

New England Real Estate Journal hosts Cities of Pawtucket and Central Falls Summit at Isle Brewers Guild

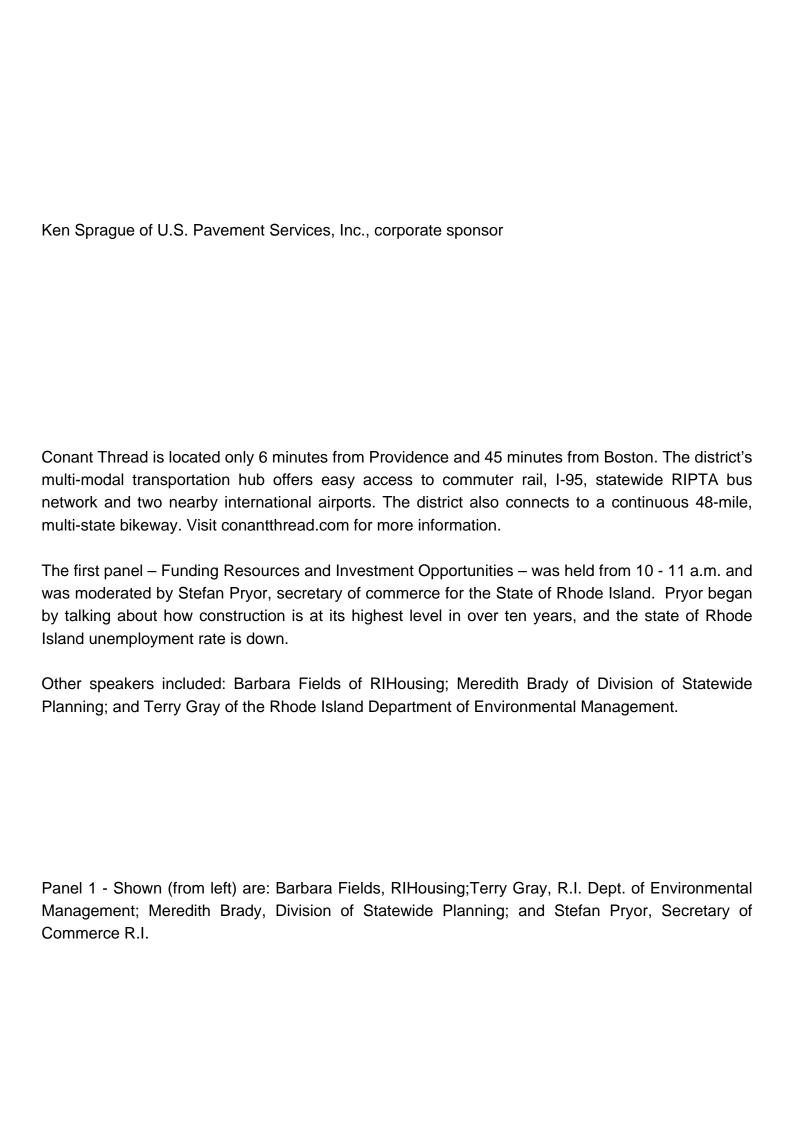
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Pawtucket, RI The New England Real Estate Journal held the Cities of Pawtucket and Central Falls Summit on November 15th at the Isle Brewers Guild at 461 Main St. The mayor of Pawtucket, Donald Grebien and the mayor of Central Falls, James Diossa, made opening comments.

Jan Brodie of the Pawtucket Foundation spoke in length about the revitalization of the Conant Thread district, along with the new train station underway. Conant Thread is a 150-acre transit-oriented development spanning the cities of Pawtucket and Central Falls. It will attract many new start-ups and restaurants. There are 2 million s/f of vacant or underutilized historic mill space and another 2 million s/f of development opportunity on vacant land.

Keynote speakers - Shown (from left) are: Donald Grebien, mayor of Pawtucket; and James Diossa, mayor of Central Falls

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Duffy mentioned how since January of this year, the brewery has had over 47,000 visitors, bringing more people to the city from afar. His vision is to bring more food and beverage companies to the city.

Gazdacko focused on the revitalization of the Hope Artiste Village, one of the largest mill restoration projects in the state. The village includes a mix of art studios, live/work lofts, retail shops, light industrial workshops and professional office suites. He also spoke about the new winter farmer's market.

Baker has been at their Pawtucket location for three years, due to their company expanding. They now have views of the Blackstone River and the historic Slater Mill.

Throughout the summit, one thing remained a constant – everyone agreed on how both cities work together with the help of very involved mayors, to make sure their cities are the best they can be.

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