



City Plan Commission
Jorge O. Elorza, Mayor

June 28, 2018

Councilman Terrence M. Hassett
Chair, Committee on Ordinances
Providence City Hall
25 Dorrance Street
Providence, RI 02903

Attn: Lori Hagen, City Clerk

Re: Referral 3433-Amendment of Zoning Ordinance pertaining to occupancy of dwelling units by college students

Proponent: Councilman Samuel Zurier

Dear Chairman Hassett,

I would like to issue a clarification to the City Plan Commission's letter to you dated June 20, 2018 regarding the above-captioned matter. I fear that the letter may have been construed to request that the ordinance regarding student housing not be approved until after the Commission's subcommittee has met. This is not the case. The Commission was clear when it voted on this matter that it wished to see the ordinance move forward immediately and without any conditions. Because the issues around student housing are so complex, the Commission also acted to convene a subcommittee to study this issue in depth. As you can imagine, this will involve many stakeholders and will take a considerable amount of time. The Commission did not want this process to hold up the adoption of the pending ordinance.

I request that this letter be added to the record and that when the committee next reconvenes that the ordinance be acted upon consistent with the Commission's request.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Azar, AICP
Administrative Officer