

CITY OF PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND



The Credo of the Providence City Council is to be Industrious, to be Watchful and to Promote Peace. The bee, as a symbol of industry, is derived from the early colonial saying "Busy as a Bee"; the goose, as a symbol of watchfulness, is derived from the story of the goose whose cackling saved Rome; and the lamb, as a symbol of peace, is derived from the biblical use of the lamb as a symbol of peace.



IN CITY COUNCIL
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APPROVED: David M. Mastrosimone CLERK

CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 1 City Council Regular Council Meeting, Thursday, January 4, 2024, 6:00 o'clock P.M.

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

RACHEL M. MILLER

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS, PETERSON, COUNCILOR PICHARDO, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILMEN TAYLOR AND VARGAS – 13.

ABSENT: COUNCILOR ROIAS AND COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS – 2.

ALSO PRESENT: TINA L. MASTROIANNI, CITY CLERK, SHERI A. PETRONIO, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, ANGELA J. HARRIS, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, NAPOLEON ASKIE, CITY SERGEANT AND JEFFREY DANA, CITY SOLICITOR

(SUBSEQUENTLY, COUNCILOR ROIAS JOINS THE MEETING.)

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by **COUNCIL PRESIDENT RACHEL M. MILLER**.

"So, let's bow our heads and give thanks to the God of all faiths and out of respect and reverence to the quality within each of us, that we may enjoy good health and prosperity in this upcoming year for ourselves, for our families, for our neighbors, for residents across the city. May our partners in government and public service, from Public Safety to Public Works and everything in between, enjoy health and be safe this year. As we do our work, let us be guided by steadfast integrity, that we be moved to lead humbly and in service to one another, to our communities and to the City of Providence. May our work together in this chamber and in the streets of our neighborhoods be blessed, be productive and give us each the opportunity to get to know our highest and best selves better every single day and may we never forget the voices and experiences of people who are struggling in both issues large and small and bring those issues front and center to our work together in this chamber. Thank you."

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COUNCILOR SUE R. ANDERBOIS Leads the Members of the City Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Journal of Proceedings No. 28 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held December 7, 2023 and Journal of Proceedings No. 29 of the Special Meeting of the City Council held December 14, 2023.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 3 and Move Approval, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	APPROVED (WITH VOTE) [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Pichardo, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilmen Taylor and Vargas – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilor Roias and Councilwoman Vargas – 2.

APPOINTMENTS BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated December 1, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 815 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day re-appointing **J. Michael Costello** of 767 Elmgrove Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the **Board of Investment Commissioners** for a term to expire on January 1, 2027.

RESULT: RECEIVED

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated December 1, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1011 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day re-appointing **Christine West** of 1 Central Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02907, as a member of the **Building Board of Review** for a term to expire on January 31, 2029, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated December 1, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 814 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day re-appointing **James Hackett** of 70 Elmgrove Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the **Board of Tax Assessment and Review** for a term to expire on January 31, 2027, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated December 1, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 814 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **Kojo V. King** of 39 Fisk Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02905, as a member of the **Board of Tax Assessment and Review** for a term to expire on January 31, 2025, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. King replaces Mr. Husband who has resigned).

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated December 1, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 814 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day re-appointing **Steven T. Napolitano, Esquire** of 383 Woodward Road, Providence, Rhode Island 02904, as a member of the **Board of Tax Assessment and Review** for a term to expire on January 31, 2027, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated December 1, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 814 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day re-appointing **Jonathan Salinger** of 89 Laurel Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the **Board of Tax Assessment and Review** for a term to expire on January 31, 2027, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

RESULT:	REFERRED ITEMS 5 THROUGH 9
TO:	Committee on Finance

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 4 through 9, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Receives item 4 and Refers items 5 through 9 to the Committee on Finance.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

The Following Ordinance was in City Council December 14, 2023, Read and Passed the First Time and is Returned for Passage the Second Time:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS, (By Request):

An Ordinance Approving the Capital Improvement Plan for the Fiscal Years 2024 through 2028.

WHEREAS, The City of Providence desires to regularly undertake the design, construction, repair, rehabilitation, replacement and improvement of infrastructure in the City's neighborhoods, including, but not limited to, streets, sidewalks, public parks, recreation facilities, bridges, sewers, and City buildings in the interest of public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Providence Home Rule Charter, Article VIII, Section 812, at the same time that the mayor submits the operating budget to the city council, the mayor based upon estimates and recommendations of the city plan commission as provided for in Article X, section 1013, shall prepare and submit to the city council a capital budget for the ensuing fiscal year and the next four (4) fiscal years thereafter; and

WHEREAS, The capital budget will be referred to as the Capital Improvement Plan with the purpose of facilitating and coordinating future capital improvements within the City's current and future financial framework; and

WHEREAS, Said Capital Improvement Plan shall embody the mayor's estimates of cost and recommendations of means of financing each project contained therein, provided that no project shall be included in said budget which has not been favorably considered by the city council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

SECTION 1. The City of Providence through the City Council will consider the recommendations of the City Plan Commission as provided for in Article X, section 1013, through the draft Capital Improvement Plan submitted on April 25, 2023, and

In acting on the Capital Improvement Plan, the City Council has worked with the Administration to modify the projects described therein and the proposed methods of financing the same, including but not limited to, traditional bond issuance.

The City Council shall recommend funding mechanisms for the Capital Improvement Plan to facilitate planned improvements to Providence's public infrastructure.

Attached is the Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2024 through 2028, which shall be incorporated into this Ordinance.

The first year of this Capital Improvement Plan represents projects earmarked for Fiscal Year 2024 and may be funded through bonds issuance by the Providence Public Buildings Authority as well as braided with other of means of funding sources.

Owner's Project Manager, Construction Management, and Professional Services for Fiscal Year 2024 projected funding was determined at 4% of projected borrowing for all projects. The total amount determined necessary is \$5,400,000.00. This amount was then allocated among each CIP department (Public Works, Public Property, Parks, & Planning Departments) by the percentage of total project value that the department is responsible for in Fiscal Year 2024.

Arts, Culture, & Tourism projects, in which project funding is determined by a 1% allocation of projected borrowing, is allocated 1% of Owner's Project Manager, Construction Manager, and Professional Services funds for Fiscal Year 2024.

This Ordinance is an affirmative action of the City Council of the City of Providence toward capital improvements in the City.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 10 and Pass for the Second Time on a Roll Call Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	READ/PASSED SECOND TIME [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Pichardo, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilmen Taylor and Vargas – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilor Roias and Councilwoman Vargas – 2.

The Motion for Passage the Second Time is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON, COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS, COUNCILMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 21 "Revenue and Finance", Article III "Funds", Division I "In General ", of the Providence Code of Ordinances to add Section 21-76 "Port Community Scholarship Fund".

COUNCILMAN GONCALVES

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 2004-36, No. 348, Approved August 13, 2004, Entitled: "An Ordinance Granting the Downtown Providence Management District Authorization to operate as a Business Improvement District".

An Ordinance Establishing a Tax Stabilization Plan for the property located at 153 Gano Street.

An Ordinance Establishing a Tax Stabilization Plan for the property located at 157 Gano Street.

An Ordinance Establishing a Tax Stabilization Plan for the property located at 161 Gano Street.

An Ordinance Establishing a Tax Stabilization Plan for the property located at 165 Gano Street.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 23, "Streets, Sidewalks and Public Spaces", Article III, "Construction and Repair of Sidewalks", Section 23-71 "Reserved" of the Providence Code of Ordinances.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Ordinances

COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON AND COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS

An Ordinance in Amendment of the Home Rule Charter Article X, Section 1006 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "Department of Public Property", and Chapter 21, "Revenue and Finance", Article II, "Division of Purchase Orders", Section 21-27, "Competitive Bidding" of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence.

COUNCILOR PICHARDO

An Ordinance Establishing a Tax Stabilization Plan for the property located at 126 Adelaide Avenue.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(2) of the Code of Ordinances.

Hurd Chevrolet
(Department of Public Works)

\$121,906.00

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 11 through 20, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers items 11 through 16 to the Committee on Finance, item 17 to the Committee on Ordinances and items 18 through 20 to the Committee on Finance.

COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILOR PICHARDO AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS

Resolution Recognizing the Newcomer Academy and Executive Director Oscar Paz.

WHEREAS, Providence's first-ever Newcomer Academy was founded in 2022 to provide exceptional Career and Technical Education opportunities that cater to the unique needs of multilingual learners from diverse backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, Executive Director Oscar Paz has been involved with running the Newcomer Academy since it was established, and he has shown incredible leadership and a profound ability to connect with the many diverse students who pass through the academy; and

WHEREAS, Having spent over 29 years living in Providence and working in the Providence Public School District as a teacher and administrator, it is Director Paz's deep professional experience as well as his own personal experience as an immigrant that informs his exceptional ability to transform the lives of so many students; and

WHEREAS, As the City has worked to adapt to the changing landscape of our student body, the Newcomer Academy and Executive Director Oscar Paz have been essential to creating a learning environment capable of meeting all the needs of Providence's youth; and

WHEREAS, The Newcomer Academy prepares students for the careers, college, and life; and

WHEREAS, They are career-oriented through their critical role in Career and Technical Education which equips students with practical skills, hands-on experience, and real-world knowledge that will help Providence's future; and

WHEREAS, They are college-oriented by providing students with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to attend college, and become active contributors to their communities; and

WHEREAS, They are life-oriented in their commitment to foster an environment of respect, understanding, and cooperation, promoting lifelong learning, and embracing the richness of diversity in all aspects of our educational endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Our City and our City's youth are made undeniably stronger by the work of the Newcomer Academy and Executive Oscar Paz.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence formally recognizes and celebrated the contributions of the Newcomer Academy and Executive Director Oscar Paz.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage a copy of this Resolution be sent to the office of the Mayor, to the Providence Public School Department, the Rhode Island Department of Education, Oscar Paz, and The Newcomer Academy.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 21, Pass on a Voice Vote and have the Clerk read it into the record from the sponsor, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilmen Taylor and Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilwoman Vargas – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILOR PICHARDO AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS

Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and the City Treasurer to borrow \$5,000,000.00 in Anticipation of City Water Revenues.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 22, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers item 22 to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

REPORT(S) FROM COMMITTEE(S)

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
COUNCILWOMAN HELEN D. ANTHONY, Chairwoman**

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Approved:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

East Bay Community Action Program (Healthy Communities Office)	\$1,143,967.00
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RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby Authorize Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

East Bay Community Action Program (Healthy Communities Office)	\$1,143,967.00
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COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 23 and Pass on a Voice Vote and Refer Back to the Board of Contract and Supply, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilmen Taylor and Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilwoman Vargas – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Received and Approved:

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated, November 20, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1013 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day re-appointing **Nicole Verdi, Esquire** of 21 Lynde Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a general citizenry category member of the **City Plan Commission** for a term to expire on January 31, 2029, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 24 and Receive and Approve, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	RECEIVED AND APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilmen Taylor and Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilwoman Vargas – 1.

**SPECIAL COMMISSION FOR TAXATION AND REVENUE
COUNCILWOMAN JO-ANN RYAN, Chairwoman**

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Received and Approved:

Final Report for the Special Commission for Taxation and Revenue, dated December 27, 2023.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 24 and Receive and Approve, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	RECEIVED AND APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilmen Taylor and Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilwoman Vargas – 1.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition from Richard A. Pacia, 50 Power Road, Pawtucket, Rhode Island 02860 on behalf of JVAC LLC, requesting a Zone Change for the property located on Assessor's Plat 108, Lot 32 (181 Pocasset Avenue), Assessor's Plat 108, Lot 24 (187 Pocasset Avenue), Assessor's Plat 108, Lot 23 (191 Pocasset Avenue) and Assessor's Plat 108, Lot 22 (11 Lowell Avenue), from R-3 to C-2.

Petition from Dylan Conley, Esquire and Julissa Arce, Esquire, Conley Law Associates, 123 Dyer Street, Suite 2b, Providence, Rhode Island 02903 on behalf of Brush Hill Development LLC and Eleven91 Homes, LLC, requesting to amend the Comprehensive Plan Map 11.2 Future Land Use as Single Family Residential to Low Density Residential, pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws 45-22.2-8(b)(2).

Petition from Dylan Conley, Esquire and Julissa Arce, Esquire, Conley Law Associates, 123 Dyer Street, Suite 2b, Providence, Rhode Island 02903 on behalf of Brush Hill Development LLC and Eleven91 Homes, LLC, requesting a Zone Change for the following properties from R-1 to R-2:

Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 262 (129 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 261 (133 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 260 (137 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 259 (141 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 226 (164 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 227 (168 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 228 (172 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 243 (167R Hillcrest Avenue
(aka) 199 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 258 (145 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 257 (149 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 256 (153 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 255 (157 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 253 (161 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 250 (171 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 249 (175 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 247 (183 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 246 (187 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 245 (191 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 244 (195 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 242 (171R Hillcrest Avenue)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 241 (207 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 240 (211 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 235 (200 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 234 (196 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 233 (192 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 232 (188 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 231 (184 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 230 (180 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 229 (176 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 723 (160 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 722 (150 Brush Hill Road)
Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 719 (140 Brush Hill Road)

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Ordinances

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

Jermaine Oladapo
(Marshall M. Raucci, Esquire)
Nancy Newman
(Marshall M. Raucci, Esquire)
Edison Abreu
Progressive Casualty Insurance Company
a/s/o Miguel Torres
Geico o/b/o ISG Insurance Subrogation Group
a/s/o Maryann Mitchell / Shannon Beauchaine
Hartford Insurance Company of the Midwest
a/s/o Eugenia Hernandez (Lynda L. Laing, Esquire)
Jeuris Vinas
David Konstan
Sara Majka
Nelson Guillen
Joseph Medeiros
Sara Morales
David Bushnell
Adreia Davis
(Mylene L. Cathcart, Esquire)
Gregorio Lobos
(Robert J. Levine, Esquire)
Antron Dean
David Raileanu
Mario Baccari
Linda Delvalle
Antron Dean
Claudia Vargas

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Claims and Pending Suits

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Communication from Lois Harada, Chair, Art in City Life Commission, dated December 5, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Ordinance 2020-36, No. 349 of the Providence Code of Ordinances, she is this day appointing **Touba Ghadessi** of 111 Paine Avenue, Cranston, Rhode Island 02910, as a member of the **Special Committee for Commemorative Works**, for a term to expire on December 1, 2026. (Touba Ghadessi replaces Rebecca Davis whose term has expired).

Report from Major Henry Remolina, Providence Police Department, dated October 30, 2023, submitting the Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) Flock 30-Day Report from October 30, 2023 through November 29, 2023.

Report from Ferenc Karoly, Esquire, PERA Executive Director and Deborah Wray, PERA, Board Chair, dated January 31, 2023, submitting the Providence External Review Authority Bi-Annual Report - Winter 2023.

Report from Peter Mahoney, Executive Vice-President, John M. Corcoran & Co., LLC, 100 Grandview Road, Suite 203, Braintree, MA 02184, dated, December 5, 2023, submitting the Tax Stabilization Agreement Annual Report - Station Row Apartments (Plat 4, Lot 262), formerly known as The Commons at Providence Station, required by Section 9.1 of the Tax Stabilization Agreement between the City of Providence and 262 LLC (Book 11560, Page 211), as assigned to Capital Cove Development, LLC.

Report from Alex Ellis, Staff, Green and Complete Streets Advisory Council, Principal Planner, Department of Planning and Development, dated December 12, 2023, submitting the Annual Report to the City Council on 2022 Green and Complete Streets Activities.

Report from Lawrence J. Mancini, Chief Financial Officer Sara Silveria, Finance Director and Krystle Lindberg, Deputy Finance Director and Budget Officer, dated December 19, 2023, submitting the 5-Year Budget Projections of the revenue and expenditure projections for fiscal years 2025 through 2029, pursuant to Ordinance No. 388, Chapter 2011-22.

Report from Michael Frumm, Providence Innovation District I Owner, LLC, 801 W. Baltimore Street, Suite 505, Baltimore, MD 21201, submitting the Annual Progress Report required by Section 9.1 of the Tax Stabilization Agreement between the City of Providence and Providence Innovation District Phase I Owner, LLC (the "TSA").

Report from George Potsidis, Fili Investment, LLC, 441 Angell Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, dated December 5, 2023, submitting the Annual Progress Report required by Section 9.1 of the Tax Stabilization Agreement between the City of Providence and Fili Investment, LLC (the "Owner"), dated October 21, 2019 (the "TSA").

Report from EM 28 Providence, LP, 5 Rodner Corporate Center, 100 Matsonford Road, #250, Radnor, PA 19087, submitting the Annual Tax Stabilization Report FY 2023.

Report from Branch Holdings, LLC, 56 Pine Street 3A, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, submitting the Annual Tax Stabilization Report FY 2023.

Report from 345 Harris, Inc., 4 Fox Place, Fl .2, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, submitting the Annual Tax Stabilization Report FY 2023.

Report from TPG 100 Sabin Hotel, LLC d/b/a Residence Inn Downtown Providence, 1140 Reservoir Avenue, Cranston, Rhode Island 02920, submitting the Annual Tax Stabilization Report FY 2023.

Report from RP Providence, LLC d/b/a Renaissance Providence Hotel, 1140 Reservoir Avenue, Cranston, Rhode Island 02920, submitting the Annual Tax Stabilization Report FY 2023.

Report from Joseph I. Mulligan, III, Director, Department of Planning & Development, dated December 7, 2023, submitting the 2022-2023 Annual Report of the Providence Historic District Commission.

RESULT: RECEIVED

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 26 through 43, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers items 26 through 28 to the Committee on Ordinances, item 29 to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits and Receives items 30 through 43.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN CONGRATULATIONS"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Resolution Extending Congratulations.

RESOLVED, that the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere
Congratulations to the following:

Dr. Bennie Flemming, in recognition of the celebration of your 100th Birthday on November 19, 2023.

Abimarie Bonilla, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Aida Bello, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Alba Vazquez, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

April Gabourel, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Barbara Izekor, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Claudia Guzman, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Claudia Nunez, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Fernanda (Alida) Aguilar, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Ines Diaz, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Jessica LaSalle, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Khamphio Kongmanivong, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Kiara Black, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Luis Tovar, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Molyneat Kosal, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Oreoluwa Victoria Pelelua, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Paula Hernandez, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Shontis Rivers, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Talsirys Abreu, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Vanessa Millord, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Venetta Connor, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Yanelie Diaz, in recognition of completing the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy!

Angel Aquino, in recognition of your outstanding achievement of graduating from the Pre-apprenticeship Program, you are the working future of tomorrow.

Calvin Febles, in recognition of your outstanding achievement of graduating from the Pre-apprenticeship Program, you are the working future of tomorrow.

Samuel Keich, in recognition of your outstanding achievement of graduating from the Pre-apprenticeship Program, you are the working future of tomorrow.

Joel Liriano, in recognition of your outstanding achievement of graduating from the Pre-apprenticeship Program, you are the working future of tomorrow.

Darry Lopez, in recognition of your outstanding achievement of graduating from the Pre-apprenticeship Program, you are the working future of tomorrow.

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Lucas Pirraglia, in recognition of your outstanding achievement of graduating from the Pre-apprenticeship Program, you are the working future of tomorrow.

Marc Tornes, in recognition of your outstanding achievement of graduating from the Pre-apprenticeship Program, you are the working future of tomorrow.

Tiago Da Silva Mello, en reconocimiento de se dedicación y gran trabajo en el Consejo de Los Derechos Humanos de Espirito Santo, Brasil.

Shahada Thomas, in recognition of your generous contributions and leadership in the community and in recognition of SMTX's Annual Christmas Drives' unwavering spirit, fostering unity, kindness and generosity in the City of Providence.

Elena M. Morel, in recognition of your 30 years of outstanding leadership, vision and dedication to the children, families and staff of the Roger Williams Day Care Center.

Lekkna "Amanda" Proeung, in recognition of being named Staff Person of the Year and for your outstanding dedication to the children, families, and staff of the Roger Williams Day Care Center, impacting, motivating, and encouraging the lives of young people.

Captain Michael Sullivan, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement after 31 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Pastores Wimpys y Juana Fernandez, en reconocimiento de sus 30 Aniversario de unión Matrimonial.

Rescue Captain Peter Tagliaferri, Providence Fire Department, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement on December 29, 2023, after 21 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Deputy Assistant Chief Kevin Jutras Group "D", Providence Fire Department, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement on December 29, 2023, after 35 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Battalion Chief Joseph Bretanha Group "A", Providence Fire Department, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement on December 30, 2023, after 32 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Firefighter Ariel Espinal, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement on March 25, 2023 after 22 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Lieutenant Seth Blais, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement on September 3, 2023 after 21 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Captain Mark Perreault, Engine 13, Group "C" Providence Fire Department, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement on December 23, 2023 after 22 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Officer Joseph C. Iannucci, Providence Police Department, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement on December 31, 2023 after 28 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Officer Frank Moody, Providence Police Department, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement on December 31, 2023 after 43 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Deputy Assistant Chief Stephen Capracotta, Division 1, Group "C", Providence Fire Department, in recognition of your retirement on December 30, 2023 after 36 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Joan Van Glahn, in recognition of your dedication and effort to education, serving the community of South Providence in teaching English as a Second Language at the Community College of Rhode Island (CCRI) Teaching Day event.

“Empress” Erica Woods, in recognition of spreading holiday cheer towards across the city this season.

Special Signal Fire Association/Providence Canteen, in recognition of spreading hot chocolate and holiday cheer to Wards across the City this season.

The Perez-Silverio Family, in recognition of your long history of service and being part of the Silver Lake Community for over twenty years.

Daniel Crenca, in recognition of bringing Santa’s magic to Wards across the City this season. Merry Christmas to Providence’s own Santa!

Heron Frias, en reconocimiento de su dedication y empeño en las practicas de la escuela de Karate Shinseikai.

Angel De Los Santos, en reconocimiento de su dedication y empeño en las practicas de la escuela de Karate Shinseikai.

Senpai Giovanni Ramos, en reconocimiento de su dedication y empeño en las practicas de la escuela de Karate Shinseikai.

Kyshifousto Fousto Garcia, en reconocimiento de su dedicacion a la educacion de los niños y juventud.

Renshi Angel Eramo, en reconocimiento de su dedicacion a la educacion de los niños y juventud.

Soke Jose Elias Ramirez, en reconocimiento de su dedicacion y esfuerzo por una comunidad mejor y por mas de 21 años de largo trabajo enseñándole a los niños.

The Honorable Vanessa Crum, Associate Judge of the Providence Municipal Court, in recognition of being the recipient of the 2023 Thurgood Marshall Award at the NAACP Providence Branch Annual Freedom Fund Awards Gala.

Elías Ramírez, en reconocimiento de su dedicación al Liderazgo y Empoderamiento Juvenil.

Dayna Read, in recognition of your hard work and dedication to playing the violin for more than 12 years.

Gustavo A. Arboleda y Carmen Castillo, in recognition of the celebration of your marriage on December 21, 2023!

The Honorable Councilman At Large Jeovanny Rodriguez, in recognition of your career and service to others in the City of Lawrence, Massachusetts.

The Honorable Mayor Brian de Peña, in recognition of your career and service to others in the City of Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Alani and Yandel, in recognition of the celebration of your wedding on December 30, 2023.
Wishing you all the best!

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 44 and Pass on a Voice Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilmen Taylor and Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilwoman Vargas – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN MEMORIAM"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Resolution Extending Sympathy.

RESOLVED, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere Sympathy to the families of the following:

Retired Providence Firefighter Stephen W. Bock

Mack Sackie Makor

Edward Courville

Maureen Monteiro

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 45 and Pass on a Unanimous Rising Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilmen Taylor and Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilwoman Vargas – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

**MOTION TO SUSPEND RULE 16(B) OF THE RULES OF THE
CITY COUNCIL IN ORDER TO TAKE A MATTER NOT
APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET**

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Suspend Rule 16(b) of the Rules of the City Council in order to take Matters Not Appearing on the Printed Docket, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

MATTERS NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated January 2, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 701 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **Melissa Hughes** of 137 Elton Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the **Providence School Board** for a term to expire on January 31, 2027, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Ms. Hughes replaces Mr. Santow who has resigned and whose term expires on January 31, 2024.)

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated January 2, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 701 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **Anjel Newmann** of 86 Metropolitan Road, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a member of the **Providence School Board** for a term to expire on January 31, 2027, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Ms. Newmann replaces Ms. Roberts-Santana whose term expires on January 31, 2024.)

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated January 2, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 701 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **Michael Nina** of 70 Stamford Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02907, as a member of the **Providence School Board** for a term to expire on January 31, 2027, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. Nina replaces Mr. Ibiyemi whose term expires on January 31, 202.)

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 46 through 48, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers items 46 through 48 to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

CONVENTION

There being no further business, on Motion of **COUNCILMAN TAYLOR**, Seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS**, it is voted to adjourn in memory of Joan V. Buchanan, Edward Courville, Maureen Monteiro, Eileen Rao and Edwvigis Monsanto-Dominquez at 6:55 o'clock P.M., to meet again **THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2024 at 6:00 o'clock P.M.**



TINA L. MASTROIANNI
CITY CLERK

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YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xh9l9np_q-o&t=618s*

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