

CHAPTER

No. **AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 27 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE, ENTITLED: "THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE ZONING ORDINANCE, "APPROVED NOVEMBER 24, 2014, AS AMENDED, TO CHANGE CERTAIN TEXT IN ARTICLE 12 AND 19 REGARDING COLLEGE STUDENT OCCUPANCY DWELLINGS**

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

WHEREAS, Chapter 45-24 of the Rhode Island General Laws (the “Zoning Enabling Act” or the “Act”) authorizes cities and towns to adopt zoning regulations; and

WHEREAS, The purposes of zoning regulations include promoting the public health, safety and general welfare of the community; providing for a range of uses and intensities of use appropriate to the character of the city and its neighborhoods, reflecting current and expected future needs; providing for orderly growth and development; protecting the historic, cultural and scenic character of the City and its neighborhoods; and promoting a balance of housing choices for all income levels and groups; and to provide affordable, accessible, safe, and sanitary housing for the health, safety and welfare of all residents; and

WHEREAS, The City recognizes the need to protect the stability and character of residential neighborhoods throughout the City, and to balance the needs of residents investing in the community with those of college students living off campus.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled “The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance,” shall be amended by changing the following text in Articles 12 and 19, with additions underlined and deletions struck out:

1202 PRINCIPAL USE STANDARDS

K. Dwelling: Multi-Family or Rowhouse

7. In the R-1A, R-1, R-2, and R-3 districts, any dwelling unit in a multi-family or rowhouse dwelling, that is non-owner occupied, shall not be occupied by more than three college students.

L. Dwelling: Single-Family, Two-Family, Three-Family, or Semi-Detached

5. In the R-1A, ~~and R-1, R-2, and R-3~~ districts, any dwelling unit in a single-family, two-family, three-family, or semi-detached dwelling, that is non-owner occupied, shall not be occupied by more than three college students.

1910 INSTITUTIONAL MASTER PLAN DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW

D. Procedure

3. Institutional Master Plan Submittal Requirements

- r. For university or college educational facilities, a statement regarding the following:
 - i. The number of students living off campus;
 - ii. The institution’s expectations for students living off campus;

- iii. The institution's process for explaining how it communicates City ordinances to the students;
- iv. The institution's process for disciplining students living off campus for violations of City ordinances; and
- v. A procedure for contacting the institution regarding student violations of City ordinances.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall become effective upon passage.