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CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 64 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, May 2, 1985, 8:00 P.M. (E.D.T.)

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAY 16 1985

APPROVED:

PRESIDING Joseph Mendonca CLERK

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

NICHOLAS W. EASTON

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Easton, Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—14.

Absent: Councilman Lombardi—1.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILMAN MALCOLM W. FARMER, III.

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

~~BY~~ COUNCILMAN DAVID G. DILLON 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. 63 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held April 18, 1985 and Posted April 26, 1985 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.

ORDINANCES SECOND READING

The following Ordinances were in City Council April 18, 1985, Read and Passed, the First Time, and Are Returned for Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1984-53, Approved July 20, 1984, by Transferring Various Sums of Money within the Public Safety Department.

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. Chapter 1984-53 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, as approved July 20, 1984, entitled: "An Ordinance making an Appropriation of One Hundred Seventy-One Million, Fifty-Six Thousand, One Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Fifty-Seven Cents (\$171,056,177.57) for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1985, as Amended," is hereby Amended by Transferring the Sum of Sixty-Four Thousand, Five Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars (\$64,583.00) within the Public Safety Department. This transfer would be effected as follows:

TRANSFERS

<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Communications Department</i>		
Telephone Acct. 1-003-04-111 to		
Salary Acct. 1-003-04-001		\$ 6,583.00
Fire Dept. Claims Acct. 1-003-03-331 to		
Fire Dept. Salary Acct. 1-003-03-001		8,000.00
Fire Dept. Hydrants Rentals 1-003-03-133 to		
Fire Dept. Salary Acct. 1-003-03-001		36,000.00
Commissioner of Public Safety		
Salary Acct. 1-003-01-001 to		
Police Dept. Sal. Acct. 1-003-02-001		14,000.00
	Total	\$64,583.00

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

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1984-53, Approved July 20, 1984, by Transferring the Sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000.00) from Snow Removal (1-005-10-162) to Highway (1-005-08-512).

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. Chapter 1984-53 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, as approved July 20, 1984, entitled: "An Ordinance making an Appropriation of One Hundred Seventy-One Million, Fifty-Six Thousand, One Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Fifty-Seven Cents (\$171,056,177.57) for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1985, as Amended," is hereby further Amended by Transferring the Sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000.00) from Snow Removal (1-005-10-162) Item 1 to Highway (1-005-08-512) Item 1.

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

Severally Read and Collectively 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, Councilmen Cola, Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli and Stravato—13.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilman Lombardi and Pitts—2.

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

RECESS

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON de-
clares that the City Council Stand at Ease at
8:20 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) to Reconvene at
the Call of the Chair, and Appoints MINOR-
ITY LEADER FARMER and MAJORITY
LEADER GLAVIN to Escort His Honor,
MAYOR JOSEPH R. PAOLINO, JR. to the
Chamber of the City Council.**

RECONVENTION

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON Recon-
venes the City Council at 8:25 o'clock P.M.
(E.D.T.).**

NEW BUSINESS

HIS HONOR MAYOR JOSEPH R. PAOLINO, JR. delivers the following Budget Message and Submits the Budget Ordinance.

MAYOR'S BUDGET MESSAGE

I come before you tonight to present for your consideration the City budget for 1985-1986.

For the last two nights, my staff and I have worked around the clock discussing, line by line, item by item, each Departments budget proposals.

We have worked diligently to ensure that the budget I present is accurate and responsible.

During this long and sometimes grueling process, I was surprised and oftentimes shocked by the remnants of the budgetary practices of past administrations.

I vowed that the budget that I would present would rise above all of that.

That is why I take pride in proposing to you tonight the lowest increase in government spending in six years, an increase of 5.5%... from \$171,056,177.57 to \$180,469,399.82.

I take pride in this budget because I believe, after long hours of discussion and hard work, we have developed a budget that is the most honest and responsible presentation of the true needs of our City that has been presented to this Chamber in more than ten years.

For too long, City government has suffered not

only from waste, inefficiency and corruption, but from a budgetary ethic based on promises and style, mirrors and magic, rather than on a commitment to sound management and progress for the future.

I take pride in this budget because it is an honest and accurate presentation of what we need to continue to the course we have set toward rebuilding a modern and streamlined City government.

The choices have not been easy — they seldom are. We are beginning to rebuild from the past.

We have gone a long way to restore confidence in a professional City government able to effectively and efficiently respond to the needs of a changing city.

Now we must make the tough decisions that will give us the means and the tools to continue on that course, while we pay for the sins of the past.

While preparing this budget, I realized that government, like any house in any neighborhood, can fall into disrepair through neglect.

The structure suffers if preventive maintenance is not routinely provided.

In the past, the devastating effects of neglect were covered with a glossy new paint job and some fancy landscaping — but for how long could we afford to sacrifice the integrity of the structure for a glittery facade?

Now is the time to rebuild. It is time for all of us to make the tough decisions necessary to restore the structure of government.

The budget I am proposing calls for a \$2.88 increase in the tax rate.

I believe this to be a necessary and responsible increase that will allow us to rebuild from the neglect of the past, while providing the necessary tools to ensure continued progress in the future.

This increase is based on an honest budget that does not include state aid that may be forthcoming.

I will be working with the City Council to determine how any State aid funds would be applied to the budget.

There are three areas that I would target for these funds.

The first is, of course, reducing taxes; the second is reducing the cumulative deficit which now stands at \$5.5 million; and the third is capital development.

I inherited a \$5.5 million cumulative deficit when I became Mayor, and as required by law, we have put our budget surpluses toward paying off that debt.

We are also required to pay off a percentage of that debt each year. This budget includes a five year deficit reduction plan designed to meet the requirements of the law and to lift the burden of irresponsible past practices from the budget process of this City.

I have introduced a legislative package to the General Assembly that will, if enacted, increase

our revenues and help shift the burden of funding from the taxpayer.

I need your support and the support of the people of Providence in lobbying for our legislative program.

I believe that the legislative proposals I have made are an honest and responsible effort to address problems that have been left unaddressed for too long.

I am discussing with representatives of tax-exempt private institutions and with the Providence delegation, ways to fairly distribute the costs of providing services to those institutions.

I am looking to ensure that the State provides aide to our libraries and to Roger Williams Park. These are areas that serve not only the people of Providence, but everyone in the state.

I am proposing a budget that underscores my commitment to rebuilding the integrity and dignity of the neighborhoods, while ensuring the potential for future growth through modernization of antiquated systems and procedures.

To begin the long overdue process of rebuilding the structure of government, I have created a separate division of administration within the Mayor's Office to coordinate all aspects of city government. For too long, city departments have been run without any overall plan or policy, without any system of coordination.

The ability of government to efficiently deliver city services has suffered. A management level division within the Mayor's Office has become essential to ensure that we can responsibly address the needs of a city on the move again.

I have gone to the neighborhoods of our City. I have brought my neighborhood council, and we have heard the problems that have become common in modern city life.

Some of the stories I have heard are trouble-

some, some are heartwarming, and some are courageous.

The problems are many and varied. The answers are not easy, and the solutions are not cheap.

Tell the old woman in Elmwood who has been touched by violent crime and is afraid to walk the street that there is not enough money for new police cars.

Tell the children in South Providence who have rats in their own backyards that there is not enough money for a program which will allow them to play in safety, rather than fear.

Each of us has our own idea on where to best spend the limited resources based on our own concerns and dreams.

I would love to have all the answers, but none of us could afford the bill.

In preparing this proposed budget, I have placed an emphasis on restoring the quality of life to the neighborhoods of Providence and rebuilding government from the neglect and corruption of the past.

Within the next several weeks, I will be submitting to you a comprehensive neighborhood strategy program that will incorporate all aspects of health, safety, welfare, education, recreation and services that concern the people of our community.

To address the problems of the neighborhoods, I am requesting that the City purchase 40 new police cruisers in addition to the 14 new vehicles already purchased.

I am requesting that three new radar units be purchased to assist the police in coping with the problem of speeding in the residential areas of our City.

Last night, I swore in 30 new police officers to

bring the police force to a full complement for the first time in years.

We will be starting a new police school immediately to ensure that our goal of continuing to maintain a full complement of police officers at all times is met.

I will also be starting on a three-year program to replace all street signs in the City of Providence.

It is easy for us to drive around the City and just look at a simple thing like a street sign. Many are gone and many are difficult to read.

This year alone we will have all new street signs at the 50 major intersections of our City. This will give a better appearance to the City of Providence. I realize that this is just a small item, but this is the type of thing that we are talking about. This is the type of situation that, if neglected, will turn into a greater problem.

Parking is a major concern of everyone I have met within the neighborhoods. I will be announcing, in the future, a comprehensive parking plan for the downtown area and for the neighborhoods. I have instructed the Traffic Engineer to complete that plan as quickly as possible.

But, we have included in this budget four hundred new parking meters that will be used to create four hundred additional legal parking spaces in the City.

I cannot say that this is an austere budget because the problems that this City has faced and the corruption of the past does not allow us to be austere just yet.

However, it is an honest budget that addresses our needs.

We have a net reduction of 24 jobs and this budget assumes no layoffs for City employees.

In the area of public works, a troubled

Department that in the past has symbolized the kind of government policies and operations that have become commonplace in our City, we are looking to provide some funding for capital improvements to begin to rebuild from the devastation of the past.

The management study has talked about building and maintaining the public works garage. Seventy-five thousand dollars has been appropriated towards this goal. There is a program to start that process to rebuild the garage at public works so that, hopefully, it will be transformed into one like that in Hartford, Connecticut, which is painted and well lit.

I don't have to give you a long litany of the type of equipment we have in public works, because we don't have any, and it's an embarrassment to the people of Providence. If we want services from this Department, we must give them the equipment they need. This budget includes one hundred eighty thousand dollars to purchase equipment and begin the process of rebuilding public works.

In the area of Personnel, we now have an office that is professional, and we are going to give it the tools to manage and operate efficiently.

We would all like to be absolutely sure that the City is capable and equipped to remove snow from each street as quickly as possible and as soon as possible.

However, that would cost us too much money. We would have to spend millions to equip ourselves to that level, and no one could afford it.

Additionally, this budget calls for a concentrated code enforcement program that will require inspectors to survey the streets of a given neighborhood and cite all violations on those properties that are significantly affecting other properties in that area.

The inspectors will be assigned the responsibility of following each case from its origin — through District Court, if necessary.

It calls for a responsible debt service plan to reduce our City's short-term liability to ensure a sound future financial structure for the City.

To increase our bond rating and become financially sound, the reduction of our long-term obligations is necessary.

We are on the threshold of a new era for our City. We must dismiss old practices and assume responsibility for the care of our citizens and our City.

Together, we have the task of rebuilding Providence and we must live up to that challenge. The budget which I present to you tonight reflects a responsible, honest and fair estimate of what is required to ensure that the needs of the people of Providence are met.

As elected officials, we must have the courage to make the tough decisions and take the first bold steps toward a future of pride and progress for Providence.

Thank You.

RECESS

MINORITY LEADER FARMER and MAJORITY LEADER GLAVIN thereupon escort HIS HONOR MAYOR JOSEPH R. PAOLINO, JR. back to the Executive Chamber and the Council is declared to be at Ease, at 8:45 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.), to Reconvene at the Call of the Chair.

RECONVENTION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON Reconvenes the City Council at 8:50 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) and directs the Clerk to Call the Roll to Ascertain if there is a Quorum Present:

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

Councilmen Cola, Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fargnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—14.

Absent: Councilman Lombardi—1.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET ORDINANCE

HIS HONOR, MAYOR JOSEPH R. PAOLINO, JR. Presents:

An Ordinance making an Appropriation for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1986.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, on

motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON:

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled "Courts".

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

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

Positions, the Maximum Number of Employees and the Number of Employees in Certain Classes in the City Departments and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 1984-54, Approved July 20, 1984, as Amended.

An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Chapter 1984-55, Approved July 20, 1984, as Amended.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE STRAVATO (By Request):

An Ordinance in Amendment of Sections 15-18 (c) and 15-22 (a) of Article II of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled: "Impoundment of Vehicles".

An Ordinance Providing for the Assessment and Collection of 1985 Taxes, being Based on One Hundred Percent (100%) of the 1985-1986 Fiscal Year Tax Collection.

COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI (By Request):

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1984-53, Approved July 20, 1984, by Transferring the Sum on One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) from Council Contingencies to American Band Commissioning Project.

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1984-53, Approved July 20, 1984, by Transferring the Sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500.00) from Sewer Construction and Maintenance Payroll Account (1-005-11-001) to Sewer Construction and Maintenance Item 269, Construction and Maintenance Supplies (1-005-11-269).

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

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

An Ordinance Establishing the Classes of

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE STRAVATO (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Board of Park Commissioners to Grant the Use of Neutaconkanut Park to Saint Bartholomew's Church from August 22 to August 25, 1985, to Accommodate their Annual Feast and Festival.

Resolved, That the Board of Park Commissioners is requested to grant the use of Neutaconkanut Park to Saint Bartholomew's Church from August 22 to August 25, 1985 for their Annual Feast and Festival.

Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 70, located along Union Avenue.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of a street light on Pole No. 70, located along Union Avenue.

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

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE STRAVATO and COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI:

Resolution Bestowing the Municipal Medal upon Patrolman Anthony Matraccio for an Act of Extraordinary Bravery Performed in the City of Providence on December 14, 1984.

Resolution Bestowing the Municipal Medal upon Patrolman Paul F. McCormick for an Act of Extraordinary Bravery Performed in the City of Providence on December 14, 1984.

Resolution Bestowing the Municipal Medal upon Patrolman Henry A. Lariviere for an Act of Extraordinary Bravery Performed in the City of Providence on June 22, 1982.

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

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL:

Resolution requesting the Chief of the Providence Police Department to Order a Special Task Force in Fox Point with Special Attention to the Areas of India Point, Ives Street and Wickenden Street.

Whereas, Many business establishments within the Fox Point Park area have had problems with vandalism and theft, and

Whereas, Special attention should be given to India Point where a young girl lost her life recently,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Chief of the Providence Police Department is hereby requested to order a Special Task Force in Fox Point, with special attention to the areas of India Point, Wickenden Street and Ives Street.

COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to Cause Sidewalks to be Replaced along Certain Locations.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is hereby requested to cause the sidewalks to be replaced along the following locations:

- 15 East Transit Street;
- 184-186 East Transit Street; and
- 65 Brook Street.

Resolution requesting the City Forester to Cause that Tree along 670 Wickenden Street, to be Replaced.

Resolved, That the City Forester is requested to cause that tree along 670 Wickenden Street, to be replaced, the same having been damaged due to an accident.

Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Installation of Two Decorative Light Fixtures along 1 Abbott Park.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of two decorative light fixtures along 1 Abbott Park, of the same design of the lighting along Benefit Street.

COUNCILMAN DILLON (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to Order the Installation of "25 Miles Per Hour"

Signs along Spooner Street, from Elmwood Avenue to Netop Drive.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of "25 miles per hour" signs along Spooner Street, from Elmwood Avenue to Netop Drive.

COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Installation of a Street Light on that Pole located between 22-26 Pocasset Avenue.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of a Street Light between 22-26 Pocasset Avenue.

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN:

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to cause George Street, from Thayer Street to Benefit Street, to be Resurfaced.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is hereby requested to cause George Street, from Thayer Street to Benefit Street, to be Resurfaced.

Resolution requesting the President of the City Council and the Chairman of the Providence School Board to Each Name from Their Respective Bodies Three Members who shall Serve on an Advisory Sub-Committee.

Resolved, That the President of the City Council and the Chairman of the Providence School Board, are requested to each name from their respective bodies, three (3) members, who

shall serve as an Advisory Sub-Committee and meet on a periodic, but continuous basis.

DiCostanzo, for a speedy recovery from his recent illness.

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

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

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

Resolution requesting the President of the City Council to cause Each Sixth Meeting of the City Council to be Held in a Different Neighborhood of the City.

COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI:

Resolution requesting the City Collector to Cause the Taxes to be Abated on that Property located at 23 Chapin Avenue, Lots 164 and 165, as Set Out and Delineated on City Assessor's Plat 36, in the Amount of \$5,295.56 as requested by the Providence Preservation Society.

Resolved, That the President of the City Council is hereby requested to cause each sixth Council Meeting of the City Council, beginning immediately upon the adoption of this Resolution, to be held in a different neighborhood of the City which shall be determined on a lottery basis from locations recommended by the Members of the City Council.

Resolution requesting the Director of Inspection and Standards to Cause that Demolition Lien on that Property located along 23 Chapin Avenue in the Amount of \$388.00 to be Waived, as requested by the Providence Preservation Society.

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

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

COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL and COUNCILMAN PITTS Desire to be Recorded as Voting "No".

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI and COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR:

Resolution of the City Council Extending the Best Wishes for a Speedy Recovery to John DiCostanzo Due to His Recent Illness.

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to Cause that Sidewalk to be Repaired at 18 Tiber Street.

Resolved, That the Best Wishes of the Members of the City Council are expressed to John

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause that sidewalk to be repaired at 18 Tiber Street.

COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Installation of a Street Light at the Site of the Trinity Gateway Project.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of a street light at the site of the Trinity Gateway Project on that pole recently erected as part of the traffic signalization work.

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

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR and COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON:

Resolution of the City Council Endorsing House Bill 85-H 5124 Substitute "A", entitled "An Act Amending the Rhode Island Fair Housing Practices Act".

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

The motion to Refer, is Sustained.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON, COUNCILMAN ANNALDO, COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL, COUNCILMAN COLA, COUNCILMAN DILLON, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN FARMER, COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILMAN GRIFFIN, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR, COUNCILMAN

PETROSINELLI, COUNCILMAN PITTS and COUNCILMAN STRAVATO:

Resolution Extending the Congratulations of the Members of the City Council to Brenda M. Stravato in Recognition of Her being Crowned "Miss Capital City" at the Miss Capital City Pageant held April 22, 1985.

Whereas, The lovely and vivacious Brenda M. Stravato, daughter of Council President Pro Tempore and Mrs. Louis R. Stravato, was on April 22, 1985, crowned "Miss Capital City", and

Whereas, Due to her many endoments, Miss Stravato was also the recipient of the Talent Award in the Capital City Pageant, which was held at the U.C.T. Ballroom in Johnston, Rhode Island, and

Whereas, As a result of her many attributes and achievements, she is one of five women selected to go on to the Miss Rhode Island Pageant to be held in June of 1985, and

Whereas, At the young age of nineteen years, she has attained a goal in life, of which her family and friends can be proud,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their heartiest congratulations to Miss Brenda M. Stravato upon the prestigious occasion of being crowned "Miss Capital City" and further extend their sincere best wishes that she gain a second victory at the Miss Rhode Island Pageant.

COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Installation of a High Pressure Sodium Vapor Light on Pole No. 127, located at the Intersection of Admiral Street and Douglas Avenue.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of a high pressure sodium vapor light on Pole No. 127, located at the intersection of Admiral Street and Douglas Avenue.

COUNCILMAN PITTS:

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to Communicate with the Pawtucket Director of Public Works to Coordinate the Repair and Resurfacing of Hillside Avenue.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to communicate with the Pawtucket Director of Public Works to coordinate the repair

and resurfacing of Hillside Avenue, as said street lies within the jurisdiction of both cities.

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the Spelling of the Street Name Signs "Lippitt Street" to be Corrected.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the spelling of the street name sign "Lippitt Street" to be corrected.

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

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COUNCILWOMAN CAROLYN F. BRASSIL, Chairwoman COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Transmits the following with Recommendation of Adoption:

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1984-53, Approved July 20, 1984, by Transferring the Sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) from Public Property Fuel (1-018-241) to Capital Center Commission (1-014-16-341).

Read and Passed the First 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, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—13.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilmen Cola and Lombardi—2.

The motion for Passage the First Time, is Sustained.

out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 48, for the Sum of One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars and Sixty-Six Cents (\$1,927.66), in accordance with the application filed by Jose G. Harney.

Resolution Authorizing a Tax Exemption to Excell Manufacturing Company, as Lessees of that Certain Recent Construction located at 200 Chestnut Street.

Resolution Authorizing the City Collector to cause the Taxes to be Abated on that Property under the SWAP Program located along 177 California Avenue, Lot 248, Plat 87, for the Sum of One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars and Eighty-Three Cents (\$1,364.83).

Resolution Authorizing a Tax Exemption to Pilgrim Screw Corporation of that Certain Recent Construction located at 120 Sprague Street.

Resolved, That the City Collector is hereby authorized to cause the taxes to be abated on that property under the SWAP Program, located along 177 California Avenue, situated on Lot 248, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 87, for the Sum of One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars and Eighty-Three Cents (\$1,364.83), in accordance with the application filed by Ruben and Gabriela Portes.

Resolution Authorizing a Tax Exemption to Don-Lin Jewelry Co., Inc., of that Certain Recent Construction located at 39 Haskins Street.

Severally Referred Back to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON and COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL.

The motion to Refer Back to Committee, is Sustained.

Resolution Authorizing the City Collector to cause the Taxes to be Abated on that Property under the SWAP Program located along 67-69 Waverly Street, Lot 336, Plat 31, for the Sum of One Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,450.00).

Resolution Authorizing the City Collector to cause the Taxes to be Abated on that Property under the SWAP Program located along 229 Potters Avenue, Lot 1042, Plat 48, for the Sum of One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars and Sixty-Six Cents (\$1,927.66).

Resolved, That the City Collector is hereby authorized to cause the taxes to be abated on that property under the SWAP Program, located along 67-69 Waverly Street, situated on Lot 336, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 31, for the Sum of One Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,450.00), in accordance with the application filed by Ann L. Lewis.

Resolved, That the City Collector is hereby authorized to cause the taxes to be abated on that property under the SWAP Program, located along 299 Potters Avenue, situated on Lot 1042, as set

Resolution Authorizing the City Collector to cause the Taxes to be Abated on that Property under the SWAP Program located along 24 Royal Street, Lot 186, Plat 5, for the Sum of Three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-One Dollars and Seventy-Five Cents (\$3,331.75).

Resolved, That the City Collector is hereby authorized to cause the taxes to be abated on that property under the SWAP Program, located along 24 Royal Street, situated on Lot 186, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 5, for the Sum of Three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-One Dollars and Seventy-Five Cents (\$3,331.75), in accordance with the application filed by Steve and Dorothy Ola.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, 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, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—13.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilmen Cola and Lombardi—2.

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

The following Is Transmitted with Recommendation of Adoption, as Amended:

Resolution requesting the Department of Inspection and Standards to Waive the Demolition Lien on that Property located along 74-76 Superior Street, as requested by the Ebenezer Baptist Church.

Resolved, That the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards is hereby requested to cause that demolition lien on property situated on Lot 162, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 31, located along 74-76 Superior Street, in the amount of \$1,850.00, as requested by the Ebenezer Baptist Church, be waived, subject to the development of a parking lot in accordance with the requirements of Section 24 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Providence and review by the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards.

Read and Passed, 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, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—13.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilmen Cola and Lombardi—2.

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

**COUNCILMAN THOMAS M. GLAVIN, Chairman
COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES**

Transmits the following with Recommendation of Adoption, as Amended:

An Ordinance Regulating the Protection, Maintenance, Removal and Planting of Trees in Public Streets, Parks, other Public Places, and Tree Protection Zones on Designated Private Property under Development, Establishing the Board of Park Commissioners and Establishing the Division of Grounds Maintenance Services, as the Agencies Prescribing Regulations relating to the Protection, Maintenance, Removal and Planting of Trees in the above mentioned places, providing for the Maintenance and Removal of Trees on Private Property when the Public Safety is Endangered and Prescribing Penalties for Violations of its Provisions, as Amended.

GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Easton, Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilman Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—13.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilmen Cola and Lombardi—2.

Read and Passed the First Time, as Amended, on motion of COUNCILMAN

The motion for Passage the First Time, as Amended, is Sustained.

**COUNCILMAN THOMAS F. O'CONNOR, JR., Chairman
COMMITTEE ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT, RENEWAL
AND PLANNING**

Transmits the following with Recommendation the Same be Adopted:

Resolution Relocating the Henry E. Bucci Memorial from the Entrance of the Graveyard at Trinity Square to the Island in Front of Trinity Church.

to be relocated to the Island in front of Trinity Church at the intersection of Broad Street and Elmwood Avenue.

Resolved, That the Superintendent of the Parks Department, is hereby requested to cause the "Sergeant Henry E. Bucci Memorial" located at the entrance of the graveyard at Trinity Square

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

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

The following Ordinance was in City Council March 21, 1985, Read and Passed the First Time, and Referred Back to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning, and Is Transmitted with Recommendation of Adoption, the Second Time:

An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan.

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

Whereas, The City Plan Commission (hereinafter called the "Commission") pursuant to Article X, Section 1013 (A) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980 has formulated and submitted to the City Council on April 5, 1984 for its consideration, as one of the elements of the complete Comprehensive Plan for the City of Providence, a plan entitled, "Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan", comprising of a booklet consisting of a table of contents, approximately 115 pages of text, figures, charts, appendix and maps; and

Whereas, A copy of said Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan was transmitted to the Commission on March 14, 1984 for its review and evaluation; and

Whereas, The Commission, which is the duly designated and acting official planning body for the City of Providence, pursuant to Article X, Sections 1013 (a)(1) and 1014 (A) and (B), has reviewed, evaluated and approved the said Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan on April 4, 1984 and authorized the Director of the Department of Planning and Urban Development to submit said plan to the City Council for its review and approval; and

Whereas, The Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan is recognized by the Commission as an element of the complete Comprehensive Plan for the City of Providence which sets goals for the City policies for achieving those goals and used as a guide for the general development of the City of Providence as a whole; and

Whereas, At a public hearing held following notice of the date, time, place and purposes of such hearing, the City Council Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning duly considered the "Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan", and all evidence and testimony for and against the adoption of such plan, in accordance with Article X, Section 1014 (B) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980; and

Now, therefore, be it ordained by the City of Providence:

1. It be and hereby is found and determined that the "Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan" is a part and one of the elements of the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Providence.

2. In enacting this Ordinance, the City Council intends to comply with the provisions of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, which relates to the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan, so that the neighborhood areas of the City of Providence can be developed in conformance with said plan and thereby protect, promote and be in the interest of the people and the City of Providence.

3. The "Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan" consisting of a booklet containing a table of contents, 115 pages of text, figures, charts, appendix and maps, is hereby approved, adopted and designated as the Official Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan is herein incorporated by reference, and made a part hereof.

4. The Commission is hereby fully authorized to carry out said plan in accordance with Article X, Section 1014 (C) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980.

5. In order to implement and facilitate the effectuation of said plan hereby approved, it is found and determined that certain official action must be taken by this Body as follows:

a) Pledges its cooperation in helping to carry out said plan.

b) Requests the Board of Park Commissioners, Department of Public Parks, Department of Recreation and the various officials, departments, boards and agencies of the City of Providence having administrative responsibilities in the premises likewise to cooperate to such end and to exercise their functions and powers in a manner consistent with said plan.

6. This Ordinance shall take effect on its passage and shall be filed with the City Clerk who is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Ordinance to the City Plan Commission.

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, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—13.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilmen Cola and Lombardi—2.

The motion for Passage the Second Time, is Sustained.

The following Is Transmitted with Recommendation the Same be Received:

Communication from Samuel J. Shamon, Comprehensive Planning Director, Informing the Members of the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning, that he has Supplied the Committee, as Requested, with a

Listing of Sites by Priority Numbers Relative to the Recreation Comprehensive Plan.

Received.

**COUNCILMAN JAMES A. PETROSINELLI, Chairman
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS**

Transmits the following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted:

Resolution Authorizing the Installation of Gasoline Facilities at Allens Avenue and Ernest Street.

Resolved, That the following named person, firm or corporation is hereby granted permission to erect, alter or use a building or structure at the location named herein for the sale of petroleum, kerosene, gasoline, coal oil and their products, compounds and components as described and shown in and on the application therefor and accompanying plat, all on file in the office of the Department of Building Inspection subject to the conditions that said person, firm or corporation shall not violate any of the laws of the State of Rhode Island or any of the Ordinances of the City of Providence relative to the erection, use or occupation of said structure and that said person, firm or corporation shall not allow petroleum, kerosene, gasoline, coal oil or their products, compounds or components, to be conveyed over or across any sidewalk by means of any pipe or hose, and upon such special conditions as are hereby enumerated and further provided that the Director of the Department of Building Inspection may authorize minor changes in the structural detail of plans on file, viz:

Texaco, Inc., Allens Avenue and Ernest Street, Plat 101, and Lot 493, Two (2) Ten Thousand, One (1) Eight Thousand and One (1) Twelve Thousand Gallon Storage Tanks and Two (2) Multi-Product Dispensers, making a total of Twelve Hoses and Forty Thousand (40,000) Gallons Storage Capacity upon the premises.

The erection or location of any buildings or structures not shown on the original plat on file with the Director of Department of Building Inspection, or any change in the location of buildings or structures from that shown on said plat shall be deemed a violation of this permit.

Resolution Authorizing the Installation of Gasoline Facilities at 83 Point Street.

Resolved, That the following named person, firm or corporation is hereby granted permission to erect, alter or use a building or structure at the location named herein for the sale of petroleum, kerosene, gasoline, coal oil and their products, compounds and components as described and shown in and on the application therefor and accompanying plat, all on file in the office of the Department of Building Inspection subject to the conditions that said person, firm or corporation shall not violate any of the laws of the State of Rhode Island or any of the Ordinances of the City of Providence relative to the erection, use or occupation of said structure and that said person, firm or corporation shall not allow petroleum, kerosene, gasoline, coal oil or their products, compounds or components, to be conveyed over or across any sidewalk by means of any pipe or hose, and upon such special conditions as are hereby enumerated and further provided that the Director of the Department of Building Inspection may authorize minor changes in the structural detail of plans on file, viz:

Merit Oil Corporation, 83 Point Street, Plat 21 and Lot 298, One (1) New Six Thousand Gallon Kerosene Storage Tank, and One (1) New Kerosene Dispenser Pump, making a total of Fourteen (14) Pumps, and Forty-Six (46) Thousand Gallons Storage Capacity upon the premises.

The erection or location of any buildings or structures not shown on the original plat on file with the Director of Department of Building Inspection, or any change in the location of buildings or structures from that shown on said plat shall be deemed a violation of this permit.

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

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

The following Is Transmitted with Recommendation of Adoption, as Amended:

Resolution Establishing Audrey Street, from Bowdoin Street to Delaine Street, as a One-Way Street, in a Southerly Direction.

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

Resolved, That Audrey Street be established as a One-Way Street, from Bowdoin Street to Delaine Street, in a southerly direction.

The motion for Passage, as Amended, is Sustained.

REPORTS

FROM THE CITY CONTROLLER:

Monthly Statement of Capital, General and School Funds for the Nine Months Ended March 29, 1985.

Received.

Received.

FROM THE BOARD OF LICENSES:

Report for the Quarter Ended March 30, 1985.

Received.

FROM THE PORT DIRECTOR:

Monthly Report for March, 1985.

Vincent G. Pantalone

Alice E. Cronin

Anna Amitrano

Jeanette P.T. Perry

Celeste R. Paolisso

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

William O. Lepore

The motion for Passage, is Sustained.

Mary Paulina "Manocchi" Mendes

Anna Leone

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON, the City Council Adjourns at 9:15 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1985 at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.).

Rose M. Mandonea

City Clerk

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