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TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

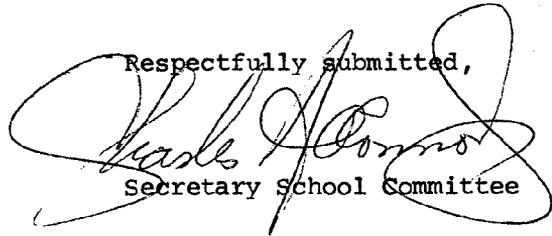
At a meeting of the School Committee held on
March 25, 1968 the following resolution was adopted.

Resolution 364

RESOLUTION requesting Bond Issue.

RESOLVED, That the School Committee hereby requests the
Mayor of the City of Providence and the City Council to
seek legislative authorization, and to submit to the
voters at the next general election, a proposal authoriz-
ing a bond issue in the amount of \$8,000,000 for school
building construction.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary School Committee

IN CITY COUNCIL

APR 18 1968

READ:
WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.

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CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND
MAYOR JOSEPH A. DOORLEY, JR.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS . 700 ALLENS AVENUE . 02905
Lawrence P. McGarry, Director Robert B. Strong, Deputy Director

April 18, 1968

To the Honorable Mayor
and the City Council

Gentlemen:

The following is a list of Highway Curbing Assessments, prepared
by the Director of Public Works and certified to the City Council for approval.

Lecia Drive from Jacqueline Drive to Sunset Avenue	\$2,535.40
Jacqueline Drive from Legion Memorial Drive to Neutaconkanut Road	<u>1,259.92</u>
	\$3,795.32

Very truly yours,

Lawrence P. McGarry
Director of Public Works

IN CITY COUNCIL

APR 18 1968

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PROVIDENCE, R. I.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

Providence, R. I.

Cost of curbstones set on..... Lecia Drive from Jacqueline Drive to Sunset Avenue

.....under resolution of the City Council,
 passed May 11, 1965....., ascertained by the Director of Public Works of the City of Providence, and submitted to the City Council of said City, in compliance with Chapter 73, Section 30, of the General Laws of 1938, for approval.

Assessor's Plat	Number Lot	NAME	QUANTITY	AMOUNT	Date of Demand	Date of Payment
111	54	Frederick Tantimonica & wf. Evelyn Jt. 197 Atwood Ave. Johnston, R.I.	79.58' St.Cb. @ 2.75 17.70' 20 ft.R 2.75	218.85 <u>48.68</u>	267 53	
111	55	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	78.73 L.F.St.Cb. 2.75	216 51		
111	56	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	68.89 L.F.St.Cb. 2.75	189 45		
111	57	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	78.09 L.F.St.Cb. 2.75	214 75		
111	58	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	71.31 L.F.St.Cb. 2.75	196 10		
111	59	Custom Builder, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	74.30 L.F.St.Cb. 2.75 15.75 L.F.20 ft.R 2.75	204.33 <u>43.31</u>	247 64	
111	60	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	85.65' St.Cb. 2.75 13.20' 20 ft.R. 2.75	235.54 <u>36.30</u>	271 84	
111	65	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	65.55' St.Cb. 2.75 13.50' 20 Ft.R. 2.75	180.26 <u>37.13</u>	217 39	
111	66	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	59.10' St.Cb. 2.75 26.55' 20 ft. R. 2.75	162.53 <u>73.01</u>	235 54	
111	73	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	62.20' St.Cb. 2.75 13.10' 20 ft.R. 2.75	171.05 <u>36.03</u>	207 08	
111	74	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	88.30' St.Cb. 2.75 10.45' 20 ft. R. 2.75	242.83 <u>28.74</u>	271 57	
<i>Total,</i>				\$	2,535 40	

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Director of Public Works

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Assessor's Plat	Number Lot	NAME	QUANTITY			AMOUNT		Date of Demand	Date of Payment
111	48	Eugenio Veltri & wf. Mary C. Jt. 39 Orchard St. Johnston, R.I.	73.45' st.cb.	2.75	201.99				
			30.60' 20' R	2.75	84.15				
111	47	" "	78.27' st.cb.	2.75	215.24				
			151.72' st.cb.	2.75	417.23				
			30.60' 20' R	2.75	84.15	501	38		
111	46	Ernest Pieranunzi & wf. Yolanda Jt. 42 Legion Memorial Dr.	48.18' st.cb.	2.75	132.50				
			2-2ft.cors.	11.00ea.	22.00	154	50		
111	49	Genevieve R. Taglianetti 33 Legion Memorial Dr.	73.88' st.cb.	2.75	203.17				
			26.30 20'R	2.75	72.33	275	50		
111	59	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	73.12' st.cb.	2.75	201.08				
			15.75' 20'R.	2.75	43.31	244	39		
111	60	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	17.40' st.cb.	2.75	47.85				
			13.20' 20'R.	2.75	36.30	84	15		
<i>Total,</i>					\$	1,259	92		

IN CITY COUNCIL

APR 18 1968

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Director of Public Works



CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND
MAYOR JOSEPH A. DOORLEY, JR.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS . 700 ALLENS AVENUE . 02905

Lawrence P. McGarry, Director

Robert B. Strong, Deputy Director

April 18, 1968

To the Honorable Mayor
and the City Council

Gentlemen:

The followins is a list of Highway Grading Assesments, prepared by the Director of Public Works and certified to the City Council for approval.

Lecia Drive from Sunset Avenue to Jacqueline Drive	\$161.71
Jacqueline Drive from Legion Memorial Drive to Neutaconkanut Road	<u>157.94</u>
	\$319.65

Very truly yours,

Lawrence P. McGarry
Director of Public Works

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Assessor's Plat	Number Lot	PROPERTY OWNER	Frontage Lin. Ft.	Unit Cost per Lin. Ft.	AMOUNT	Date of Demand	Date of Payment
111	49	Genevieve R. Taglianetti 33 Legion Memorial Drive	91.194	0.359	32 74		
111	59	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	74.344	0.359	26 69		
111	60	Custom Builders, Inc. 18 Woodland Terrace	26.610	0.359	9 55		
111	48	Eugenio Veltri & wf. Mary C. Jt. 39 Orchard St. Johnston, R.I.	94.01	0.359	33 75		
111	47	Eugenio Veltri & wf. Mary C. Jt. 39 Orchard St. Johnston, R.I.	78.00	0.359	28 00		
111	46	Ernest Pieranunzi & wf. Yolanda Jt. 42 Legion Memorial Drive	75.79	0.359	27 21		
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<i>Total,</i>					\$	157.94	

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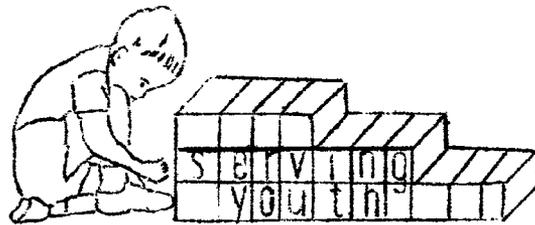
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PROVIDENCE RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MAYOR JOSEPH A. DOORLEY, JUNIOR

Mrs. Albert Pilavin, Chairman

J. Russell Gray, Secretary

Reverend Charles W. McConnell

Frank Moia

Frederick C. Williamson, Senior

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To The Honorable Joseph A. Doorley, Jr.
Mayor of The City of Providence, and
The Honorable City Council

Gentlemen:

The highlights of 1967 were the completing of thirty-one existing tot lots, the development of seven new tot lots, and the building of the Shipyard Playfield.

The new tot lots are located at Waldo Street, Hannah Street, Dudley Street, Bath Street, Eaton Street, Gladys Potter Garden, and Roger Williams Park.

The completing of thirty-one existing tot lots was the most extensive tot lot expansion in the history of our city's playground development. The improvement program included landscaping, installation of modern play sculpture, as well as conventional equipment such as jungle-gyms, merry-go-rounds, slides, swings, and benches. New basketball and bocchia courts were also added to some playgrounds.

The cost of the new playgrounds and improvements of existing ones was \$344,210.00, financed through the bond issue.

The new Shipyard Playfield, which will be used for softball and football, was constructed at a cost of \$51,527.00. Mayor Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., procured funds from the federal government and the state Green Acres program. The figures are as follows:

Green Acres	\$ 7,842.00
Federal Government	15,685.00
City of Providence	<u>28,000.00</u>
	\$51,527.00

I wish to thank Mr. Everett A. Travisono, Purchasing Agent of the City of Providence, for his extraordinary interest and efforts in implementing and expediting the construction of our vast expansion in physical plant.

Extensive program expansion has kept pace with our physical expansion and with the urgent social pressures demanding more services for our city's youth. A new full time teen-age center was begun at the Manton Avenue Housing Project. The newly renovated Nelson Street School, with its beautiful gymnasium-auditorium, was opened full time for the youth of the Smith Hill-Mount Pleasant neighborhood. The long-awaited opening of the new modern Lippitt Hill School, including gymnasium, auditorium, and outdoor playground, is now being used as a full time recreation center.

A giant step forward was taken in our programs for the re-
tarded this summer when twenty young men spent a week at the
Recreation Department's resident camp at Point Judith.

Approximately 1,200 disadvantaged children participated in
"Summertime", a three week program which consisted of daily trips
to the seashore for swimming, a hot meal, and recreational activi-
ties at the camp.

The Recreation Department assisted in many worthwhile pro-
jects by providing transportation to groups such as the physically
handicapped, elderly, retarded, and disadvantaged youth in order
that they could participate in recreational, cultural, and educa-
tional activities.

Once again, I extend my sincere gratitude to you, Mayor
Doorley, to you gentlemen of the Providence City Council, and to
the Recreation Advisory Committee for your continued support
and leadership in our efforts to serve the recreational needs of
the residents of Providence.

I trust that this report will contribute to a better under-
standing of the scope of activities and progress made in physical
plant by the department.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Cronin

John P. Cronin
Director of Recreation

John P. Cronin

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A T T E N D A N C E R E P O R T - 1 9 6 7
(October 1966 - September 1967)

Participation Activity Report

PLAYGROUNDS - (40)	3,294,765
RECREATION CENTERS - FULL TIME - (8)	1,494,231
RECREATION CENTERS-SCHOOL-PART-TIME (12)	814,457
SWIMMING POOLS - OUTDOOR - (7)	361,393
SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	38,000
"SUMMERTIME" CAMPING PROGRAM	1,172
BOYS RESIDENT CAMP	400
BOYS COMMUNITY BASKETBALL LEAGUE	5,878
FOGARTY CENTER PROGRAM FOR RETARDED	25,080
GIRLS COMMUNITY BASKETBALL LEAGUE	1,635
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL INTRAMURALS	17,206
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY ATHLETICS FOR BOYS--BASEBALL, BASKETBALL, FOOTBALL	39,282
	6,093,499

Spectator Report

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	22,987
BOYS COMMUNITY BASKETBALL LEAGUE	6,009
GIRLS COMMUNITY BASKETBALL LEAGUE	1,729
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL INTRAMURALS	10,859
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY ATHLETICS FOR BOYS--BASEBALL, BASKETBALL, FOOTBALL	24,798
	66,382

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORTFiscal Year--October 1, 1966-September 30, 1967

	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Administrative Staff	\$ 42,637.52
Amateur Baseball League	400.00
Angelo Zuccolo Memorial Pool	14,700.00
Angelo Zuccolo Recreation Center	17,927.37
Benefit St.-Doyle Avenue Recreation Center	21,252.93
Broad Street School Center	9,678.65
Capital Outlay	4,636.00
Chad Brown Project Golden Age Center	100.00
Community Basketball League-Boys	1,100.00
Community Basketball League-Girls	400.00
Danforth Street Pool	13,500.00
Danforth Street Recreation Center	18,122.89
Edmund Flynn School Recreation Center	8,700.40
Field Workers	6,380.40
Fogarty Center for The Retarded	2,911.87
Fox Point Swimming Pool	12,600.00
Fox Point School Recreation Center	13,269.98
George J. West School Center	3,532.93
Gilbert Stuart Junior High School Center	1,973.36
Girls Junior High School Intramurals	700.00
Golden Age Day Center	13,344.26
Hartford Project Golden Age Program	270.00
Hope High School Area Supervisor	2,350.80
John J. McGrane Swimming Pool	12,600.00
Joslin Swimming Pool	13,300.00
Joslin Recreation Center	23,935.20
Junior High School Athletic Program	10,200.00
Kenyon Street School Center	3,305.28
Maintenance Division	126,917.30
Manton Avenue Project Recreation Center	2,400.00
Merino Park Lagoon Pool	6,119.04
Mount Pleasant High School Center	1,340.72
Nathan Bishop School Center	1,331.60
Oliver H. Perry School Center	2,555.06
Other Structures and Improvements	35,000.00
Plain Street Recreation Center	19,549.28
Roger Williams School Center	3,561.00
Samuel W. Bridgham School Center	950.72
Senior Basketball League-Men	200.00
South Providence Swimming Pool	14,700.00
South Providence Recreation Center	20,121.20
Special Activities	4,700.00
Stephen Almagno Memorial Swimming Pool	12,600.00
Summer Playgrounds	58,134.42
Swimming Pool Instructor	2,124.57
Watchman Service (temporary)	3,719.04
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	\$589,853.79

Outdoor Recreation Facilities

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>TOTAL NUMBER</u>
Athletic Fields	5
Band Shells or Stands	2
Baseball Diamonds--Regulation 90 feet--multiple-use softball and little league	18
Basketball Courts	46
Boccia Courts	6
Boccia Courts--lighted	4
Bowling Greens	1
Camps-resident	1
Football Fields	13
Gaelic Soccer Fields	1
Horseshoe Courts	40
Ice-skating Areas--multiple-use basketball courts	9
Ice-skating Areas--natural ice	3
Little League Fields--regulation 60 feet	11
Nature Trails and Centers	6
Picnic Areas	2
Soccer Fields	3
Softball Diamonds--60 feet	15
Spray Pools	19
Swimming Pools--outdoor-olympic size	4
Swimming Pools--outdoor-50 feet by 100 feet	3
Stadiums	1
Tennis Courts	31
Theaters	2
Tot Lots	32
Traveling Theaters	1
Volleyball Courts	16

Recreation Buildings and Indoor Facilities

Section 1 - Multiple-use Recreation Buildings

DESCRIPTION	NUMBER
Large Recreation Buildings	6
Club, Field, and Shelter Houses	12
Full Time School Building Centers	4
Other School Buildings	24

Section 2 - Special Recreation Buildings

DESCRIPTION	NUMBER
1. Centers for Older Adults	2
2. Center for Retarded	1
3. Maintenance Workshops	1
4. Oceanside Camp	1

Section 3 - Indoor Recreation Facilities

DESCRIPTION	NUMBER
1. Arts and Crafts Rooms	19
2. Auditoriums	11
3. Club Rooms	19
4. Game Rooms	19
5. Gymnasium-auditoriums	6
6. Gymnasiums	25
7. Kitchen Facilities	5

Playground Improvement Program-1967

P L A Y G R O U N D S	New Tot Lots	Landscaping	Basketball Courts	Slides	Benches	Swing Frames	Bocceia Courts	New Fencing
Admiral Terrace	X				X			
Ardoene Street			X					
Arnold Street	X	X	X		X			
Ascham Street	X	X	X		X			
Bath Street		X	X		X			
Camp-Cypress Streets	X	X	X		X			X
Candace-Orms Streets	X	X	X		X			X
Chad Brown Project	X				X			
Chalkstone Avenue-Viscolosi	X	X	X		X			X
Clarence Street		X	X					X
Columbia Park	X	X	X		X			
Danforth Park								X
Daniel Avenue	X	X	X		X			X
Dexter Training Ground	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Dudley Street	X	X			X			X
Ellery Street	X	X	X		X	X		X
Flynn Field								X
Fox Point								X
Gladys Potter Park	X	X			X			
Hannah Street		X						X
Huxley Avenue-Chapin Avenue	X	X			X			
Joseph Williams Field	X	X	X		X	X		X
Laurel Hill Avenue		X	X					X
Manton Heights Project	X			X	X			
Merino Park	X	X	X		X			X
Mount Pleasant Avenue	X	X	X		X			X
Neutaconkanut Park	X	X	X		X	X		X
O'Brien Park-Regent Avenue	X	X	X		X			X
Paterson Street	X	X			X			
Prairie Avenue		X	X		X	X		
Richardson Park	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Ridge Street	X	X	X		X		X	
Roger Williams Park	X				X			X
Sackett Street	X	X			X			X
Smith Street	X	X	X		X			X
Tell-Knight Streets	X	X	X		X		X	
Valley Street	X	X	X					X
Valley View Project	X			X	X			
Veazie Street	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Waldo Street	X	X			X			X
Warren-Fuller Streets	X	X	X		X			X

SUMMERTIME

During the summer of 1967, approximately 1,200 disadvantaged Providence children between ten and sixteen years old were transported daily to the state's Sand Hill Cove beach for swimming, and then to the city's Point Judith Boys Camp for a hot meal and supervised recreation.

The program was called "Summertime", and ran from July 27 through August 16. Recreation Department camp personnel, directly supervised by Recreation Director, John Cronin, conducted the camp activities along with assistance from the city's anti-poverty agency, Progress for Providence, and other neighborhood volunteers.

The recreational activities included basketball, softball, volleyball, horseshoes, singing, and games.

Progress for Providence organized the trips from the inner-city areas of Providence. Each day, boys and girls were picked up by bus at approximately 3:00 p.m. and transported to the state beach for swimming. Lifeguards remained on duty until the children left, and free bath house privileges were provided. Then the boys and girls were taken to the Providence Boys Camp for dinner and recreation until 9:00 p.m. This schedule returned them back to their city homes by 10:00 p.m.

This program was very successful and contributed to our aim of keeping the youth of Providence off the city streets and "cool" during the "long hot summer" of 1967.

EXPANDED PROGRAMS FOR THE RETARDED

CAMPING

The Recreation Department took a dynamic step in its expansion of programs for the mentally retarded in 1967. In June, twenty retarded boys spent a week at its resident summer camp at Point Judith. The expenses were met by the philanthropy of a prominent Rhode Island businessman, George E. Conley.

For many boys, it was their first experience away from home. Each boy was given a medical examination which recommended physical limitations. The day program included individual and group instructions in recreational games and outdoor activities. In the evening, there were movies, indoor games, story telling, choral singing, birthday parties, and a bed-time snack.

The campers were transported to neighboring beaches for swimming. Field trips were taken to Galilee, University of Rhode Island dairy farm, Fort Greene for a picnic, and to Block Island, which included an exciting ferry ride.

The great success of this popular program was due to the dedicated leadership of the recreation personnel, headed by Recreation Director John Cronin, and Program Director Antonio Caprio.

PICNICS

Each Sunday during the summer, picnics were held for the retarded. Parents and other family members also attended these outings held at Goddard and Pulaski Parks. Transportation and supervision was provided by the Recreation Department. The group was picked up at 10:00 a.m. at the John E. Fogarty Center in Providence. The picnics were very successful and will be continued in 1968.

WINTER PROGRAMS

Recreation activities for the retarded proved so popular and successful that these programs held at the John E. Fogarty Center have been expanded to include: weekly teenage socials, "small fry" socials, Saturday bowling club, and club night of games, rhythm activities, contests, and free play. Special events such as holiday parties, attending Ice Capades, and other recreational and educational field trips were held. Many parents participated in these activities.

The success of these programs has been increased by the work of volunteers who have faithfully given their time and energy to working with the retarded.

We firmly believe that the skills, habits, and attitudes fundamental to the general education of retarded children can be developed through recreational activities.

LOOKING GLASS THEATER TOURS PLAYGROUNDS

During the 1967 playground season, more than 1,200 Providence children shared in the audience participation drama program of the Looking Glass Theater. The theater group made a very successful tour of our playgrounds, giving performances at Smith Street, Bucklin Park, Laurel Hill Avenue Park, Flynn School Field, and Gano Street Park.

Children from neighboring parks were transported and accompanied to the performances by their playground leaders. The troupe delighted the children with their fanciful creative dramatics which generated lively audience participation. Many parents also attended.

The Recreation Department cooperated with Looking Glass Theater by giving them a truck to use for their transportation from park to park. Assistance was given by the recreation maintenance division, and the recreation personnel also assisted with the publicity and coordination of the tour.

These Looking Glass presentations were so popular with the children, parents, and leaders that plans are now being made for expansion of the playground dramatics to include field trips to the Looking Glass Theater dramatic workshops, more performances on the playgrounds, and weekly in-service training for playground recreation leaders in drama and other arts by Looking Glass Theater members.



City Plan Commission

Suite 103, City Hall, Providence, Rhode Island 02903

March 12, 1968

Honorable Joseph A. Doorley, Mayor
The Honorable City Council
of the City of Providence
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Gentlemen:

I am pleased to transmit herewith the Annual Report of the City Plan Commission for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1967.

The most significant accomplishment of the past year necessarily had to be the reorganization of the various authorities for planning and urban development into a single coordinated department. Experience to date indicates that the new effort can operate efficiently and successfully. Of particular interest to the Commission is the combination of the several phases of general planning with project planning under the direction of a Chief of Planning.

Responsibilities of the Commission as these existed prior to reorganization continued undisturbed. Substantial work was accomplished on the existing 701 Project and the Commission toward the close of the fiscal year approved submission of an important new 701 application. It approved a Capital Improvement Program in excess of \$100,000,000 in a joint effort with the Finance Director.

At the end of the year it stood ready to modify or amend its Master Plan for Public Schools in terms of the anticipated report of the COPE Study, as well as to offer whatever assistance might be required should the federal government approve the pending application for a Model Cities grant.

The Commission wishes to express its appreciation for the excellent cooperation extended by the various City Departments which contributed to the program and planning described in this report.

Very truly yours,

Edward Winsor

Edward Winsor
Chairman
City Plan Commission

IN CITY COUNCIL

APR 18 1968

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EW:MMH

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PROVIDENCE, R. I.**

I. INTRODUCTION

The past year was a year of transition. Effective March 6, 1967 the staff of the Commission became a part of the newly organized Department of Planning and Urban Development. Technically, the Commission retains its identity and function. The employees of the Commission became on that date the staff of a Planning Division of the new department.

Included within the new department in addition to the planning function, are Divisions of Research, Project Development, Fiscal Affairs, Code Enforcement, Economic Development, Community Services and Legal Services. The total department has 175 authorized positions and an operating budget for fiscal year 1967-1968 of \$1,065,886.

Within the Division of Planning there are 45 authorized positions in six sections including: Long Range Planning, Current Planning, Project Planning, Graphics, Traffic Planning and Clerical. The present report for the first time contains no table of annual operating costs for the reason that appropriations to the new department are "across the board" appropriations, i.e., the code item for Personal Services, for example, which amounts to \$1,028,437 is a lump sum appropriation to that code number from which it is difficult (lacking a computer-based analytic program) to separate any costs by functional division.

In lieu of the usual listing of Commission staff, the present report contains an organization chart of the Division of Planning showing the several Sections, position titles, and the name of occupant where the position is filled. A dotted line indicates a staff vacancy on the date of preparation of this report.

As of September 30, 1967, the Commission for that year experienced five months of operation under the separate department arrangement, and seven months as a part of the new and larger coordinated effort.

II. MASTER PLANNING

School Master Plan

Since approval by the Commission of the Master Plan for Public Schools in October of 1965, developed jointly by the Commission staff and the staff of the Superintendent of Schools, new concepts of educational programs and the physical facilities necessary to carry out these programs have begun to emerge.

The Rhode Island School of Design as one in a coterie of higher educational institutions engaged in an over-all study of the Providence system is concentrating upon school plant, specifically in terms of a K₄-4-4 organization replacing the present 6-3-3 arrangement. Any adoption of the proposed new organization of lower, middle and upper schools would involve substantially different requirements as to the number and kind of physical facilities necessary for school operation. This potential and fundamental change is further complicated by an apparent need for special facilities for the handicapped, and by adjustment to an extensive busing program implicit in the Providence Plan to offset de facto segregation.

On May 23, 1967 the Commission was requested to follow up on these matters with the School Department as soon as information becomes available in order to determine what changes may be required in the 1965 plan.

Civic Design Master Plan

On August 23, 1967 the Commission received and approved a staff proposal to undertake a Civic Design Master Plan. Not intended to substitute for architectural or engineering design of specific projects, it is the purpose of the proposed plan to develop design

principles upon a comprehensive basis in relation to unique opportunities within Providence to create within the City an environment and character which will result in an economically and aesthetically more satisfying community.

It is expected that a Civic Design Master Plan will provide both a basis for specific project design and a desirable guideline for private redevelopers in which ultimately over time the sum of the City's total parts will come to equal a design-unified whole.

III. PROJECT PLANNING AND COORDINATION

East Side Renewal Project

On October 13, 1966 the Commission in a meeting of its own and Redevelopment Agency staff members reviewed and discussed five aspects of the East Side Renewal Project previously approved on July 23, 1965. In each instance the Commission concurred with previous proposals or with amended proposals advocated by the Agency staff. These included: (1) exclusion of India-Fox Point from the project area (2) a tentative decision to acquire properties adjoining St. Dunstan's School (3) permit Holy Rosary Church to expand on property to be acquired through condemnation (4) fixing of a location for construction of a Boys Club, and (5) left for City Council decision the taking of property formerly occupied by Bond Bread.

Mt. Hope Project

On March 14, 1967 the Commission received for review the proposals for the Mt. Hope Project located between North Main Street, Rochambeau Avenue, Camp Street and Doyle Avenue. Occupancy of this area is approximately two-thirds negro and one-third white. Treatment will be predominately rehabilitation with only forty-eight of the four hundred and eighty-seven structures proposed for clearance. As of this date the Commission voted that the proposals contained were in conformity with the Master Plans for Land Use, Circulation and Schools and constituted a desirable and necessary development.

Railroad Relocation

No new work on the Railroad Relocation was undertaken during fiscal year 1966-1967. However, the project was discussed in detail by the Commission at its meeting of May 23, 1967. The Com-

mission noted that numerous contingent problems including decision on feasibility of, and a site for, a Sports and Convention Center preclude immediate progress with this project. It was therefore concluded that a "wait and see" policy was indicated for the near future.

West Broadway Project

On July 6, 1967 the Commission received a progress report on the West Broadway Project. This area consists of two hundred and thirty-one acres and is bounded by the Route 6 Connector, Atwells Avenue, Knight Street to Westminster Street, Bridgham Street to Cranston Street, Messer Street and Wood Street. The treatment of the area will be basically rehabilitation, with some clearance. Predominantly residential in character, the project area has a population of approximately eight thousand persons. The Commission was informed that after further planning, proposals will be returned for Commission consideration.

Model Cities

While the Commission did not participate directly in preparation of model cities proposals, certain staff members were called upon for contributions, and the Commission maintained an interest in its progress. On April 11, 1967 it was reported to the Commission that the City's application had been reviewed in New York and as a result of that review will be reduced to comprise an area containing ten percent of the City's population. The area selected is South Providence, a portion of the General Neighborhood Renewal Plan district approved by the Commission during the previous year.

IV. PLANNING TOOLS AND ACTION PROGRAMS

701 Assistance Program

Work continued throughout the year on the current 701 Program designated as R. I. P-23, a composite undertaking consisting of four parts:

- (1) Preparation of master plan elements. These have been completed including Master Plans for Circulation, for Public Schools, and for Public Recreation and Conservation.
- (2) A data bank feasibility study. This was completed in draft form by a New York firm of computer-use specialists and was being reviewed for final copy and publication at the close of the fiscal year.
- (3) A photogrammetric and mapping survey on a city-wide basis. An excellent product is being turned out on this by a large engineering firm headquartered in Providence. At the close of the year it was approximately seventy percent completed.
- (4) Neighborhood Analysis. The last of the four parts to be undertaken because of unavailable staff personnel in the earlier period, work on this component of the program had just been commenced.

On August 23, 1967 the Commission approved a new 701 application to include preparation of a Civic Design Master Plan and for updating of the 1961 city-wide land use information. The sum requested for these studies was \$281,819 to be three-fourths federal and one-fourth local. The local share would be derived entirely

from services.

Capital Improvement Program

The Capital Improvement Program, consisting of a capital budget for the first year, and a capital financing program for the five years next succeeding, is a joint responsibility of the Commission and the Finance Director.

On January 17, 1967 the Commission approved a Capital Improvement Program for 1966-1972 amounting to \$127,519,838 of which \$50,288,692 were described as city funds in various categories with the remaining \$77,231,146 to be supplied by sources other than the City.

Zoning Revision Study

Action was completed on the Zoning Revision Study on November 29, 1966 by the addition of a list of definitions as an amendment to the proposed ordinance as approved on September 29, 1966. At this same meeting the Commission also approved a new zoning enabling act and recommended both the proposed ordinance and the proposed act be submitted to the City Council.

THE CITY PLAN COMMISSION

1966-1967

Edward Winsor, Chairman	to Jan. 1970
Harry Pinkerson, Vice-Chairman	to Jan. 1968
Raymond J. Nottage, Secretary	to Jan. 1969
Albert Bush-Brown*	to Jan. 1970
Edward J. Costello	to Jan. 1972
John J. Cummings	to Jan. 1970
Robert J. Haxton (Councilman)	to Jan. 1969
Louis A. Mascia (Councilman)	to Jan. 1969

The Honorable Joseph A. Doorley, Jr.
Mayor of Providence (ex-officio)

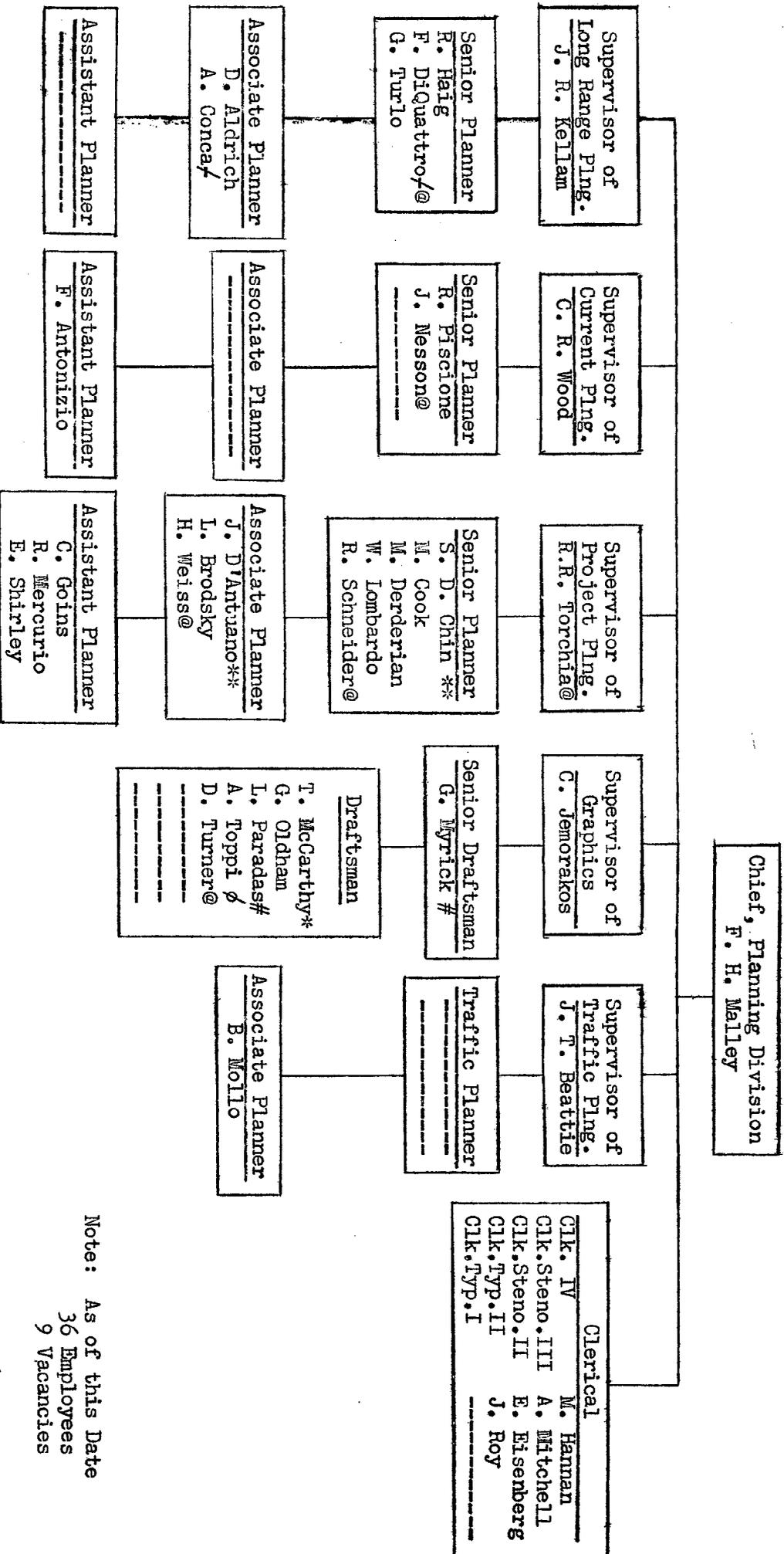
* Resigned January 1967

ORGANIZATION CHART

As of Feb. 2, 1968
F. M.

Department of Planning and Urban Development

PLANNING DIVISION



*Resigned Feb. 2nd
#Assigned to Project Planning

/ Assigned to Referrals
/ On Detached Service

** Promoted 1 step Feb. 5th
@ Presumed to be transferring to Model Cities

Note: As of this Date
36 Employees
9 Vacancies

Summary of Action on Petitions
 Referred from City Council
 1966-1967

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Total No. of Referrals</u>	<u>No Objection</u>	<u>Recom- mended Denial</u>	<u>No Action</u>	<u>In Accord with CPC Recommen- dations</u>	<u>Opposite to CPC Recommen- dations</u>	<u>No Action</u>
Zoning Amendments	17	2	14	1	3	3 (3)*	11
Abandonment of Streets	10	8	2		4	1 (1)*	5
Sale or Lease of City-owned Property	30	23	7		11	2 (2)*	17
Redemptions of Tax Title Property	8	8			8		
Miscellaneous	3	3			2		1
Total	68	44	23	1	28	6 (6)*	34

* The figure in parenthesis indicates the number of petitions granted by the City Council following City Plan Commission recommendations for denial.

Summary of Action on Referrals from
the Zoning Board of Review
through September 30, 1967

<u>Plan Department Action</u>			<u>Subsequent Action by Board of Review</u>			
<u>Total No. of Referrals</u>	<u>No Objection</u>	<u>Recommended Denial</u>	<u>In Accord with CPC Recommen- dation</u>	<u>Opposite to CPC Recommen- dation</u>	<u>Petition Withdrawn</u>	<u>No Action</u>
87	48	39	55	26 (24)*	5	1

* The figure in parenthesis indicates the number of changes granted by the Board of Review following City Plan Commission staff recommendations for denial.