

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
RHODE ISLAND**



**CITY COUNCIL  
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No. 32 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, April 7, 1988, 7:30 P.M. (E.D.T.)

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**IN CITY COUNCIL**

**APR 21 1988**

**PRESIDING**

**APPROVED:**

*Rose M. Mendonça* **CLERK**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**NICHOLAS W. EASTON**

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Council President Easton, Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Bras-sil, Councilman Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Glavin, Lopes, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Rollins and Stravato—12.

**Absent:** Councilmen Cola, Farmer and Lombardi—3.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to the Providence Library System.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to state aid for the Providence Public Library the purpose of which would require the State to match the appropriation that the City of Providence makes to said Library.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to the State aid for education.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to state aid for education the purpose of which is to include in the state aid formula interest that the city pays on bonds used to make capital improvements to school facilities.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve a resolution making an appropriation of \$150,000 for the Providence Center.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation to appropriate \$150,000 for the Providence Center the purpose of which is to fund a social service outreach to evaluate the needs of Providence's homeless.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an appropriation of \$128,000 for the Providence's Community Centers.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation making an appropriation of \$128,000 the purpose of which is to fund Providence's Community Centers which were reduced when the federal government cut CDBG funds.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to motor vehicles.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to motor vehicles the purpose of which is to increase the amount charged for a VIN number inspection from \$10.00 to \$20.00.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to property tax relief.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to property tax relief the purpose of which is to increase the state circuit breaker credit for senior citizens that own or rent property from \$200.00 to \$500.00.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act amending the Housing and Mortgage Finance act.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation amending the Housing Mortgage Finance Corporation Act the purpose of which is to require that the unsecured surplus of said

corporation be used to fund a rental voucher subsidy program for low income residents.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act amending the Providence Housing and Mortgage Finance Act.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation amending the Providence Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation act the purpose of which is to require that the unsecured surplus of said corporation be used to fund the acquisition of low income housing sites.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act amending the Providence Housing Court.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation amending the Providence Housing Court Act the purpose of which is to allow said Court to hear zoning code violations.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to workers' compensation.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to workers' compensation the purpose of which is to eliminate the practice of employees collecting both retirement and workers' compensation benefits simultaneously.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to workers' compensation.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to workers' compensation the purpose of which is to allow the city to offer a disability pension to employees in place of workers' compensation benefits.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to workers' compensation.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to workers' compensation the purpose of which is to require the medical payment schedule be adhered to in all instances.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to highway abandonment.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to highway abandonment the purpose of which is to allow the city to retain roads and highways that are declared abandoned for disposal as they see fit.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act in amendment of Chapter 45-33.2 of the General Laws — tax increment financing act.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact

legislation amending Chapter 45-33.2 of the General Laws entitled tax incremental financing the purpose of which is to allow the city to retire bonds ahead of schedule when revenues exceed expectations.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act providing sales tax incremental financing.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to sales tax incremental financing the purpose of which is to allow sales tax revenue generated by a convention center to be used to assist in paying off bonded debt.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to State maintenance of bridges.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to State maintenance of bridges the purpose of which is to require the state to maintain the Gainer Dam Bridge located in the Scituate Reservoir.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to automobile repair shops.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to automobile repair shops the purpose of which is to allow the city to license shops and impose penalties on shops doing business illegally.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve an act relating to the solemnization of marriages.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation relating to the solemnization of marriages the purpose of which is to allow the chief-elected official of the city to perform marriages.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve a resolution making an appropriation of \$100,000 for the Providence Genesis School.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation making an appropriation of \$100,000 to the Providence Genesis School the purpose of which is to assist said school in the education of newly arrived Hispanic and South East Asian residents to our city.

Resolution of the City Council requesting the General Assembly to approve a resolution making an appropriation of \$75,000 for the Providence Community Action Program.

*Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence requests the General Assembly enact legislation making an appropriation to the Providence Community Action Program the purpose of which is to offset the administrative costs associated with the operation of said program.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON and COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR.**

**The motion for Passage, is Sustained.**

**COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR (By Request):**

Resolution authorizing the City Collector to cause taxes to be abated under the SWAP Program, on that property located along 195 Harrison Street, in the amount of \$5,115.31, as requested by Joseph & Gwendolyn Wynkoop.

Resolution authorizing the City Collector to cause taxes to be abated under the SWAP Program, on that property located along 53 Wesleyan Avenue, in the amount of \$2,486.02, as requested by Richard Counts.

**Severally Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.**

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**

**COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI (By Request):**

Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to order the installation of a 22,000 lumen mercury vapor light on Pole No. 2, located at the corner of Shaw Street and Lakeside Street.

*Resolved*, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of a 22,000 lumen mercury vapor light on Pole No. 2, located at the corner of Shaw Street and Lakeside Street.

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to cause Milano Street to be repaved.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause Milano Street to be repaved.

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to cause twelve blocks of damaged cement on that sidewalk in front of 14 Nashua Street, to be replaced.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works to cause twelve blocks of damaged cement on that sidewalk in front of 14 Nashua Street, to be replaced, having been damaged by snow plows and salt.

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to cause two blocks of damaged cement on that sidewalk in front of 205 Langdon Street, to be replaced.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works to cause two blocks of damaged cement on that sidewalk in front of 205 Langdon Street, to be replaced.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.**

**The motion for Passage, is Sustained.**

**COUNCILMAN ROLLINS (By Request):**

Resolution authorizing the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards to cause the board-up liens on that property located along 503 Prairie Avenue, in the amount of \$713.54 to be removed, as requested by Peoples Redevelopment Corp.

Resolution authorizing the City Collector to cause taxes to be abated under the SWAP Program, on that property located along 306-308 Potters Avenue, in the amount of \$1,521.92, as requested by Diogenes Filipo.

Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

Severally Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

### COUNCILWOMAN JOSEPHINE DiRUZZO, Chairwoman COMMITTEE ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT, RENEWAL AND PLANNING

Transmits the following with recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted:

Resolution rescinding Resolution No. 617, approved November 16, 1987, changing the name of Adie Street to Enterprise Row and a portion of Mountain Street to Adie Street.

*Resolved*, That Resolution No. 617, as approved November 16, 1987, changing the name of Adie Street, from Atwells Avenue north to a point parallel to the southerly property line of Assessor's Plat 26, Lot 202, to Enterprise Row, and that Mountain Street, from Bradford Street east to its junction with Adie Street, be renamed Adie Street, is hereby rescinded.

Resolution Designating and Dedicating the intersection of Hope Street and Fifth Street as "Samuel Lapatin Memorial Square."

*Whereas*, The late Samuel Lapatin was a vital

and concerned member of the East Side Community who earned the respect and admiration of his many neighbors, and

*Whereas*, Samuel Lapatin, a veteran of World War II, was active in a host of civic and philanthropic endeavors, having served as President of Temple Beth Shalom and Chairman of the Third Ward Democratic Committee, and

*Whereas*, The family and friends of the late Samuel Lapatin wish to honor the memory of Mr. Lapatin by naming the square at the intersection of Hope Street and Fifth Street as "Samuel Lapatin Memorial Square",

*Now, Therefore be it Resolved*, That the square formed by the intersection of Hope Street and Fifth Street hereby be named the "Samuel Lapatin Memorial Square", in honor of his many years of service to the citizens of our community.

Resolution Designating the intersection of Dike Street and Troy Street as "Angelo Federici Memorial Square."

*Whereas*, Angelo Federici was born March 5, 1908, in Italy and made his home here in our capital city where he founded Mars Custom Plastics Corporation in the Olneyville neighborhood Providence at 40 Agnes Street, and

*Whereas*, An outstanding community leader, his success story is an inspiration to many, and his family and business have earned the respect of our community, and

*Whereas*, His success and dedication to the community are a dramatic example of the richness and pride of our ethnic history and the family traditions that have set our City apart from many others,

*Now, Therefore be it Resolved*, That Mayor Joseph R. Paolino, Jr. and the Members of the City Council hereby designate the intersection of Dike Street and Troy Street as "Angelo Federici Memorial Square", in honor of the memory of this outstanding community citizen and businessman.

Grove Street and Knight Street as "Ernest J. Pennine, Sr. Memorial Square."

*Whereas*, Ernest J. Pennine, Sr. resided in the Federal Hill Section of Providence throughout his life, and

*Whereas*, He served his Country during the Korean Conflict and spent twenty-seven years in the Army Reserves leaving that post as a Staff Sergeant, and

*Whereas*, Ernie passed away on November 30, 1974 at the young age of forty-four, and

*Whereas*, His family and friends wish to honor his memory for his many contributions to the Federal Hill area of our City,

*Now, Therefore be it Resolved*, That His Honor, Mayor Joseph R. Paolino, Jr. and the Members of the City Council hereby designate the intersection of Grove Street and Knight Street as "Ernie J. Pennine, Sr. Memorial Square".

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.**

**The motion for Passage, is Sustained.**

Resolution Designating the intersection of

## REPORTS

**FROM THE DIRECTOR OF RECREATION: FROM THE PORT DIRECTOR:**

Annual Report for 1987.

Monthly Statistical Report for February, 1988.

Received.

Received.

**FROM THE BOARD OF LICENSES:**

Received

Report for the quarter ended March 31, 1988.

**FROM THE CLERK'S DESK**

Petition of Joseph M. Cerilli, General Partner, Archimedes Group, L.P., requesting an easement be granted for a 16" water line which runs on the abandoned portion of Elm Street, perpendicular to Hoppin Street and Imperial Place.

**Referred to the Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.**

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

Denise Aiken-Salandria

American Universal Ins. Group as sub. of William E. Alderman

Atlantic Mutual Ins. Co. as sub. of Pasquale Codeanne

Vernon Barboza, Kenneth Travers and Richard Andrade

Kimberly M. Bissell

Louis Anthony Celona and Edith Ann Celona

Joanne M. Denice

Dennis Dutra

Edward A. DiPippo

Gloria Keithan

James T. Morris

Solomon Mouradjian

Walter J. Mruk, Jr.

Douglas M. Reed

Estate of Mario Rivera et al

Harry Schlossberg

Edward W. Stevenson

Madonna Trottier

Edwin J. Votolato

**Severally Referred to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.**

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**



## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

### COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

Resolution extending Sympathy.

*Resolved*, That the Sympathy of the Members  
of the City Council is hereby expressed to the  
families of the following:

Angela Gambardella

James V. McGovern

Francesca Fagnoli

Elisabetta F. Drew

Josephine R. DellaRosa

Theodora Colavecchio

William J. Caliri

Gloria Tudino

James J. Little

Maria Joseph

Pasco Lonardo, Jr.

Alfred J. Labonte

Nicholas Spada

John Rubiano

Ferdinando Scungio

Josephine R. Donnelly

Irene D. Pauli

Antonietta Sanita

Murdock R. Horton

Joseph O. SanSouci

Donato Paolantonio

Victor E. Amoroso

Antonio Castellucci

Antonio Zincone, Jr.

Maria Frances Giffoni

Helen C. McManus

Anthony Chiappinelli

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed  
by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of  
COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by  
COUNCILMAN DILLON.**

**The motion for Passage, is Sustained.**

## MATTERS NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

On motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON, it is Voted to Suspend Rule 16 of the Rules of the City Council in order to allow the introduction of the following matter Not appearing on the Printed Docket:

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON, COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE STRAVATO, COUNCILMAN ANNALDO, COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL, COUNCILMAN COLA, COUNCILMAN DILLON, COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN FARMER, COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN LOPES, COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR, COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI and COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:

Resolution congratulating Mr. and Mrs. James Mello upon the birth of their daughter, Chelsey Ann Mello, born February 26, 1988.

*Whereas*, February 26, 1988 was indeed a happy day at 350 Academy Avenue, as Karen and James Mello welcomed the arrival of 6 pound 5 ounce Chelsey Ann Mello, and

*Whereas*, Chelsey is the first child of Karen and James Mello, and the first granddaughter of our esteemed City Clerk, Rose M. Mendonca, and

*Whereas*, All who know Chelsey's family would expect her to inherit an abundance of beauty, charm and intelligence, but to hear her grandmother speak, the child shows truly remarkable abilities, including recognizing and calling for her grandmother at less than a month old, and

*Whereas*, The child has been called the cutest little baby in the world, and

*Whereas*, The members of the City Council have long since learned that if Rose says something, it must be so,

*Now, Therefore be it Resolved*, That this Resolution shall serve as notice to the directors of the various programs for gifted children in our City, as well as any talent scouts who are looking for future Hollywood stars, that Chelsey Ann Mello has arrived, and that they should plan accordingly, and any inquiries to this matter may be directed to our City Clerk, who will be more than happy to supply any details — or pictures — they need, and

*Be it Further Resolved*, That the Members of the City Council extend heartfelt congratulations to the proud parents, along with the best wishes for continued good fortune.

MAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCIL-

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON, the City Council adjourns at 8:35 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 1987 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.).

*Rose M. Mandonca*

City Clerk



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