

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND**



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 53 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, January 15, 1981 8:00 P.M. (E.S.T.)

**IN CITY COUNCIL
FEB 5 1981**

APPROVED:

PRESIDING *Rose M. Manduca* CLERK

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

RALPH FARGNOLI

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Fagnoli and Councilmen Addison, Almagno, Boyle, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cirelli, Dillon, Easton, Farmer, Flynn, Glavin, Griffin, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, Moise, O'Connor, Paolino, Pearlman, Pennine, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Snowden, Stravato and Xavier—25.

Absent: Councilman Cola—1.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILMAN ANTHONY P. PENNINE.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

COUNCILMAN JOSEPH R. PAOLINO, JR. 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 RECORD

The Journal of Proceedings No. 52 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held January 5, 1981 and Posted January 13, 1981 on that Bulletin Board located on the Ground Floor Level of City Hall, is Approved as Printed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

APPOINTMENT BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated January 7, 1981 Informing the City Council that pursuant to Sections 4.1 and 5.23 of the City Charter of the City of Providence, Rhode Island, he is submitting the name of Salvatore A. Beatini, 43 Gloucester Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as the Director of the Department of Public Works.

January 7, 1981

City Council
City of Providence
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Honorable Members:

I am this date, pursuant to Sections 4.1 and 5.23 of the City Charter of the City of Providence, Rhode Island, submitting the name of

Salvatore A. Beatini
43 Gloucester Street
Providence, Rhode Island

as the Director of the Department of Public Works.

Sincerely yours,

VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.
Mayor of Providence

Communication Received and Appointment Denied, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN BOYLE, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Addison, Boyle Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Dillon, Easton, Johnson, Lynch, Moise, O'Connor, Paolino, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Snowden and Stravato—14.

Nays: Council President Fagnoli and Councilmen Almagno, Cirelli, Farmer, Flynn, Griffin, Mansolillo, Pearlman, Penine and Xavier—10.

Not Voting: Councilman Glavin—1.

Absent: Councilman Cola—1.

The motion for Denial is Sustained.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Communication, dated January 8, 1981, Informing the City Clerk of His Appointments to the Special Committee created for the purpose of Planning and Conducting a Proper Observance of Saint Patrick's Day, March 17, 1981.

January 8, 1981

Mrs. Rose M. Mendonca
City Clerk
City Hall
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mrs. Mendonca:

In accordance with the Provisions of Resolution No. 146 approved March 27, 1980, I hereby appoint the following Members of the City Council to the Special Committee created for the purpose of Planning and Conducting a Proper Observance of Saint Patrick's Day, March 17, 1981, viz:

Councilman Laurence K. Flynn
Councilman David G. Dillon
Councilman Thomas M. Glavin

Councilman Thomas C. Boyle
Councilman Harry A. Johnson
Councilman Nicholas W. Easton
Councilman Anthony P. Pennine

Sincerely,

RALPH FARGNOLI
President — City Council

Received.

SCHEDULE OF BILLS

FROM THE ACTING PUBLIC SERVICE ENGINEER:

Street Lighting Bill for December, 1980 in the amount of One Hundred Thousand, Two Hundred Fifteen Dollars, Eighty-Three Cents (\$100,215.83).

Approved, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Fargnoli and Councilmen Addison, Boyle, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cirelli, Dillon, Easton,

Farmer, Flynn, Glavin, Griffin, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, O'Connor, Paolino, Pearlman, Pennine, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Snowden, Stravato and Xavier—23.

Not Voting: Councilmen Almagno and Moise—2.

Absent: Councilman Cola—1.

The motion to Approve is Sustained.

ORDINANCES SECOND READING

The following Ordinances were in City Council January 5, 1981 Read and Passed, the First Time and are Returned for Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 544 of 1951, by Changing from an R-3 General Residence Zone to an M-1 General Industrial Zone, Lots 10 and 162, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 57, situated along the northerly side of Aldrich Street and bounded by Lot 164 for approximately 100 Feet, then Westerly approximately 512 Feet, by Lot 159 then Southerly for approximately 100 Feet by Lot 161.

Be It Ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. The Zoning Map accompanying and made a part of Chapter 544 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved September 21, 1951, as heretofore amended and entitled, "An Ordinance Zoning the City of Providence and Establishing Use, Height and Area Regulations", is hereby further amended by changing from an R-3 General Residence Zone to an M-1 General Industrial Zone, Lots 10 and 162 as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 57, said lots being in the area of Aldrich Street, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the northwesterly intersection of Eddy Street and Aldrich Street, thence westerly along the northerly line of Aldrich Street, bounded northerly by Lots 169, 168, 166, 165, 164, 162 and 10, to the southwest corner of lot 10 on City of Providence, Assessor's Plat 57, thence northwesterly, bounded westerly by lot 161, to the northwesterly corner of lot 10; thence easterly along the northerly lot lines of lots 10, 162, and 164 to the northeasterly corner of lot 164; thence westerly to the northwesterly corner of lot 165; thence easterly along the northerly lot line of lot 165 to the northeasterly corner of lot 165; thence southeasterly to the northwesterly corner of lot

166; thence easterly along the northerly lot lines of lots 166, 168, 169 to the westerly line of Eddy Street and the northwesterly corner of lot 169; thence southerly along the westerly line of Eddy Street to the northwesterly intersection of Eddy Street and Aldrich Street; said point being point and place of beginning.

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

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 544 of 1951 by Changing from an R-3 General Residence Zone to an M-1 General Industrial Zone, Lots 164, 165, 166, 168 and 169, as Set Out and Delineated on City Assessor's Plat 57; said lots being situated along the Northerly Side of Aldrich Street, bounded by Lot 162 for approximately 100 Feet, then Easterly Approximately 553 Feet, bounded by Lot 163, then Southerly along Eddy Street for Approximately 105 Feet to the Northeast Point of Aldrich Street.

Be It Ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. The Zoning Map accompanying and made a part of Chapter 544 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved September 21, 1951, as heretofore amended and entitled, "An Ordinance Zoning the City of Providence and Establishing Use, Height and Area Regulations", is hereby further amended by changing from an R-3 General Residence Zone to an M-1 General Industrial Zone, Lots 164, 165, 166, 168 and 169 as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 57; said lots being in the area of Eddy Street and Aldrich Street, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the northwesterly intersection of Eddy Street and Aldrich Street, thence westerly along the northerly line of Aldrich Street, bounded

northerly by lots 169, 168, 166, 165, 164, 162 and 10, to the southwesterly corner of lot 10 on City of Providence, Assessor's Plat 57, thence northwesterly, bounded westerly by lot 161, to the northwesterly corner of lot 10; thence easterly along the northerly lot lines of lots 10, 162, and 164 to the northeasterly corner of lot 164; thence westerly to the northwesterly corner of lot 165; thence easterly along the northerly lot line of lot 165 to the northeasterly corner of lot 165; thence southeasterly to the northwesterly corner of lot 166; thence easterly along the northerly lot lines of lots 166, 168, 169 to the westerly line of Eddy Street and the northwesterly corner of lot 169; thence southerly along the westerly line of Eddy Street to the northwesterly intersection of Eddy Street and Aldrich Street; said point being point and place of beginning.

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

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 544 of 1951, by Changing from an R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to a C-1 Limited Commercial Zone, Lot 414, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 32, said Lot being Situated at 1206 Westminster Street, on the Southerly Side of Westminster Street and the Easterly Side of Hammond Street.

Be It Ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. The Zoning Map accompanying and made a part of Chapter 544 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence approved September 21, 1951, as heretofore amended and entitled, "An Ordinance Zoning the City of Providence and Establishing Use, Height and Area Regulations", is hereby further amended by changing from and R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to a C-1 Limited

Commercial Zone, Lot 414, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 32, said lot being in the area of Westminster Street and Hammond Street, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the southeasterly intersection of Westminster Street and Hammond Street, thence easterly along the southerly line of Westminster Street to the northwesterly corner of lot 455; thence southerly bounded easterly by lot 455 to the northeasterly corner of lot 398; thence westerly bounded southerly by lot 398 to the easterly line of Hammond Street; thence northerly along the easterly line of Hammond Street to the southeasterly intersection of Westminster Street and Hammond Street, said point being point and place of beginning.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its Passage.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Fagnoli and Councilmen Addison, Boyle, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cirelli, Dillon, Easton, Farmer, Flynn, Glavin, Griffin, Johnson, Mansolillo, Moise, O'Connor, Paolino, Pearlman, Pennine, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Snowden, Stravato and Xavier—23.

Not Voting: Councilman Almagno—1.

Absent: Councilmen Cola and Lynch—2.

The motion for Passage, the Second Time, is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCE

COUNCILMAN XAVIER and COUNCILMAN FLYNN (By Request):

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1977-5 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence approved February 14, 1977, and Entitled, "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for Downtown Providence Renewal".

Referred to Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI:

Resolution Requesting the City Solicitor, to prepare, cause to be introduced and to Urge Passage at the 1981 Session of the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island, for Immediate Consideration for Enactment of Enabling Legislation to Implement a Commuter Tax in the City of Providence, Rhode Island.

Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Pressure Sodium Vapor Light on Pole No. 2, located along Huldah Street.

Resolved, That the Acting Public Service Engineer is requested to order the installation of a High Pressure Sodium Vapor Light on Pole No. 2, located along Huldah Street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Cause to be erected, "Dead End" Signs, along Huldah Street, at its intersection with Magnolia Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause to be erected, "Dead End" Signs, along Huldah Street, at its intersection with Magnolia Street.

COUNCILMAN DILLON and COUNCILMAN FLYNN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Acting Public Service Engineer to Order the Installation of a High

COUNCILMAN FARMER:

Resolution Requesting the Acting Public Service Engineer to order certain changes in street lights along Taft Avenue, Morris Avenue and Sessions Street.

Whereas, Lighting on the City Streets bounding Temple Emanu-El is seriously deficient and has contributed to serious security problems and incidents of assault and vandalism of private property, and

Whereas, The membership of said Temple includes many elderly people, and

Whereas, The Narragansett Electric Company has conducted a survey and recommended increases in the street lighting on three of the streets surrounding said Temple,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Acting Public Service Engineer is hereby requested to order the following changes in street lights along Taft Avenue, Morris Avenue and Sessions Street:

1. On Taft Avenue

Pole #9 1/2 change from 4,000 to 22,000 watts
Pole #10 add 22K*
Pole #11 (T-111) change from 4K to 22K

2. On Sessions Street

Pole #1 change from 4K to 22K
Pole #2 change from 4K to 22K
Pole #3 change from 4K to 22K
Pole #4 change from 4K to 22K

3. On Morris Avenue

Pole #22 change from 4K to 22K
Pole #23 change from 4K to 22K
Pole #23 1/2 change from 8K to 22K
Pole #24 change from 4K to 22K
Pole #25 change from 4K to 22K

*K = 1,000

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO:

Resolution Requesting the Narragansett Electric Company to Refrain from Burning Coal at its South Street Plant in Providence.

COUNCILMAN MOISE:

Resolution Endorsing the Conversion of Narragansett Electric Company's South Street Power Plant in Providence to Coal.

Severally Referred to Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the 1981 Session of the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island to Create a Port Authority for the City of Providence and to adopt rules, regulations and tariffs for Ports and Harbors throughout the State of Rhode Island.

Referred to Committee on City Property, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

COUNCILMAN MOISE desires to be recorded as voting "No".

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR, COUNCILMAN ADDISON and COUNCILMAN SNOWDEN:

Resolution Noting the Anniversary of the Birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Whereas, January 15, 1981 was the Fifty-Second Anniversary of the Birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and

Whereas, The late lamented Dr. King, Spiritual Head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, whose untimely death at the hands of an assassin on April 4, 1968 saddened the civilized world,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That in noting the Anniversary of the Birth of this great American, the Members of the City Council pause in the deliberations of this meeting that his memory be perpetuated.

COUNCILMAN PAOLINO:

Resolution Requesting the President of the City Council to Appoint a Special Committee for an Appropriate Observance of the Feast of St. Joseph, the Worker, 1981.

Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council, consisting of five (5) members to be appointed by the President thereof, is hereby created for the Purpose of Planning and Con-

ducting an Appropriate Observance of the Feast of Saint Joseph, The Worker, 1981.

COUNCILMAN SNOWDEN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Acting Public Service Engineer to order the installation of a Street Light on that Pole located along Wilkins Street.

Resolved, That the Acting Public Service Engineer is requested to order the installation of a Street Light on that Pole located along Wilkins Street.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN XAVIER, COUNCILMAN FLYNN and COUNCILMAN GLAVIN:

Resolution Requesting the Committee on Finance to Conduct a Public Hearing Upon Receipt of the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Finances' Interim Report to be submitted to the City Council.

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance is requested to conduct a Public Hearing upon receipt of the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Finances' Interim Report to be submitted to the City Council.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMEN MANSOLILLO and MOISE.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

COUNCILMAN HARRY A. JOHNSON, Chairman COMMITTEE ON CITY PROPERTY

Transmits the following with Recommendation, the Same be Severally Adopted:

Resolution Authorizing His Honor the Mayor or Any Other Appropriate City Official to Accept the Reconveyance by Karroo Land Co., Inc., of Lots 380, 388, 393 and 640 on City Assessor's Plat 45 in Consideration of Repayment of the Amount Paid Therefore, in Order to Correct the Original Erroneous Conveyance of Said Lots.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor, or any other appropriate City Official, is requested to accept the reconveyance by Karroo Land Co., Inc., of Lots 380, 388, 393 and 640, on City Assessor's Plat 45, in consideration of repayment of the amount paid therefore, in order to correct the original erroneous conveyance of said lots.

Resolution Authorizing His Honor the Mayor or Any Other Appropriate City Official to Accept the Reconveyance by Columbus Mortgage and Loan Corp., of Rhode Island, of Lot 390, on City Assessor's Plat 45, in Consideration of Repayment of the Amount Paid Therefore, in order to Correct the Original Erroneous Conveyance of Said Lot.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor, or any

other appropriate City Official, is requested to accept the reconveyance by Columbus Mortgage and Loan Corp. of Rhode Island, of Lot 390 on City Assessor's Plat 45, in consideration of repayment of the amount paid therefore, in order to correct erroneous conveyance of said Lot.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Fagnoli and Councilmen Addison, Boyle, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cirelli, Dillon, Easton, Farmer, Flynn, Glavin, Griffin, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, Moise, O'Connor, Paolino, Pearlman, Pennine, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Snowden, Stravato and Xavier—24.

Not Voting: Councilman Almagno—1.

Absent: Councilman Cola—1.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

FROM THE MAYOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON FINANCES:

Interim Report.

Received.

FROM THE CITY CLERK:

Communication informing the Honorable City Council of her appointments of Michael Clement as First Deputy City Clerk and Grace Nobrega as Second Deputy City Clerk.

Received.

FROM SANFORD H. GORODETSKY, COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY:

Communication in response to that Resolution Requesting strict enforcement of parking rules and regulations informing of his opinion that the money penalty for violations should be raised as processing each violation properly exceeds the amount of the penalty and it is often cheaper to get the violation rather than pay a parking lot.

Received.

FROM SANFORD H. GORODETSKY, COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY:

Communication in response to that Resolution Requesting he cause an investigation into the destroying of Dogs at the Dog Pound and informs in view of the recent report by Mr. Hetu regarding the pound, investigation by his office would yield little new information and requests he be advised whether the City Council desires compliance with the Resolution.

Received.

FROM THE CITY ASSESSOR:

Certificates (50-H and 51-H) Recommending the Same be Cancelled, Pursuant to the Provisions of Sections 14 and 15 of Title 44, Chapter 7, of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956 as Amended.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz: Richard J. Vergato

Amica Mutual Insurance Co., as subrogee of Mary L. Thomas

Sandra Marie Barone

Nellio DiTullio

Antonio and Naomi Soto

Timothy Staplings p.p.a. Adelaide Staplings

Severally Referred to Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUCILMAN GLAVIN.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Congratulations"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

Resolutions Extending Congratulations to the Following:

Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Fox, in Recognition of the Occasion of the Birth of Their Daughter, Born December 14, 1980.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. D. Jones, in Recognition of the Occasion of the Birth of Their Daughter, Born December 15, 1980.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald E. Limoges, in Recognition of the Occasion of the Birth of Their Son, Born December 4, 1980.

Representative Joseph DeAngelis, Upon His Re-Election as Majority Leader of the Rhode Island House of Representatives.

Representative Matthew J. Smith, Upon His Re-Election as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Alfred D. Boehm, Upon His Promotion to the Rank of Battalion Chief of the Providence Fire Department.

David G. Kinney, Upon His Election as President of the Washington Park Citizens' Association.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI and Yetta Wiener
the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL: Carlo Spirito

Resolutions Extending the Sympathy of the
Members of the City Council to the Families of
the following Decedents: John Francis Keegan

Resolved. That the Sympathy of the Members
of the City Council is hereby expressed to the
families of the following: Michael Comella
Achille Zaccardelli

Jennie DiMaria

Earle Horvitz

Pauline DiRaimo

Angelo Reo

Thomas C. Dolan

Rose Amato

William Gadon

Helen E. Brady

Maria J. Regine

Mae C. O'Connor

Ida Riter Fruchter

Robert E. Burns

Joseph Pavao

Charles V. McCormick

Thomas M. Cardullo

John H. Durante

Paul D. Lacour, Sr.

Sylvia G. Weinstein

Esther Gold

Helen J. Andersen

Emily N. Eaton

Anna Morelli

Elizabeth A. Murray

Theresa M. Sutton

Frances Rinaldi

Philip Pokras

Marie C. Lally

John F. Ventham

Edgar A. Barwood

John R. Mastrobuono

John Petrucci

Antonetta Conti

Vincenzo Palumbo

Antonio Del Sesto

Edward Court

COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by
COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

The motion for Pasage is Sustained.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed,
by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of

MATTERS NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

On motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON,
seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, it is
voted to Suspend Rule 16 of the Rules of the
City Council in Order to Allow the Introduc-
tion of the Following Matters Not Appearing
on the Printed Docket.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

**COUNCILMAN EASTON and COUNCIL-
MAN MOISE:**

Resolution Requesting the Narragansett Bay
Water Quality Management District Commis-
sion to Investigate the Possibility of Advancing
to the City of Providence, the purchase price of
the Providence Sewage Treatment Plant.

Resolved, That the City Council of Providence
hereby requests The Narragansett Bay Water
Quality Management District Commission to

investigate the possibility of advancing to the
City of Providence, the purchase price of the
Providence Sewage Treatment Plant as provided
for it by the Eighty-Five Million Dollar
(\$85,000,000) Bond Issue approved by the Voters
in the General Election held November 4, 1980, in
view of the City's current financial dilemma.

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCIL-
MAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCIL-
MAN GLAVIN.**

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

**COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI and
COUNCILMAN SALVATORE:**

Resolution Requesting the City Solicitor to Prepare, Cause to be Introduced and to Urge Passage at the 1981 Session of the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island, of "An Act for Immediate Consideration for Enactment of Enabling Legislation to Implement a Public Safety Fee in the City of Providence".

Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN SALVATORE, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE
STRAVATO:**

Resolution Requesting the Auditor General of the State of Rhode Island to Immediately Proceed to Investigate the City of Providence's present Fiscal Situation and report its Findings to the City Council along with Recommendations as to what Steps this Body can take to Alleviate the City's Fiscal Crisis.

Whereas, The City Council of the City of Providence over the last several years has been attempting to bring to the attention of the present administration that it was spending city revenues at a rate which far exceeded its actual or reasonable expected revenues, but to no avail, and

Whereas, The City Council of the City of Providence as recently as June, 1980 again attempted to bring to the present administration's attention its irresponsible spending practices, but again to no avail, and

Whereas, The City is presently facing a deficit for fiscal year 1981 in excess of Twenty-Four

Million Dollars (\$24,000,000.00) and an overall deficit in excess of Thirty-Five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000.00) due to the irresponsible manner in which the present administration has addressed the City's fiscal needs.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Providence respectfully requests that the Auditor General of the State of Rhode Island immediately proceed to investigate the City's present fiscal situation and report its findings to this body along with recommendations as to what steps this body can take to alleviate the City's fiscal crisis.

COUNCILMAN ADDISON moves passage of the Resolution.

This motion is seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO moves the following amendment be incorporated in the Resolution following the third paragraph:

"Whereas, The City Council failed on a number of occasions to approve budgets submitted by the Mayor, and

Whereas, The City Council of Providence failed to offer for sale surplus property, and

Whereas, This City Council was complicit in preventing the Public Utilities Commission from raising water rates,"

This motion being seconded by COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN and COUNCILMAN GRIFFIN is Put to Vote and Not Passed.

COUNCILMEN MANSOLILLO, ALMAGO, PEARLMAN and SNOWDEN desire to be recorded as voting "No" on the motion for passage of the foregoing Resolution.

The motion for Passage is Thereupon Sustained.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

COUNCILMAN JOHNSON requests and is granted the Privilege of the Floor and states:

In the course of the announcement of our tax deficit accrued at the Council Meetings, it has been suggested that there are solutions to our particular problems. All of us have had a lot of ideas about it and at this time, I would like to announce an idea that I've had. Not so much that I think its a better idea than some of the others that have been brought forth, but I think it has some credibility along the long line so it doesn't effect the people in any way whatsoever, it does not in any way hurt the people of Providence and what I am suggesting might sound very, very radical, is to have the Water Supply Board go public and sell debentures.

Now, this is something that I have investigated with the Public Security and Exchange Commission. As a matter of fact, I talked with Mr. Willard Riccio who is in charge of the Public Security and

Exchange Commission in Boston of this year and the way this would be done would be the sale of debentures and these debentures, what we would do, would be to set up a private firm, call up departments, Water Supply Board, and have a total entity of its own. Now, what makes that relatively new?

Well, the fact is by sale of these bonds, we could solve our particular financial crisis. Again, the individuals that purchase these bonds would be receiving tax exempt payments, that's the people who go to the banks with their coupons, and it is a feasible way.

I would like anyone to get together with me on this here and naturally I believe that a number of heads stick together and we'll work this out and probably get a speedy package in case it can be worked out, and it is something for everyone to consider and I would appreciate anyone that would like to get together with me on this particular motion.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMEN DILLON and STRAVATO, the City Council adjourns at 10:20 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.) to met again on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1981, at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.).

Rose M. Mandonea

City Clerk