

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 154

Approved February 22, 1979

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR THIRD YEAR ACTIVITIES UNDER SECTION 302(a) OF THE PUBLIC WORKS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT AS AMENDED IN 1974

WHEREAS, Section 302(a) of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended, authorized the Economic Development Administration of the U. S. Department of Commerce to make planning grants to cities to strengthen city economic development planning efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Providence deems it necessary and in the public interest (1) to develop a systematic approach to analyze the local economic conditions (2) to define development goals, (3) to determine project opportunities and (4) to formulate economic development strategies and implement a development program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Providence has by Resolution No. 46, approved on January 28, 1977, and by Resolution No. 143, approved on March 17, 1978, authorized the filing of the first and second year programs, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the City of Providence desires to continue said program for a third year; and

WHEREAS, said Section 302(a) of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended, provides for 75 per centum of the estimated cost of such activities or undertakings; and

WHEREAS, the City of Providence, in order to obtain said Economic Development Planning Grant, must assume the local share which is 25 per centum of the total estimated cost not exceeding \$120,000 to be met by contractual and in-kind services from the Mayor's Office of Community Development and Department of Planning and Urban Development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:

1. It is hereby found necessary and in the public interest to make an application to the Economic Development Administration for an Economic Development Planning Grant under Section 302(a) of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended (P.L. 89-136) for the aforementioned program.

2. The Department of Planning and Urban Development is hereby authorized and designated as the representative of the City for the filing of an application with the Economic Development Administration, to prepare all requisitions and documents necessary for the receipt of funds, from said Economic Development Administration, to execute grant contract with Economic Development Administration, and to do all work necessary to carry out the terms of any contract between the City and the Economic Development Administration arising out of said application for an Economic Development Planning Grant.

3.. That United States of America and the Economic Development Administration be, and they hereby are assured to full compliance by the City of Providence with all regulations of the United States Government effectuating the receipt of Federal grants under the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended.

IN CITY COUNCIL

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Ralph Fargnoli PRES.
Jose M. Mendonca CLERK

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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January 8, 1979

The Honorable City Council
Mrs. Rose M. Mendonca, City Clerk
City Clerk's Office
City Hall
Providence, R.I. 02902

Dear Mrs. Mendonca:

Since April, 1977, a small staff within the Department of Planning and Urban Development has been charged with developing of an economic development planning process for the City of Providence specifically aimed at improving employment opportunities and increasing income levels for the City's population, expanding the municipal tax base, and improving of the overall economic climate in the City.

The economic development staff is primarily funded by the Economic Development Administration of the U.S. Department of Commerce, which provides 75 percent of the total program cost in form of a cash grant. The City of Providence contributes 25 per centum in in-kind and contractual services through the Department of Planning and Urban Development and the Mayor's Office of Community Development.

City Council Resolution No. 147 approved March 17, 1978, authorized filing of an application for the second year's activities wherein the proposed program was to be funded by \$79,800 from EDA and \$26,600 in in-kind contributions and contractual services from the City. An application to fund the program for the third year is now being prepared for submission to EDA. The total program cost will not exceed \$120,000 of which the required 25 percent match will be provided by contractual and in-kind services from the City and will again not require a specific cash appropriation of City funds.

Summarized below, for your review, are the program activities during the second year and proposed activities for the third year.

During the second program year (which ends on March 31, 1979) the economic development planning staff focused its efforts on the following activities:

I. Neighborhood Commercial Development

- a. Comprehensive analysis of five different commercial areas to serve as the basis for development of policies, strategies and projects in the neighborhood commercial districts.
- b. Establishment of liaison with Neighborhood Business Association and community groups involved in commercial development.

- c. Providing assistance in defining capital improvement needs.
- d. Preparing preliminary goals and policies for neighborhood commercial development.
- e. Developing methodology for improving the perception and image of neighborhoods.

2. Downtown Development

- a. Participating in the downtown economic study with the Mayor's Office of Community Development, Chamber of Commerce and State of Rhode Island.
- b. Developing the Weybosset Gateway project - a complex consisting of parking garage, office buildings and retail facilities at the western end of the downtown commercial district.

3. Industrial Development

- a. Participating in the industrial study together with the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce and the State of Rhode Island.
- b. Participating in developing an Industrial Development Corporation for the City of Providence.
- c. Cooperating with Providence Local Development Corporation in their industrial development effort.
- d. Providing assistance in container port development.

4. Capital Improvement Program

- a. Devising a methodology for development of a capital improvement program.
- b. Preparation of a capital improvement program for Fiscal 1980.

5. Other Projects


- a. Preparing UDAG application and participating in UDAG project review.
- b. Review of municipal tax structure and incentive.
- c. Preparing economic impact analysis.

During the upcoming year, the program will continue in these efforts with a broadening of scope and increased emphasis on strategy formulation, program implementation, and integration with other planning, and development efforts. Increased cooperation with federal, state and city municipal agencies,

neighborhood business groups, and private organization will be further sought to achieve the program objectives.


During the first twenty one months of its existence, the federally supported economic development planning program gained a momentum which promises to result in further economic development and more effective management in the City of Providence. I strongly urge your support for this endeavor. Accordingly, the attached original and ten copies of the required forms of resolution are presented for submission to the City Council for its early approval.


Sincerely yours,


Stanley Bernstein
Director

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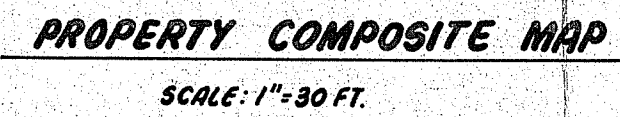
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