

CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 16 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, June 19, 2003, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.)

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

JOHN J. LOMBARDI, IN CITY COUNCIL

ROLL CALL

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APPROVED:

Present: Council President Lombardi,
Councilmen Allen, Aponte, Butler, DeLuca,
Hassett, Igliozi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini,
Councilwoman Romano, Councilman Segal,
Councilwoman Williams—13.

Absent: Councilwomen DiRuzzo and
Young—2.

Also Present: Bruce D. Todesco, Deputy
City Solicitor, Michael R. Clement, City
Clerk, Claire E. Bestwick, First Deputy City
Clerk, and Sheri A. Petronio, Assistant
Clerk.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCIL-
WOMAN CAROL A. ROMANO.

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

COUNCILWOMAN RITA M. WILLIAMS
leads the members of the City Council and
the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance
to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated June 12, 2003,
Informing the Honorable Members of the City
Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the
Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as
amended, and Rhode Island Public Law of 1980,
Chapter 84, he is this day appointing Ms.
Jeneata R. Aldrich of 116-3 Olney Street,
Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a Member

of the Providence Tourism Council for a term
to expire in June 2005. (Ms. Aldrich will replace
Mr. Christopher Gasbarro whose term has
expired).

Received.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO:

An Ordinance Establishing a Tax Stabilization Plan for 166 Valley Street LLC on behalf of the Rising Sun Mills Project.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN ALLEN, COUNCILMAN APONTE, COUNCILMAN BUTLER, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILMAN HASSETT, COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN LUNA, COUNCILMAN MANCINI, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:

An Ordinance Requiring Council Approval for the Administration of Community Development Block Grant Funds.

Read and Passed the First Time and Referred to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning, on motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Aponte, Butler, DeLuca, Hassett, Igliazzi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwoman Romano, Councilman Segal, Councilwoman Williams—13.

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilwomen DiRuzzo and Young—2.

The motion for Passage the First Time and the motion to Refer are Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCILMAN BUTLER (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause Rialto Street to be designated as a "Two-Way" Street to Mount Pleasant Avenue.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Public Works.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause Metropolitan Road to be designated as a "One-Way" Street to Mount Pleasant Avenue onto Rialto Street from Standish Avenue.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Lays the foregoing Resolution on the Clerk's Desk.

COUNCILMAN DeLUCA:

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause Mount Pleasant Avenue from Atwells Avenue to Chalkstone Avenue to be repaved using funds available from the CDBG allotment of the 6th Ward Neighborhood Improvement Program.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause Mount Pleasant Avenue from Atwells Avenue to Chalkstone Avenue to be repaved using funds available from the CDBG allotment of the 6th Ward Neighborhood Improvement Program.

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause the installation of a sewer line on McClellan Street connecting those residents to the main city sewer line on Chalkstone Avenue.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause the installation of a sewer line on McClellan Street connecting those residents to the main city sewer line on Chalkstone Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause the sewers to be baited on Leah Street and Lynch Street.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause the sewers to be baited on Leah Street and Lynch Street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the replacement of a "Stop" Sign at 172 Unit Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the replacement of a "Stop" Sign at 172 Unit Street.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters and Moves Passage of the Several Resolutions, seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS**.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the City Council Committee on Ordinances to draft an ordinance relating to so called "Sip Joints".

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Ordinances.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a "Loading Zone"

Sign at 507 Hartford Avenue at the corner of Hartford Avenue and Melissa Street on the Melissa Street side.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Public Works.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the City of Providence to begin condemnation proceedings on Assessor's Plat 107, Lot 285 (20 Ralph Street) to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILMAN HASSETT, COUNCILMAN LUNA, COUNCILMAN MANCINI, COUNCILMAN SEGAL and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:

Resolution Requesting the City Council President to formulate a "City Assets Oversight Commission".

Resolved, That the City Council President is requested to formulate a "City Assets Oversight Commission" consisting of Five (5) Members, Councilman John J. Igliazzi; Councilman David A. Segal; Councilman Terrence M. Hassett; James J. Lombardi, III, City Council

Internal Auditor; Executive Director or Designee of The Rhode Island Public Expenditure Council (RIPEC).

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN ALLEN, COUNCILMAN APONTE, COUNCILMAN BUTLER, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILMAN HASSETT, COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN LUNA, COUNCILMAN MANCINI, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:

Resolution Extending Sincere Best Wishes to Former Councilman Philip A. Almagno upon his retirement after 28 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council hereby Extend Sincere Best Wishes to Former Councilman Philip A. Almagno upon his retirement after 28 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

COUNCILMAN LUNA (By Request):

Resolution Declaring Monday, June 16, 2003 as the Official Day of the "Initiation of Spanish Speaking Radio" in Rhode Island.

Resolved, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby declare Monday, June 16, 2003 as the Official Day of the "Initiation of Spanish Speaking Radio" in Rhode Island.

COUNCILMAN LUNA, COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN ALLEN, COUNCILMAN APONTE, COUNCILMAN BUTLER, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILMAN HASSETT, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN MANCINI, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:

Resolution Extending Sincere Best Wishes to Donovan Williams on his inspirational recovery from the tragic wounds suffered from the West Warwick Station Nightclub Fire of February 20, 2003.

Whereas, On February 20, 2003 there was a tragic fire at the West Warwick Station Nightclub in Warwick, Rhode Island; and

Whereas, On that date Donovan Williams was one of many who suffered tragic wounds as a result of this horrible tragedy; and

Whereas, The Members of the Providence City Council hope that in some small way our heartfelt words, sincerest wishes for health and happiness, and our unqualified support for Donovan Williams' future recovery efforts may help strengthen his resolve as his example has done for us.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby salute you, Donovan Williams, and all the other victims of this horrible tragedy.

COUNCILMAN SEGAL and COUNCILMAN LUNA:

Resolution Opposing the Federal Communication Commission's weakening of certain restrictions on media ownership.

Whereas, The Federal Communications Commission recently voted to change media ownership regulations so as to increase the number of television stations that a single company may own in a single market; allow a single company to own both a television station and a newspaper in the same market; and increase the percentage of the nation's population that may be reached by television stations owned by a single company; and

Whereas, Limits on media ownership were put in place in order to protect the public's ability to choose from a plethora of media sources, and to facilitate every citizen's access to an abundance of viewpoints; and

Whereas, The recent regulatory changes allow for increased consolidation of the ownership of media outlets; and

Whereas, Similar deregulation mandated by the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 has contributed to a decline in the number of radio-station owners nation-wide, by the order of 30 percent over the last seven years; and

Whereas, Access to diverse sources of information and dissenting voices is in the public interest, while increased consolidation is not; and

Whereas, Public input on this matter has been restricted, and FCC Chairman Michael Powell has attended only two of the 13 public meetings at which the FCC has taken comment relative to it; and

Whereas, The overwhelming majority of comments filed with the FCC about the rule changes is in opposition to said changes; and

Whereas, Members of Congress have demanded that the FCC share with them the research used to justify the regulatory changes, but the FCC has refused to do so.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Providence, Rhode Island, hereby opposes the aforementioned recent changes in media ownership rules and, hereby urges the passage of bills H.R. 2052 and S. 1046, which would mandate that stations owned by a single company reach no more than 35% of the population of the United States and, hereby urges the Rhode Island Delegation to the United States Senate and House of Representatives to do all in its power to reverse the aforementioned regulatory changes.

Now, Therefore, Be It Further Resolved, That the City Clerk shall forward copies of this resolution to President Bush, Senators Reed and Chaffee, and Representatives Kennedy and Langevin.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of street signs

indicating: "Fremont Street" at Ives Street, "East Transit Street" at Governor Street; "Trenton Street" at Gano Street; "East George Street" at Gano Street; "Young Orchard Avenue" at Cooke Street; "Fones Alley" at Brook Street; "George Street" at Brook Street; "John Street" at Hope Street; and "Ann Street" at Wickenden Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of street signs indicating: "Fremont Street" at Ives Street, "East Transit Street" at Governor Street; "Trenton Street" at Gano Street; "East George Street" at Gano Street; "Young Orchard Avenue" at Cooke Street; "Fones Alley" at Brook Street; "George Street" at Brook Street; "John Street" at Hope Street; and "Ann Street" at Wickenden Street.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters and Moves Passage of the Several Resolutions, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COUNCILWOMAN JOSEPHINE DiRUZZO, Chairwoman COMMITTEE ON CITY PROPERTY

Transmits the following with recommendation the same be Approved, As Amended:

Resolution Authorizing His Honor the Mayor to execute a lease for the land owned by the City of Providence and located along Montague Street as part of Assessor's Plat 8, Lot 155, to the Greater Providence Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) for a period of thirty years at an annual rental of \$1.00 and with other such terms and conditions as may be imposed by the Committee on City Property.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a lease for the land owned by the City of Providence and located along Montague Street as part of Assessor's Plat 8, Lot 155, to the Greater Providence Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) for a period of thirty years at an annual rental of \$1.00 and with other such terms and conditions as may be imposed by the Committee on City Property, the City Council, His Honor the Mayor, and the City Solicitor.

This Resolution rescinds Resolution No. 496, Approved September 13, 1991.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Aponte, Butler, DeLuca, Hassett, Igliozi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwoman Romano, Councilman Segal, Councilwoman Williams--13.

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilwomen DiRuzzo and Young--2.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

**COUNCILMAN KEVIN M. JACKSON, Chairman
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

**Transmits the following with recommenda-
tion the same be Adopted, As Amended:**

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 2001-54, Approved December 21, 2001 Entitled: "An Ordinance Establishing a Tax Stabilization Plan for Kinsley Harris, LLC on behalf of Jefferson at Providence Place."

Read and Passed the First Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Aponte, Butler, Has-

sett, Iglizzi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwomen Romano and Williams—11.

Nays: Councilman DeLuca—1.

Not Voting: Councilman Segal—1.

Absent: Councilwomen DiRuzzo and Young—2.

The motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

**Transmits the following with recommenda-
tion the same be Approved, As Amended:**

Resolution Requesting to abate the taxes on Assessor's Plat 31, Lot 29, (436 Cranston Street) for the following years: 1993, 1994, 1997, and 1998, for property owned by the Providence Plan Housing Corporation and any interest accrued.

Resolved, That the taxes on Assessor's Plat 31, Lot 29, (436 Cranston Street) for the following years: 1993, 1994, 1997, and 1998, for property owned by the Providence Plan Housing Corporation and any interest accrued are hereby abated.

**Transmits the following with recommenda-
tion the same be Approved:**

Resolution Authorizing the President of the City Council to engage an Accounting Services Firm to assist the Study Commission on Tax Exempt Institutions in reviewing all relevant information associated with tax

exempt property within the City of Providence in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

Resolved, That the President of the City Council is hereby authorized to engage an

Accounting Services Firm to assist the Study Commission on Tax Exempt Institutions in reviewing all relevant information associated with tax exempt property within the City of Providence in an amount not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters and Moves Passage of the Several Resolutions, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Withdraws his motion for Passage of the foregoing matters and COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS Withdraws her second of the motion.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters and Moves Passage of the

Several Resolutions, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Aponte, Butler, DeLuca, Hassett, Igliozi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwoman Romano, Councilman Segal, Councilwoman Williams—13.

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilwomen DiRuzzo and Young—2.

The motion for Passage of the Several Resolutions, is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN RITA M. WILLIAMS, Chairwoman COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Transmits the following with recommendation the same be Severally Adopted:

An Ordinance Relative to the Establishment of Certain Approval Fees, As Amended.

An Ordinance Amending Article II of Chapter 9 of the Code of Ordinances Entitled: "Fire Prevention and Protection".

An Ordinance Amending Section 9-95 in Article IV of Chapter 9 of the Code of Ordinances Entitled: "Fire Prevention and Protection".

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters, and Moves Passage for the First Time of the Several Ordinances, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Aponte, Butler, Hassett, Igliozi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwomen Romano and Williams—11.

Nays: Councilmen Butler and DeLuca request to be recorded as voting "NO" on "An Ordinance Amending Section 9-95 in Article IV of Chapter 9 of the Code of Ordinances Entitled: "Fire Prevention and Protection"—2; and Councilman DeLuca requests to be recorded as voting "NO" on "An Ordinance Relative to the

Establishment of Certain Approval Fees, As Amended" and "An Ordinance Amending Article II of Chapter 9 of the Code of Ordinances Entitled: "Fire Prevention and Protection"—1.

Absent: Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilman Segal and Councilwoman Young—3.

The motion for Passage of the Several Ordinances the First Time is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN BALBINA A. YOUNG, Chairwoman COMMITTEE ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT, RENEWAL AND PLANNING

Transmits the following with recommendation the same be Approved:

Resolution Relative to the Providence Redevelopment Agency Parcel 12 Project.

Whereas, The City has requested that the Providence Redevelopment Agency (the "Agency") purchase Parcel 12 from the City for certain predevelopment work prior to selling the property to a developer; and

Whereas, The Agency intends to finance its purchase by a lease back to the City; and

Whereas, As required by Sections 45-32-5(1)(k) and 45-32-48 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, the Agency has submitted a Report to the City Council dated May 8, 2003 (the

"Report") concerning the proposed Lease between the City and the Agency of Parcel 12; and

Whereas, As described in the Report, the Providence Redevelopment Agency will retain title to Parcel 12 until payment in full of the Agency's obligations issued to finance the purchase of Parcel 12 from the City (the "Obligations"); and

Whereas, In connection with the issuance of the Agency's Obligations, under applicable securities laws and regulations, the City will be required to provide continuing disclosure regarding the City;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That:

1. The City Council hereby approves the transfer of all right, title and interest of the City to Parcel 12 to the Agency.

2. The City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to enter into the Lease as described in the Report of the Agency, and the Mayor is authorized to take any and all action and to execute, file, and deliver the Lease and any and all agreements, notes, and other documents in such form as he may deem necessary or desirable to implement the Agency's financing of the Parcel 12 Project as described in the Report.

3. The City Council, pursuant to Section 45-32-5(3) of the General Laws of Rhode Island, authorizes the Agency to retain title to Parcel 12 for twenty (20) years or until the Obligations are retired.

4. This Resolution is an affirmative action of the City towards the issuance of the Obligations in accordance with the purposes of the laws of the State. This Resolution constitutes the City's declaration of official intent, pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2, to reimburse the City's General Fund for certain capital expenditures for the Project paid on or after the date which is sixty (60) days prior to the date of this Resolution but prior to the issuance of the Obligations, or otherwise as permitted by such regulation. Amounts to be reimbursed shall be reimbursed not later than eighteen months after (a) the date on which the expenditure is paid or (b) the date the project is placed in service or abandoned, but in no event more than three (3) years after the date the expenditure is paid.

5. The City's Director of Finance is authorized to execute and deliver a continuing

disclosure certificate in connection with the Obligations issued by or on behalf of the Agency, in such form as shall be deemed advisable by the City's Director of Finance. The City hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the continuing disclosure certificate, as it may be amended from time to time. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Resolution or the Obligations, failure of the City to comply with the continuing disclosure certificate shall not be considered an event of default; however, any certificate holder may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the City to comply with its obligations under this Resolution and under the continuing disclosure certificate.

6. This Resolution shall take effect on passage.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Allen, Aponte, Butler, Hassett, Igliozi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwomen Romano and Williams—10.

Nays: Councilman DeLuca—1.

Not Voting: Council President Lombardi—1.

Absent: Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilman Segal and Councilwoman Young—3.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COMMUNICATION AND REPORT

Communication from Council President John J. Lombardi, dated June 4, 2003, Informing the City Clerk that he is this day assigning the following terms of office for the members of the Providence External Review Authority. (PERA)

1 Year

Paul Caswell (Lombardi)
Elizabeth Colon (Hassett)
Michael Evora (Aponte)
Robin Evans (Allen)
Dan Driscoll (Butler)
Caroline Jutras (DiRuzzo)

2 Years

Shakira Abdullah (Lombardi)
Andrew Galli (Igliazzi)
Eva Ann Geppo (DeLuca)
Kohie Isihiharea (Luna)
Susan DeRita (Mancini)
Alessandro Montannari (Romano)

3 Years

Luz Bravo Gleicher (Segal)
Ken Brown (Jackson)
Stanley Bleecker (Williams)
Mary Kay Harris (Young)

Report from KPMG for the Single Audit for Year Ended June 30, 2002.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Receives the foregoing Communication and Report.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition from Keith Cullen, Project Manager, Providence Biltmore Hotel, requesting permission to abandon public lands located in front of the main entrance to the Hotel on Dorrance Street.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Petition to the Committee on Public Works.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

USAA a/s/o Philip J. Parker

Vincent Campopiano

Charlene M. Papagan

Kevin Gilleny

Krysti Becton

Evelyn Dantone

Yesica Borrayo

Portuguese Sporting Club

Thomas Harkins

Ramon Taveras (Robert V. Russo, Esquire)

Gladys Paula (Robert V. Russo, Esquire)

Luz Dilone (Robert V. Russo, Esquire)

Stacey Rodriguez

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Severally Refers the Petitions to the
Committee on Claims and Pending Suits.**

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI RELINQUISHES THE CHAIR

ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT MANCINI IN THE CHAIR

PRESENTATION OF CITATIONS

"In Congratulations"

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and
the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:**

Citations Extending Congratulations.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere congratulations to the following:

Nancy Neglia, in recognition of the celebration of her 90th birthday.

John Baldinelli, California Cleaners, in recognition of his retirement after 57 years of dedicated service to the community and being the longest surviving merchant on Westminster Street, 1946-2003.

Pershing Rodriguez, in recognition of his pioneering efforts in initiating the first Spanish Speaking Radio Station.

Hugo Adames, in recognition of 19 years of continued radio service and flourishing commitment to the Hispanic community.

James F. Shea, in recognition of the celebration of his 102nd birthday, born on May 29, 1901.

James Ahern, in recognition of his 38 years of dedicated service, tireless commitment and inspiration to the youth of the City of Providence.

Battalion Chief James D. Bennett, in recognition of the celebration of thirty-four years of service to the Providence Fire Department, appointed August 26, 1968, retired December 31, 2002.

Brandon Brown, in recognition of the celebration of his graduation from the New Feinstein High School, Class of 2003.

Justin L. Campbell, in recognition of the celebration of his graduation from the New Feinstein High School, Class of 2003.

William J. Freddo, in recognition of his outstanding community service to the City of Providence.

Mr. and Mrs. John Richard, in recognition of the celebration of their marriage on June 8, 2003.

Former Councilman Philip A. Almagno, in recognition of the celebration of his retirement after 28 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Herbert J. Paquette, in recognition of being appointed Deputy Police Chief of the East Providence Police Department.

Armand Garo, in recognition of being promoted to Lieutenant of the East Providence Police Department.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

PERSONAL EXPRESSION

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI Requests the privilege of the floor to speak on a point of Personal Expression and states:

I just want to say that this is something to do with our Chambers. I remember about five

years ago when I first became a councilman one of the things I submitted was a request for a review in creation of a new speaker system and mic system for all of us. It's five years gone by and once again we are all talking like we are on a CB going down highway A1A. I think it's

pretty important that we are able to speak clearly, all of us and in the mic's clearly and the public can hear. So once again I renew my request that maybe we can have the City Clerk be the point person and request and get the appropriate dollar amounts to get this thing reviewed. It seems to me that and maybe we can ask you to be the point person with the appropriate officials. I would humbly request that it's time now that maybe we as a council body, that maybe I would ask the City Clerk to take the bull by the horns and let's do it ourselves and then we can take care of it later because this is unacceptable and I'm finally glad to see we also got a new American Flag that came about two years ago because the

other one was all tattered and torn. But we should have appropriate accoutrements. You know, we are not asking for computers and new carpets and all this other stuff. We are just asking for a simple system. So I would ask that maybe we all join in and support the Clerk and maybe he can take the bull by the horns and instead of putting a request on deaf ears, we will do it and we will do it ourselves and then we will put the appropriate requests to the Chair of the Finance Committee to get the appropriate funding to get it straightened out. That is all I ask, thank you.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memorium"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

Resolutions Extending Sympathy.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere sympathy to the families of the following:

Donald F. Lema

Anthony T. "Perry" Cavalloro, Sr.

George N. Marzilli

Pasco M. "Pat" DiBiaso, Sr.

William J. Coyle

Armando D'Iorio

John Augustus Roach, Sr.

Sharon A. DelGizzo

Anthony A. Giannini

Nicholas J. "Buster" Narducci, Sr.

Anthony Carpineto

Luigi "Louis" Cedroni

Vincent J. Baccari

Martin "Ricky" Bogosian, Jr.

Aaron Slom

Angeline Capalbo

Margaret McCarthy Hartwell

Irene Angolano

COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by
COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

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

MATTER NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

On motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE,
seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS,
it is voted to Suspend Rule 16B of the Rules
of the City Council in order to allow the
introduction of the following matter not
appearing on the Printed Docket.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI,
COUNCILMAN ALLEN, COUNCILMAN
APONTE, COUNCILMAN BUTLER,
COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCIL-
WOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILMAN
HASSETT, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI,
COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCIL-
MAN LUNA, COUNCILMAN MANCINI,
COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUN-
CILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILWOMAN

WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN
YOUNG:

Resolution Requesting that the City Council
hereby retains R. Kelly Sheridan, Esquire, at
a rate of \$130.00 per hour with a cap of
\$2,500.00, under the provisions of the
Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as
Amended Section 401 (d) for the purpose of
reviewing the recent Supreme Court and

Superior Court Decisions and the impact on
the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Budget.

ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT MAN-
CINI Refers the foregoing Resolution to
the Committee on Finance.

The Motion to Refer is Sustained.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on
motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, second-
ed by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, it is
voted to adjourn at 8:35 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.)
to meet again on THURSDAY, JULY 3, 2003
at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.).

Richard R. Clement

City Clerk



