

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 345

Effective: ~~Approved~~ May 2, 1983

RESOLVED, DECREED AND ORDERED:

That the following named Streets shown as cross-hatched area on the accompanying plan entitled, "Providence, Rhode Island, Department of Public Works - Engineering Office, Street Line Section Plan No. 064218, dated September 22, 1982",

VIZ:

Amos Street and Drowne Street, in their entire length between North Main Street and Canal Street, shown as cross-hatched area on accompanying plan and designated by the letters (A-B-C-D-A) and (E-F-G-H-E) having ceased to be useful to the public and is proposed to be abandoned as Public Highways, subject to Narragansett Electric Company being conveyed an easement and permitted retention of their underground facilities in existing locations in said Drowne Street, together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same, New England Telephone being conveyed an easement which will permit retention of their facilities in existing locations, together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same and with 24 hour access to said facilities; Water Supply Board being granted permanent easements equivalent to the present street width and length and those areas must be accessible to Water Supply Board at all times for any repair work necessary and also include no installation of any permanent-type building or facility that could obstruct access; and the damage to the abutters is appraised at nothing and so awarded, and it is further

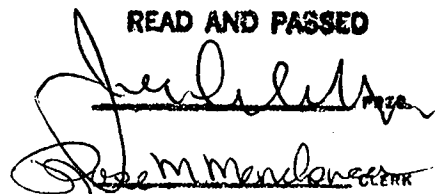
ORDERED, That the Director of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to cause signs to be placed on the above-named highways abandoned as aforesaid, having thereon the words, "Not a Public Highway", and it is further

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 highways which have been abandoned, who is known to reside within the State.

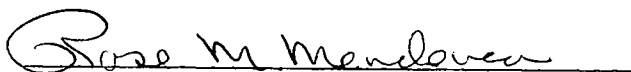
IN CITY COUNCIL

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READ AND PASSED


Rose M. Mendonca
CLERK

Effective without the Mayor's
signature May 2, 1983.


Rose M. Mendonca

**THE COMMITTEE ON
PUBLIC WORKS**

**Approves Passage of
The Within Resolution**

Rose M. Manlove
Chairman

April 13, 1983

City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 21, 1982
TO: Joseph DiSanto, Director of Public Works
SUBJECT: DIAMOND, AMOS AND PIKE STREETS - ABANDONMENTS
CONSIDERED BY: Committee on Public Works
DISPOSITION:

Attached are copies of the subject Street Abandonments,
for your study and report back in writing to the said Com-
mittee, along with a list of abutting owners and tracing
of subject areas.

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FIRST DEPUTY

City Clerk

TILLINGHAST, COLLINS & GRAHAM

COUNSELORS AT LAW

2000 HOSPITAL TRUST TOWER

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

(401) 456-1200

September 2, 1982

City Clerk
City Hall
Providence, RI

Dear Madam:

Please find enclosed for filing the Petition of Rhode Island School of Design for the abandonment of Amos and Drown Streets in Providence, Rhode Island.

Also enclosed is our check for \$75 in payment of the filing fee. We would appreciate your furnishing us with a receipt of payment.

Very truly yours,


Stanley A. Bleecker

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Enclosures

RICHARD A. CARROLL
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CITY OF PROVIDENCE

WILEY J. ARCHER
P.E., Acting Chief Engineer
WILLIAM J. MCGAIR
Legal Advisor
JAMES A. LOMBARDI
Secretary

November 15, 1982

Councilman Laurence K. Flynn, Chairman
Committee on Public Works
City Clerk's Office
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Councilman Flynn:

On September 21, 1982, this department received from the City Clerk a memorandum and a copy of a Petition to abandon Amos and Drown Street their entire length between North Main Street and Canal Street.

We have checked into this request and find that on both Amos and Drown Streets we have 6-Inch C.I. water mains which are feeding active water services as follows:

- 1) Amos Street: 28 North Main Street and 4" fire service.
- 2) Drown Street: 25 Canal Street and 4" fire service.

Our inspection indicates that we cannot abandon these streets unless we secure permanent easements equivalent to the present street width and length. These areas must be accessible to us at all times for any repair work necessary and also include no installation of any permanent-type building or facility that could obstruct access.

If you require any additional information, please advise.

Very truly yours,

Wiley J. Archer, P.E.
Chief Engineer

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cc: Mr. Edward Bondarevskis
Principal Engineer



CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND
MAYOR VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS . 700 ALLENS AVENUE . 02905

Joseph C. DiSanto, Director

James F. Lembo, Deputy Director

October 6, 1982

Mr. Laurence Flynn
Chairman of Public Works Comm
Prov., City Council
City Hall
Prov., R. I.

Re: Abandonment of Amos St.

From: North Main St.

To: Canal St.

Re: Drowne St.

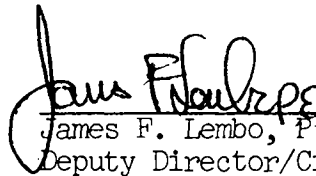
From: North Main St.

to: Canal St.

Dear Sir:

The Department of Public Works has no objection
to the abandonment of Amos St. and Drowne St.
from No. Main St. to Canal St.

Very truly yours,


James F. Lembo, P. E.
Deputy Director/City Engineer

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DEPT. OF CH. CLERK
PROVIDENCE, R.I.

FRANK A. TIBALDI
TRAFFIC ENGINEER



VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.
MAYOR

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

60 ERNEST ST.

PROVIDENCE, R. I. 02905

781 - 4044

October 27, 1982

Committee on Public Works
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

The Traffic Engineering Department has reviewed the petitions for the following street abandonments and offers the subsequent action:

Request: To abandon a portion of Pike Street.

Disposition: No objection.

✓ Request: To abandon Amos Street and Drown Street
between North Main Street and Canal Street.

Disposition: No objection.

Request: To abandon a portion of Diamond Street.

Disposition: No objection.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank A. Tibaldi".

Frank A. Tibaldi
Traffic Engineer

FAT/it

STANLEY BERNSTEIN
DIRECTOR



VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.
MAYOR

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

40 FOUNTAIN ST., - PROVIDENCE, R. I. 02903 - TEL. 401-831-6550

November 10, 1982

Committee on Public Works
c/o City Clerk
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Subject: Referral No. 2069 - Abandonment of Amos and Drowne Streets

Gentlemen:

An earlier City Plan Commission letter dated October 14, 1982 was transmitted to you setting forth this Commission's action to table this referral. The staff was requested to research the proposal more fully for consideration at the November 3, 1982 meeting. However, the November meeting was unofficial since a quorum could not be assembled.

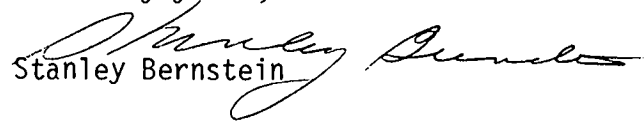
Therefore, this Department has reviewed this referral and reports as follows: -

This Department received additional information from RISD as follows:

- (1) An enclosed stairwell may have to be added to the former Blue Cross Building at Amos Street, and Drowne Street may be needed for the same purpose.
- (2) It is possible, but not "immediately probable", that a portion of Amos Street may be used for new building construction or for air right easement.
- (3) When the existing and proposed buildings are fully used, both subject streets are needed for pedestrian traffic and to eliminate vehicular traffic dangers.

It appears that these reasons, as stated above, are based on tentative proposals. At the present time, there is no absolute need to abandon these streets while the development is still in the planning stages. Therefore, this Department recommends to your Committee that consideration of approval be tabled until such time as the petitioner presents a definite plan that can be considered on its merits.

Sincerely yours,


Stanley Bernstein

SB/cd

cc: Councilwoman Carolyn F. Brassil
Councilman Edward W. Xavier



The City Plan Commission

40 FOUNTAIN STREET

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

October 14, 1982

Committee on Public Works
c/o City Clerk
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Attention: Michael Clement

Subject: Referral No. 2069 - Abandonment of Amos and Drowne Streets

Gentlemen:

The City Plan Commission at its October 6, 1982 regular monthly meeting reviewed and evaluated the subject petition which contained a request by John Stevens, Vice-President of Administration of Rhode Island School of Design for the abandonment of subject streets. The School owns all the property on both sides of subject streets.

A field inspection revealed that Amos Street is a 15 ft. wide paved alley with curbs and sidewalks. It is located between a building and a parking lot to the north and a building to the south. Drowne Street is a 14 ft. wide paved alley with curbs and sidewalks. It is located between a building and the Rhode Island School of Design Auditorium to the south.

After due consideration, the Commission voted to table this referral on the grounds that insufficient information on the proposal was given to justify the need to serve the City and public interest. The staff was requested to research the proposal more fully and it will be considered at the next Commission meeting on November 3, 1982.

Sincerely yours,


Stanley Bernstein
Director

SB/cd

cc: Councilwoman Carolyn F. Brassil
Councilman Edward W. Xavier



The City Plan Commission

40 FOUNTAIN STREET

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

December 2, 1982

Committee on Public Works
c/o City Clerk
City Hall
Providence, R. I. 02903

Attention: Michael Clement

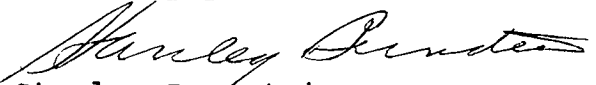
Re: Referral No. 2069 - Abandonment of Amos and
Drowne Streets

Gentlemen:

An earlier City Plan Commission letter dated October 14, 1982 was transmitted to you, setting forth this Commission's decision to table this referral on the grounds that insufficient information on the proposal was given to justify the need to serve the City and public interest. The staff was requested to research the proposal more fully and it will be considered at the next Commission meeting.

The City Plan Commission at its December 1, 1982 regular monthly meeting voted to recommend to the Committee on Public Works that this petition be denied on the grounds that the petitioner has no definite plan to justify the subject street abandonments until such time as the petitioner presents a specific plan that can be considered on its merits.

Sincerely yours,

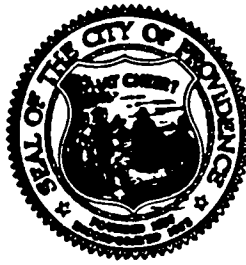

Stanley Bernstein,
Director

SB/rb

cc: Councilwoman Carolyn F. Brassil
Councilman Edward W. Xavier

Sanford H. Gorodetsky

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY



Leonard W. Reilly

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY

209 FOUNTAIN ST., PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

October 20, 1982

The Honorable City Council
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Att: Committee on
Public Works

Gentlemen:

The Department of Public Safety has no objection to the abandonment of the block of Pike Street running in a westerly direction from South Water Street, a total of fifty feet, to the Providence River; and the abandonment of Amos Street and Drown Street their entire length between North Main Street and Canal Street.

Respectfully submitted,

Sanford H. Gorodetsky
Commissioner of
Public Safety

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Narragansett Electric

The Narragansett Electric Company
280 Melrose Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02901

November 10, 1982

Committee on Public Works
Providence City Council
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Re: Petition of Rhode Island School of Design to abandon as a
Public Highway the entire area of Drowne Street lying between
North Main Street and Canal Street

Gentlemen:

The Narragansett Electric Company presently has underground electrical facilities in said Drowne Street consisting of one A.C. network feeder and two sets of network secondaries which are installed in a six way ductline. These facilities are of the utmost importance for the operation and reliability of the A.C. network system and would be very difficult and costly to relocate.

Total costs of further studies and final relocations if required will be at the expense of the Petitioner.

However, The Narragansett Electric Company will not object to the granting of said petition, provided that in the event that the petition is granted, the Petitioner will convey an easement acceptable to the Narragansett Electric Company which will permit retention of our underground facilities in existing locations in said Drowne Street, together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same.

Very truly yours,

Edward J. Hayes
Senior Field Right of Way Agent

AJL:1

cc: Fronk Dowiot, The Narragansett Electric Company
John Stevens, Rhode Island School of Design



**New England
Telephone**

100 New England Way
Warwick, Rhode Island 02886

November 16, 1982

Committee on Public Works
Providence City Council
City Hall
Providence, R. I. 02903

RE: PETITION TO ABANDON A PORTION OF AMOS ST. AND DROWN ST.

Dear Sirs:

New England Telephone and Telegraph Company presently has underground facilities consisting of manholes, conduits and cables located in the above mentioned streets. These facilities not only serve this area but they are also part of our toll route extending to the northern part of Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

New England Telephone and Telegraph Company will not object to the granting of said petition, provided that in the event the petition is granted, the petitioners will convey an easement acceptable to New England Telephone, which will permit retention of our facilities in existing locations, together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same and with 24 hour access to said facilities.

If it is decided by the petitioner that telephone facilities are to be relocated, the petitioner will assume all costs of the relocation.

for Edythe L. Fenner
Robert J. O'Leary
District Manager-Dist. Service

cc: D. Moore

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DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS
PROVIDENCE, R.I.

65 Bowen Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02906

November 16, 1982

Councilman Laurence K. Flynn
Chairman, City Council Committee on Public Works
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Councilman Flynn,

I hope you didn't interpret my comments at the public hearing tonight as implying that there was anything legally wrong with the advertisements for the hearing on street closing petitions. As I said at the time, I'm sure the requirements of the law were met to the letter.

What I am concerned about is not a matter of legal notification, but a more general problem of public awareness. I came upon these petitions only by chance, as I don't normally read the Legal Notices in the newspaper. In the case of Amos and Drown Streets, I'm sure that there are a great many people who would object to abandonment, but who are not aware of RISD's petition. The legally-required notification reaches abutters (who are often one and the same as the petitioners), but does not necessarily reach the users of a street.

There would be little difficulty in posting street-closing petitions at the street itself, where passers-by can be aware of them, in the same way that petitions for zoning changes are, I believe, posted at the site. The Public Works Committee would then more accurately assess effects on users of the streets, and avoid premature abandonments. If this is not provided for in the state law on Street Abandonment, I think this would be a good area for us to take our own course under the Home Rule Charter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Holleran", with a stylized, cursive script.

Michael Holleran

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PROVIDENCE, R.I.

City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 21, 1982

TO: * See Below

SUBJECT: DIAMOND, AMOS AND PIKE STREETS - ABANDONMENTS

CONSIDERED BY: Committee on Public Works

DISPOSITION:

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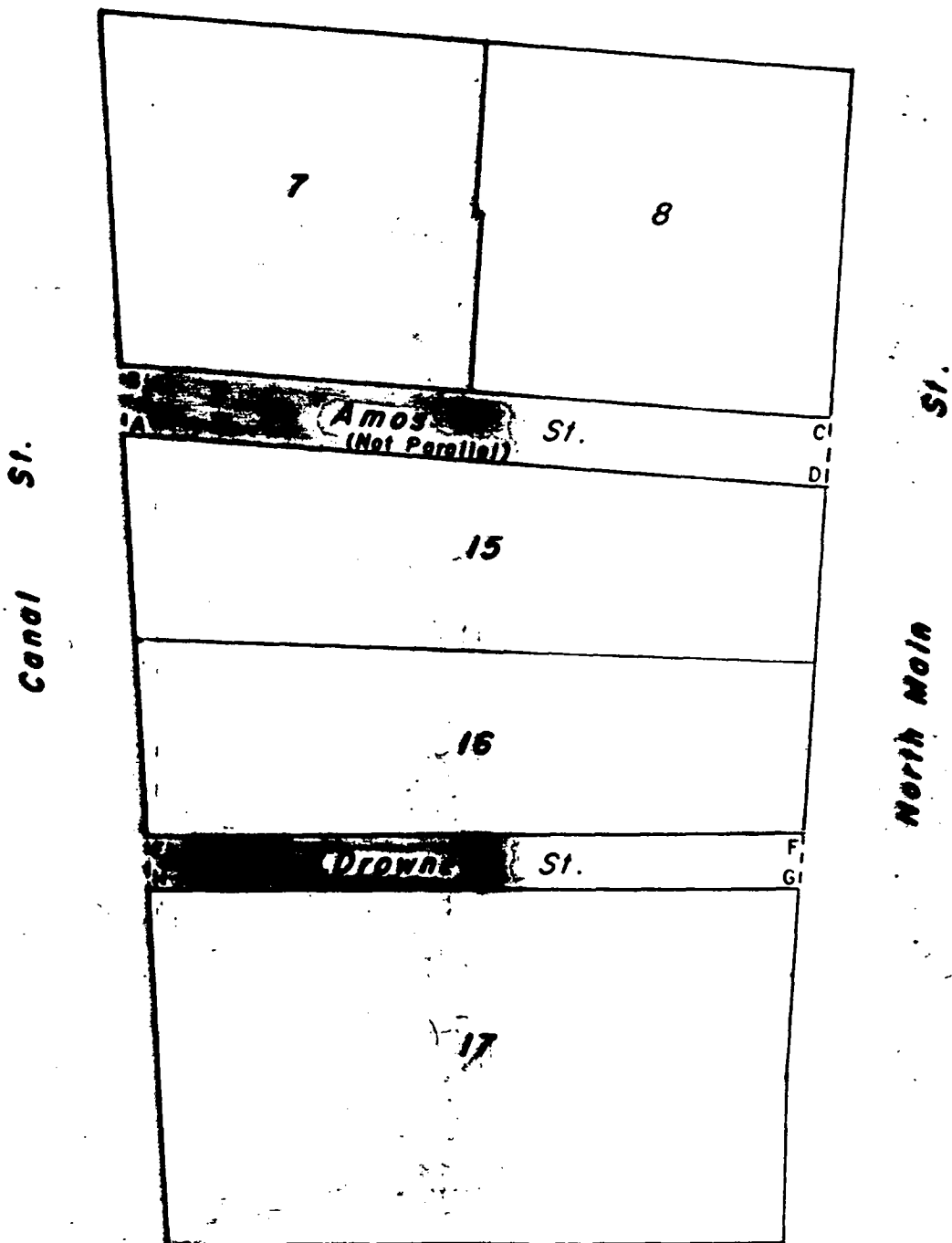
Frank Tibaldi, Traffic Engineer *sh*
Sanford H. Gorodetsky, Commissioner of Pub. Safety *sh*
Stanley Bernstein, Director of P.U.D. *sh*
Wiley Archer, Chief Engineer, W.S.B. - *basement requires*

FIRST DEPUTY City Clerk



Waterman St.

PROVIDENCE R. I.
P. W. DEPT. ENGINEERING OFFICE
STREET LINE SECTION
Plan No. 064218
Date September 22, 1982



Market Square

Note:
Shaded Area(A-B-C-D-A) Proposed Abandonment
Shaded Area(E-F-G-H-E) Proposed Abandonment

CITY OF PROVIDENCE, R. I.
Public Works Dept. Engineering Office
Showing Proposed Abandonment
Drawn by L.D.A. Checked by R.L.D.
Scale 500' = 1" Date Sept. 22, 1982
Corrected [Signature] Approved [Signature] PE.
CHIEF ENGINEER

Lot Numbers From Assessor's Plat 12

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PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL

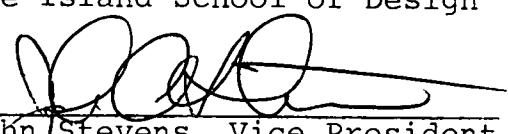
TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body
to abandon Amos Street and Drown Street their entire length
between North Main Street and Canal Street.

The undersigned is the owner of all of the property
on both sides of the streets. Because of the narrowness of
the streets, they are not used and their abandonment should have
no effect on traffic patterns.

Rhode Island School of Design

By


John Stevens, Vice President
of Administration
Two College Street
Providence, Rhode Island

DEPARTMENT OF CITY CLERK
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CITY CLERK OF PROVIDENCE, R. I.

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Sellingham Collins & Graham
and \$75.00

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PROVIDENCE, R.I.

SEP 8 1982

IN CITY COUNCIL
SEP 16 1982
FIRST READING
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

Rose M. Mendicino CLERK

THE COMMITTEE ON Nov. 16, 1982
PUBLIC WORKS

Recommends Be Continued

Michael R. Clement
Clerk

THE COMMITTEE ON FEB 2 1983
PUBLIC WORKS

Recommends Be Continued

Michael R. Clement
Clerk

From the Clerk's Desk

Proposed Abandonment
Amos St and Drown St.

Plat 12

Lot 7

Rhode Island School of Design
2 College Street
Providence, R.I.

Lot 8

Same

Lot 15

Same

Lot 16

Same

Lot 17

Same

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 Amos Street and Drown Street, between North Main Street and Canal Street.

<u>PLAT</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
12	7	Rhode Island School of Design	2 College Street Providence, RI 02903
	8	"	"
	15	"	"
	16	"	"
	17	"	"

Councilwoman Carolyn F. Brassil

Councilman Edward W. Xavier


Giacomo Martone
City Sergeant

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CITY PLAN COMMISSION PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Ref. No. 2069 Subject Abandonment of AMOS & Drowne Sts.

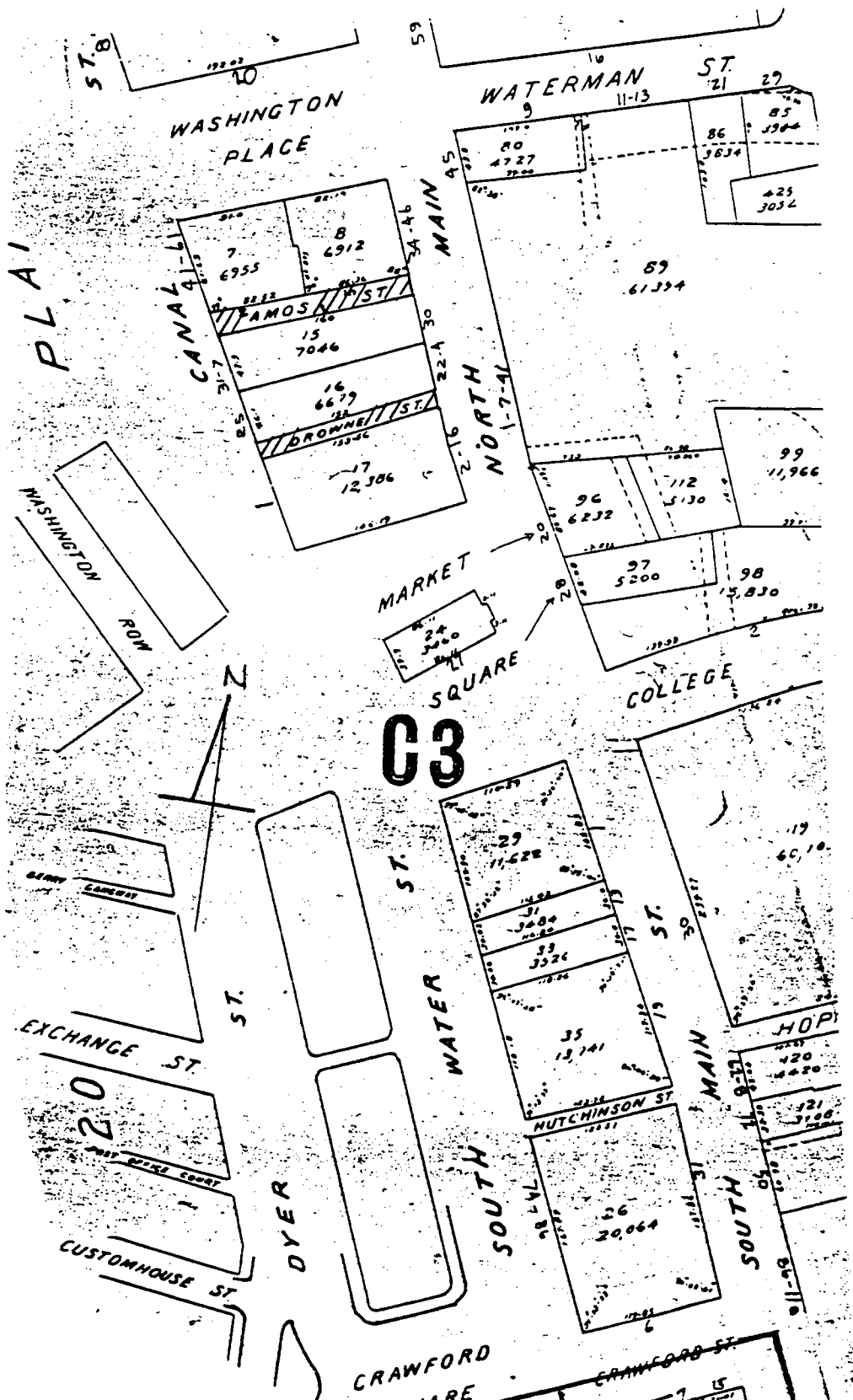
Plat No. 12 Lot No. —
ST. AMOS ST. 2,400 sq. ft.
Lot Area DROWNE ST. 2,100 sq. ft.

LAND USE LEGEND

- 00 Vac. Land
- 10 One Fam.
- 11 One Fam. & Nonres.
- 12 One Fam. & Home Occ.
- 13 One Fam. & Prof. Off.
- 15 Auxiliary to Res.
- 20 Two Fam.
- 21 Two Fam. & Nonres.
- 22 Two Fam. & Home Occ.
- 23 Two Fam. & Prof. Off.
- 25 Two Fam. & One Fam.
- 30 Three Fam.
- 31 Three Fam. & Nonres.
- 32 Three Fam. & Home Occ.
- 33 Three Fam. & Prof. Off.
- 35 Three Fam. & One Fam.
- 36 Three Fam. & Two Fam.
- 40 Apt. 4 Fam. or More
- 41 Apt. & Nonres.
- 42 Apt. & Home Occ.
- 43 Apt. & Prof. Off.
- 45 Apt. & One Fam.
- 46 Apt. & Two Fam.
- 47 Apt. & Three Fam.
- 48 Lodging House
- 49 Fraternity
- 51 Limited Comm.
- 52 Parking Lot
- 53 Gen. Comm.
- 54 Nonstruct. Gen. Comm.
- 55 Parking Gar.
- 56 Heavy Comm.
- 57 Nonstruct. Heavy Comm.
- 58 Auto. Service Sta.
- 59 Stor. Gar. for Comm. Veh.
- 64 Gen. Ind.
- 65 Nonstruct. Gen. Ind.
- 67 Heavy Ind.
- 68 Nonstruct. Heavy Ind.
- 71 Utility
- 75 Railroad
- 81 Instit. (not elsewhere class.)
- 82 Parochial School
- 93 Church
- 94 Private School or Coll.
- 95 Cemetery
- 91 Park, Golf Course
- 92 Playground & Playfield
- 95 Public Bldg. (exc. schools)
- 96 Public School (E.S., J.H., H.S.)



AREA IN QUESTION



AMOS ST.



EASTERLY VIEW OF AMOS ST. from CANAL ST.

DROWNE ST.



EASTERLY VIEW OF DROWNE ST. from CANAL ST.



WESTERLY VIEW OF AMOS ST. from N. MAIN ST.



WESTERLY VIEW OF DROWNE ST. from N. MAIN ST.