and southerly on Hewes St to Stevens St; thence westerly on Stevens St to the Charles St ramp; thence westerly on the Charles St ramp to Charles St; thence westerly on Charles St to I- 95; thence northeasterly on I- 95 to the Providence-Pawtucket boundary line; thence easterly on the Providence-Pawtucket boundary line to the point of origin.

FOURTH WARD

The Fourth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of Douglas Ave and the Providence – North Providence boundary line; thence northeasterly and easterly on the Providence – North Providence boundary line to I-95; thence southwesterly on I-95 to Charles St; thence northwesterly on Charles St to Admiral St; thence westerly on Admiral St to Fillmore St; thence southwesterly on Fillmore St to Wiley St; thence westerly on Wiley St, continuing on a line between census block 440070027003017 and census blocks 440070026002005 and 440070026002006 to Douglas Ave; thence northwesterly on Douglas Ave to Corina St; thence northeasterly on Corina St to Appian St; thence northwesterly on Appian St to Corina St; thence northeasterly on Corina St to Glasgow St; thence southeasterly on Glasgow St to Anchor St; thence northeasterly on Anchor St to Yorkshire St; thence southeasterly on Yorkshire St to Hawkins St; thence northeasterly on Hawkins St to Louisquisset Pike; thence northwesterly on Louisquisset Pike to Branch Ave; thence westerly on Branch Ave to Veazie St; thence southerly on Veazie St; thence southerly on Veazie St to Concannon St; thence westerly on Concannon St to Douglas Ave; thence northwesterly on Douglas Ave to the point of origin.

FIFTH WARD

The Fifth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of the Providence – North Providence boundary line and Wanskuck Ave; thence easterly on Wanskuck Ave to Gentian Ave; thence southerly on Gentian Ave to Isabella Ave; thence easterly on Isabella Ave to Enfield Ave; thence southerly on Enfield Ave to Smith St; thence southeasterly on Smith St to River Ave; thence northerly on River Ave to Eaton St; thence easterly on Eaton St to Tyndall Ave; thence southerly on Tyndall Ave to Smith St; thence easterly on Smith St to Maude St; thence southerly on Maude St to Convent St; thence easterly on Convent St to Pleasant Valley Parkway; thence westerly on Pleasant Valley Parkway to River Ave; thence southerly on River Ave to the eastbound lane of Pleasant Valley Parkway; thence westerly on Pleasant Valley Parkway to Grosvenor Ave; thence southerly on Grosvenor Ave to Chalkstone Ave; thence westerly on Chalkstone Ave to Carleton St; thence southerly on Carleton St to Beaufort St; thence westerly on Beaufort St to Lynch St; thence southerly on Lynch St to Fairview St; thence westerly on Fairview St to Parnell St thence northerly on Parnell St to Cloud St; thence easterly on Cloud St to Lucy St;; thence northerly on Lucy St to Almira Ave; thence easterly on Almira Ave to Aldine St; thence northerly on Aldine St to Chalkstone Ave; thence westerly on Chalkstone Ave to Hillcrest Ave; thence southerly on Hillcrest Ave to Ridgeway Ave; thence southwesterly on Ridgeway Ave to Manton Ave; thence northwesterly on Manton Ave to Baltimore St; thence northeasterly on Baltimore St to Brinkley St; thence northerly on Brinkley St to Chalkstone Ave; thence westerly on Chalkstone Ave to the Providence – North Providence boundary line; thence northeasterly on the Providence – North Providence boundary line to the point of origin.

SIXTH WARD

The Sixth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of the Providence – Johnston boundary line and the Woonasquatucket River; thence southeasterly on the Woonasquatucket River to Glenbridge Ave; thence southerly on Glenbridge Ave to US Highway 6; thence easterly on US Highway 6 to census block 440070019003001; thence northerly on the boundary line between census blocks 440070019003001 and 440070020003001 to Salmon St; thence northeasterly on Salmon St to Manton Ave; thence southeasterly on Manton Ave to Amherst St; thence easterly on Amherst St to Putnam St; thence northerly on Putnam St to Atwells Ave; thence easterly on Atwells Ave to Academy Ave; thence northerly on Academy Ave to Maplehurst Ave; thence easterly on Maplehurst Ave to Huron St; thence northerly on Huron St to Wisdom Ave; thence easterly on Wisdom Ave to Alton St; thence northerly on Alton St to Regent Ave; thence easterly on Regent Ave to River Ave; thence northerly on River Ave to Chalkstone Ave; thence westerly on Chalkstone Ave to Carleton St; thence southerly on Carleton St to Beaufort St; thence westerly on Beaufort St to Lynch St; thence southerly on Lynch St to Fairview St; thence westerly on Fairview St to Parnell St thence northerly on Parnell St to Cloud St; thence easterly on Cloud St to Lucy St;; thence northerly on Lucy St to Almira Ave; thence easterly on Almira Ave to Aldine St; thence northerly on Aldine St to Chalkstone Ave; thence westerly on Chalkstone Ave to Hillcrest Ave; thence southerly on Hillcrest Ave to Ridgeway Ave; thence southwesterly on Ridgeway Ave to Manton Ave; thence northwesterly on Manton Ave to Baltimore St; thence northeasterly on Baltimore St to Brinkley St; thence northerly on Brinkley St to Chalkstone Ave; thence westerly on Chalkstone Ave to Providence – North Providence boundary line; thence southwesterly on the Providence – North Providence boundary line to the Providence – Johnston boundary line; thence southeasterly on the Providence – Johnston boundary line to the point of origin.

SEVENTH WARD

The Seventh Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of the Providence – Johnston boundary line and the Woonasquatucket River; thence southeasterly on the Woonasquatucket River to Glenbridge Ave; thence southerly on Glenbridge Ave to US Highway 6; thence southeasterly on US Highway 6 to Plainfield St; thence southerly on Plainfield St to Laban St; thence westerly on Laban St to Heath St; thence northerly on Heath St to Eastwood Ave; thence westerly on Eastwood Ave to Dewey St; thence southerly on Dewey St to Plainfield St; thence westerly on Plainfield St to Ralph St; thence southerly on Ralph St to Dorchester Ave; thence westerly on Dorchester Ave to Laurel Hill Ave; thence southerly on Laurel Hill Ave to the Providence – Cranston boundary line; thence westerly on the Providence – Cranston boundary line to the Providence – Johnston boundary line; thence northerly and easterly on the Providence – Johnston boundary line to the point of origin.

EIGHTH WARD

The Eighth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of the Providence – Cranston boundary line and State Highway 10; thence northerly and westerly on State Highway 10 to Elmwood Ave; thence northwesterly on Elmwood Ave to Woodman St; thence westerly on Woodman St to Bucklin St; thence northerly on Bucklin St to Dexter St; thence southerly on Dexter St to Hanover St; thence westerly on Hanover St to Cranston St; thence southerly on Cranston St to Althea St; thence northwesterly on Althea St to Union Ave; thence westerly on Union Ave to State Highway 10; thence southerly on State Highway 10 to the Providence – Cranston boundary line; thence southerly and easterly on the Providence – Cranston boundary line to the point of origin.

NINTH WARD

The Ninth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of the Providence – Cranston boundary line and State Highway 10; thence northerly and westerly on State Highway 10 to Elmwood Ave; thence northwesterly on Elmwood Ave to Public St; thence northeasterly on Public St to Broad St; thence southeasterly on Broad St to the Providence – Cranston boundary line; thence westerly and southerly on the Providence – Cranston boundary line to the point of origin.

TENTH WARD

The Tenth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of the Providence – Cranston boundary line and Broad St; thence northwesterly on Broad St to Reynolds Ave; thence easterly on Reynolds Ave to Gordon Ave; thence northerly on Gordon Ave to Saratoga St; thence easterly on Saratoga St to Prairie Ave; thence northerly on Prairie Ave to Public St; thence easterly on Public St to the Providence River, continuing to the Wilkes Barre Pier and the Providence – East Providence boundary line; thence southerly and westerly on the Providence – East Providence boundary line to the Providence – Cranston boundary line; thence westerly on the Providence – Cranston boundary line to the point of origin.

ELEVENTH WARD

The Eleventh Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of Elmwood Ave and Public St; thence northeasterly on Public St to Broad St; thence southerly on Broad St to Reynolds Ave; thence easterly on Reynolds Ave to Gordon Ave; thence northerly on Gordon Ave to Saratoga St; thence easterly on Saratoga St to Prairie Ave; thence northerly on Prairie Ave to Public St; thence easterly on Public St to the mid-point of the Providence Harbor channel where the Providence River meets the Seekonk River; thence northerly on the Providence River to the I-195 Bridge; thence westerly on the I-95 Bridge to the northbound lane of Allens Ave, thence southerly on Allens Ave to Crary St, thence westerly on Crary St to the southbound lane of Allens Ave, thence northerly on Allens Ave to Eddy St, thence southerly on Eddy St to I-95, thence northwesterly on I-95 to Westminster St; thence southwesterly on Westminster St to Bridgham St; thence southerly on Bridgham St to Lester St; thence southwesterly on Lester St to Dexter St; thence northerly on Dexter St to Cranston St; thence southwesterly on Cranston St to Chapin Ave; thence westerly on Chapin Ave to Messer St; thence southerly on Messer St to Union Ave; thence southwesterly on Union Ave to Waverly St; thence northwesterly on Waverly St to Ellery St; thence southerly on Ellery St to Althea St; thence easterly on Althea St to Cranston St; thence northerly on Cranston St to Hanover St; thence easterly on Hanover St to Dexter St; thence northerly on Dexter St to Bucklin St; thence southerly on Bucklin St to Woodman St; thence easterly on Woodman St to Elmwood Ave; thence southerly on Elmwood Ave to the point of origin.

The Twelfth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of Thomas St and Benefit St; thence northerly on Benefit St to N Main St; thence northerly on N Main St to Olney St; thence westerly on Olney St to the southbound lane of N Main St, thence northerly on N Main St to Hewes St; thence westerly and southerly on Hewes St to Stevens St; thence westerly on Stevens St to the Charles St ramp; thence westerly on the Charles St ramp to Charles St; thence northwesterly on Charles St to Admiral St; thence westerly on Admiral St to Fillmore St; thence southwesterly on Fillmore St to Wiley St; thence westerly on Wiley St, continuing on a line between census block 440070027003017 and census blocks 440070026002005 and 440070026002006 to Douglas Ave; thence northwesterly on Douglas Ave to Eaton St; thence westerly on Eaton St to Tyndall Ave; thence southerly on Tyndall Ave to Smith St; thence easterly on Smith St to Maude St; thence southerly on Maude St to Convent St; thence easterly on Convent St to Pleasant Valley Parkway; thence westerly on Pleasant Valley Parkway to River Ave; thence southerly on River Ave to the eastbound lane of Pleasant Valley Parkway; thence westerly on Pleasant Valley Parkway to Grosvenor Ave; thence southerly on Grosvenor Ave to Chalkstone Ave; thence easterly on Chalkstone Ave to River Ave; thence southerly on River Ave to Regent Ave; thence westerly on Regent Ave to Alton St; thence southerly on Alton St to Wisdom Ave; thence westerly on Wisdom Ave to Huron St; thence southerly on Huron St to Maplehurst Ave; thence westerly on Maplehurst Ave to Academy Ave; thence southerly on Academy Ave to Newark St; thence easterly on Newark St to Cutler St; thence northerly on Cutler St to Turner St; thence easterly on Turner St to Valley St; thence northeasterly on Valley St to Promenade St; thence southerly and easterly on Promenade St to Acorn St; thence southerly on Acorn St to Harris Ave; thence easterly on Harris Ave to Dean St; thence southerly on Dean St to US Highway 6; thence easterly on US Highway 6 to Memorial Blvd; thence easterly on Memorial Blvd to Exchange Terrace; thence northeasterly on Exchange Terrace to Steeple St; thence easterly on Steeple St to Thomas St; thence easterly on Thomas St to the point of origin.

THIRTEENTH WARD

The Thirteenth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of I-95 and Westminster St; thence southwesterly on Westminster St to Bridgham St; thence southerly on Bridgham St to Lester St; thence southwesterly on Lester St to Dexter St; thence northerly on Dexter St to Cranston St; thence southwesterly on Cranston St to Chapin Ave; thence westerly on Chapin Ave to Messer St; thence southerly on Messer St to Union Ave; thence southwesterly on Union Ave to Waverly St; thence northwesterly on Waverly St to Ellery St; thence southerly on Ellery St to Althea St; thence easterly on Althea St to Union Ave; thence westerly on Union Ave to State Highway 10; thence northerly and easterly on State Highway 10 to I-95; thence southerly on I-95 to the point of origin.

FOURTEENTH WARD

The Fourteenth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of the Providence – North providence boundary line and Wanskuck Ave; thence easterly on Wanskuck Ave to Gentian Ave; thence southerly on Gentian Ave to Isabella Ave; thence easterly on Isabella Ave to Enfield Ave; thence southerly on Enfield Ave to Smith St; thence southeasterly on Smith St to River Ave; thence northerly on River Ave to Eaton St; thence easterly on Eaton St to Douglas Ave; thence northwesterly on Douglas Ave to Corina St; thence northeasterly on Corina St to Appian St; thence northwesterly on Appian St to Corina St; thence northeasterly on Corina St to Glasgow St; thence southeasterly on Glasgow St to Anchor St; thence northeasterly on Anchor St to Yorkshire St; thence southeasterly on Yorkshire St to Hawkins St; thence northeasterly on Hawkins St to Louisquisset Pike; thence northwesterly on Louisquisset Pike to Branch Ave; thence westerly on Branch Ave to Veazie St; thence southerly on Veazie St; thence southerly on Veazie St to Concannon St; thence westerly on Concannon St to Douglas Ave; thence northwesterly on Douglas Ave to the Providence – North Providence boundary line; thence southwesterly on the Providence – North Providence boundary line to the point of origin.

The Fifteenth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at intersection of the Providence – Cranston boundary line and Laurel Hill Ave; thence northerly on Laurel Hill Ave to Dorchester Ave; thence easterly on Dorchester Ave to Ralph St; thence northerly on Ralph St to Plainfield St; thence easterly on Plainfield St to Dewey St; thence northerly on Dewey St to Eastwood Ave; thence easterly on Eastwood Ave to Heath St; thence southerly on Heath St to Laban St; thence easterly on Laban St to Plainfield St; thence northerly on Plainfield St to US Highway 6; thence northwesterly on US Highway 6 to census block 440070020003001; thence northerly on the boundary line between census blocks 440070019003001 and 440070020003001 to Salmon St; thence northeasterly on Salmon St to Manton Ave; thence southeasterly on Manton Ave to Amherst St; thence easterly on Amherst St to Putnam St; thence northerly on Putnam St to Atwells Ave; thence easterly on Atwells Ave to Academy Ave; thence northerly on Academy Ave to Newark St; thence easterly on Newark St to Cutler St; thence northerly on Cutler St to Turner St; thence easterly on Turner St to Valley St; thence northeasterly on Valley St to Promenade St; thence southerly and easterly on Promenade St to Acorn St; thence southerly on Acorn St to Harris Ave; thence easterly on Harris Ave to Dean St; thence southerly on Dean St to State Highway 10; thence westerly and southerly on State Highway 10 to the Providence – Cranston boundary line; thence northerly and westerly on Providence – Cranston boundary line to the point of beginning.

SECTION 2. It shall be understood and intended that in bounding and describing the said Wards, that the said boundary lines of streets, streams, rivers and railroads is meant in all instances the central line of such street, stream, river or railroad, unless the same be otherwise specified.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be liberally construed to effectuate the purposes Thereof and to apportion the City into fifteen wards in compliance with the Home Rule Charter of the City of Providence. It is intended that the fifteen wards described herein Completely encompass all the area within the City and contain all the citizens resident in the City. It is further intended that the ward boundaries provided for in this Ordinance result in the creation of wards containing substantially equal population, that natural boundaries be used and recognized neighborhoods be included within wards without arbitrary divisions thereof, so far as practicable.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage; provided, however, that the provisions hereof shall first be effective in connection with elections to be held on or subsequent to the first day of September, 2012, and for the purpose of greater clarity, the first election under the provisions of this Ordinance for City Council Wards hereby created, shall be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, 2012, and the first primary election under the provisions of this Ordinance for nomination of candidates for City Council from each of the fifteen wards shall be held on the second Tuesday after the first Monday in September, 2012, provided, however, that if any of the provisions of this Ordinance or the application of such provision to any court of competent jurisdiction, or if any action performed under any provision of this Ordinance is restrained or enjoined by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall not be deemed impaired or affected thereby but shall be deemed to remain in full force and effect.

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAR 27 2012
FIRST READING
READ AND PASSED

Lawrence L. Dwyer
CLERK
ACTING

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAR 29 2012
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William J. Durkin
PRES.
Ann M. Johnston
CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

Mayor

Date: 3/30/12