



Mayor of Providence

Jorge O. Elorza

November 21, 2016

Honorable Members  
Providence City Council  
City Hall

Dear Honorable Members:

Pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1013 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, I am this day reappointing Michael Gazdacko of 78 Harrison Street, Providence, RI 02909, as a general citizenry category member of the City Plan Commission for a term to end January 31, 2018, and respectfully submit the same for your approval. Mr. Gazdacko temporarily resigned from the CPC on June 28, 2016 and will fill his own vacancy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. Elorza".

Jorge O. Elorza  
Mayor

IN CITY COUNCIL

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WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT  
THE SAME BE RECEIVED AND APPROVED  
 CLERK

## Michael R. Gazdacko

### PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Pawtucket Foundation, Board Member (2009 – Present)

Providence Preservation Society, Strategic Planning Committee (2014-Present), Co-Chair Winter Bash Event Committee (2013, 2014)

Providence Pecha Kucha, Founding and Current Board Member, Host/Organizer (2010-14)

Rhode Island Music Hall of Fame, Founding and Current Board Member

Providence 375 Celebration Emcee (2012)

TedX Providence, Board Member and Planning/Host Committee (2013- Present)

Wooly Fair, Planning Committee (2010, 2011)

Farm Fresh RI, Local Food Fest Committee (2010-Present), Seafood Throwdown Host (2013-14)

West Broadway Neighborhood Association, Event Committees (2010-present)

Providence Monthly's "10 to Watch" (2011)

### EMPLOYMENT

Director of Development & Operations, Rhode Island

Urban Smart Growth (USG), 2003 - Present

#### Responsibilities

- o Day to day management of all USG RI operations, including: site location; due diligence; acquisition; financing; and environmental remediation
- o Oversight of architects and all structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and other engineers
- o Supervision of in-house personnel and all tradesmen and management of general contractors
- o Liaison to all city officials for plan/project review, variances, entitlements and permits
- o Responsible for lease-up of all tenant spaces

#### Accomplishments

##### *Hope Artiste Village, Pawtucket, RI*

- o Converted of turn-of-the-century mill into a destination for retail, dining and entertainment
- o Attracted more than 100 tenants, including Seven Stars Bakery, Farm Fresh RI, New Harvest Coffee, Envision Technology Advisors (an IT Company with 50+ employees)
- o Current host of Farm Fresh RI's Wintertime Farmer's Market

##### *Greystone Lofts, North Providence, RI*

- o \$25M, 200,000 square foot historic redevelopment of the former Worcester Textile Mill,
- o Completed significant environmental remediation of the site, in collaboration with RIDEM and Sage Environmental
- o Awarded Federal and State Historic Preservation Tax Credits
- o 98% occupancy at market rates for the past four years
- o Honored by Preserve RI with a Rhody Award in 2012

#### Current and Ongoing Projects with USG RI

- o Conversion of the Preparing Mill, an 180,000 square foot, five story building at Hope Artiste Village to 149 residential loft units