
[LOCAL APPROVAL]

OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK
TOWN OF METHUEN, MASSACHUSETTS
90 HAMPSHIRE STREET, METHUEN, MASSACHUSETTS 01844

RESOLUTION #R 282

French Street Playground Property

Whereas, the city known as the Town of Methuen owns certain land located on French Street in said community; and

Whereas, said property has been dedicated to park and recreation use; and

Whereas, said property has been recommended for sale by the Planning Board, Community Development Advisory Committee and the Planning Committee of the Town Council; and

Whereas, Malden Mills, Inc., has executed a conditional Purchase and Sale Agreement for the purchase of said property for \$25,000.; and

Whereas, the Assessors of the city known as the Town of Methuen have set a value of said property at \$16,000.; and

Whereas, the sale of this property would provide for the expansion of our tax base and the expansion of Malden Mills allowing for the creation of nearly one hundred (100) jobs providing payroll increases of between \$800,000. and \$1 million; and

Whereas, replacement of recreational space lost by this sale will be provided for through other park development in the Arlington District; now

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Town Administrator be and hereby is authorized to sell and convey said property at a price no less than \$25,000. subject to authorization from the Great and General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and be it further.

Ordered: That the Town Administrator prepare and submit to the Great and General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a Home Rule petition which would authorize the city known as the Town of Methuen to sell and convey subject property.

First Reading: August 19, 1976
Voted: September 7, 1976
Effective: Immediately

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is as voted upon by the Methuen Town Council on September 7, 1976.

A True Copy Attest.

James J. Maloney
Town Clerk

Sept. 20, 1976

Raffi Takesian
Council President

M. Claire Faucher
Council Clerk

By Mr. Rurak, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1634) of James P. Rurak, Nicholas J. Buglione, Wilfred P. Beauchesne, Arthur M. Khoury and others (by vote of the town council for legislation to authorize the city known as the town of Methuen to sell certain parkland in the Arlington District of said city to the Arlington Mills, a corporate sole, for industrial use. Local Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Six.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY KNOWN AS THE TOWN OF METHUEN TO SELL CERTAIN PARKLAND IN THE ARLINGTON DISTRICT OF SAID CITY TO THE ARLINGTON MILLS, A CORPORATION SOLE, FOR INDUSTRIAL USE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The city known as the Town of Methuen, acting
2 through and by its Town Administrators, all with the approval
3 of its Town Council is hereby authorized to sell and convey
4 to the Arlington Mills of Lawrence, a corporation sole, for
5 industrial use, the parcel of land now held for park purposes
6 bounded and described as follows: —

7 Beginning at a point in the westerly line of French Street
8 distant two hundred (200) feet northerly from the north-
9 westerly corner of French and Stafford Streets; thence run-
10 ning Northerly by French Street two hundred fifty (250) feet
11 to land formerly of Bertha Behn; thence Westerly by said land
12 formerly of Behn one hundred fifty (150) feet, more or less,
13 to a wire fence at land retained by the grantor; thence South-
14 erly by said wire fence on land retained by the grantor two
15 hundred thirty five (235) feet, more or less, to the northwest
16 corner of the second parcel of land described in a deed of regis-
17 tered land conveyed by the William Whitman Company, Inc.,
18 to the Town of Methuen on October 8, 1948; thence Easterly
19 by said second parcel of land, land now or formerly of Clara
20 Reed and the first parcel of land described in said deed of
21 registered land one hundred fifty (150) feet to the point of
22 beginning.

23 The granted premises comprise the parcel conveyed to the
24 grantor by deed of William Whitman Company, Inc., dated
25 October 5, 1948, recorded with North District of Essex Regis-
26 try of Deeds, Book 720, Page 464.

27 *Second Parcel:* All of the land situated in the said Town of
28 Methuen which is the subject of Transfer Certificate of Title
29 No. 3471, and is described therein as provided in the copy of
30 said Transfer Certificate which is annexed hereto and made
31 a part hereof.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.