

Town of Johnston
State of Rhode Island
Ordinance 2024-8

ADOPTED
DATE 8/13/24
JOHNSTON TOWN COUNCIL
ATTEST: *[Signature]*

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING ARTICLE XIV ENTITLED "REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY" OF
CHAPTER 9 OF THE TOWN OF JOHNSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES**

The Town Council of the Town of Johnston hereby ordains:

An Ordinance adding Article XIV to Chapter 9 of the Town of Johnston Code of Ordinances by adding thereto:

ARTICLE XIV. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Section 9-40. The redevelopment agency; creation and membership. There shall be a Johnston Redevelopment Agency ("agency") which shall consist of five members, appointed by the mayor and approved by the town council from among persons who are residents of the town. Members shall hold office for a term of five years; provided that the original appointments must be made for terms of one, two, three, four and five years, respectively. All vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term. A member holds office until his or her successor has been appointed and has qualified. No member of the agency may be an elected officer or an employee of the town. The powers of the agency shall be vested in its members then in office. Members shall receive their actual and necessary expenses including travel expenses and may receive such other compensation as the town council may prescribe.

Section 9-41. Officers. The agency shall elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson from among its members. The agency shall elect or appoint a secretary who need not be a member of the agency. The term of office of the chairperson, vice-chairperson, and secretary, shall be for the calendar year, or for that portion remaining after each such officer is designated or elected. The Town Planner shall serve as executive director.

Section 9-42. Agency powers. The agency shall have all of the powers, duties and responsibilities in connection with the redevelopment of blighted and substandard areas in the town, and for all other purposes, as set forth in RIGL 45-31, 32 and 33 and other applicable laws of the state, the federal government, the Town's Home Rule Charter, and any applicable municipal ordinances, now or hereinafter in effect for redevelopment agencies generally or the agency in particular.

Sections. 9-43 through 49. Reserved.

ARTICLE XV. REDEVELOPMENT AREAS

Section 9-50. Authority; need; designation of areas. Because of the changing nature of retail development within the Town and the extensive flooding caused by stormwater runoff, there is a need for redevelopment in portions of the Town. Therefore, the city council hereby designates, in accordance with RIGL 45-32, the redevelopment areas as set forth in this article.

Section 9-51. Redevelopment area 1. The Pocasset Reserve is hereby designated as redevelopment area 1 and is more specifically identified as those lands within the Pocasset River Watershed and the Assapumpset Brook Watershed. Specifically, it is intended to include those areas of the watersheds that flood during 10 year or greater storm events.

The town council hereby finds that such redevelopment area is a blighted and substandard area whose redevelopment

is necessary to effectuate the public purposes declared in RIGL Title 45 Chapters 31, 32 and 33.

Section 9-52. Redevelopment area 2. The Johnston Town Center is hereby designated as redevelopment area 2 and is more specifically identified as follows:

Starting at the intersection of Atwood Avenue and Route 6, then heading northeast along a line to the intersection of Hartford Avenue and Dale Avenue, then cross Hartford Avenue running 500 feet northly. Then running westerly along a line that is basically parallel to Hartford Avenue and a distance of 500 feet from Hartford Avenue to a point that is 500 feet easterly of Atwood Avenue, then running northerly parallel to Atwood Avenue and a distance of 500 feet from Atwood Avenue to the southern property line of 1539 Atwood Avenue (AP 20 Lot 79), then westerly along the southerly property line of 1539 Atwood Avenue to Atwood Avenue, then running northwesterly across Atwood Avenue to the northeast corner of 1520 Atwood Avenue (AP 53 Lot 178), then running westerly in a straight line until it intersects with the property line of Johnston War Memorial Park; then southerly along the Park's property line to Hartford Avenue, then crossing Hartford Avenue to the Pocasset River, then southerly along the Pocasset River until the property line of AP 44 Lot 94 , then southerly along the property lines of AP 44 Lot 94, 89, 397 and lot 392 until it intersects with the right of way line for Route 6, then easterly to the point and place of the beginning.

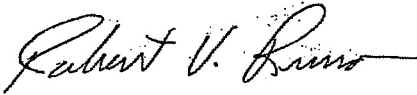
The town council hereby finds that such redevelopment area is a blighted and substandard area whose redevelopment is necessary to effectuate the public purposes declared in RIGL Title 45 Chapters 31, 32 and 33.

Sections 9-53 through 56. Reserved.

ARTICLE XVI. REDEVELOPMENT PLANS - Reserved


Sections 9-57 through 65. Reserved.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.



Councilperson

Approved to form:



Town Solicitor

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Date of passage August 13, 2024

Aye
Linda L. Folcarelli-Councilwoman
District 1

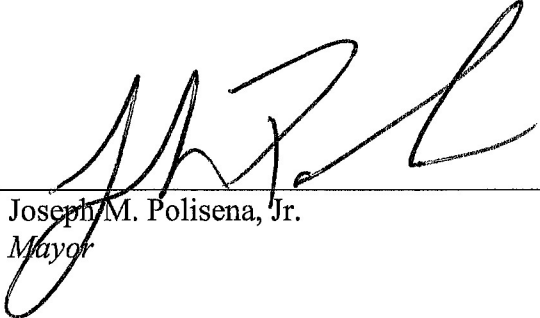
Aye
Lauren A. Garzone - Vice-President
District 2

Aye
Alfred T. Carnevale -Councilman
District 3

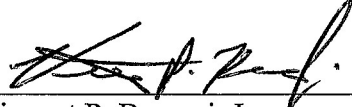
Aye
Robert J. Civetti - Councilman
District 5

Aye
Robert V. Russo -President
District 4

Approve Veto



Joseph M. Polisena, Jr.
Mayor

Attest: 

Vincent P. Baccari, Jr
Town Clerk

Date 8/26/24