

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 434

Approved July 18, 1994

RESOLVED, DECREED AND ORDERED:

That the following named street shown as cross-hatched area on the accompanying plan entitled: "Plan No. 064553, Providence, R.I. Dept., Engineering Office, City Property Section, Dated: 11/12/93."

VIZ:

LESTER STREET AND AN ADJOINING PORTION OF 'A' STREET, shown as cross-hatched area on accompanying plan and designated by the letters (A-B-C-D-E-F-A) having ceased to be useful to the public and is proposed to be abandoned as a Public Highway. Said Abandonment is specifically conditioned precedent upon the following:

(1) Petitioner is exempted from the tender of any funds to the City of Providence.

(2) The petitioner shall convey an easement acceptable to the Narragansett Electric Company which will permit retention of its facilities in their existing location, together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same and with twenty-four hour access to said facilities, or in the alternative should it be determined by the petitioner that any such facilities need be relocated in order to comply with an intended use, the petitioner shall assume all costs of relocation.

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From the Clerk's Desk

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ORDERED, That the Traffic Engineer be and he is hereby directed to cause a sign to be place on the above-named highway abandoned as aforesaid, having thereon the words, "Not a Public Highway", and it is further

ORDERED, That after the entry of this order or decree the City Clerk shall cause a notice thereof to be published in a newspaper, published in the County of Providence at least once a week for three successive weeks and a further and personal notice shall be served by the City Sergeant upon every owner of land abutting the above-named highway which has been abandoned, who is known to reside within the State.

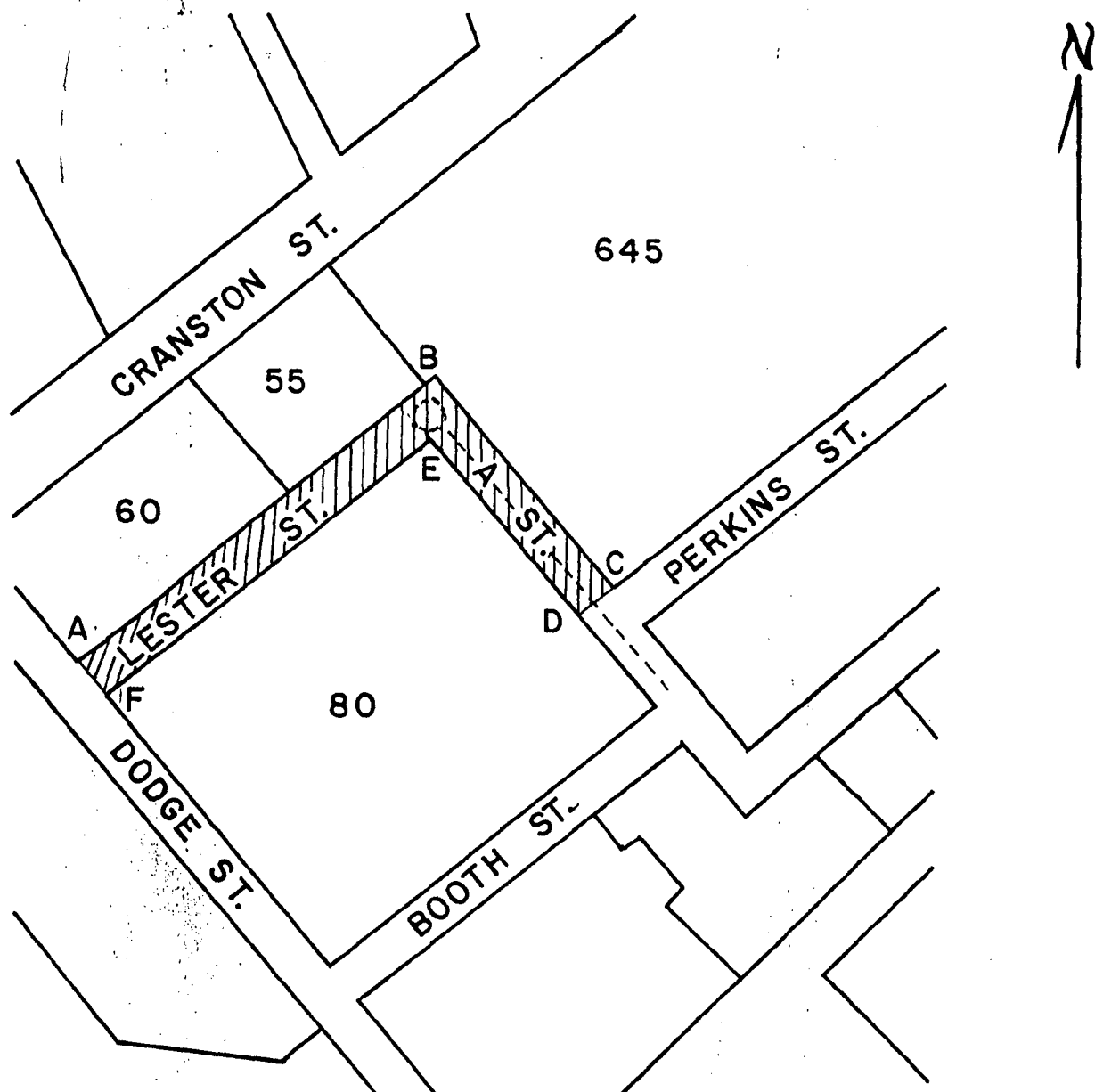
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PROVIDENCE, R. I.
P. W. DEPT. - ENGINEERING OFFICE
SECTION
Plan No. 064553
Date 11-12-93

LOT 55: CITY OF PROVIDENCE
LOT 60: ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP
LOT 80: HOUSING AUTHORITY
LOT 645: CITY OF PROVIDENCE

AREA= 24,780 ± SQ. FT. OF LAND



NOTES: CROSSED HATCHED AREAS
(A-B-C-D-E-F-A) INDICATE
PROPOSED ABANDONMENTS

LESTER ST. & A ST. POR.

FULL SEWER EASEMENT WILL
BE REQUIRED ON A STREET

LOT NUMBERS TAKEN FROM A.P. 30

CITY OF PROVIDENCE R.
Public Works Dept. Engineering Office
Section ABANDONMENTS
LESTER ST. & A ST. POR.
Drawn by STEVE Z. Checked by JAM
Scale 1" = 80' Date 11-12-93
Corr. John T. Monahan Associate Engr
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MEMOS FOR ABANDONMENTS

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EX 208

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④ X Mr. B. James Suzman
Director of Public Works

⑤ X Syl Pauley
Water Supply Board

⑥ X Mrs. Nancy Derrig
Superintendent of Parks

Mr. John Palmieri
Department of Planning and Development (Also Fair Market Value)

⑦ X Mr. B. James Suzman
Traffic Engineer

Mr. Michael DiNezza
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Providence Gas Co.
100 Weybosset Street
Providence, R. I. 02903

⑧ X Mr. John Zuba
Narragansett Bay Commission
235 Promenade Street
Providence, R. I. 02903

/ COUNCILPERSON IN AREA

Yacuzzi
In Person

Pl. & Des.
~~Harry Elm~~ O.K.
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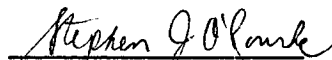
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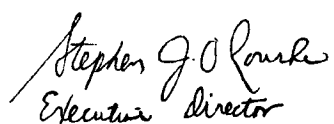
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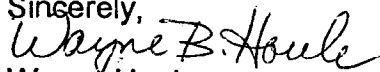
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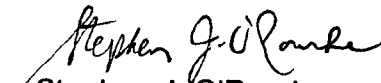
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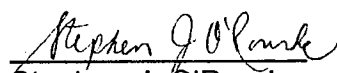
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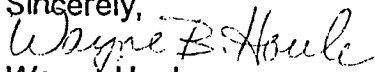
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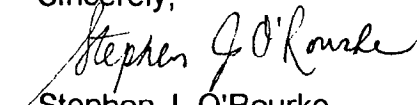
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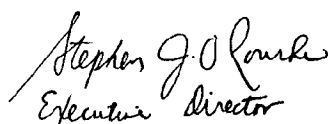
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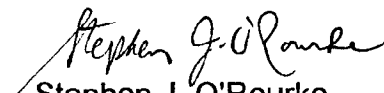
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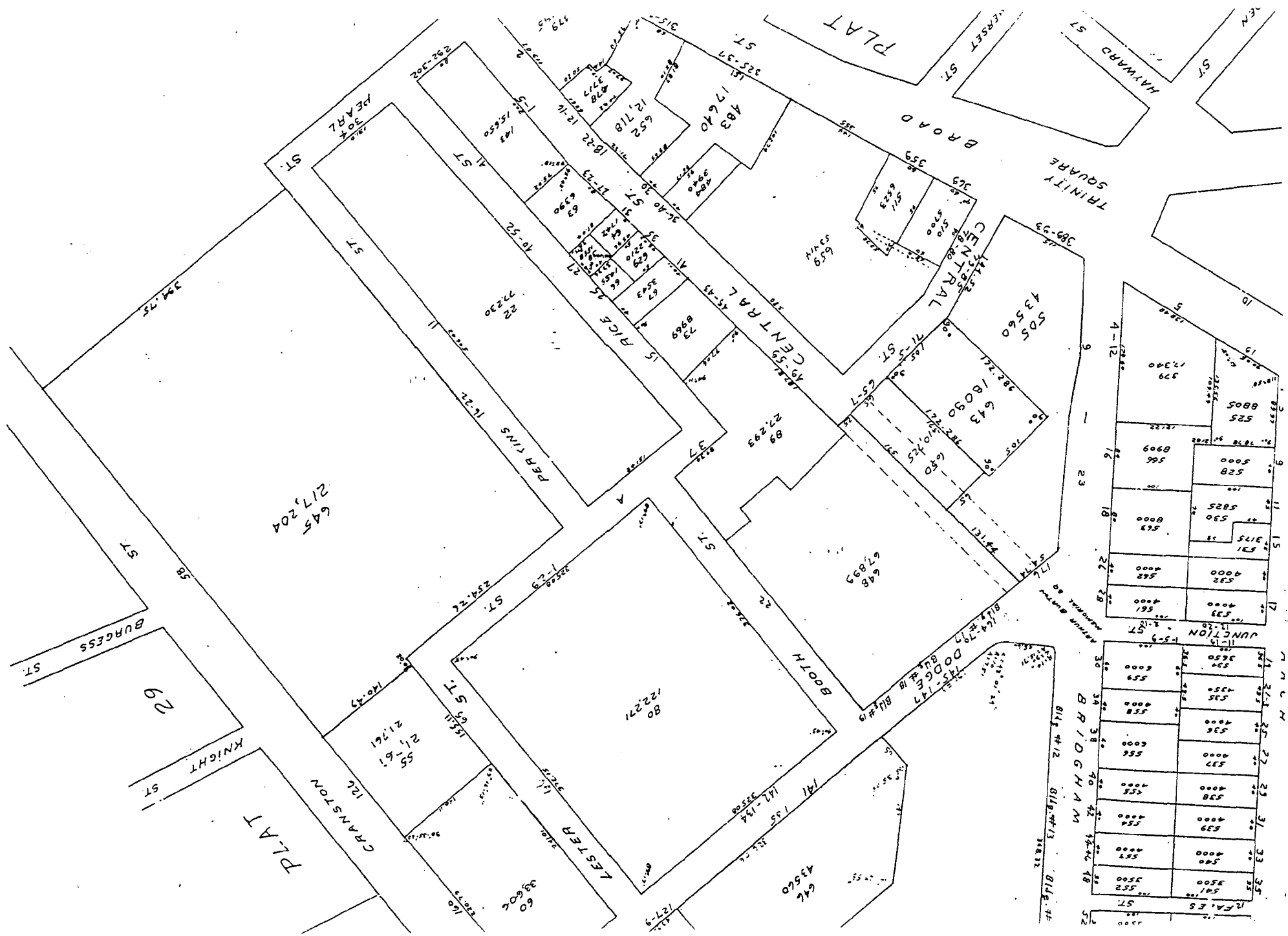
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cc: Councilwomen Young, Councilman Clarkin, MOD



City of Providence



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 4, 1993

TO: Robert Hillman, Manager of Engineering

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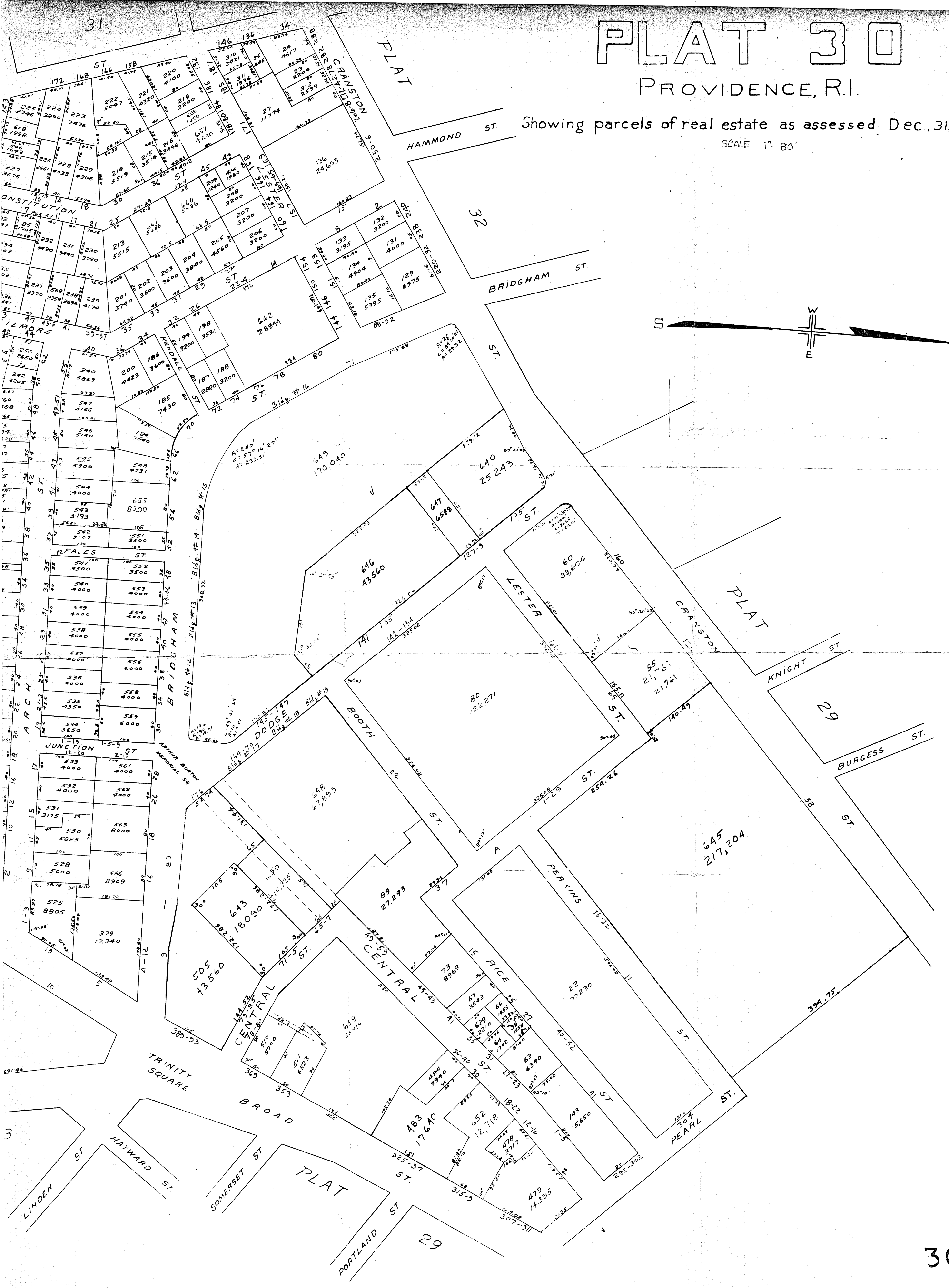
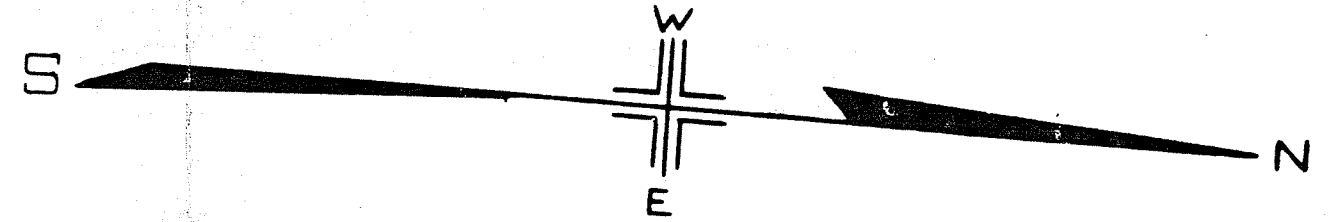
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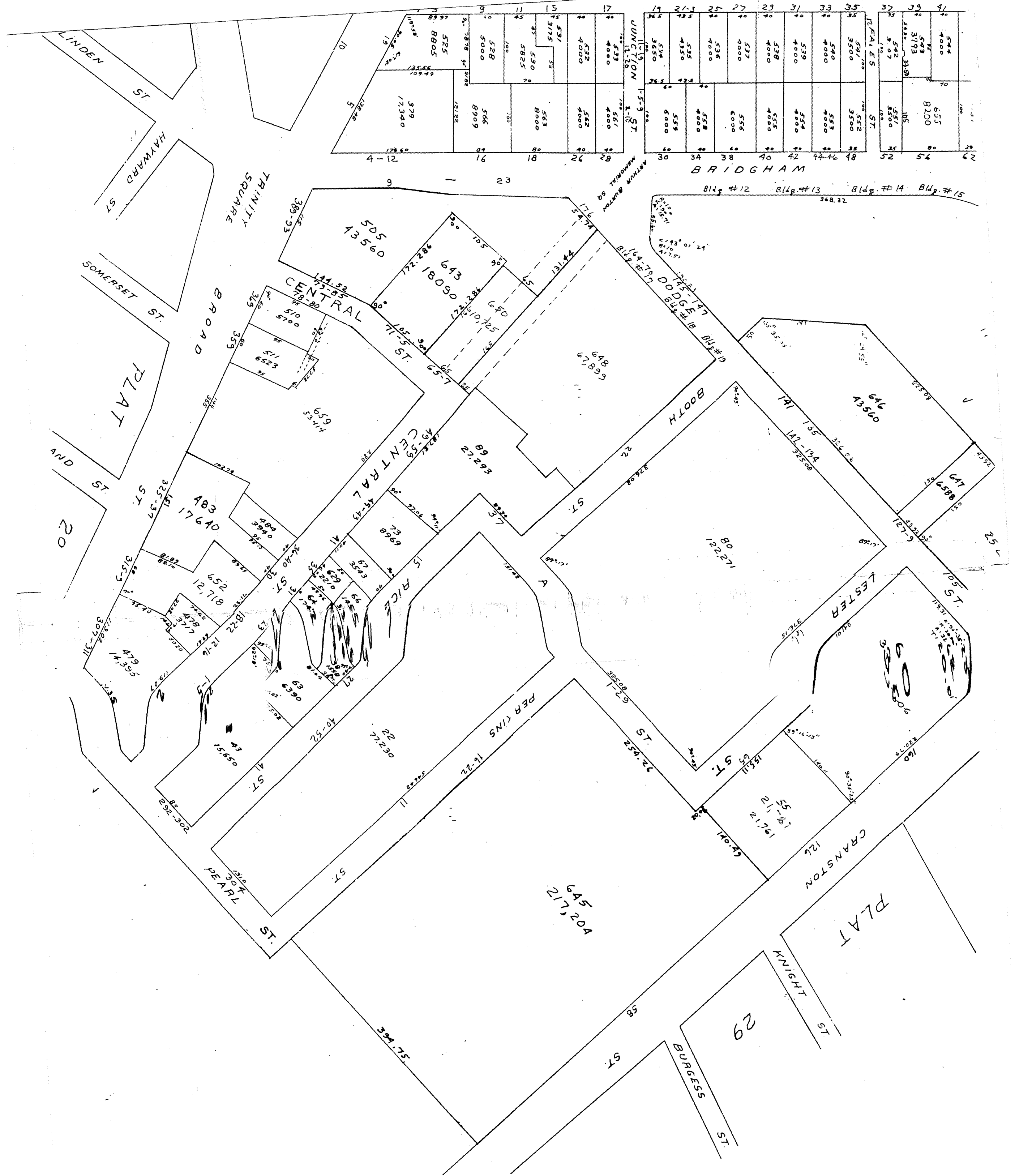
PLAT 30

PROVIDENCE, R.I.

Showing parcels of real estate as assessed Dec. 31, 1992

SCALE 1" = 80'





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November 15, 1993

Mr. Michael Clement
City Clerk
City Hall
25 Dorrance Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

SUBJECT: Petition for Street Abandonments
Lester Street and A Street (P/O)
Providence

Dear Mr. Clement:

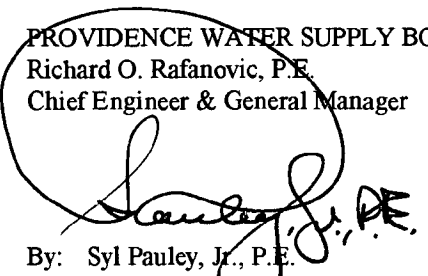
We have reviewed the referenced Petition for impact on the Providence Water Supply Board (PWSB) system. Our records indicate that the PWSB owns and maintains a 6-inch cast iron water main within the rights-of-way of the streets proposed for abandonment. There is also a 4-inch fire service to 160 Cranston Street that is connected to the Lester Street main.

PWSB has no objection to the proposed abandonments as long as the Petitioner grants full utility easements to the PWSB to maintain, construct, repair, etc. the existing water mains and service and that no permanent construction, whatsoever, be allowed within the easements. The Petitioner shall provide the written easements and wording of same shall be subject to review by the PWSB as to form and content.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 521-6300 EXT 70.

Respectfully,

PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY BOARD
Richard O. Rafanovic, P.E.
Chief Engineer & General Manager


By: Syl Pauley, Jr., P.E.
Entitlement and Records Sections

SP/s

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PROVIDENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT

November 10, 1993

To: Colonel Bernard E. Gannon, Chief of Police
From: Captain Richard T. Sullivan, Director of Traffic
Subject: Request for Abandonment of Portion of Lester Street and A Street

Sir:

Attached is a request for abandonment of a portion of Lester Street and A Street in the Cranston Street/ Dodge Street area of the city.

As far as the police are concerned, the # 1 concern is public safety. As long as the Housing Authority "patrols" the area, there should not be "gangs" hanging around or stolen autos dropped in this area. This would be an important concern to the police if this area became "no-mans" land and was taken over by corner gangs.

The next concern would be illegally parked vehicles. If this was to be private property, then the city would have no control over vehicles that park wherever. This area would then turn into a parking situation such as seen in; Roger Williams Projects, Salmon Street, Barry Road, and Valley View. Unless and until a "FIRE LANE" exists (and at present there is no such law), I feel that the fire department could not have enough room to bring in equipment.

Other than the two concerns; gangs of illegal activity forming, and illegally parked vehicles hampering fire or other emergency vehicles, there does not exist a problem with the abandonment.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD T. SULLIVAN
Captain
Director of Traffic

JOHN J. PARTINGTON
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CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT



VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.
MAYOR

Department of Public Safety, Fire Department
"Building Pride In Providence"

TO: Mr. Robert Clarkin, Chairman
FROM: Alfred F. Bertoncini, Chief of Department
DATE: November 9, 1993
RE: Abandonment of a portion of Lester Street and an adjoining portion of A street

Dear Mr. Clarkin:

Please be advised that the abandonment of a portion of Lester Street and an adjoining portion of A Street will pose no operational hazards for the Providence Fire Department.

Very truly yours,

Alfred F. Bertoncini
Chief of Department

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City of Providence



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 4, 1993

TO: Chief Alfred Bertoncini, Fire Department

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CITY OF PROVIDENCE
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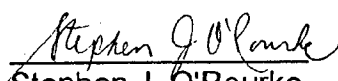
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Senior Citizens

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES MULTISERVICE CENTER
160 CRANSTON ST.
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02907
274-6783

MSGR. GEORGE FRAPPIER
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ANN D. HILL
DIRECTOR

Councilman Robert M. Clarkin
Public Works Sub-Committee
C/o Providence City Clerk
25 Dorrance Street
Providence, RI 02903-1712

September 27, 1993

Dear Councilman Clarkin:

The Saint Martin DePorres Community Center, a non-profit community outreach program, adjacent to the Coddington Court Public Housing Development supports the proposed abandonment of Lester Street and an adjoining portion of A Street as proposed by the Providence Housing Authority. The Center is not interested in purchasing one-half, or any portion, of the property which the streets cover. The DePorres Center concedes the right to obtain the entire abandoned property to the Providence Housing Authority.

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We, at the Saint Martin DePorres Center, support the efforts of the Providence Housing Authority in the abandonment of Lester Street and a portion of A Street and the rehabilitation of the Coddington Court Housing Development.

Sincerely,

Wayne B. Houle

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Acting Director

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100 BROAD STREET
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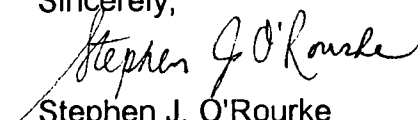
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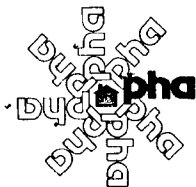
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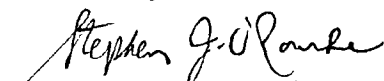
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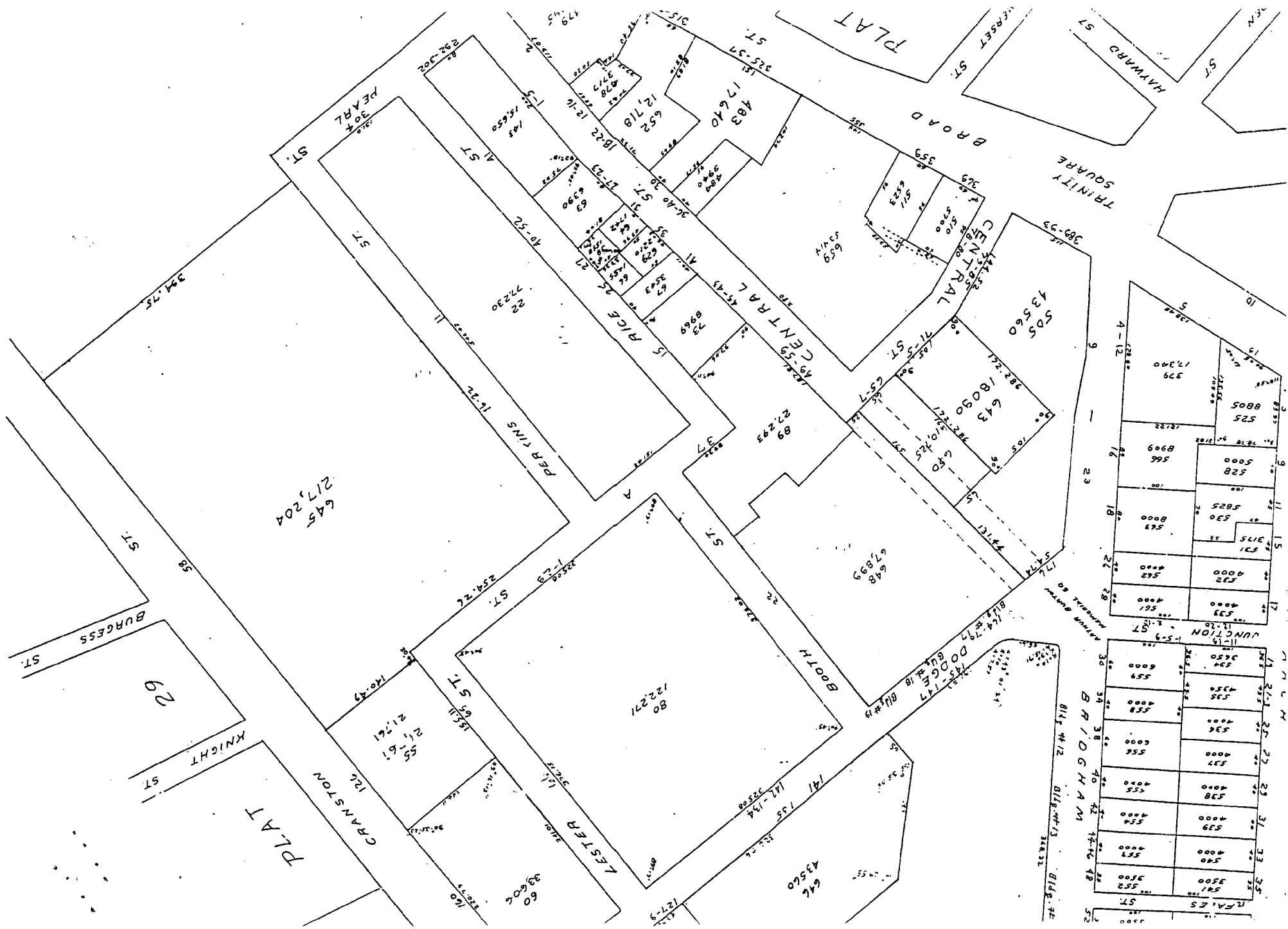
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SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS



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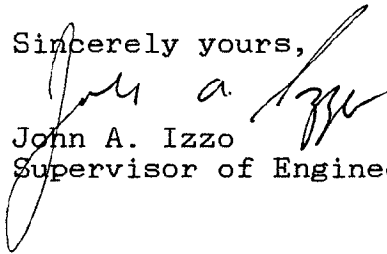
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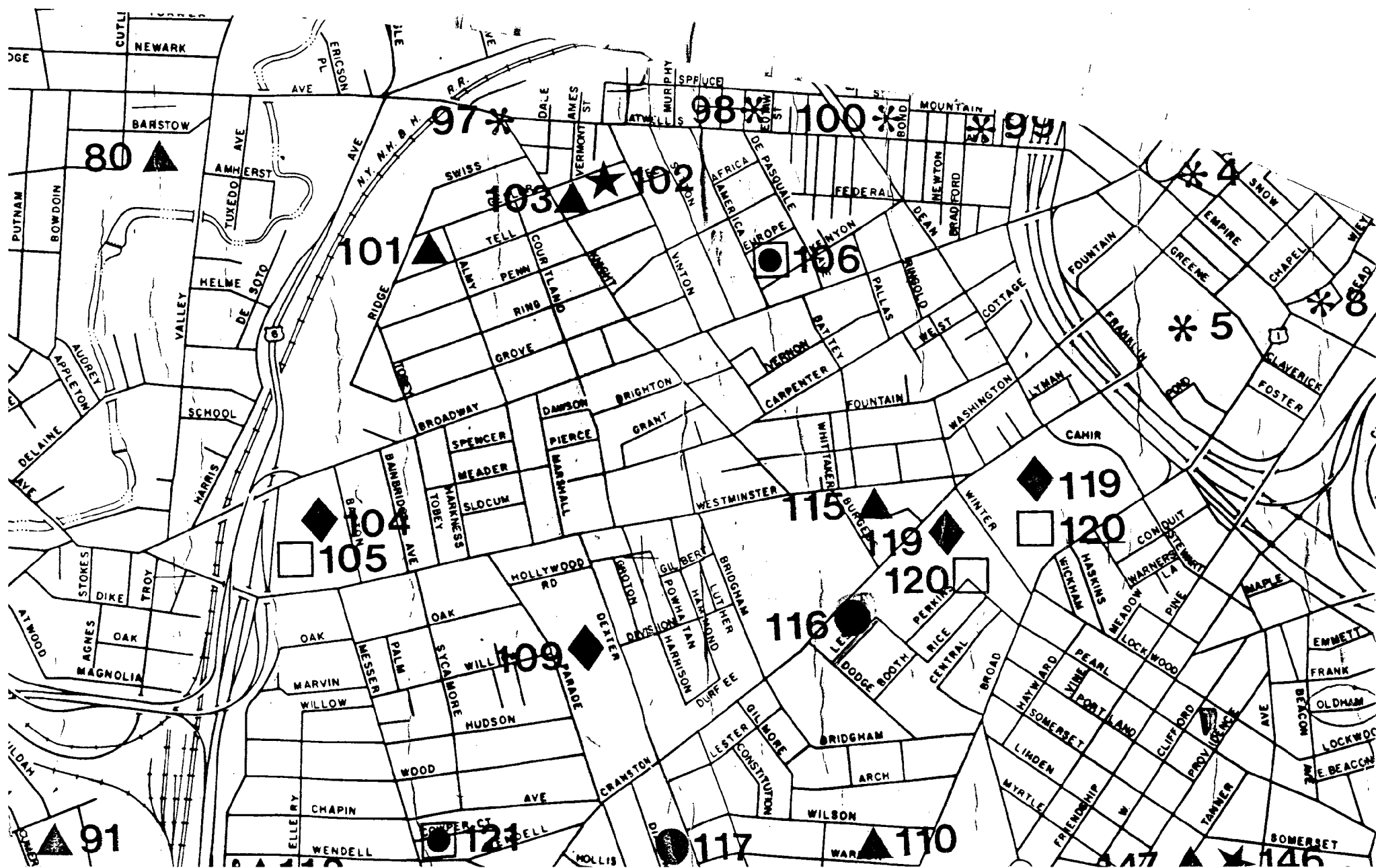
Dear Mr. Clement:

Upon review of all Department of Public Parks Plans, and records. It is the conclusion of the Parks Department that the abandonment of a portion of Lester Street, will in no way effect any Park Department existing facility, and or future plans for that area.

Enclosed is a map indicating the street in question marked in **RED**, and the nearest Park Department facility marked in **GREEN**.

Sincerely yours,


John A. Izzo
Supervisor of Engineering & Planning



City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 4, 1993

TO: Nancy Derrig, Superintendent of Parks

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Department of Public Parks
Dalrymple Boathouse, Roger Williams Park
Providence, Rhode Island 02905

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"Building Pride In Providence"

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: ROBERT CLARKIN, CHAIRMAN
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

FROM: B. JAMES SUZMAN, TRAFFIC ENGINEER
IRENE J. TESTA, DIRECTOR

DATE: 12/3/93

RE: TRANSMITTAL OF COMMUNICATION TO COMMITTEE

REQUEST: To abandon Lester Street and an Adjoining Portion of "A" Street.

DISPOSITION: No objection to said abandonment.

City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

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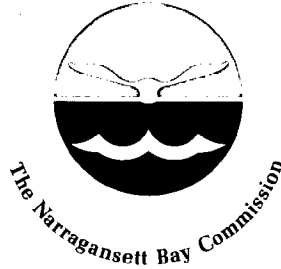
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Rep. Vincent J. Mesolella
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December 1, 1993

Ms. Barbara Poirier
Second Deputy Clerk
Department of City Clerk
City Hall
Providence, RI 02903

SUBJECT: Abandonment of City-Owned Property

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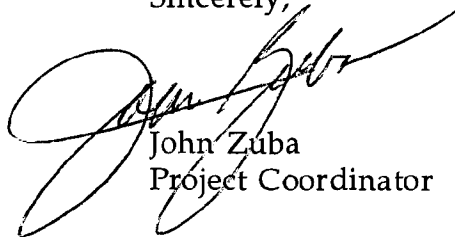
We have reviewed your memoranda and documentation concerning the abandonment of portions of the following City-owned property:

Lester Street, Providence, RI

The NBC does not own any facilities in these streets. Therefore, we do not have any objection to the abandonment of these properties.

We appreciate your notification of these abandonments and the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,



John Zuba
Project Coordinator

JZ/amr

cc: Terry Cote

B. JAMES SUZMAN
DIRECTOR



Vincent A. Cianci, Jr.
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MAYOR

Department of Public Works

"Building Pride In Providence"

December 7, 1993

Hon. Robert M. Clarkin ✓
Chairman of the Public Works Committee
Providence City Council - City Hall
Providence, R.I. 02903

Re: Proposed Abandonments--Lester St. and Portion "A" St.

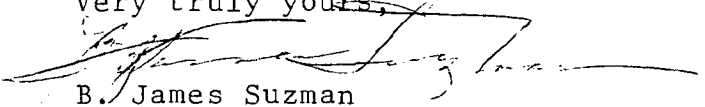
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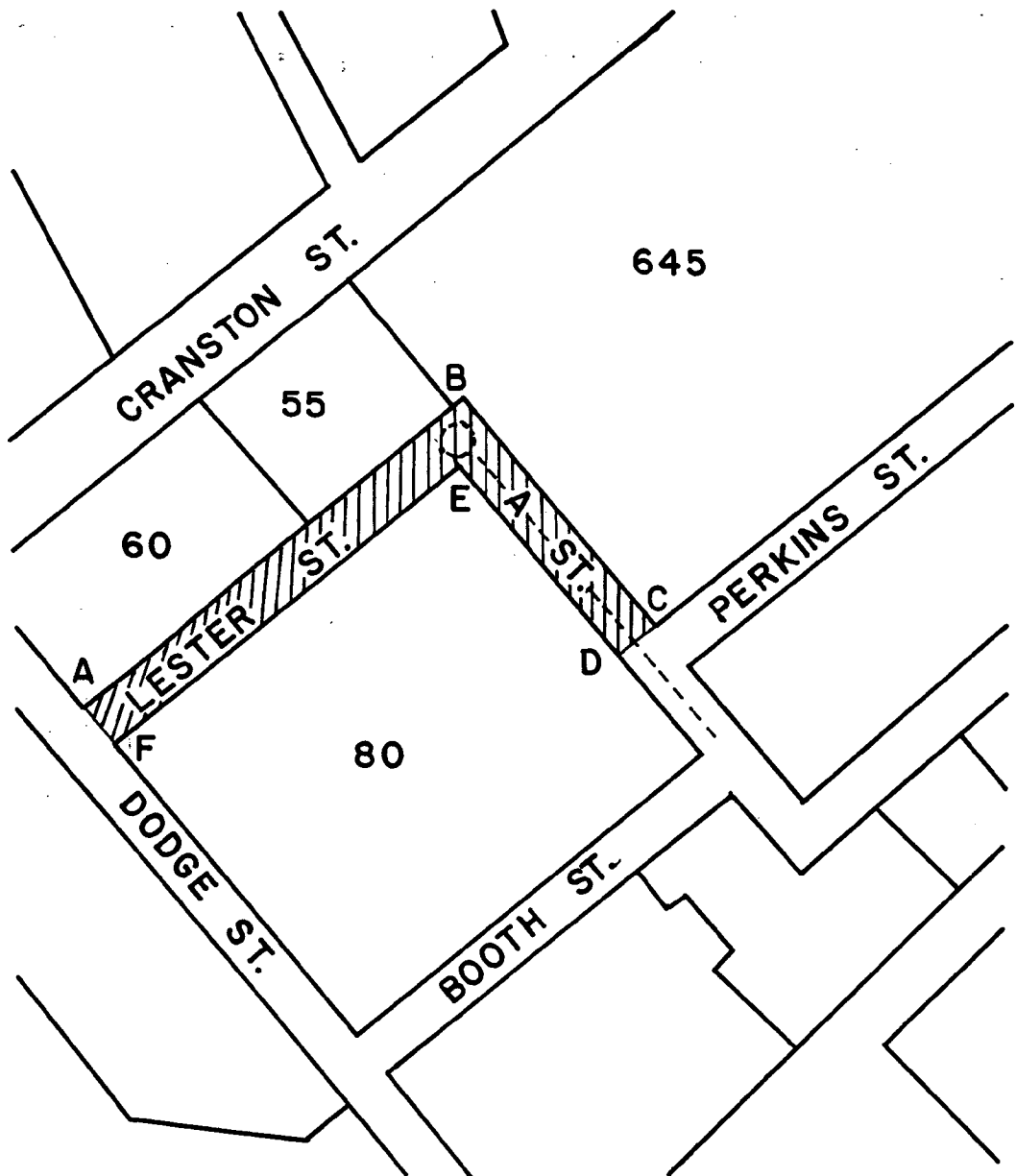
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PROVIDENCE, R. I.
 P. W. DEPT. - ENGINEERING OFFICE
 SECTION
 Plan No. 064553
 Date 11-12-93

LOT 55: CITY OF PROVIDENCE
 LOT 60: ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP
 LOT 80: HOUSING AUTHORITY
 LOT 645: CITY OF PROVIDENCE

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NOTES: CROSSED HATCHED AREAS
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CITY OF PROVIDENCE
 Public Works Dept. Engineering Office
ABANDONMENTS
LESTER ST. & A ST. POR.
 Drawn by STEVE Z. Checked by JAM
 Scale 1" = 80' Date 11-12-93
 Carried by John T. Moore Associate Engineer
 Ass. by Edmund S. Sullivan
 FOR FILED ENGINEER

City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 4, 1993

TO: B. James Suzman, Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: TO ABANDON A PORTION OF LESTER STREET AND AN ADJOINING
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CONSIDERED BY: Councilman Robert M. Clarkin, Chairman-Committee on
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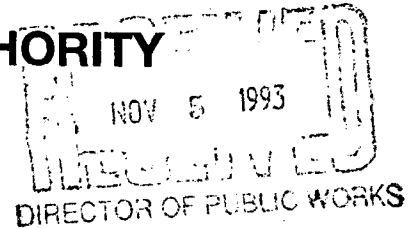
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THOMAS J. ANTON
CHAIRMAN

STEPHEN J. O'ROURKE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

November 3, 1993

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DOMENIC V. SCHIANO
DEPUTY DIRECTOR

B. James Suzman, Director
City of Providence
Department of Public Works
700 Allens Avenue
Providence, RI 02905

Subject: Street Abandonment

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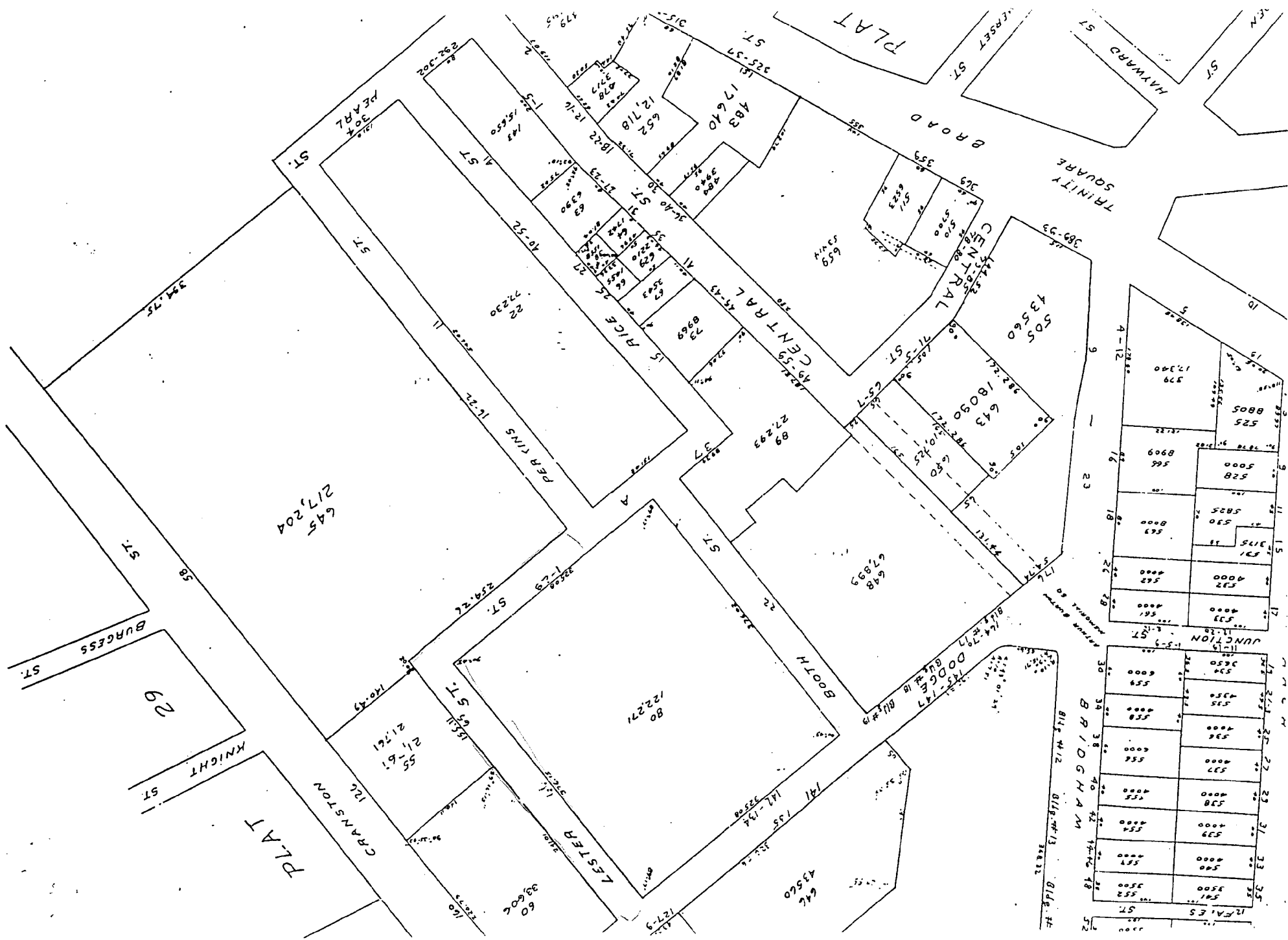
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Stephen J. O'Rourke
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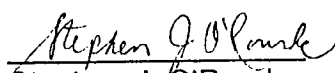
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October 8, 1993

Michael Clement, City Clerk
City of Providence
Office of City Clerk
25 Dorrance St.
Providence, RI 02903-1712

**Subject: Petition to Abandon Lester Street and an Adjoining Portion of
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cc: Councilwomen Young, Councilman Clarkin, MOD

Senior Citizens

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160 CRANSTON ST.
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ISGR. GEORGE FRAPPIER
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ANN D. HILL
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Councilman Robert M. Clarkin
Public Works Sub-Committee
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25 Dorrance Street
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September 27, 1993

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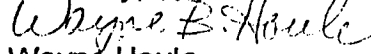
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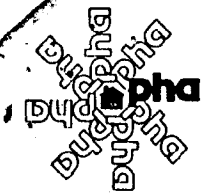
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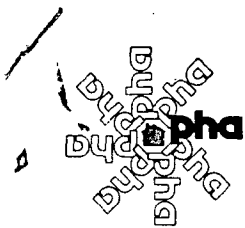
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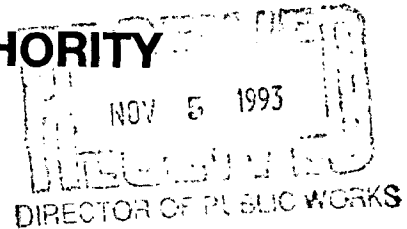
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November 3, 1993

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PROVIDENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

100 BROAD STREET
PROVIDENCE, R.I. 02903

THOMAS J. ANTON
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October 8, 1993

Michael Clement, City Clerk
City of Providence
Office of City Clerk
25 Dorrance St.
Providence, RI 02903-1712

**Subject: Petition to Abandon Lester Street and an Adjoining Portion of
A Street**

Dear Mr. Clement:

Enclosed is a petition submitted by the Providence Housing Authority to
abandon public way Lester Street and an adjoining portion of A Street extending
from Lester Street to Perkins Street.

Please be advised that in accordance with Title 45, Chapter 25-28 of the
General Laws of Rhode Island, the Authority is exempt from the payment of any
fees required by the State or any of its subdivisions (see attached).

If you have any questions on this, please call Ron Torbik of my staff at 751-
6400, extension 208.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. O'Rourke
Executive Director

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cc: Councilwomen Young, Councilman Clarkin, MOD

CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body

to abandon the public way Lester Street and adjoining A Street from Lester to Perkins Street located in Plat 30 in the West End neighborhood of the City of Providence.

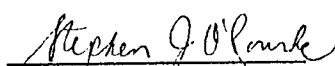
The Providence Housing Authority, a federally assisted public agency providing housing for low income City residents, seeks street abandonment in order to obtain space to develop adequate and safe automobile parking for its Codding Court family apartments. Codding Court is fully occupied and badly lacks parking spaces. The apartment complex consists of 120 units but only 59 parking spaces are available while City ordinance prohibits overnight parking on adjacent public streets. Comprehensive modernization of Codding Court is underway and a major objective is to provide one parking space for each apartment. Open space to develop sufficient additional parking is not available within the present Codding Court site. With petition approval, designs will be developed which will: provide adequate parking; preserve corridors and turning radii for emergency vehicles; provide for pedestrian and automobile circulation in harmony with one another; and improve the site appearance.

Two-way Lester Street is 396 feet long and 40 feet wide and runs southwest to northeast from one-way Dodge Street to A street on the northeast. Two-way A Street is 456 long and 40 feet wide and runs northwest to southeast from Lester street and intersects Perkins, Booth, and Rice Streets. The northern 255 feet of A Street from Lester to Perkins Street is sought to be abandoned.

Other lots abutting Lester and A streets will not be affected adversely by the abandonment of the streets. Besides lot 80, which Codding Court occupies, properties 60, 55, and 645 abut these streets and are zoned 'Institutional' and 'Public Open Space'. Automobile parking for these lots is not designed to occur along Lester or A Street. The Saint Martin De Porres Center, a community service center, occupies lot 60 and abuts Cranston, Dodge and Lester Streets. Automobile access to the De Porres Center is from Cranston Street. Pedestrian access to the De Porres Center from Lester Street will be retained. A 'Local Playground' maintained by the City Parks Department occupies lot 55 which abuts Cranston and Lester Streets. Parking for the playground is available along Cranston Street. Pedestrian access to the playground from Lester Street will be retained. Athletic fields maintained by the City of Providence School Department occupy lot 645 that abuts Cranston, Lester, A, Perkins, Pearl, Broadway, and Fricker Streets. Athletic field parking is available in a parking lot within lot 645 which is accessed from Pearl Street.

Traffic in surrounding areas will not be affected adversely by abandoning Lester and A Streets. Through traffic on Lester Streets and A Streets is low. Since Dodge Street is one-way from Cranston Street, the streets for which abandonment is sought primarily serve the northeast section of Codding Court. Coming from southeast of Codding Court, Banister Nursing Care Center will remain accessible from a route along Fricker and Cranston Street.

With dedication of Lester Street and a portion of A Street to its use, the Housing Authority will continue to provide easements and rights of way to City and private utilities and public safety authorities. Because the Housing Authority does not possess funds that enable it to purchase the streets, a waiver of such fees is requested. The Authority will assume costs of maintaining hardware such as lighting.


Stephen J. O'Rourke
Executive Director

Senior Citizens

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES MULTISERVICE CENTER
160 CRANSTON ST.
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02907
274-6783

ISGR. GEORGE FRAPPIER
ADMINISTRATOR

ANN D. HILL
DIRECTOR

Councilman Robert M. Clarkin
Public Works Sub-Committee
C/o Providence City Clerk
25 Dorrance Street
Providence, RI 02903-1712

September 27, 1993

Dear Councilman Clarkin:

The Saint Martin DePorres Community Center, a non-profit community outreach program, adjacent to the Coddington Court Public Housing Development supports the proposed abandonment of Lester Street and an adjoining portion of A Street as proposed by the Providence Housing Authority. The Center is not interested in purchasing one-half, or any portion, of the property which the streets cover. The DePorres Center concedes the right to obtain the entire abandoned property to the Providence Housing Authority.

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Acting Director

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100 BROAD STREET
PROVIDENCE, R.I. 02903

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October 8, 1993

Michael Clement, City Clerk
City of Providence
Office of City Clerk
25 Dorrance St.
Providence, RI 02903-1712

**Subject: Petition to Abandon Lester Street and an Adjoining Portion of
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Sincerely,


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Executive Director

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cc: Councilwomen Young, Councilman Clarkin, MOD

PHONE: (401) 751-6400

FAX: (401) 273-4623

PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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December 23, 1993

The Honorable Robert M. Clarkin
Chairman, Committee on Public Works
City of Providence
Office of City Clerk
25 Dorrance Street
Providence, RI 02903-1712

RE: Petition to Abandon a Portion of Lester Street and an
Adjoining Portion of "A" Street

Dear Mr. Clarkin:

The Providence Gas Company (the "Company") hereby objects to the abandonment of that portion of Lester Street and an adjoining portion of "A" Street, which is described in the Petition attached and incorporated hereto as Exhibit A, because there are gas mains and services which are currently supplying gas to the area.

Please call me if you have questions. My telephone number is 401-272-5040 extension 2203.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Emilie A. Benoit".

Emilie A. Benoit
Staff Counsel

City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 4, 1993

TO: Robert Hillman, Manager of Engineering

SUBJECT: TO ABANDON A PORTION OF LESTER STREET AND AN ADJOINING
PORTION OF A STREET

CONSIDERED BY: Councilman Robert M. Clarkin, Chairman-Committee on
Public Works

DISPOSITION:

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Senior Citizens

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES MULTISERVICE CENTER
160 CRANSTON ST.
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02907
274-6783

MSGR. GEORGE FRAPPIER
ADMINISTRATOR

ANN D. HILL
DIRECTOR

Councilman Robert M. Clarkin
Public Works Sub-Committee
C/o Providence City Clerk
25 Dorrance Street
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September 27, 1993

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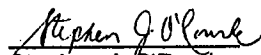
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CITY OF PROVIDENCE
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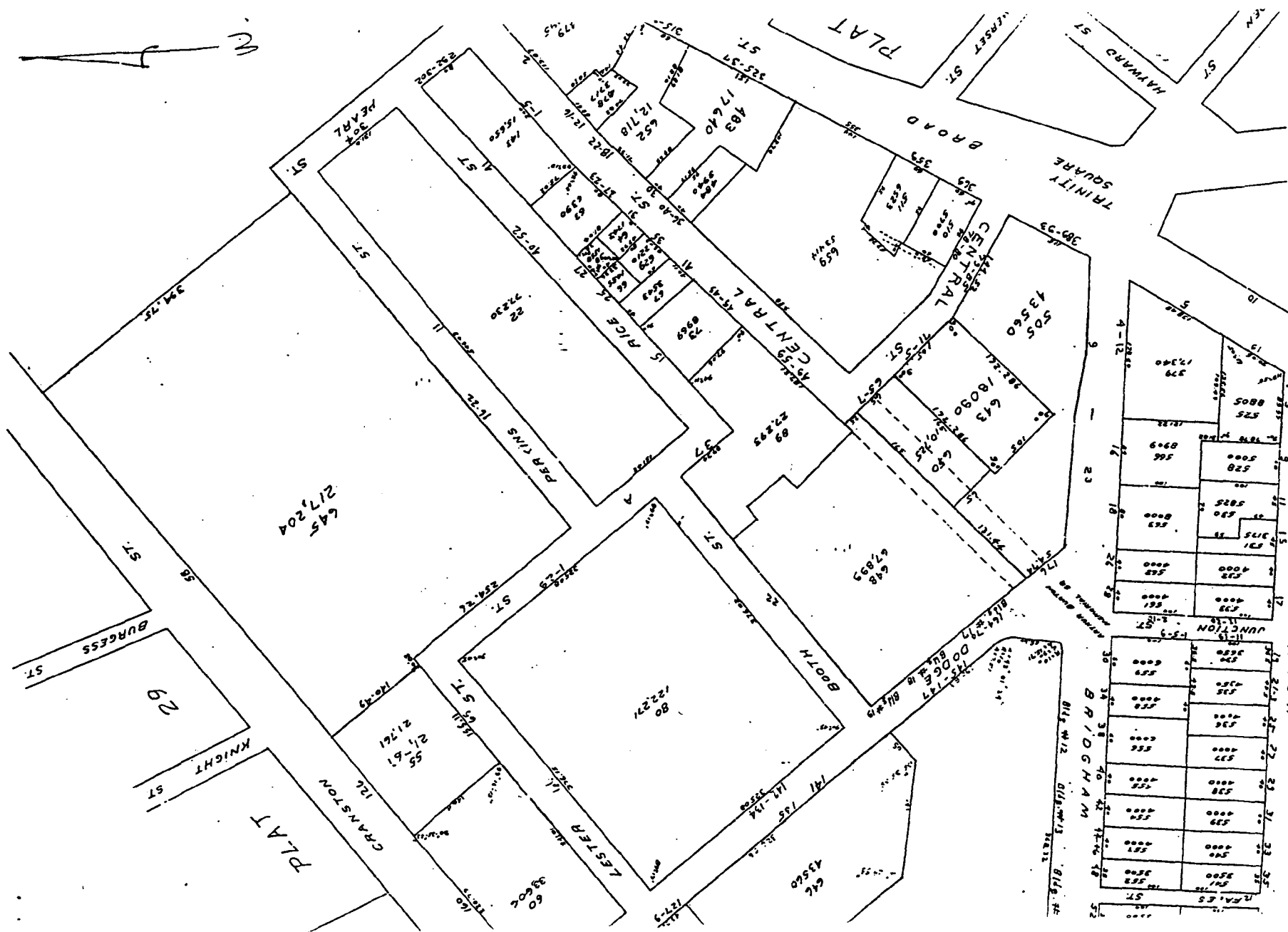
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THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE

CITY SERGEANT'S OFFICE

This is to Certify that I have caused the notice, of which a true copy is hereto annexed, to be served upon the following named persons, by handing to each of said persons, or by leaving at their last and usual place of abode in this State a true copy of said notice, to wit:— Petition to abandon Lester Street and adjoining portion of A Street

<u>PLAT</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>
30	80	Housing Authority City of Providence 100 Broad Street Providence, R. I. 02903
30	60	Roman Catholic Bishop of Providence One Cathedral Square Providence, R. I. 02903
30	55	City of Providence City Hall Providence, R. I. 02903
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CITY SERGEANT

Ralph P. Augulman

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Councilwoman Balbina A. Young
Ward Eleven

City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 28, 1994

TO: Mr. Thomas Deller, Department of Planning and Development

SUBJECT: TO ABANDON A PORTION OF LESTER STREET AND AN ADJOINING PORTION OF A STREET

CONSIDERED BY: Councilman Robert M. Clarkin, Chairman - Committee on Public Works

DISPOSITION: Attached please find a copy of the above subject matter for study and report back in writing to the said Committee as soon as practical.

Barbara A. Poiret

Second Deputy City Clerk

City of Providence



Rhode Island

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Second Deputy City Clerk



New England Telephone

A **NYNEX** Company

85 High Street
Pawtucket, Rhode Island 02860
Phone (401) 727-9555

Pamela Greenwood
Manager - Right of Way

February 1, 1994

Ms. Barbara Poirier
Second Deputy City Clerk
City of Providence
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Barbara,

After investigation it has been determined that Nynex has no facilities in the area to be abandoned.

Very truly yours,

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E/P Manager - Right of Way



NYNEX Recycles

City of Providence



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PROVIDENCE CITY PLAN COMMISSION

"Planning Providence's Future"

February 7, 1994

Committee on Public Works
c/o City Clerk
City Clerk's Office
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Attention: Michael R. Clement, City Clerk

CPC REFERRAL NO. 3065 - Abandonment of Lester Street and
portion of A Street

Gentlemen:

The City Plan Commission at its January 19, 1994 regular monthly meeting reviewed and evaluated the proposed abandonment of Lester Street and an adjoining portion of A Street.

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Analysis of the above indicates that abutting lots and the traffic in the surrounding area will not be affected adversely by abandoning Lester and A Streets.

The Commission voted to advise that the Committee on Public Works that no objection is offered to the petition under condition that all abutting property owners consent to this abandonment and that the Housing Authority shall maintain easements and rights of way to the City, private utilities and public safety authorities.

Regards,



 Thomas E. Deller, AICP
Associate Director/Planning

CITY PLAN COMMISSION PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Ref. No. 3065 Subject: ABANDONMENT OF LESTER STREET AND PORTION OF A STREET

Plat No. 30 Lot No. _____

Lot Area: _____

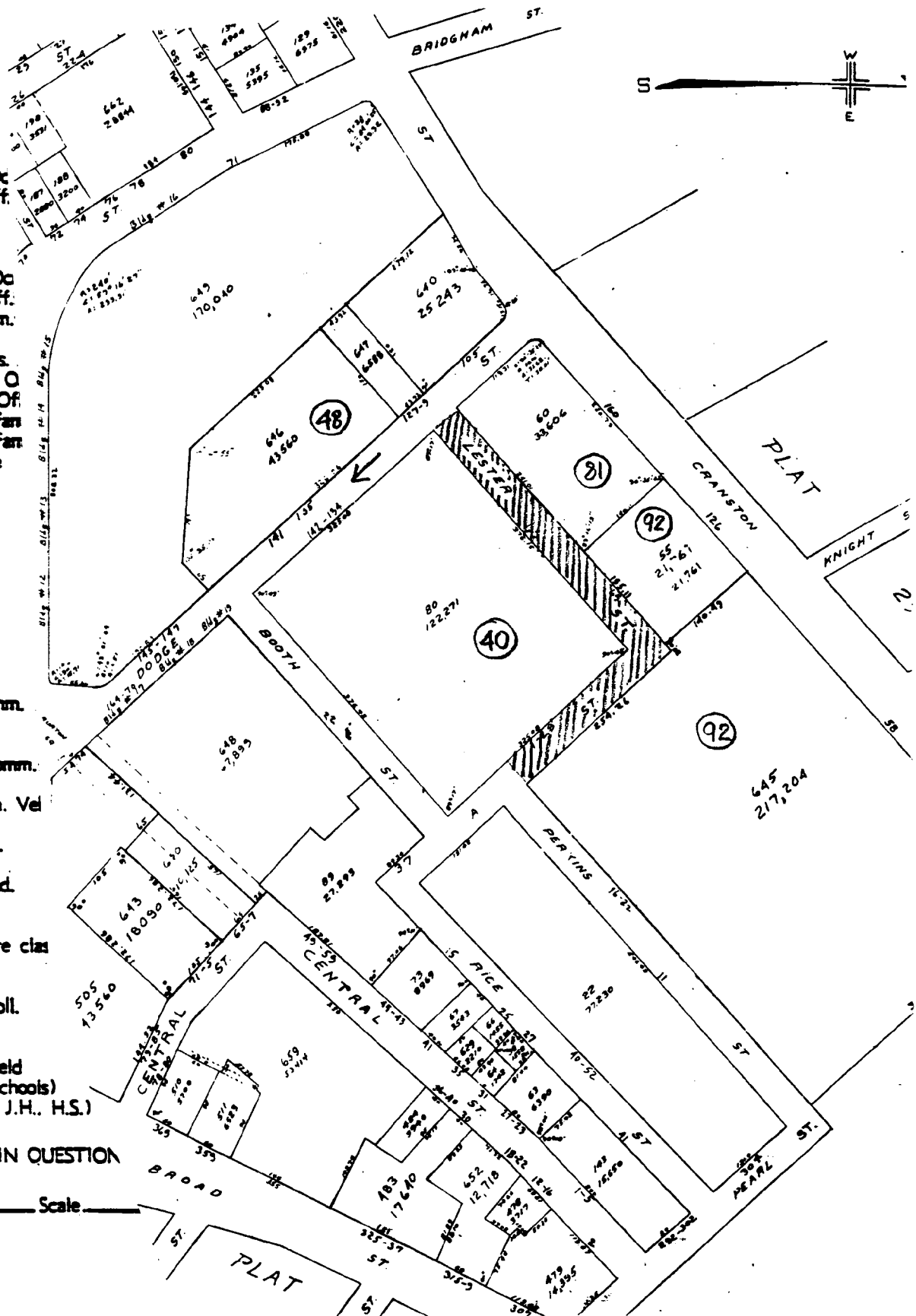
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AREA IN QUESTION

Date: _____ By: _____ Scale: _____





Narragansett Electric

A New England Electric System company

The Narragansett Electric Company
280 Melrose Street
P.O. Box 1438
Providence, Rhode Island 02901-1438
Telephone: (401) 941-1400

June 10, 1994

Ms. Barbara A. Poirier
City Clerk's Department
Providence City Hall
25 Dorrance Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Re: Abandonment of a portion of Atkins Street
Abandonment of Lester Street and a portion of A Street

Dear Barbara:

The Narragansett Electric Company presently has overhead distribution facilities located on the above portions of Atkins, Lester, and A Streets to be abandoned. These facilities are an important part of our electric supply system in this area and would be very difficult and costly to relocate.

Narragansett Electric will not object to the granting of the petition provided that in the event the petition is granted, an easement acceptable to The Narragansett Electric Company will permit retention of our facilities in the existing location of the abandoned street.

Sincerely,

Michael D. DiNezza
Senior Real Estate Representative

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 434

Approved July 18, 1994

RESOLVED, DECREED AND ORDERED:

That the following named street shown as cross-hatched area on the accompanying plan entitled: "Plan No. 064553, Providence, R.I. Dept., Engineering Office, City Property Section, Dated: 11/12/93."

VIZ:

LESTER STREET AND AN ADJOINING PORTION OF 'A' STREET, shown as cross-hatched area on accompanying plan and designated by the letters (A-B-C-D-E-F-A) having ceased to be useful to the public and is proposed to be abandoned as a Public Highway. Said Abandonment is specifically conditioned precedent upon the following:

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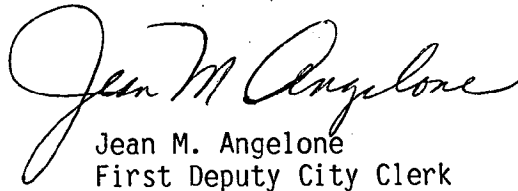
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A true copy,
Attest:


Jean M. Angelone
First Deputy City Clerk

PROVIDENCE, R. I.

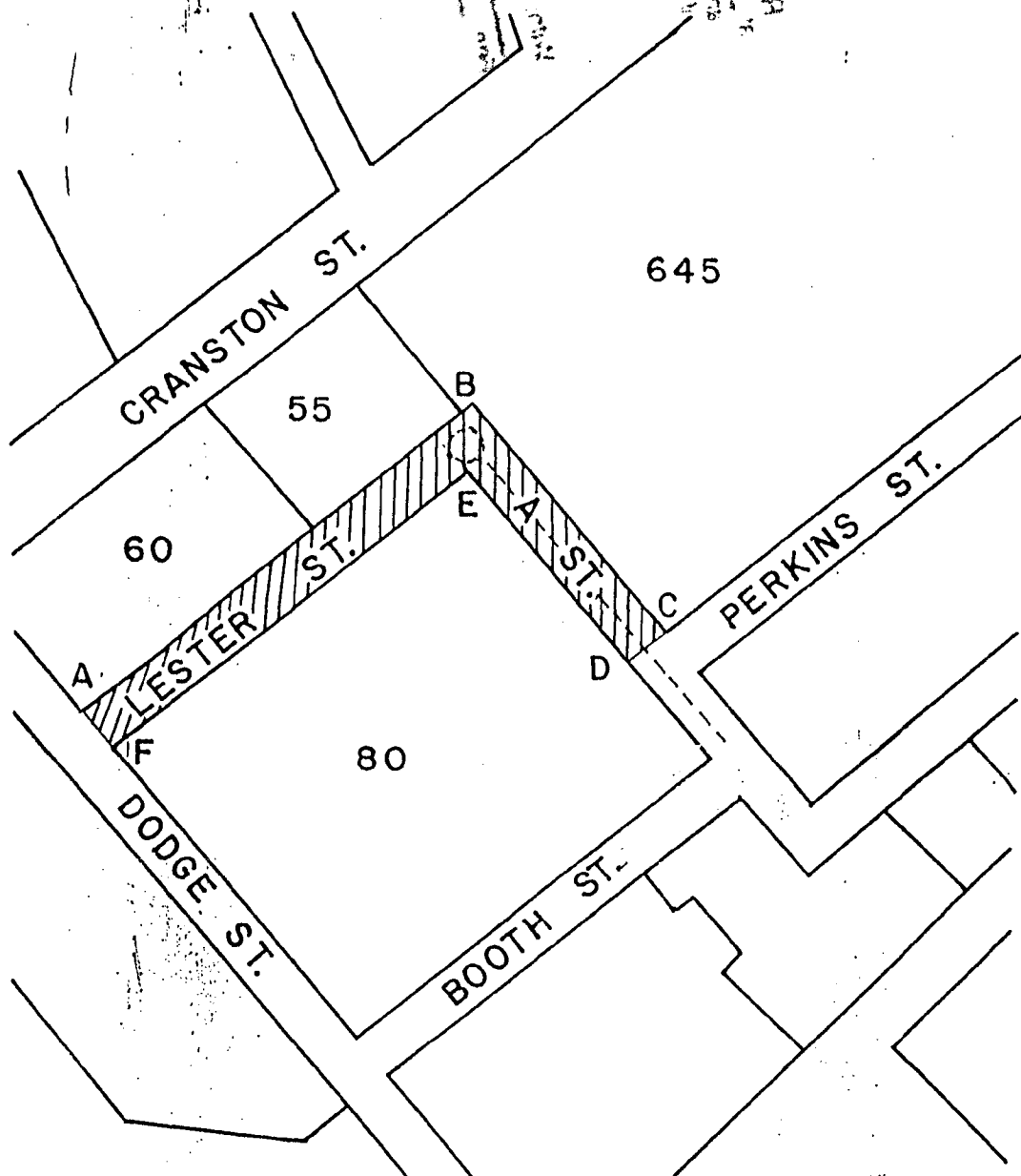
P. W. DEPT. - ENGINEERING OFFICE

SECTION

Plan No. 064553Date 11-12-93

LOT 55: CITY OF PROVIDENCE
 LOT 60: ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP
 LOT 80: HOUSING AUTHORITY
 LOT 645: CITY OF PROVIDENCE

AREA = 24,780 ± SQ. FT. OF LAND



NOTES: CROSSED HATCHED AREAS
 (A-B-C-D-E-F-A) INDICATE
 PROPOSED ABANDONMENTS

LESTER ST. & A ST. POR.

FULL SEWER EASEMENT WILL
 BE REQUIRED ON A STREET

LOT NUMBERS TAKEN FROM A.P. 30

CITY OF PROVIDENCE	
Public Works Dept.	Engineering Office
ABANDONMENTS	
LESTER ST. & A ST. POR.	
Drawn by STEVE Z.	Checked by JAM
Scale 1" = 80'	Date 11-12-93
Carried by <i>John T. Moore</i> Associate Engr	
Approved <i>Edmund J. Sullivan</i> FOR CHIEF ENGINEER	

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