

Minor Subdivision Preliminary Plan Application

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Project Info	Assessor's Plat(s): 12 Assessor's Lot(s): 97			
_	Project Address: 9 (O/WQ/\ St.			
	Applicant Name: SCOH ACCHO			
	Address: 1374 Smith St. North Providence, RI 02911			
	Phone: Email: SCOTT @SMITH GOKTR. COM			
Contact Information	Property Owner (All owners of record must be included for all lots involved) Name: SCOTT A Q TO (SAMVE AS APPLICANT)			
Inform	Address: Same as applicant			
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Col	(If there are more owners please check here submit an addendum with this application form)			
	Name: Maganbellamy - Convy Law + Associates			
	Address: 123 Dyer St. Suite 2B Providence, RI 02903			
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	Scott Action Owner Name (if different than above) (p Date:	10-29-24
	Owner Name (please print)	Owner Signature

(If there are more owners please submit an addendum with this application form)



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October 31, 2024

To: Cranston Planning Department

c/o Jonas Bruggemann SENT VIA EMAIL ONLY

From: Conley Law & Associates

Re: 9 Colwell Street, Applicant: Scott Aceto

PROJECT NARRATIVE

This is an application for a proposed minor subdivision with zoning relief submitted under Unified Development Review. The existing residence on the subject lot is a 2-family home which was built in or around 1924. The home has been in the owner/applicant's family for many years and holds great sentimental value. The plan for the existing home is to simply maintain it in its present state. The home sits on a 10,000 square foot lot in a B-1 zone. The existing building footprint is approximately 1,075 square feet.

The project proposes to subdivide the lot in half, resulting in the creation of two (2) 5,000 square foot lots. On the proposed newly-created vacant lot, the project proposes the construction of a single-family home.

The requested zoning relief is as follows:

Lot area:

- 5,000 square feet where 6,000 square feet is required for the proposed single-family home (relief of 1,000 square feet or 17%)
- 5,000 square feet where 8,000 square feet is required for the existing two-family home (relief of 3,000 square feet or \sim 37%)

Frontage:

• 50 feet where 60 feet is required on both lots (relief of 10 feet or 17%) – on both proposed lots

Existing nonconformity – front yard setback:

- The existing two-family home has a front yard setback of 8.8 feet where 25 feet is required. However, no additional relief is requested as a result of this proposed subdivision and the encroachment into the setback area will not be increased by nature of the proposed project. The existing nonconformity of the front yard setback has existed for approximately 100 years, and pre-dates the relevant zoning code requirements. Accordingly would present a significant hardship to require the existing home to comply with the 25 foot setback requirement, and we would request that the existing nonconformity be converted to a dimensional variance should this application be approved.
- The proposed new home will comply with all front and side setback requirements.

The project will comply with all parking requirements, as demonstrated by the plans.

Dimensional Variance Standards:

- 1. The hardship from which the applicant seeks relief is due to the unique characteristics of the subject land or structure and not to the general characteristics of the surrounding area; and is not due to a physical or economic disability of the applicant, excepting those physical disabilities addressed in § 45-24-30(a)(16).
 - a. With regard to the lot area variance request, the unique characteristics of the subject land are such that the lot is well-positioned to be subdivided into two equal-sized 5,000 square foot lots, due to the positioning of the existing home at the corner of the lot. The existing home is set close to the street and the far side of the lot, which creates a layout ideal for increasing housing in an otherwise irregularly large side yard area. The proposed subdivision would help to center the existing house on its new lot, which is more aesthetically ideal.
- 2. The hardship is not the result of any prior action of the applicant.
 - a. The lot and existing home have existed in their current state for approximately 100 years, the existing lot has not been developed beyond the construction of the original, presently existing home.
- 3. The granting of the requested variance will not alter the general character of the surrounding area or impair the intent or purpose of the zoning ordinance or the comprehensive plan upon which the ordinance is based.
 - a. The subdivision will result in two lots that are of a similar size and width as those observed in the vicinity, therefore, the resulting lots would be consistent with the general character of the surrounding area. No negative effect on the neighborhood character will result. Significantly, the proposed new residence will be built to comply with all relevant side setback requirements, so there will be no negative impact on neighboring properties.
- 4. The hardship suffered by the owner of the subject property if the dimensional variance is not granted amounts to more than a mere inconvenience, meaning that the relief sought is minimal to a reasonable enjoyment of the permitted use to which the proposed property is to be devoted. The fact that a use may be more profitable or that a structure may be more valuable after the relief is granted is not grounds for relief.
 - a. In a B-1 zone, the Cranston Zoning code lists single-family dwellings and two-family dwellings as permitted uses by right. The surrounding area currently consists of a mix of single and two-family dwellings, in accordance with the intended zoning. If the dimensional variances are not granted, it will amount to more than a mere inconvenience because the relief sought is minimal to allow the addition of another home in the area. A single-family home on a subdivided lot will enhance the area by providing another opportunity for home ownership in a way that does not substantially increase density.

This project is consistent with the Cranston Comprehensive Plan. As noted above, the Comprehensive Plan designates the B-1 zoning district as appropriate for single and two-family residential development. The proposed continued use of the existing home as a two-family home and the proposed use of a new single-family home are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. In addition, this project is consistent with several of the goals outlined in the Comprehensive Plan.

For example, Housing Goal 4 notes a goal to "promote housing opportunity for a wide range of household types and income levels." The addition of a new single-family home in the neighborhood creates a new housing opportunity for a family, in an area with mixed single and multi-family residences. Housing Policy 4.1 indicates a goal to "Maintain a varied housing stock, with units of different age, size and type that are affordable to a wide range of incomes." The addition of a new single-family dwelling next to the 1924 two-family home is a great example of incorporating a varied housing stock with units of different ages, sizes and types within a cohesive neighborhood area.

The goal of this project is to increase housing availability in a desirable neighborhood in Cranston in a way that preserves the existing 100-year-old property and fits in with the surrounding area. We look forward to presenting this application for a subdivision with the appropriate related zoning relief.

Please do not hesitate to reach out at any time if we can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

Meagan M. Bellamy

mbellamy@conleylawri.com

Submitted on behalf of Scott Aceto

9 COLWELL STREET

Location 9 COLWELL STREET

Plat Sec Lot Condo 12/4 / 97/ /

Acct# 01130025

Owner SCOTT ACETO

Assessment \$368,400

Appraisal \$368,400

PID 20473 **Building Count** 1

Current Value

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Valuation Year	Improvements	Land	Total			
2023	\$251,700	\$116,700	\$368,400			
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Owner of Record

Owner

SCOTT ACETO

Sale Price

\$275,000

Co-Owner Address

1374 SMITH ST

Certificate

Book & Page 6700/0092

NORTH PROVIDENCE, RI 02911-3306

Sale Date

09/18/2023

Instrument

Ownership History

Ownership History					
Owner	Sale Price	Certificate	Book & Page	Instrument	Sale Date
SCOTTACETO	\$275,000		6700/0092		09/18/2023
ACETO FAMILY TRUST	\$0		0000/0000		05/13/2022
ACETO BENEDETTA	\$0		5992/0200		06/16/2020
ACETO BENEDETTA	\$0		DB114/0136	AVV.	05/30/2019
ACETO LORENZO & WF	\$0		/0		

Building Information

Building 1 : Section 1

Year Built:

1924

Living Area:

2,025

Replacement Cost:

\$333,472

Building Percent Good:

75

Replacement Cost

Less Depreciation:

\$250,100

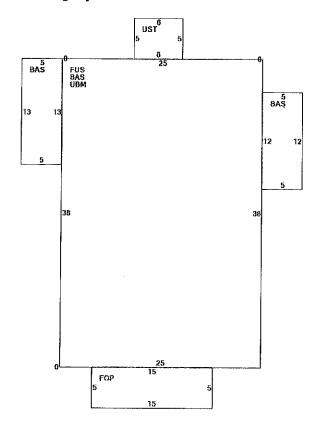
Field	Description
Style:	Two Family
Model	Residential
Grade:	Average
Stories:	2 Stories
Occupancy	2
Exterior Wall 1	Vinyl Siding
Exterior Wall 2	Brick/Masonry
Roof Structure:	Gable/Hip
Roof Cover	Asph/F Gls/Cmp
Interior Wall 1	Plastered
Interior Wall 2	
Interior Flr 1	Carpet
Interior Fir 2	Hardwood
Heat Fuel	Gas
Heat Type:	Hot Water
AC Type:	None
Total Bedrooms:	6 Bedrooms
Total Bthrms:	2
Total Half Baths:	0
Total Xtra Fixtrs:	
Total Rooms:	10 Rooms
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Kitchen Style:	Average
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Building Photo



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Building Layout



(ParcelSketch.ashx?pid=20473&bid=20473)

	Building Sub-Areas (sq ft)		Legend
Code	Description	Gross Area	Living Area
BAS	First Floor	1,075	1,075
FUS	Upper Story, Finished	950	950
FOP	Porch, Open, Frame	75	0
UBM	Basement, Unfinished	950	0
UST	Utility, Storage, Unfinished	30	0
		3,080	2,025



Extra Features

Extra Features Legend

No Data for Extra Features

Land

Land Use

Use Code

1040

B1

0050

Description

TWO FAMILY

Zone Neighborhood

Alt Land Appr No

Category

Land Line Valuation

Size (Sqr Feet)

10000

Frontage

0

Depth Assessed Value

\$116,700

Appraised Value \$116,700

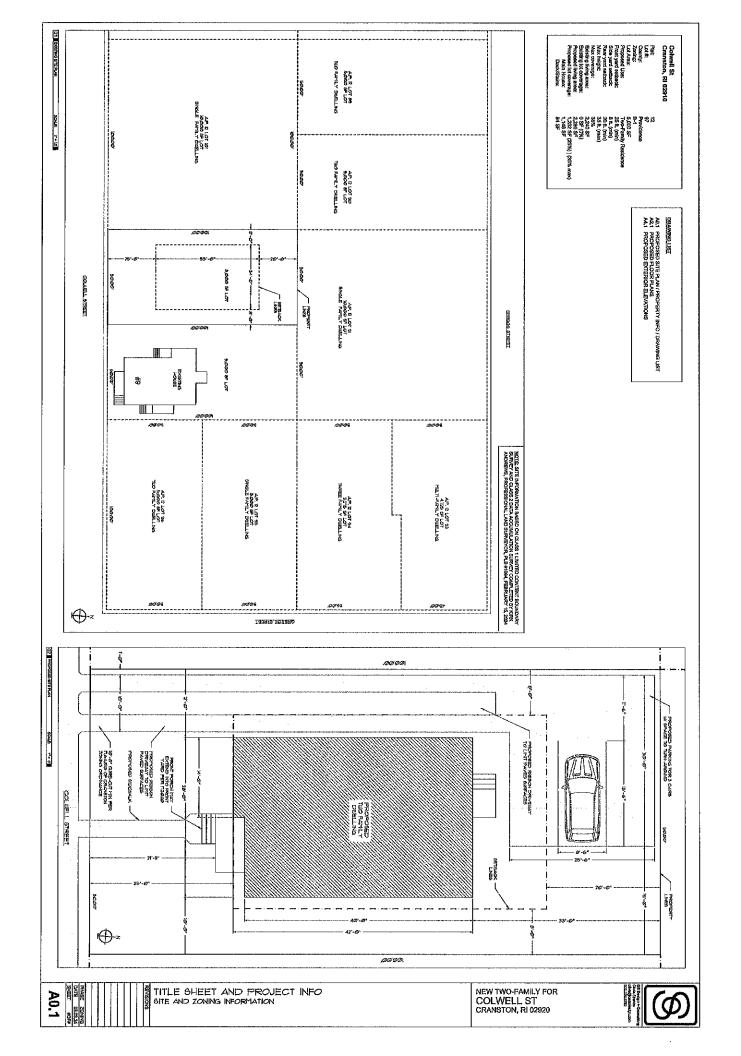
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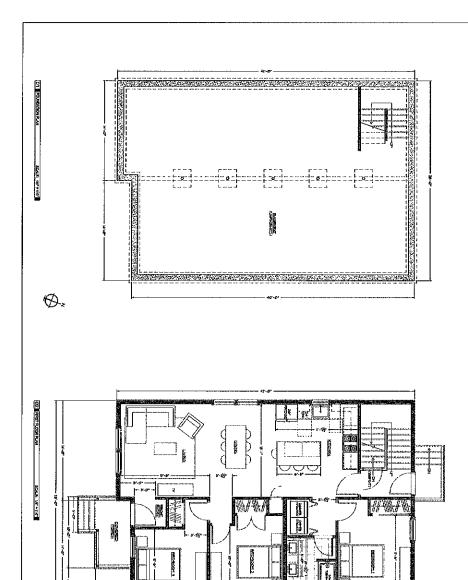
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Code Description		Size	Value	Bldg#	
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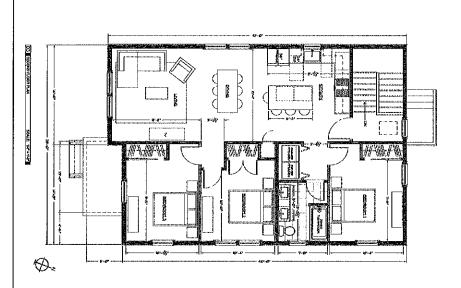
Valuation History

Appraisal					
Valuation Year Improvements Land Total					
2022	\$171,700	\$76,900	\$248,600		
2021	\$171,700	\$76,900	\$248,600		
2020	\$136,100	\$73,200	\$209,300		
2019	\$136,100	\$73,200	\$209,300		
2018	\$1 36,100	\$73,200	\$209,300		

Assessment					
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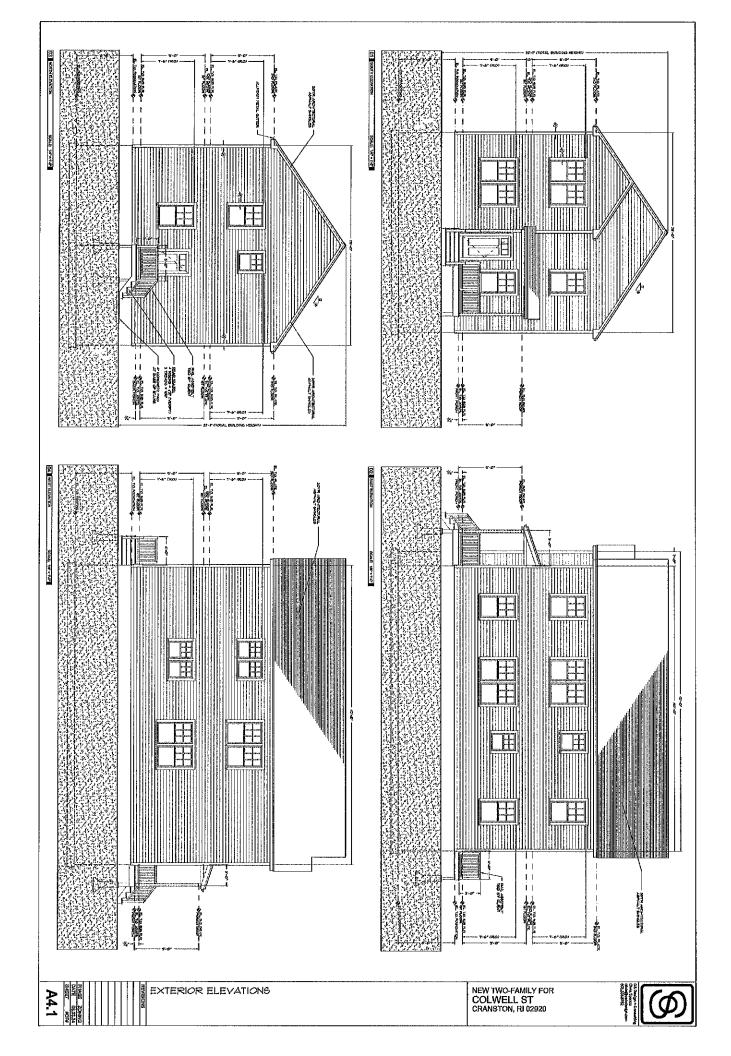


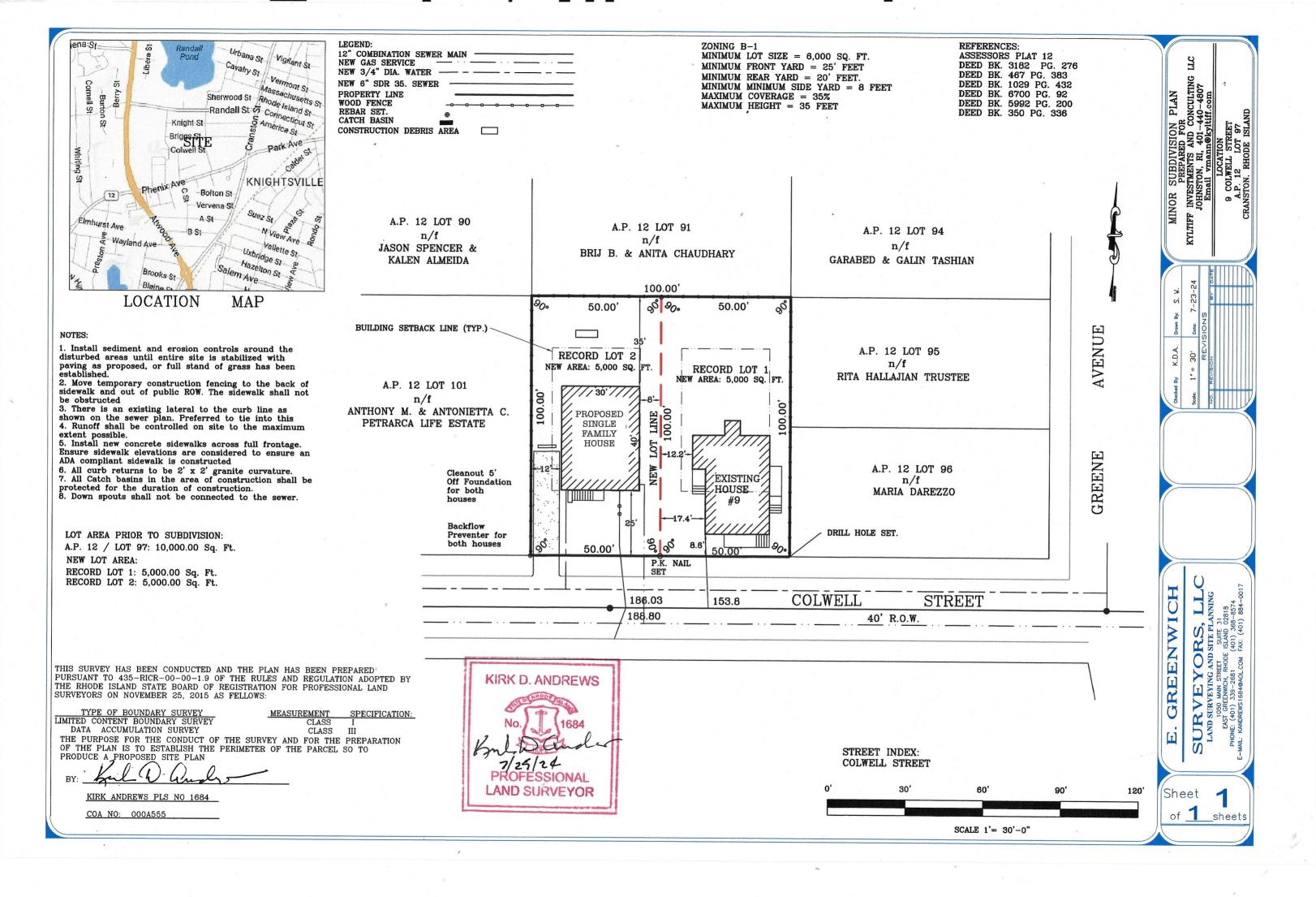




NEW TWO-FAMILY FOR COLWELL ST CRANSTON, RI 02920

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Water Service Availability Request & Certification

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Property Located At: 9 Colwell St. C	ranston	RI OZZZ
Plat: Lot(s):	Recorded Lot:	
To Be Completed By Water Auth	ority	
Is Water Available?	Yes	No
Is a Water Main Extension Required?	Yes	No
Is a Service Connection Required?	Yes	No
Is an Easement Involved?	Yes	No
Is Proposed Water Service a Minimum of Ten (10') Feet from any Sewer Line?	Y es	No
Comments: Sewer Locations Unknown by PWSE	ı.	
Currently Providence Water owns and maintains a 6-inch asbestos cemer		along Colwell St
having an approximate static pressure of 62 psi. A new water service ins	tallation is required for	r this new
proposed subdivision. A new water service application must be submitt	red.	
Verified By: Amalon Title: Supervisor of T&	ΣD Da	ate: 11/6/2024

Please mail or fax completed original request & certification to:

Providence Water Supply Board Engineering Department c/o Michael DiNobile 125 Dupont Drive Providence, Rhode Island 02907 401-521-6300, ext. 7213 401-632-4655 (fax) Hon. Kenneth J. Hopkins *Mayor*

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November 14, 2024

Owner/Applicant: Scott Aceto 1374 Smith Street North Providence, RI 02911 Representative:
Meagan Bellamy
Conley Law and Associates
123 Dyer Street, Suite 2B
Providence, RI 02903

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETENESS
"9 Colwell Subdivision"
Preliminary Plan – Minor Subdivision | File #1138
9 Colwell Street
AP 12, Lot 97

Dear Applicant / Owner,

Please be advised that on November 14, 2024, an Administrative Officer to the Cranston City Plan Commission reviewed your Preliminary Plan Application for the above-referenced project and deemed it to be "substantially complete."

Any additional minor information that may be required shall be satisfactorily provided during the Preliminary Plan stage of review.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (401) 780-3138.

Sincerely,

Jonas U. Bruggemann, MSCRP Senior Planner/Administrative Officer

(401) 780-3138 | jbruggemann@cranston.gov

Cc: Owner Representative

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