

CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 44 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, September 15, 1988, 7:30 P.M. (E.D.T.)

IN CITY COUNCIL
OCT 6 1988

PRESIDING

APPROVED:

R. M. Menlove
CLERK

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

NICHOLAS W. EASTON

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Easton,
Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Bras-
sil, Councilman Dillon, Councilwoman
DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Lombardi,
Lopes, O'Connor, Rollins and Stravato—11.

Absent: Councilman Cola, Councilwoman
Fargnoli, Councilmen Farmer and Pe-
trosinelli—4.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILMAN DAVID G. DILLON.

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

COUNCILMAN THOMAS F. O'CONNOR, 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. 43 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held September 1, 1988 and Posted September 13, 1988 on that Bulletin Board located on the Ground Floor Level of City Hall, is Approved as Printed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

SCHEDULE OF BILLS

FROM CITY CONTROLLER:

Street Lighting Bill from Narragansett Electric Company for August 1988, in the Amount of One Hundred Four Thousand, One Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars and Sixty-One Cents (\$104,195.61).

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

Ayes: Council President Easton, Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Brassil,

Councilman Dillon, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Lombardi, Lopes, O'Connor, Rollins and Stravato—11.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilman Cola, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer and Petrosinelli—4.

The motion for Approval, is Sustained.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

The following Ordinance was in City Council September 1, 1988, Read and Passed the First Time, and Is Returned for Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance to Appropriate \$41,000,000 and to Authorize the Issuance of not in Excess of \$41,000,000 General Obligation Bonds for Renovations to Schools.

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. The sum of \$41,000,000 is hereby appropriated for the purpose of making renovations to schools.

Section 2. The sum of not in excess of \$41,000,000 shall be borrowed for the purpose of financing the project described in Section 1. The City Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor and the Committee on Finance, is authorized to accept and approve bids for not in excess of

\$41,000,000 general obligation bonds, to determine and approve the manner of sale, denominations, interest rate, and other terms and conditions of the bonds, and to issue the bonds.

Section 3. The estimated maximum cost of the Project described in Section 1 hereof is \$41,000,000, which entire amount is being appropriated hereby.

Section 4. It is hereby determined that the period of usefulness of the Project described in Section 1 hereof is thirty years.

Section 5. It is hereby determined that the net debt of the City of Providence after the issuance of the bonds authorized hereby will be \$71,699,102.

Section 6. It is hereby declared that the bonds authorized hereby will be within all debt and other limitations prescribed by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Rhode Island.

Section 7. The question of the approval of this Ordinance shall be submitted to the Electors of the City of Providence at that General Election scheduled to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 1988. The question shall be submitted in substantially the following form: "Shall the Ordinance enacted by the City Council of the City of Providence entitled 'An Ordinance to Appropriate \$41,000,000 and to Authorize the Issuance of not in Excess of \$41,000,000 General Obligation Bonds for Renovations to Schools' be Approved?"

Section 8. Upon the adoption of this Ordinance by the City Council and its approval by His Honor the Mayor, the City Clerk is directed to transmit forthwith a duly certified copy of the same to the Secretary of State of Rhode Island, the Rhode Island State Board of Elections, and the Board of Canvassers and Registration of the City of Providence, Rhode Island. The Board of Canvassers and Registration shall certify to the Secretary of State a copy of the question stated in Section 7 hereof to be

submitted to the Electors of the City of Providence at the General Election scheduled to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 1988.

Section 9. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Read and Passed, the Second Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Easton, Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilman Dillon, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Lombardi, Lopes, O'Connor, Rollins and Stravato—11.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilman Cola, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer and Petrosinelli—4.

The motion for Passage the Second Time, is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON and COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:

Resolution requesting the Providence Redevelopment Agency to Establish a Project Area Committee to Plan the Renewal of Broad Street, from Public Street to Detroit Avenue.

Whereas, Broad Street is one of the few

remaining main thoroughfares in Providence for which no renewal plan has been developed, and

Whereas, Broad Street in the area indicated above suffers from extreme blight, and

Whereas, Broad Street was once a thriving business district, and

Whereas, There are many fine ethnic shops and restaurants along Broad Street, which could attract customers from throughout the state and region, if the appearance of Broad Street were enhanced to highlight these establishments,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Providence Redevelopment Agency in conjunction with the Providence Urban Development staff and City Councilmen from the area work with existing business owners and neighborhood residents to form a Project Area Committee to begin planning and locating financing for a complete redevelopment of that area capitalizing and enhancing the ethnic flavor of the existing business district.

COUNCILMAN ANNALDO (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 6 located along Lancashire Street.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to Order the Installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 6 located along Lancashire Street.

COUNCILMAN COLA (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause a Traffic Island to be Installed along the Junction of Manton Avenue at Atwells Avenue.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause a Traffic Island to be Installed along the Junction of Manton Avenue at Atwells Avenue.

COUNCILMAN DILLON (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the Installation of a Traffic Signal Light at the Intersection of Linwood Avenue and Cranston Street.

Whereas, The intersection of Linwood Avenue and Cranston Street is in dire need of traffic control, and

Whereas, The area is congested with traffic and pedestrians and numerous accidents have occurred due to vehicles traveling at a high rate of speed along Cranston Street, and

Whereas, Linwood Court Apartments is located at that corner in which there are 18 apartments which house many children,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is hereby requested to cause the Installation of a Traffic Signal Light at the Intersection of Linwood Avenue and Cranston Street.

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

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the Installation of Four Way "Stop" Signs at the Intersection of Trinity Parkway and Cathedral Avenue.

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

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI:

Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Lumen to be Increased on that Street Light on Pole No. 4, located along Standish Avenue.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to Order the Lumen to be Increased on that Street Light on Pole No. 4, located along Standish Avenue.

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

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN FARMER (By Request):

Resolution that the Solomon Schechter Day School of Rhode Island be given a New Street Address of 85 Taft Avenue for Its New Entrance located between 99 and 77 Taft Avenue.

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

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILMAN DILLON and COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing Conveyance of Land.

Referred to the Committee on City Property, on motion of COUNCILMAN

GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI:

Resolution of the City Council Extending Their Best Wishes to Antonio "Patent Leather" Mantia for a Complete and Speedy Recovery from His Recent Illness.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere best wishes to Antonio "Patent Leather" Mantia for a complete and speedy recovery from his recent illness.

Resolution of the City Council Extending Their Best Wishes to Vincent LaSorsa, Sr. for a Complete and Speedy Recovery from His Recent Illness.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere best wishes to Vincent LaSorsa, Sr. for a complete and speedy recovery from his recent illness.

COUNCILMAN LOPES (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to cause Camp Street to be Resurfaced.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause Camp Street to be Resurfaced.

Resolution requesting the Supervisor of Environmental Control to cause the Trees along 138 5th Street and 18 Fisher Street to be Removed.

Resolved, That the Supervisor of Environmental Control is requested to cause the Trees along 138 5th Street and 18 Fisher Street to be Removed.

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to cause the Sidewalks along 138 5th Street, 18 Fisher Street and 34 11th Street to be Repaired.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause the Sidewalks along 138 5th Street, 18 Fisher Street and 34 11th Street to be Repaired.

Resolution requesting the Chief of the Providence Police Department to Deploy Radar Patrols along Chace Avenue.

Resolved, That the Chief of the Providence Police Department is requested to Deploy Radar Patrols along Chace Avenue between the hours of 2:30 to 6:00 o'clock P.M.

COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Supervisor of Environmental Enforcement to cause those Vacant Lots along 18, 20 and 39 Arch Street to be Cleaned of All Debris and Baited for Rodents.

Resolved, That the Supervisor of Environmental Enforcement is requested to cause those

Vacant Lots along 18, 20 and 39 Arch Street to be Cleaned of All Debris and Baited for Rodents.

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

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards to cause the Board-Up Liens in the Total Amount of \$3,442.88 on that Property located along 99 Berkshire Street (former Berkshire St. School), to be Waived, as requested by Frank O. Monti.

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

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ROLLINS, COUNCILMAN GLAVIN and COUNCILMAN DILLON:

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to have United Sanitation Company's Rubbish Collectors carry Brooms and Shovels to Clean Areas of Debris resulting from Spillage of Garbage.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to have United Sanitation Company's Rubbish Collectors carry Brooms and Shovels to Clean Areas of Debris resulting from Spillage of Garbage.

COUNCILMAN ROLLINS and COUNCILMAN DILLON:

Resolution Commending Lizzie Wilson for Her Unselfish Contributions to Our Community.

Whereas, Lizzie Wilson was born in Wetumpka, Alabama on May 8, 1910, one of six children of Willie and Eva Thomas, and

Whereas, She married the late Nathan Wilson, Sr., and they had five beautiful children: Willie Carol, Lizzie Young, Odessa Carter, Nathan Wilson, Jr., and Willie Howard Wilson, and

Whereas, While raising five children might test the patience and endurance of most mothers, Lizzie helped to raise five other children, Nettie Mincer, the Reverend James Beatty, James A. Warner, and Nancy and Winnie Blaker, and

Whereas, Although the saying goes, "Charity begins at home" it does not end there for Lizzie; she is always visiting the sick, shopping for medicine, cleaning their homes, and even doing their laundry, and

Whereas, Lizzie Wilson has made a tremendous contribution to the Allen A.M.E. Church which she joined in 1950. She sings in the choir, she is a member of the Stewardess Board, and she is a licensed Missionary. And it comes as no surprise that she is a member of the Grandmothers Club. She has 50 grandchildren, 36 great grandchildren, and 8 great-great grandchildren, but she always has room in her heart for more,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Members of the City Council join with the many friends and relatives of Lizzie Wilson who gather in her honor on September 9, 1988 to pay tribute to a woman that has, by her many works of charity, enriched this City and its people in many ways.

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

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

COMMUNICATIONS

FROM JAMES J. SHEPARD:

Communication, Informing the City Clerk, that Pursuant to Section 1206(d) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, an Employee of the Parks Department desires to Work as a Private Vendor for the City of Providence for the purpose of Beehive Removal.

Received.

Certificates from the City Assessor (1-S, 3-S and 7-S), Recommending the Same be Severally 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 the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMEN DILLON and STRAVATO.

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition of The Providence Journal Company, by Its Attorney, John J. Garrahy, to Abandon a Portion of Tingley Street.

Donald Kent DePalma

Dennis Dutra

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

Assunta Funaro

Sandra Medeiros

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

Leocadia R. Peno

Lewis J. Pucci

Victor Rezendes

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

Lidia M. Sanchez

Lucy Aurelio

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

Amilcar Barillas

Vito Bianco

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

The Commerce Insurance Co. as subrogee of Diane Franchi

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

Carmine Tammelleo

Resolutions Extending Sympathy.

John Ginolfi

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

Gennaro Ferrazzano

Jay Forrester

Anthony Damiani
Gladys L. Langford
Sarkis Avedisian
Marie Ragosta

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.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on
motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, sec-
onded by COUNCILMAN DILLON, the City
Council adjourns at 7:58 o'clock P.M.
(E.D.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 6, 1988 at 7:30 o'clock P.M.
(E.D.T.).

Michael R. Clement

First Deputy City Clerk

