

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
RHODE ISLAND**



IN CITY COUNCIL

**JUL 29 1976**

APPROVED:

*Vincent Crespi*  
CLERK

**CITY COUNCIL**

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

No. 45 City Council Special Meeting, Saturday, July 17, 1976, at 2:30 o'clock P.M. (EDT)

**PRESIDING  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
ROBERT J. HAXTON**

**ROLL CALL**

**Present: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Almagno, Bradshaw, Cirelli, Cola, Fagnoli, Flynn, Garan, Gorodetsky, Henries, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso and Xavier—21.**

**Absent: Councilwoman Brassil and Councilmen Crowley, Johnson, Pearlman and Turchetta—5.**

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## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILMAN  
WILLIAM G. BRADSHAW.

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

COUNCILMAN PHILIP F. ADDISON, 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.

## COMMUNICATION FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

The Clerk Reads the following Communication  
from His Honor the Mayor:

July 8, 1976

Mr. Vincent Vespia  
City Clerk  
Providence City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Vespia:

In anticipation of a favorable recommendation  
by the Committee on Finance of the Providence  
City Council on Saturday, July 17, 1976, at 11:00  
A.M. (EDT) relative to "An Ordinance Estab-  
lishing a Tax Stabilization Plan of the Biltmore

Hotel Properties," pursuant to section 3.11 of the  
Providence City Charter, I, as Mayor, hereby re-  
quest a special meeting of the Honorable City  
Council to be held upon the rise of the Commit-  
tee on Finance on that date.

Would you kindly notify said Council Mem-  
bers pursuant to the aforementioned Charter  
Provisions.

Sincerely,  
VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.  
Mayor of Providence

Received.

## FROM THE CITY CLERK

The Clerk Reads the following Warrant, with the City Sergeant's Return Endorsed thereon, Certifying that He did Notify the Members of the City Council of the Special Meeting to be held Saturday, July 17, 1976 Upon the Rise of the Scheduled Meeting of the Committee on Finance on that date, by Personally Delivering a Copy of the following Warrant;

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
The City of Providence, Sc.

To Giacomo Martone, City Sergeant:

Whereas, His Honor Vincent A. Cianci, Jr., Mayor of the City of Providence, has pursuant to Section 3.11 of the Providence City Charter, requested a Special Meeting of the Honorable City Council to be held on Saturday, July 17, 1976 upon the rise of the scheduled meeting of the Committee on Finance on that date for the purpose of considering the anticipated favorable recommendation by the Committee on Finance relative to "An Ordinance Establishing a Tax Stabilization Plan of the Biltmore Hotel Properties."

You are therefore hereby commanded and required to summon each Member of the City Council to that Special Meeting, as noted, and for any other business that may legally come before said Council Meeting.

Hereof, Fail Not, and make true return of this warrant, with your doings thereon.

Given under my hand and official seal this Ninth Day of July, A.D., 1976

VINCENT VESPIA  
City Clerk

CITY OF PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND

July 12, 1976

I hereby certify that I have notified each Member of the City Council of the Special Meeting scheduled to be held on Saturday, July 17, 1976 at 11:00 o'clock A.M. (E.D.T.) in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, Providence, Rhode Island, in accordance with the subject warrant by delivering to each Member, a copy thereof.

GIACOMO MARTONE  
City Sergeant

Received.

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON:

Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Negotiate a Contract, Subject to Its Final Approval, with

the Redevelopers of the Biltmore Hotel to Provide for a Program of Taxation which will Insure the City of a Net Tax of Not Less than the Annual Tax on the Value of the Land During

the Period of Rehabilitation and Reconstruction and the Commencement of the Operation of the Hotel and Any Other Related Businesses, an Annual Tax Equal to Fifteen (15%) Percent or Subject to Negotiation, of the Gross Income of the Hotel and the Related Businesses.

**COUNCILMAN LYNCH** moves that the Resolution be Not Passed.

This motion being seconded by **COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO**, is Put to Vote and Adopted, by the following Roll Call Vote:

**Ayes:** Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Almagno, Bradshaw, Cirelli, Cola, Garan, Gorodetsky, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola and Petrosinelli—13.

**Noes:** Council President Haxton and Councilmen Fagnoli, Flynn, Salvatore, Tomasso and Xavier—6.

**Not Voting:** Councilmen Henries and Stravato—2.

**Absent:** Councilwoman Brassil and Councilmen Crowley, Johnson, Pearlman and Turchetta—5.

## REPORT FROM COMMITTEE

**COUNCILMAN ROBERT F. LYNCH, Chairman**

### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Transmits the following with Recommendation  
the Same be Adopted:

An Ordinance Establishing a Tax Stabilization Plan for the Biltmore Hotel Properties.

**COUNCILMAN LYNCH** moves the Ordinance be Passed the First Time.

This Motion is seconded by **COUNCILMEN GARAN** and **MANSOLILLO**.

**COUNCILMAN XAVIER** moves the Ordinance be Referred Back to the Committee on Finance.

This Motion being seconded by **COUNCILMAN FLYNN**, and having precedence over the Main Motion for Passage the First Time, is Put to Vote and Not Adopted, by the following Roll Call Vote:

**Noes:** Council President Haxton and Council-

men Addison, Ahern, Almagno, Bradshaw, Cirelli, Cola, Garan, Gorodetsky, Henries, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Petrosinelli and Stravato—16.

**Ayes:** Councilmen Fagnoli, Flynn, Salvatore, Tomasso and Turchetta—5.

**Absent:** Councilwoman Brassil and Councilmen Crowley, Johnson, Pearlman and Turchetta—5.

The Ordinance is thereupon Read and Passed, the First Time, by the following Roll Call Vote:

**Ayes:** Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Almagno, Bradshaw, Cirelli, Cola, Garan, Gorodetsky, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Petrosinelli and Stravato—15.

**Noes: Councilmen Fagnoli, Flynn, Henries, Salvatore, Tomasso and Xavier—6.**

**Absent: Councilwoman Brassil and Councilmen Crowley, Johnson, Pearlman and Turchetta—5.**

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

**COUNCILMAN GARAN:**

Resolution Requesting the President of the City Council to Appoint and Designate One Member of the City Council as a Liaison Between the Biltmore Hotel Properties Investors and the City Council.

*Resolved*, That the President of the City Coun-

cil is requested to appoint and designate one member of the City Council to act as a Liaison between the Biltmore Hotel Properties Investors and the City Council, in the proposed restoration and renovation of the Biltmore Properties.

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GARAN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.**

**On motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN, it is Voted to Suspend Rule 2 of the Rules of the City Council in Order to Allow the Council to Meet on a Day Other than Provided in Said Rule 2.**

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN ADDISON, GARAN and MEROLA, the City Council adjourns at 3:20 o'clock P.M. (EDT), to meet again on THURSDAY, JULY 29, 1976 at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (EDT).

*Vincent Vaprio*

*City Clerk*

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