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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Regular meeting of the Public Works Committee was held on Thursday, September 15, 2011 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 P.M. by the Vice-Chair.

Present: Councilman Richard D. Santamaria, Jr., Vice-Chair
Councilman Steven A. Stycos
Council Vice-President Robert J. Pelletier
Council President Anthony J. Lupino

Absent: Councilman Emilio L. Navarro, Chair
Councilwoman Leslie A. Luciano

Also Present: Councilman Paul H. Archetto
Gerald Cordy, Director of Administration
Mark Capuano, Deputy Director of Administration
Evan Kirshenbaum, Assistant City Solicitor
Steven Marsella, Assistant City Solicitor
Mark Capuano, Deputy Director of Administration
Steve Woerner, City Council Internal Auditor
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees
Meredith Mahoney, Stenographer

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

On motion by Council Vice-President Pelletier, seconded by Councilman Stycos, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and they stand approved as recorded. Motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Wayland, Scituate and Phenix Avenues** traffic improvements – Administration report (Cont. from 7/14/2011 and 8/11/2011).

On motion by Council Vice-President Pelletier, seconded by Councilman Stycos, it was voted to continue this item to next month's meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Storm Water Management District** discussion (cont'd 7/14, 2011 and 8/11/2011).

Russ Chatenauff, Chief of Ground Water Protection, D.E.M., appeared to speak regarding a new concept called 'Storm Water Utilities Districts'. This new concept has also been explained to other cities and towns.

Elizabeth Scott of D.E.M., also appeared to speak regarding this new concept. She presented two handouts. She stated that this concept has been established in other parts of the country. At this time, they are working with Westerly and Middletown, who have expressed interest in this concept.

Council President Lupino questioned if there are federal funds available to even begin to develop such a concept. Ms. Scott stated, not at this point. Council President Lupino stated that, in essence, this would be another tax. Ms. Scott stated that this is considered a fee of \$25-50 per household.

Councilman Stycos asked if the Administration has looked at this concept and what the Administration's position is on this. Mr. Cordy stated that the Administration is very committed to a lot of storm water issues. This particular concept, the Administration has not looked at.

On motion by Council President Lupino, seconded by Council Vice-President Pelletier, it was voted to continue discussion on this item.

Under Discussion:

Councilman Stycos stated that this does not need to be continued. He thinks the next step should be a Resolution to the Administration asking D.E.M. to perform an initial analysis.

Motion and second to continue were withdrawn.

Vice-Chair asked that this item be removed from the agenda.

- **Re-pavement and street openings** - Administration report (Councilman Santamaria) (Cont. 8/11/2011).

Mr. Cordy updated the Committee regarding this issue.

Vice-Chair asked that this item be removed from the agenda.

- **Discussion of vacant properties in the City**, including the former CJCR School in Garden City and the former temple on Park Ave. (Cont. 8/11/2011 for inspections report).

Council President Lupino indicated that this item was discussed at the last Council meeting.

Vice-Chair asked that this item be removed from the agenda.

- **Stillhouse Cove** – Administration report re: on going maintenance: embankment mowing; tree growth in rip rap; cleaning of Vortechnic unit; tree trimming Strathmore Place. (Councilman Stycos) (Cont. 8/11/2011).

Mr. Cordy stated that he e-mailed reports regarding this item to the City Clerk today. Councilman Stycos stated that he did not receive this and it is not in the packets. He asked that Mr. Cordy give a brief report regarding this issue. He indicated that the boat on the private beach by Stillhouse Cove has been addressed by the Harbor Master and as far as he knows, it has been removed. Councilman Stycos stated that the boat is still there. Mr. Cordy stated that he will let the Harbor Master know.

Public Hearings:

Resident of 2 Strathmore Rd., appeared to speak and stated that a number of trees were lost in the last tropical storm. She asked if the City could look into replacing the trees. Mr. Cordy stated that he is aware that there are several sources available for trees and the City is looking into this.

Hope Pilkington, 12 Selkirk Rd., Treasurer of Edgewood Waterfront, appeared to speak and stated that it there is a landscape plan which states that as trees go, the Edgewood Waterfront would replace them. This plan is in limbo because it has not been approved by the City. The Edgewood Waterfront is planning to have the trees planted and they are planning to have funding for this.

Councilman Stycos asked that the following items regarding Stillhouse Cove be continued to next month's meeting:

- Status of program
 - Status of the boat on the private beach
 - landscaping
- **Fay Field** - the Natural Resource Conservation Service project. Administration report. (Councilman Stycos) (Cont. 8/11/2011).

Councilman Stycos asked that this item be removed from the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

Request from National Grid for permission to open highway at Zinnia Dr. to install vent poles.

On motion by Council President Lupino, seconded by Council Vice-President Pelletier, it was voted to approve this request. Motion passed unanimously.

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July 25, 2011

**Director of Public Works
City of Cranston
869 Park Avenue
Cranston, RI 02910**

Sir or Madam:

**The undersigned hereby requests permission to open the
highway at ZINNIA DR for the purpose of INSTALL VENT POLES**

Value of installation:

Very truly yours,

Dennis MacAleese, Division Manager 
Construction & Maintenance

Approved: _____

Director of Public Works

Date: _____

National Grid REQ. NO: 51894

Regulator Department Work Request Order

Date 06/16/2011

Work Needed: Install Vent Poles @ RIS-072

2 men and a vactruck

Requested By: Ed Brennan

Street Location Zinnia Dr

Town Cranston

Contact Person - Ed Brennan - Cell Phone 401-862-3347

Office 401-547-2330

E-mail edward.brennan@us.ngrid.com

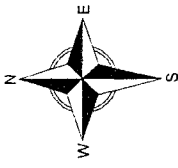
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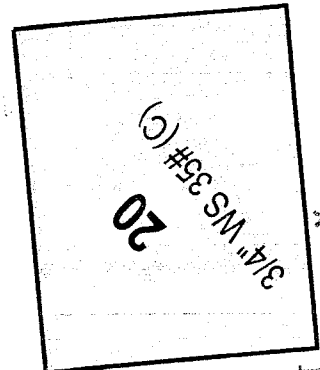
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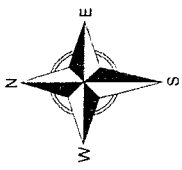
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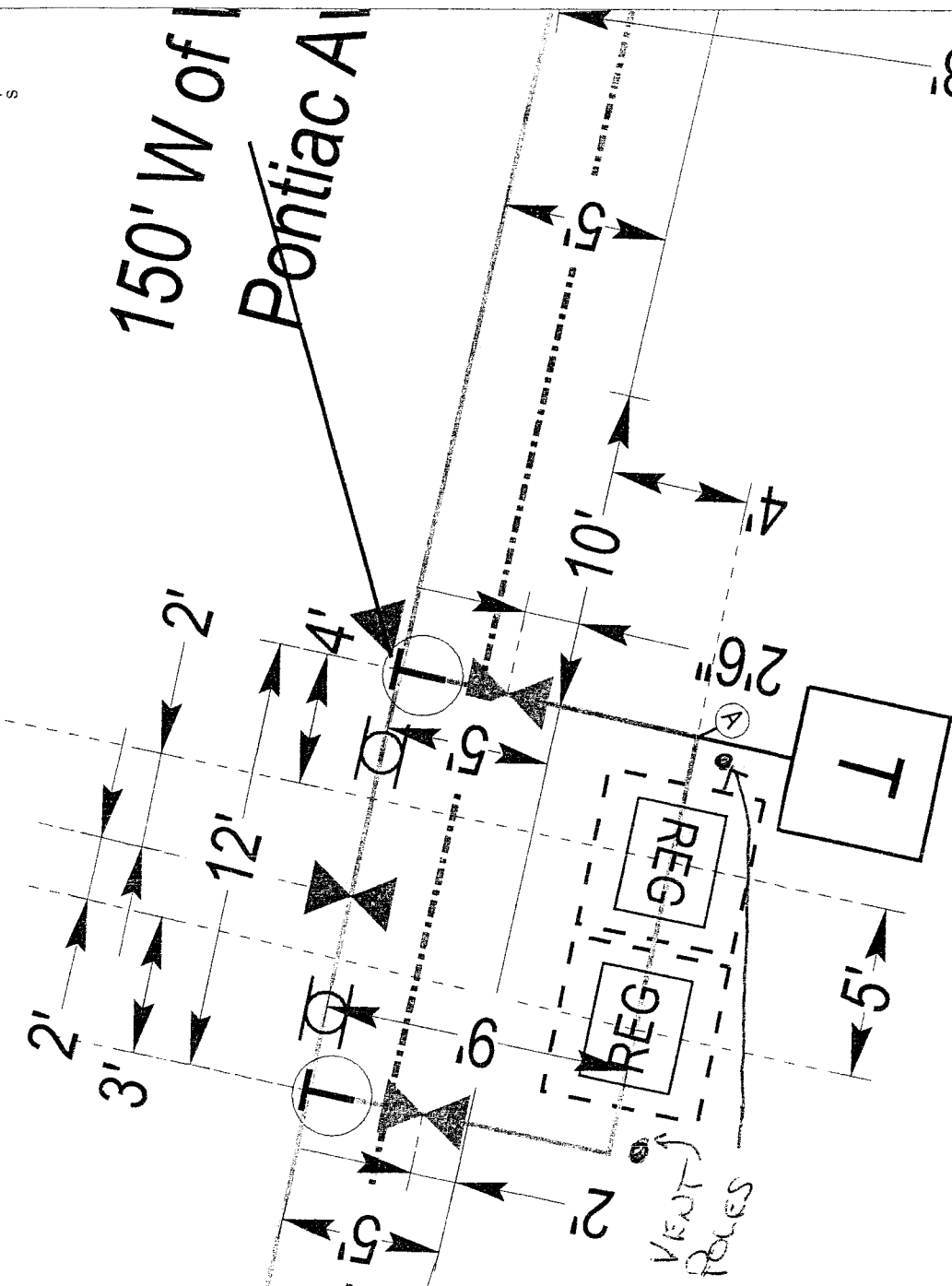
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Request from National Grid for permission to open highway at Cranston St. @ Depot Ave. to install vent poles.

On motion by Council President Lupino, seconded by Council Vice-President Pelletier, it was voted to approve this request. Motion passed unanimously.

Request from National Grid for permission to open highway at Park Ave. @ Station to install vent poles.

On motion by Council President Lupino, seconded by Council Vice-President Pelletier, it was voted to approve this request. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Executive Session Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2): Potential Litigation.
Update on Inter-Jurisdictional Agreements for Sewers**

On motion by Council Vice-President Pelletier, seconded by Councilman Santamaria, it was voted to go into Executive Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2): Potential Litigation. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting went into Executive Session at 6:55 P.M.

Present in Executive Session: Councilmen Archetto, Stycos, Santamaria, Council Vice-President Pelletier and Council President Lupino; Evan Kirshenbaum, Assistant City Solicitor; Steven Marsella, Assistant City Solicitor; Pat Quinlan, City Council Legal Counsel.

The meeting came out of Executive Session at 7:20 P.M.

On motion by Council Vice-President Pelletier, seconded by Councilman Santamaria, it was voted to come out of Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

On motion by Council Vice-President Pelletier, seconded by Councilman Santamaria, it was voted to seal the minutes of Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Rosalba Zanni
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees

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**Director of Public Works
City of Cranston
869 Park Avenue
Cranston, RI 02910**

Sir or Madam:

**The undersigned hereby requests permission to open the
highway at CRANSTON ST @ DEPOT AVE for the purpose of
INSTALL VENT POLES**

Value of installation:

Very truly yours,

**Dennis MacAleese, Division Manager
Construction & Maintenance** 

Approved: _____

Director of Public Works

Date: _____

National Grid REQ. NO: 51898

Regulator Department Work Request Order

Date 06/16/2011

Work Needed: Install Vent Poles @ RIS-113

2 men and a vactruck

Requested By: Ed Brennan

Street Location Cranston @ New Depot

Town Cranston

Contact Person - Ed Brennan - Cell Phone 401-862-3347

Office 401-547-2330

E-mail edward.brennan@us.ngrid.com

Charge Dept. 33602

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Work Order # 9000108214

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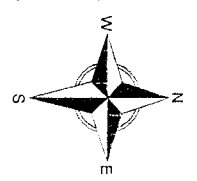
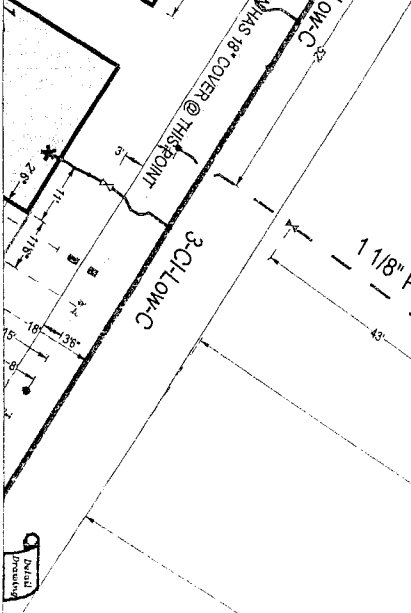
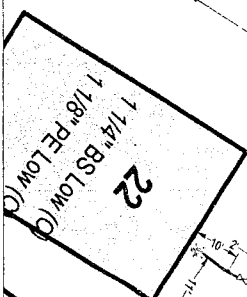
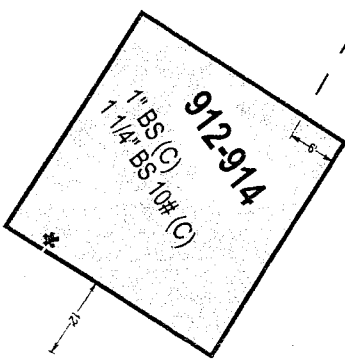
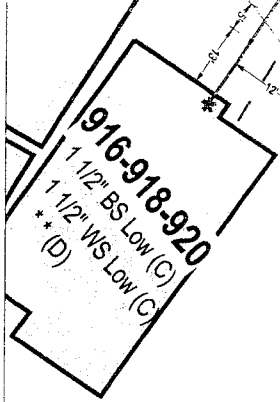
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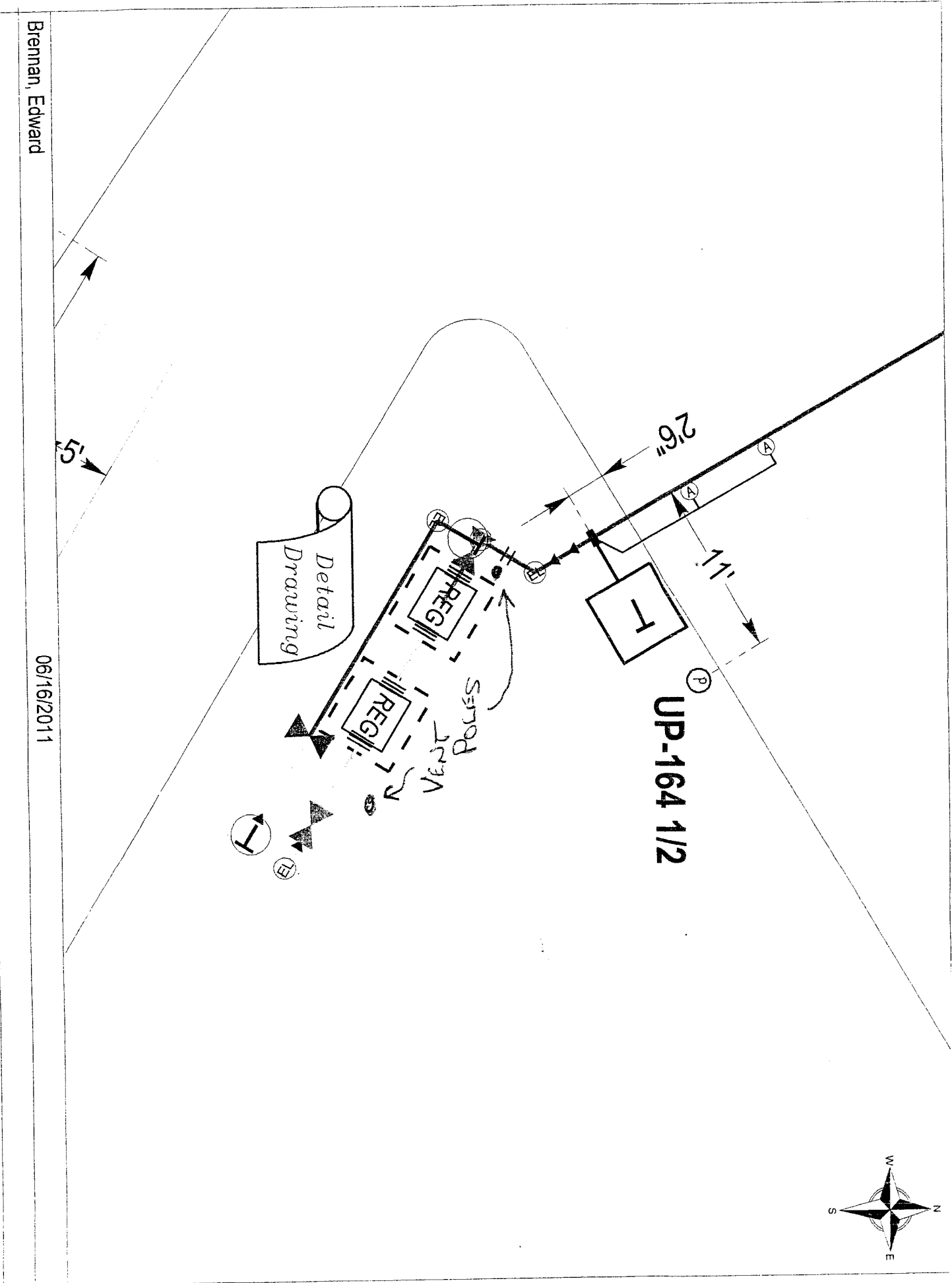
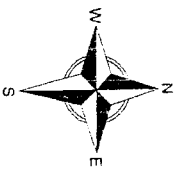
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**Director of Public Works
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Cranston, RI 02910**

Sir or Madam:

**The undersigned hereby requests permission to open the
highway at PARK AVE @ STATION for the purpose of INSTALL
VENT POLES**

Value of installation:

Very truly yours,

Dennis MacAleese, Division Manager
Construction & Maintenance

Approved: _____

Director of Public Works

Date: _____

National Grid REQ. NO: 51892

Regulator Department Work Request Order

Date 06/16/2011

Work Needed: Install Vent Poles @ RIS-017

2 men and a vactruck

Requested By: Ed Brennan

Street Location Park @ Station

Town Cranston

Contact Person - Ed Brennan - Cell Phone 401-862-3347

Office 401-547-2330

E-mail edward.brennan@us.ngrid.com

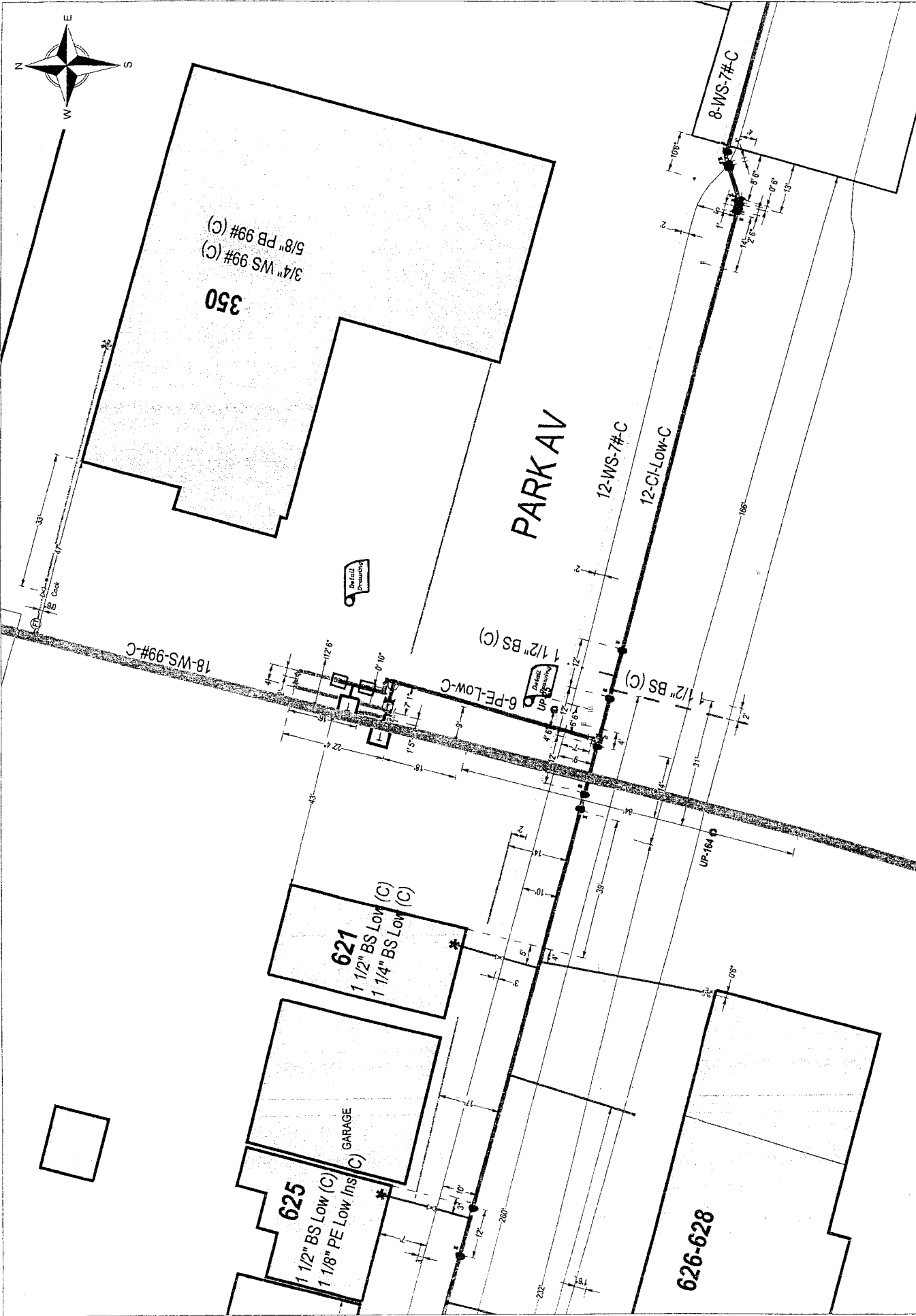
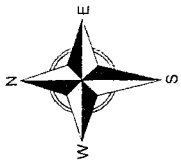
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1 1/2" BS (C)

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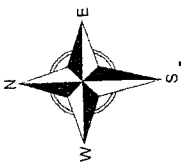
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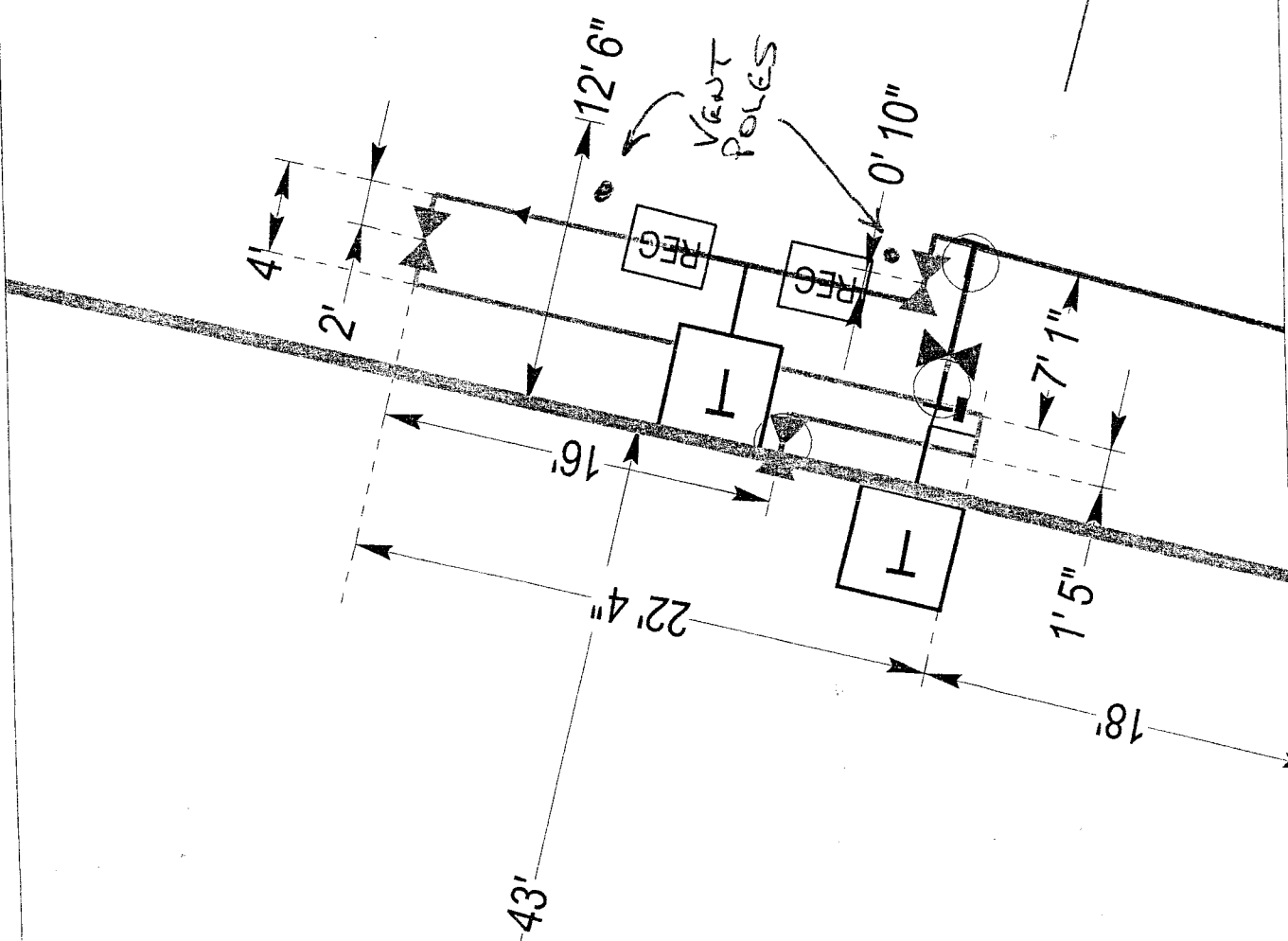
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