

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

CITY OF PROVIDENCE
COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING IN RE: : JULY 13, 1993
: PUBLIC HEARING
AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF :
CHAPTER 564 OF THE ORDINANCES OF:
THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE, ENTITLED:
"THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE ZONING :
ORDINANCE" APPROVED OCTOBER 24, :
1991, BY AMENDING PROVIDENCE :
ZONING DISTRICT MAP NUMBER 4 OF :
THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP BY :
CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT :
DESIGNATION OF LOTS 140, 244, :
143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, :
149, 150, 159, 151, 153, 155 AND:
245 FROM C-2 TO D-1 AND OTHER :
CHANGES :

BEFORE:

DAVID V. IGLIOZZI, CHAIRMAN
ROBERT M. CLARKIN
JOSEPHINE DIRUZZO
JOSHUA N. FENTON

ALSO PRESENT:

JOHN D'AMICO, DEPUTY CITY SOLICITOR
THOMAS DELLER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT
BARBARA A. POIRIER, SECOND DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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1 (HEARING COMMENCED AT 6:10 P.M.)

2 MS. POIRIER: The Chairman would like this
3 letter made a part of the record.

4 THE REPORTER: Do you want this letter
5 written right into the record?

6 MS. POIRIOR: Yes.

7 (THE FOLLOWING IS A LETTER TO COUNCILMAN
8 DAVID V. IGLIOZZI, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON
9 ORDINANCES, CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, PROVIDENCE,
10 RHODE ISLAND 02903. IT IS SIGNED FROM
11 JOHN J. LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN, WARD 13. THE LETTER
12 READS AS FOLLOWS:

13 "Dear Councilman Igliazzi and Members
14 of the Committee:

15 "I write this letter in opposition
16 to item number one on the docket for
17 July 13, 1993, concerning the Zoning
18 District Map changing from a R-3 to C-2
19 in the Federal Hill area.

20 "My concerns are as follows: This area
21 of Broadway is residential and in a Historic
22 District of Providence. Consequently, I
23 believe this transfer will raise a great
24 deal of concern within the Federal Hill area.

1 I also believe that the limited off-street
2 parking would cause a vast amount of traffic
3 congestion. This added traffic will cause
4 unnecessary problems for residents who access
5 the Route 10 ramp on Tobey Street. The
6 proposed traffic will lead to a hazardous
7 situation for pedestrians who attend mass at
8 St. Mary's Church, located on Broadway.

9 "The residents of Parenti Villa, located
10 at 25 Tobey Street, will also be affected.
11 This housing unit consists of handicapped and
12 elderly who require special needs. If we
13 take away their sense of security, then we
14 will take away their freedom to live their
15 lives with the safety we have insured.

16 "I also feel this proposal will take
17 away from those who operate nearby
18 businesses. Due to the limited parking
19 customers will be forced to take their
20 business elsewhere.

21 "In order to be just to local
22 establishments, residents, youth, the elderly
23 and property owners of this proposed
24 location, I therefore ask that this proposal

1 be absolutely denied before inherent problems
2 occur."

3 DAVID V. IGLIOZZI: Good evening. Is
4 everybody here for the public hearings from the
5 newspaper? What I need you to do is there are sign-up
6 sheets right here in the front. Come up and sign in if
7 you want to testify on any one of those issues. Sign
8 up and testify as a witness. Put your name and address
9 so that we can have that for the record and then we
10 will call you in the order in which you sign up, and we
11 will take each item in its order, according to the
12 newspaper advertisements, and any other comments that
13 are warranted.

14 Is there anybody? Give your name and
15 address, and we'll take you in the order in which you
16 sign. Before you begin, we're going to begin right
17 now.

18 MR. IGLIOZZI: Good evening ladies and
19 gentlemen. My name is David Igliazzi. I'm a
20 Councilman for the 7th Ward of Providence, and I'm the
21 Chairman of the Committee on Ordinances. Tonight we're
22 here for the public hearing which was advertised in the
23 Providence Journal.

24 To my right is Councilwoman Josephine DiRuzzo.

1 She is the Councilperson for the 15th Ward of the City
2 of Providence, and she is a member of the Committee on
3 Ordinances.

4 To my left is Councilman Robert Clarkin. He
5 represents the Number 1 District in the City of
6 Providence. He is also a member of the Committee.

7 Tonight we're here pursuant to the advertisement
8 that you all, I assume, have read, and have received
9 and live or have some interest in. Before we begin the
10 first order of business, I'm going to introduce the
11 public hearing notice into the record, which indicates
12 that notice is given pursuant to Rhode Island Laws
13 45-24-53 and a public hearing be held in the name of
14 the City Council City Hall, Third Floor, Providence, on
15 Tuesday, July 13, 1993, beginning at 6:00. The purpose
16 of the public hearing is to consider the proposed order
17 to amend a Zoning Ordinance in the Official Zoning Map
18 as summarized here, and in those instances were
19 required depicted on the map shown below. Attached to
20 that notice are the three proposed Ordinances requested
21 changed. I would ask that Notice be marked as an
22 exhibit and introduced into the record.

23 (CITY'S EXHIBIT NUMBER 1 MARKED)

24 We also have a series of letters that have been

1 sent in with regard to various proposed changes.
2 Before I get into the letters, I'm going to take these
3 matters in this particular order. The first matter
4 that's going to be discussed tonight will be the
5 Ordinance in the Amendment of Chapter 564 of the
6 Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled "The
7 City of Providence Zoning Ordinance" approved October
8 24, 1991, by amending Providence Zoning District Map
9 Number 4 of the Official Zoning Map by changing zoning
10 district designation of lots 140, 244, 143, 144, 145,
11 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 159, 151, 153, 155 and 245
12 from C-2 to D-1 and other changes.

13 Those of you who are not familiar with the lot and
14 plat that is the proposed changes involved in the area
15 of Potters Street, Frances Street, Interstate 95, Smith
16 Street and Hayes Street. That's the area we're
17 discussing. Those of you who are here for that one,
18 which appears to be -- looks like only one person
19 signed up for that matter. Is anybody else here for
20 that matter? All right. Does anybody else want to
21 sign up that hasn't signed up for that matter?

22 At this particular time, I'm going to call your
23 attention to Thomas Della. He is the Assistant
24 Director of the Department of Planning and Development

1 for the City of Providence. He is going to put on the
2 record a brief description of the proposed change and
3 the reasons why it's been presented to the City Council
4 for change. If you're here for questions and you want
5 answers, you have to listen now, because the purpose of
6 this hearing is to only hear your testimony. We're not
7 here to -- it's not a question-and-answer period.

8 Thomas Della will put on the record the proposed
9 change and the reason for that change, then if you want
10 to voice your opposition or your support of that
11 change, that is the purpose of your testimony. This is
12 not a situation where the City Council has made any
13 pre-determination. We have to, by law, have a public
14 hearing, take public comment, then we have to go back
15 to the Committee. That's the process.

16 The Committee will then deliberate on that, on
17 what the public comment was, the reason for the change,
18 and make a vote. The vote of the Committee must be
19 made under full Council, and the full Council must
20 approve or deny, and they must do that twice. If they
21 were to approve such a change twice, it would then be
22 transferred to the Mayor. The Mayor could veto that
23 change. If that vote were overridden by two-thirds of
24 the Council, that means ten Councilmen would have to

1 override the veto, then it would be overridden.

2 If you understand the process, we have the public
3 hearing. After the public hearing, it goes to
4 Committee. The Committee is made up of five members,
5 three of which are sitting here before you. That
6 Committee votes to approve or deny, based on public
7 comment as well as the reasons for and against it.
8 That recommendation gets sent out to the Council floor
9 where 15 Council members vote either to approve or
10 deny. Of the majority of these Council members, eight
11 could approve them. However, the mayor could then
12 veto. You would need ten votes to sustain the vote or
13 override the vote.

14 So, that's the process. You know where you are.
15 This is the beginning of the process. A lot of people
16 think when they come to a public hearing it's the end.
17 This is the beginning. Somebody put something
18 requested to go into change. We then put it on the
19 calendar for public hearing. It's the first step in
20 the process. So, I gave you a quick synopsis of the
21 process, because some people don't understand the
22 process and I can understand why. But as to the
23 process, does everybody understand what I said? Does
24 everybody understand the process? There is no one

1 indicating any contrary.

2 With that, we're going to take up item number 2 in
3 the advertisement, which I've just read into the
4 record, which has also been admitted into the record.

5 I now call your attention to Thomas Della,
6 Assistant Director, unless my colleagues have any pre-
7 hearing comments.

8 MR. DELLA: Thank you Councilman. It seems
9 that every time I come before this party I have a
10 different title, but that's fine. At least you know
11 who I am. No, it's Deputy Director, but that's all
12 right.

13 VOICE: We can't hear back here.

14 MR. DELLA: I'll try to speak more loudly.
15 The Petition before the Council this evening has been
16 prepared and submitted by the Department of Planning
17 and Development. This proposal is submitted to you to
18 bring a change in the Zoning Ordinance and to bring
19 this change into conformance with the draft of the
20 City Comprehensive Plan. The Ordinance has two
21 distinctive elements. The first element is to change
22 the zoning categories of those parcels of land bounded
23 by Smith Street, Francis Street, Brownell Street, and
24 Park Street, from a C-2 to a D-145. A C-2 is a

1 commercial zone. A D-145 is a downtown zone limited to
2 45 feet in height. The additional component of this
3 zoning change changes -- limits the uses allowed on the
4 property from Brownell by Smith, Francis, Hayes and
5 Park Street.

6 So that instead of allowing all the uses that are
7 presently permitted in a D-145 zone, the following uses
8 would be the only ones that would be permitted:

9 Educational institutions, religious service,
10 medical and health services, local and state
11 government, service organizations, non-profit library,
12 museum of art gallery, spectator assembly, non-profit
13 community park, playgrounds community center, open
14 space, financial insurance and real estate services,
15 limited business services, professional services,
16 eating and/or drinking establishments with
17 entertainment, night club or diner club.

18 The purpose of this change is to bring this one
19 remaining section of land into conformance with the
20 general plan that was prepared for the Capital Center.
21 Over the last few years, we've been attempting to
22 coordinate land use in that area between downtown and
23 the State House with the Capital Center Commission to
24 insure that all development that takes place in there

1 is compatible with the goals established in the Capital
2 Center plan as a stated in the City Comprehension Plan.

3 The Department, in working with the Capital
4 Center Commission, has proposed this change. We ask
5 that the Council give it full consideration. Thank
6 you.

7 MR. IGLIOZZI: Were there any letters in
8 support or -- I believe there were some letters in
9 support. At this time, I think I will put them into
10 the record. We'll take any comment.

11 For the record, we have some letters that have
12 been introduced or sent to us. One was from Providence
13 Preservation Society. I'd ask that the be marked and
14 admitted as Exhibit Number 2. We have copies. This
15 should be marked and sent in the order.

16 (CITY'S EXHIBIT NUMBER 2 MARKED)

17 In addition to that letter in support, we have
18 another letter of support also from the Historic --
19 this is from the Historic Preservation Commission. I'd
20 ask that be marked and admitted as Exhibit Number 3. I
21 have copies for the Committee. This has been sent to
22 us.

23 (CITY'S EXHIBIT NUMBER 3 MARKED)

24 Were there any other letters with regard to this

1 particular proposal or this change?

2 VOICE: Should I read it as part of the --

3 MR. IGLIOZZI: Are you on the list? Your
4 name is, Sir?

5 MR. CORNWALL: Joseph Cornwall.

6 MR. IGLIOZZI: Are you on this list, Sir?

7 MR. CORNWALL: Yes, I just signed it.

8 MR. IGLIOZZI: We'll call you and take your
9 testimony when admitting the letter and do both.

10 MR. CORNWALL: Fine.

11 MR. IGLIOZZI: The next order of business is
12 we'll begin calling the actual names of the people who
13 have asked to testify, unless the Law Department has
14 anything to add to the Department of Planning and
15 Development.

16 MR. D'AMICO: Not at this time, Mr. Chairman.

17 MR. IGLIOZZI: The first name on the list
18 appears to be John P. Hawkins, 134 Francis Street.

19 MR. HAWKINS: Thank you Mr. Chairman and
20 Members of the Ordinance Committee, Councilman Clarkin,
21 and Councilwoman DiRuzzo. My name is John Hawkins. I
22 am the owner of 134 Francis Street, where I have my law
23 office. I also own eight lots around in the
24 surrounding area. It's basically lots 143, 145, 148,

1 149, 150, 159, 151, and 155. I've owned most of this
2 land for better than 20 years.

3 I read with dismay what the Capital Center's
4 Project and the Board of Governors are seeking to
5 extend jurisdiction by making this a historic district.
6 There is nothing wrong with the present zoning. The
7 zoning allows C-2, which is a limited commercial zoning
8 area. What the Planning and Development Division is
9 trying to do is to cave in to the Providence Convention
10 or Capital Center's Commission. What is left up on
11 Smith Hill? There's my two buildings, one that's owned
12 by a chinese man, and the State Employees' Credit
13 Union. What is so historical about any of these
14 buildings? What's historical is that the State of
15 Rhode Island just spent \$8 million renovating the
16 Veterans Auditorium, and I suspect that this is where
17 part of the problem is coming from, because they don't
18 have any parking in which to enhance what they spent \$8
19 million for.

20 My problem is that this is land that I spent a
21 lifetime accumulating. Now what the Planning and
22 Development Bureau is trying to do is to take away
23 something by right of zoning, or by zoning ordinances,
24 which took me a lifetime to accomplish. They're

1 exploiting my land without telling me why they want to
2 do it. There is nobody, I believe, on that list that
3 is within that boundary line. Everybody who speaks for
4 this will be on the other side of Route 95. They're
5 not speaking for me. I'm not speaking for the rest of
6 the property owners. But, I own more than 50 percent
7 of that land that they're trying to rezone and I don't
8 think that they can take my land without just
9 compensation, and by changing it from a C-2 to a D-2,
10 that's exactly what they are doing.

11 So, I'll ask the Committee before voting on this
12 particular parcel of land that they investigate it a
13 little further, that they make sure that what they are
14 doing is in the best interest of the property owners
15 and of the State of Rhode Island, and the people of the
16 City of Providence. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

17 MR. IGLIOZZI: Mr. Hawkins, could you just
18 give us a list again of the properties you own, the
19 lots?

20 MR. HAWKINS: If I had the -- I have my map
21 I cut out of the paper, but --

22 MR. IGLIOZZI: Just for the record.

23 MR. HAWKINS: My eyesight isn't as well as it
24 used to be 20 years ago. I would say 146, 144, 150,

1 159, 151, 145, and 149. I've got them marked off here
2 on a piece of paper. It's 143, 145, 148, 149, 150,
3 159, 151, 155, and that's it. But, I can -- Mr.
4 Chairman, let me do this. let me send in to you by
5 letter the exact pieces of property that I have on the
6 tax rolls in the City of Providence.

7 MR. IGLIOZZI: If you can send that in to us
8 in the next ten days, it will be -- the record will
9 remain open to admit that letter.

10 MR. HAWKINS: Okay, fine.

11 MR. IGLIOZZI: The next person on the list
12 with regard to this particular issue is
13 Joseph Cornwall, 8 Holden Street.

14 MR. CORNWALL: I wish to read from a letter
15 which our neighborhood organization has drafted. It's
16 signed by eight members of the organization.

17 "The State House Neighborhood Homeowners
18 Association is a neighborhood association
19 bounded more or less by Smith Street, I-95,
20 the Woonasquatucket River, Bath and Calverley
21 Streets. Recently a portion of our
22 neighborhood was nominated by the State
23 Historical Commission for National Historic
24 District status.

1 "We welcome the opportunities this zone
2 change will bring to the owners and those of
3 us affected by it.

4 May we submit four recommendations:

5 "1) That the view corridor of the State House
6 from Smith Street be maintained. For years a
7 gas station and now a vacant lot occupy Lot
8 14. The view of the State House as one
9 approaches it from Smith Street delights not
10 only the residents of Smith Hill but the
11 estimated 20,000 motorists who daily travel
12 eastward on Smith Street. As beautiful as
13 the State House is from many vantages none is
14 as dramatic as the view down Smith Street.
15 Were a building constructed anywhere north of
16 the existing credit union building this
17 public benefit will be gone for good.

18 "2) That whatever is constructed in this zone
19 undergo design review. To the south this
20 zone abuts the Capitol Center Special
21 Development District, which receives intense
22 design scrutiny. To the east this zone abuts
23 the State House, arguably the finest in the
24 Unites States. To the north this zone abuts

1 the Capitol District which has been developed
2 according to design and master-plan
3 guidelines these pasty thirty years. To the
4 west across I-95 this zone abuts a district
5 that has just received Rhode Island
6 Historical Commission District status.

7 Certainly the tax revenue generated by real
8 estate along College Hill will be enhanced by
9 stately architecture rising to embrace the
10 view of the State House.

11 "3) That the generous parking regulation
12 concessions granted D zones be tightened in
13 light of the existing parking shortage in the
14 area. Below grade parking with access from
15 Brownell Street is a boon to everyone who
16 lives and works in the Capitol District.

17 "4) That the "other changes" stated in the
18 notice for the Public Hearing of this zoning
19 amendment be stated individually.

20 "Perhaps property owners in the new zone
21 will grimace at these recommendations but
22 articulating these concerns demonstrates just
23 how valuable this property is. Public
24 scrutiny, debate and refinement of proposals

1 for the Capital Center Special Development
2 District has not depressed values there.
3 Respectively submitted, Joseph F.
4 Cornwall, Neal Kaplan, Sally Sheffield, John
5 Driver, Jeanne Hopton, Kelly Smith, Robert
6 Hawkinson, Stephen Raymond."

7 MR. IGLIOZZI: Do you wish to admit that
8 letter?

9 MR. CORNWALL: Yes.

10 MR. IGLIOZZI: That'll be admitted as the
11 next number of exhibit. I believe it was Number 4.

12 (CITY'S EXHIBIT NUMBER 4 MARKED)

13 MR. IGLIOZZI: Any further comments,
14 Mr. Cornwall?

15 MR. CORNWALL: No.

16 MR. IGLIOZZI: The next witness is
17 Stanley Bernstein, 30 Exchange Terrace.

18 MR. BERNSTEIN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. My
19 name is Stanley Bernstein, and I'm the Executive
20 Director of the Capital Center Commission, a public
21 corporation of the State of Rhode Island, and a public
22 agency of the City of Providence. As background for my
23 statement at this public hearing - State legislation in
24 1981 established the authority to create the Capital

1 Center Commission and to empower it to do adopt,
2 implement, and administer a plan of development for the
3 Capital Center railroad relocation project within a
4 special development district to be established by the
5 City of Providence.

6 On September 10, 1982, by Ordinance 493, the City
7 of Providence, acting upon that authority, approved the
8 initial Capital Center Special Development District,
9 which, on May 15, 1989, was expanded by ordinance
10 number 219 to include the URI extension educational
11 complex.

12 The approved Capital Center's Special Development
13 District at this date includes the 72-acre area
14 generally bounded by Canal Street, Exchange Terrace,
15 Interstate 95 and Smith Street, but excludes (1) the
16 State House and its grounds, and (2) the two-block area
17 bounded by Hayes, Francis and Smith Streets and
18 Interstate 95, which is the two-block area of which the
19 Department of Planning and Development has proposed
20 certain zoning amendments.

21 Capital Center Commission and its Design Review
22 Committee contend that the lower block bounded by
23 Hayes, Francis, Brownell and Park Streets, which
24 includes the newly renovated Veterans Auditorium, is

1 remarkable for its historical architecture, which
2 should be protected - and that the upper block bounded
3 by Brownell, Francis, Smith and Park Streets, which is
4 the northerly gateway to Capital Center and adjoins the
5 lower historic block to the south and the State House
6 to the east, should be restricted, in part, to uses and
7 a building scale that is compatible with those areas.

8 The proposed zoning amendments for the two blocks
9 offer that protection, and we, the Capital Center
10 Commission and its Design Review Committee, endorse and
11 encourage your recommendation of approval to the City
12 Council. Thank you.

13 MR. IGLIOZZI: Any further comments?

14 MR. BERNSTEIN: No, I don't.

15 MR. IGLIOZZI: Do you want to admit your
16 statement?

17 MR. BERNSTEIN: Yes, I do.

18 MR. IGLIOZZI: Mark that as Exhibit Number 5.

19 (CITY'S EXHIBIT NUMBER 5 MARKED)

20 MR. IGLIOZZI: Is there anybody who wishes to
21 testify with regard to the matter previously described?

22 MR. HAIG: Good evening. My name is Robert
23 Haig, H-A-I-G.

24 MR. IGLIOZZI: What's your address?

1 MR. HAIG: My office is 410 North Broadway,
2 East Providence, Rhode Island. My function is two-
3 fold. We were the architects for the restoration of
4 the Veterans Auditorium, and I also sit on the Board of
5 the Veterans Auditorium at this point in time. For the
6 area that we're talking about, just north of the
7 Veterans Auditorium, I would like to draw an analogy
8 and a pragmatic comparison to other areas of the
9 country where there's been successful restoration
10 keeping the vocabulary of the surrounding area, the
11 vocabulary of the buildings, the scale of the
12 buildings, and the harmony of the architecture
13 compatible with what has already existed historically.

14 Several cities have done this successfully.
15 Baltimore, Maryland, has done it successfully.
16 Philadelphia has done it successfully. New Orleans has
17 done it successfully. Charleston, South Carolina, has
18 also been successful in the historic buildings along
19 with replications and restorations. I think it's
20 important, especially with the character and the
21 strength of our State House, and coming down the hill,
22 with the new construction coming over the new bridge
23 into the city, the tenure that we're setting, I think
24 it's important that this particular vacant piece of

1 land be incorporated at a scale with an architectural
2 harmony that is compatible and compliments, but also
3 strengthens, the whole area of Capital Hill, other than
4 the downtown new construction.

5 We speak in favor of that. I represent the
6 Veterans Auditorium Board at this point, and we're
7 strongly in favor of that and implore you to heed the
8 situation, since we only have once chance to follow
9 through with it. Thank you.

10 MR. IGLIOZZI: Any further comment?
11 Councilman Thomas Glavin, 12th Ward of Providence.

12 MR. GLAVIN: My name is Thomas Glavin, 45
13 Canton Street, Providence. I'm Councilman from Ward
14 12, in which these parcels are located. It's my
15 understanding, after speaking on a couple of occasions
16 with the Planning and Development Department and some
17 of the neighborhood people, that the major change
18 that's being proposed here is basically allowable uses
19 up in the Frances Street, Brownell Street area.

20 When I initially was approached regarding this
21 proposed zoning change, I had some questions because I
22 had worked with Mr. Hawkins in the past, relative to
23 the prospective development of some property he owns.
24 I think what came out of several things that had

1 happened were a reasonable understanding of what I, as
2 an elected official, and the, City as a whole, was
3 looking for as far as the future development in a very
4 sensitive part of the city being so close to the State
5 House in particular and, of course, very close to the
6 Capital Center Project and what ultimately may be the
7 Providence mall and all these other things.

8 So, when I initially was approached on this, I had
9 a number of questions, because I was concerned that the
10 issue would be perceived as, let's say, not abiding by
11 a previous agreement. I would have no part of that.
12 But, when it was made clear to me that the basic
13 concern here was to protect against what the Planning
14 Department felt and others felt were -- would be
15 incompatible uses was when I felt much more comfortable
16 about the proposal and was willing to come forward and
17 say that I had no objection to it. From what I
18 understand, it would still allow the same height
19 restrictions as the current C-2 zone. Again, the major
20 difference would be the allowable uses that would be
21 able to be utilized up in this very sensitive area.

22 I know the people well in the State House Home
23 Owners' Association, which I worked very closely with,
24 and have done a lot of very positive things in the

1 neighborhood. They are separated by 95, but they are
2 also very much impacted by what takes place in and
3 around the State House. Hence, the Neighborhood State
4 House Home Owners' Association and a group of people, I
5 might add, which is very active and has been working as
6 a neighborhood group for the past several years. This
7 is not a new group. They have been working in an on-
8 going fashion, I would say, for at least six, seven,
9 eight years, possibly longer. They have had a very
10 positive impact on that area.

11 I think the proposed change is reasonable. I
12 think it would be -- it wouldn't be detrimental to
13 Mr. Hawkins in particular. I think it would be
14 beneficial to the neighborhood by keeping some
15 undesirable uses from being introduced to this area. I
16 basically support it, and I would request you people
17 give it consideration. Thank you, Mr. Chairman and
18 Members of the Committee.

19 MR. IGLIOZZI: Thank you. Are there any more
20 witnesses that would like to speak on this matter?
21 This public hearing began at 6:10. It's now 6:45 on
22 this matter. The hearing done, I will, as I indicated,
23 keep the record open until ten more days for the letter
24 of Mr. Hawkins, which will be marked as an exhibit,

1 which I believe is Number 6, as well as keep the record
2 open for any other submission with regard to this
3 matter by any other interested parties for the next ten
4 days. I will now turn my attention to the next matter
5 on the calendar.

6 (HEARING CONCLUDED AT 6:45 P.M.)

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I, JULIA A. PULEO, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcription of my stenographic notes in the above hearing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 7th day of August, 1993.

Julia A. Puleo, Notary Public / Certified Court Reporter

JULIA A. PULEO, NOTARY PUBLIC/CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER

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