

CITY OF PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 24 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, September 18, 2003, 7:30 o'clock PM. (E.D.T)

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

JOHN J. LOMBARDI

IN CITY COUNCIL

DEC 16 2004

APPROVED:

CLERK

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Aponte, Butler, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Igliazzi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwomen Romano, Williams and Young—13.

Absent: Councilmen Allen and Segal—2.

Also Present: Bruce D. Tedesco, 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 COUNCILWOMAN
RITA M. WILLIAMS .

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

COUNCILMAN RONALD W. ALLEN leads the
members of the City Council and the Assem-
blage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of
the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Journal of Proceedings No. 9 of the
Regular Meeting of the City Council held April
22, 2003 and Posted on September 8, 2003 on
that Bulletin Board located on the Ground
Level of City Hall, is approved as printed on
motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded
by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

APPOINTMENTS BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated August 28, 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, he is this day appointing Ms. Mary Ellen Ahearn of 51 Sharon Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, to the Board of Trustees of the Providence Center for a term to expire on June 1, 2007. (Ms. Ahearn will be replacing Mr. Karl F. Ericson, whose term has expired.)

Communication dated August 28, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1107 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, and Rhode Island General Law 45-24.1-3, as well as the Zoning Ordinance 501.1 (c), he is this day appointing Ms. Virginia Branch of 58 Dexter Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02909, as a Member of the Historic District Commission for a term to expire in September, 2006. (Ms. Branch will fill an existing vacancy on the Commission.)

Communication dated August 28, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1107 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day reappointing Mr. Jaime Costillo of 303 Admiral Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a Member of the Providence Housing Authority for a term to expire in July, 2008.

Communication dated August 28, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1107 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, and Section 2 of Chapter 332 of the Public Laws, 1981,

he is this day reappointing Mr. Barry Fain of 48 Congdon Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a Member of the Capital Center Commission for a term to expire in September, 2007.

Communication dated August 28, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1107 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, and Rhode Island General Law 45-24.1-3, as well as the Zoning Ordinance 501.1 (c), he is this day reappointing Mr. Glen Fontecchio of 19 Luzon Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a Member of the Historic District Commission for a term to expire in September, 2006.

Communication dated August 28, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1107 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, and Rhode Island General Law 45-24.1-3, as well as the Zoning Ordinance 501.1 (c), he is this day reappointing Ms. Catherine Lund of 225 Adelaide Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02907, as a Member of the Historic District Commission for a term to expire in September, 2006.

Communication dated August 28, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1107 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, and Rhode Island General Law 45-24.1-3, as well as the Zoning Ordinance 501.1 (c), he is this day appointing Ms. Cecilia Serle of 50 Forest Street, Providence,

Rhode Island 02906, as a Member of the Historic District Commission for a term to expire in September, 2006. (Ms. Serle will fill an existing vacancy in the auxiliary position.)

COUNCILMAN APONTE moves to dispense with the reading of the foregoing matters.

Severally Received.

Communication dated September 3, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Keith Oliviera of 63 Roanoke Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a Member of the Providence Human Relations Commission for a term to expire in January, 2006, and respectfully submits the same for approval. (Mr. Oliviera will be replacing Mr. Gary St. Peter whose term has expired.)

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Receives the Communication and Refers the Same to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Receive and Refer is Sustained.

Communication dated September 11, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1108 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Charles Walton of 82 Homer Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02905, as a Member of the Providence Redevelopment Agency for a term to expire in January, 2008. (Mr. Walton will replace Mr. Jose V. Monteiro, Jr. whose term has expired.)

Received.

Communication dated September 2, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Thomas Whitten of 50 Blackstone Boulevard, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a Member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire in January 2006, and respectfully submits the same for approval. (Mr. Whitten will fill an existing vacancy on the board).

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Receives the Communication and Refers the Same to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Receive and Refer is Sustained.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

**The following Ordinance was in City Council
September 4, 2003, Read and Passed the First
Time and is returned for Passage the Second
Time:**

An Ordinance amending that certain tax stabilization agreement for the "Manchester Street Station" as approved pursuant to Ordinance No. 337 of Chapter 1992-28.

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

Whereas, The City of Providence, through its City Council, approved a Tax Stabilization Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1992, pursuant to Ordinance No. 337 of Chapter 1992-28, with respect to certain property known as the Manchester Street Station, which property is used for generation of electricity, by and between US Gen New England, Inc. (successor-in-interest to The Narragansett Electric Company) and the City of Providence; and

Whereas, The City of Providence has been presented with a request by US Gen New England, Inc., to amend said agreement so as to identify the property under the agreement in a manner consistent with the Plat and Lot Map of the Tax Assessor, City of Providence, so-called, as of June 30, 2003, to extend the term of and to modify the payments under the Tax Stabilization Agreement, dated July 1, 1992; and

Whereas, The City Council finds and determines that the granting of said request will inure to the benefit of the City of Providence.

Now, therefore, Be it Ordained:

Section 1. That Tax Stabilization Agreement, dated July 1, 1992, by and between US Gen New England, Inc., and the City of Providence is hereby amended, as of June 30, 2003, as follows:

a. Paragraph 1. The Project, meaning the Real Property, Improvements and Ancillary Facilities and constituting all of the real and personal property owned and used by US Gen at the Manchester Street Station, is hereby amended so that "Real Property" is defined as Lot 354 of Plat 22 of the City of Providence; and, it is understood that any and all real estate or personal property that is owned by the State of Rhode and/or Narragansett Electric Company (including underground transmission lines and conduit) does not fall within the Project and therefore is not covered by the Tax Stabilization Agreement.

b. Paragraph 4 is amended so as to add the following:

<i>Taxes Assessed December 31</i>	<i>For Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Annual Tax</i>
2002	July 1, 2003—June 30, 2004	\$6,600,000
2003	July 1, 2004—June 30, 2005	\$6,600,000
2004	July 1, 2005—June 30, 2006	\$6,600,000
2005	July 1, 2006—June 30, 2007	\$6,600,000
2006	July 1, 2007—June 30, 2008	\$6,600,000

Section 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an amendment to the Tax Stabilization Agreement, dated July 1, 1992, in form and substance as approved, in writing, by the City Solicitor, to effectuate the amendments to the Tax Stabilization Agreement, dated July 1, 1992, as herein provided.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

Read and Passed, the Second Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Aponte, Butler, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Igliozi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwomen Romano, Williams and Young—13.

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilmen Allen and Segal—2.

The motion for Passage the Second Time is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCILMEN BUTLER, APONTE and LUNA:

An Ordinance in amendment Chapter 2002-24, approved July 31, 2002, entitled: "An Ordinance amending certain sections of Article X of Chapter 21 of the Code of Ordinances entitled: 'Property Tax Classification for the City'".

Read and Passed the First Time and Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN HASSETT, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Aponte, Butler, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Igliozi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwomen Romano, Williams and Young—13.

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilmen Allen and Segal—2.

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

COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (By Request):

An Ordinance in amendment of Article IX, Section 14-17 through 185 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence relative to Peddlers and Hawkers.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI (By Request):

Resolution Requesting to abate the taxes on Assessor's Plat 25, Lot 320 (32 Aborn Street), in the amount of three thousand six hundred ninety three dollars and fifty two cents (\$3,693.52) and any interest accrued. (Trinity Repertory Company).

Resolution Requesting to abate the taxes on Assessor's Plat 25, Lot 446 (87 Empire Street), in the amount of forty one thousand seven hundred twenty two dollars and seventy nine cents (\$41,722.79) and any interest accrued. (Trinity Repertory Company).

COUNCILMAN APONTE and COUNCILMAN HASSETT (By Request):

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate, in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 53, Lot 230 (79 Detroit Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law 44-7-23, in the amount of one thousand two hundred twenty seven dollars and twenty cents (\$1,227.20), or any taxes accrued including 2003 taxes while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 42, Lot 230 (76 Sorrento Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law 44-7-23, in the amount of one thousand two hundred twenty seven dollars and twenty cents (\$1,227.20), or any taxes accrued including 2003 taxes while in PRA ownership.

COUNCILMAN APONTE moves to dispense with the reading of the foregoing matters.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Severally Refers the Resolutions to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Transfer of Assessor's Plat 54, Lots 52, 107 and 108 (a/k/a 5-10-14 Gallup Street, in the amount of one dollar (\$1.00), to the Providence Redevelopment Agency and requesting the City Council abate all outstanding taxes and any taxes which will accrue while in PRA ownership.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN APONTE (By Request):

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 4, Lot 247LL01; Assessor's Plat 19, Lot 102; Assessor's Plat 19, Lot 109; Assessor's Plat 19, Lot 113; Assessor's Plat 19, Lot 114; Assessor's Plat 19, Lot 115LL01; Assessor's Plat 19, Lot 115LB01; Assessor's Plat 19, Lot 188 and Assessor's Plat 19, Lot 119 for Capital Properties for the years: 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001 and 2002.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN BUTLER:

Resolution Requesting the Traffic engineer to cause the installation of a "no thru trucks" sign on Berlin Street at Chalkstone Avenue heading in a westerly direction.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a Memorial Plaque in the vicinity of 163 Webster Avenue, in honor of Edgar O. Ortega.

COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO moves to amend the Resolution to read "Resolution Requesting the Traffic engineer to cause the installation of a Memorial Plaque on pole #13 in front of 163 Webster Avenue, in honor of Edgar O. Ortega who was beaten to death outside of the Keg Room in Downtown Providence.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN HASSETT and COUNCILMAN BUTLER:

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Oakland Avenue between Chalkstone Avenue and Higgins Avenue on Saturday, September 20, 2003 between the

hours of 1:00 o'clock P.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M., to accommodate the dedication ceremonies of the Thomas D. Twitchell Greenway.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Oakland Avenue between Chalkstone Avenue and Higgins Avenue on Saturday, September 20, 2003 between the hours of 1:00 o'clock P.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M., to accommodate the dedication ceremonies of the Thomas D. Twitchell Greenway.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN HASSETT:

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "no parking to corner" signs on that portion of Harold Street and Chalkstone Avenue.

COUNCILMAN MANCINI:

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "no littering" signs which indicate the fines for said offense throughout the 14th Ward.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the repair of the traffic signal on Admiral Street in front of the Admiral Street Fire Station that has been broken for five years.

COUNCILMAN SEGAL (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "three-way plates" and four-way plates" on all three-way and four-way stop sign intersections within the First Ward.

COUNCILMAN APONTE moves to dispense with the reading of the foregoing matters.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Severally Refers the Resolutions to the Committee on Public Works.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN SEGAL:

Resolution in Support of the Immigrant Workers Freedom Ride.

Whereas, Rhode Island's population is comprised largely of immigrants from nations around the world and descendants thereof; and

Whereas, The City of Providence was settled by Roger Williams, as he fled persecution, on the principles of independence, diversity, freedom, and tolerance; and

Whereas, The City of Providence has, and will continue to have for the foreseeable future, a large immigrant populations from all over the world; and

Whereas, Immigrations is essential to the city's economic growth, its social and cultural diversity, and the vitality of its civic life; and

Whereas, The security of our city is best protected when no one is forced to live in fear of his or her immigration status; and

Whereas, The interests of the city are not served by the current immigration law which does the following:

(a) Offers no opportunity for many hard working, taxpaying immigrant residents to become legal residents, and eventually, citizens of the United States.

(b) Imposes many hardships on immigrant families wishing to reunite in this state.

(c) Fails to protect the workplace rights of immigrants who are investing their labor in the state's economy.

(d) Fails to provide legal protections and civil rights afforded to citizens; and

Whereas, A national mobilization of individuals and organizations that already support immigration reform, from the United States Chamber of Commerce to the NAACP and the AFL-CIO, from democratic and republican elected officials to the National Immigration Forum and National Council of La Raza, is necessary to restore the momentum for policy change that was swept aside by the tragic events of September 11, 2001; and

Whereas, The Immigrant Workers Freedom Rise, which will set out from ten major cities in the United states and cross the country in buses in the fall of 2003, and culminate in delegations meeting Members of Congress in Washington, DC, and a mass show of support for immigrant workers in New York City, will be a powerful vehicle to demonstrate the existence of a broad national constituency for meaningful immigration reform.

Now, therefore, Be it Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Providence, the Assembly thereof concurring, that the Council hereby does all of the following:

(a) Endorses the Immigrant Workers Freedom Rise (IWFR) and its goals.

(b) Supports and assists the organization of the Immigrant Workers Freedom Ride in the City of Providence.

(c) Calls on legislative bodies throughout the state to adopt similar resolutions.

Be it further Resolved, That the City Clerk transmit copies of this resolution to the Rhode Island Congressional delegation.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to place a "slow curve" sign with reflectors on Lloyd Avenue on the south side of the street across from the Moses Brown Athletic Field on poles No. 25, 26 and 27.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Forestry Division of the Parks Department to cause the bushes to be trimmed at the Gladys Potter Park, especially the bushes that are coming through the fence onto the sidewalk.

Resolved, That the Forestry Division of the Parks Department is requested to cause the bushes to be trimmed at the Gladys Potter Park, especially the bushes that are coming through the fence onto the sidewalk.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, moves to reconsider the following:

COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a Memorial Plaque in the vicinity of 163 Webster Avenue, in honor of Edgar O. Ortega.

COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO moves to amend the Resolution to read "Resolution Requesting the Traffic engineer to cause the installation of a Memorial Plaque on pole #13 in front of 163 Webster Avenue, in honor of Edgar O. Ortega who was beaten to death outside of the Keg Room in Downtown Providence.

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO moves to amend the Resolution with the Amendments that COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO has presented.

The motion to Amend is Sustained.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG (By Request):

Resolution Requesting Hanover Street be designated as a one-way from Dexter Street to Cranston Street.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to cause the repair of the street lamp on poles no. 43 and 45 on Public Street.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to cause the repair of the street lamp on poles no. 43 and 45 on Public Street.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

COUNCILMAN KEVIN JACKSON, Chairman

Transmits the following with recommendation the same be adopted, as amended:

An Ordinance to adopt the payment in lieu of taxes agreement by and between the City of Providence and Tockwotten Home.

Read and Passed, the First Time, as amended, on motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Aponte, Butler, DeLuca, Councilwoman

DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Igliozi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwomen Romano, Williams and Young—13.

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilmen Allen and Segal—2.

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

**Transmits the following with recommendation
the same be approved, as amended:**

Resolution Amending Resolution No. 515, approved June 27, 2003, for the abatement of taxes on Assessor's Plat 31, Lot 299 (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 Resolution No. 515, approved June 27, 2003, be hereby amended for the abatement of taxes on Assessor's Plat 31, Lot 299 (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; further, actual amounts that LA Providence #9 be reimbursed the actual amounts paid on said property for 1993, 1994, 1997, and 1998, said reimbursements to be in principal amount only and without any interest on the amounts paid.

**Transmits the following with recommendation
the same be severally approved:**

Resolution Requesting to abate the taxes on Assessor's Plat 33, Lot 52 (30 Courtland Street), in the amount of four hundred fifty six dollars and nineteen cents (\$456.19) and any interest accrued. (Federal Hill House Association).

Resolved, That the taxes on Assessor's Plat 33, Lot 52 (30 Courtland Street), are hereby abated in the amount of four hundred fifty six dollars and nineteen cents (\$456.19) and any interest accrued. (Federal Hill House Association).

Resolution Requesting to abate the taxes on Assessor's Plat 33, Lot 180 (64R Tell Street), in the amount of five hundred thirty eight dollars and thirty two cents (\$538.32) and any interest accrued. (Federal Hill House Association).

Resolved, That the taxes on Assessor's Plat 33, Lot 180 (64R Tell Street), are hereby abated in the amount of five hundred thirty eight dollars and thirty two cents (\$538.32) and any interest accrued. (Federal Hill House Association).

Resolution Requesting to abate the taxes on Assessor's Plat 33, Lot 66 (8 Courtland Street), in the amount of four hundred fifty five dollars and fifty four cents (\$455.54) and any interest accrued. (Federal Hill House Association).

Resolved, That the taxes on Assessor's Plat 33, Lot 66 (8 Courtland Street), are hereby abated in the amount of four hundred fifty five dollars and fifty four cents (\$455.54) and any interest accrued. (Federal Hill House Association).

Resolution Requesting the Transfer of Assessor's Plat 62, Lot 557 (86 Julian Street), in the amount of one dollar (\$1.00), to the Providence Redevelopment Agency and requesting the City Council abate all taxes outstanding in the amount of eight thousand nine hundred forty six dollars and four cents (\$8,946.04) and any taxes which will accrue in PRA ownership.

Resolved, That the City Council authorize the transfer of AP 62 Lot 557 a/k/a 86 Julian St. to the Providence Redevelopment Agency for one dollar (\$1.00). The Council should authorize Mayor David

N. Cicilline to execute the deed for this parcel. The Providence Redevelopment Agency will use it for future development.

The Providence Redevelopment Agency is also requesting the City Council abate all outstanding taxes in the amount of \$8,946.04 and any taxes which will accrue while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting the Transfer of Assessor's Plat 62, Lot 558 (17 Putnam Street, in the amount of one dollar (41.00), to the Providence Redevelopment Agency and requesting the City Council abate all outstanding taxes in the amount of eleven thousand six hundred eighty five dollars and twenty one cents (\$11,685.21) and any taxes which will accrue while in PRA ownership.

Resolved, That the City Council authorize the transfer of AP 62 Lot 558 a/k/a 17 Putnam Street to the Providence Redevelopment Agency for one dollar (\$1.00). The Council should authorize Mayor David N. Cicilline to execute the deed for this parcel. The Providence Redevelopment Agency will use it for future development.

The Providence Redevelopment Agency is also requesting the City Council abate all outstanding taxes in the amount of \$11,685.21 and any taxes which will accrue while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting the abatement of a demolition lien on Assessor's Plat 53, Lot 37 (136-138 Houston Street), in the amount of seven thousand six hundred dollars (\$7,600.00), and interest at the rate of 8% per year since May 14, 1993.

Resolved, That the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 53, Lot 37 (136-138 Houston Street), be abated, in whole, of a demolition lien, in the amount of seven thousand six hundred dollars (\$7,600.00), and interest at the rate of 8% per year since May 14, 1993.

Resolution Requesting to abate the taxes on Assessor's Plat 45 Lot 322 (54 Wesleyan Avenue), in the amount of one thousand nine hundred seventeen dollars and one cent (\$1,917.01) and any interest accrued.

Resolved, That the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 45 Lot 322 (54 Wesleyan Avenue), are hereby abated, in whole, in the amount of one thousand nine hundred seventeen dollars and one cent (\$1,917.01) and any interest accrued.

Resolution Requesting the Board of Contract and Supply to authorize the purchase of Assessor's Plat 64, Lot 653 (280 Academy Avenue, within the Special Vacant Lot Project from the Providence Redevelopment Agency for the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) to be transferred to the Parks Department and also to cause any and all taxes to be abated, in whole, including 2002 taxes.

Resolved, That the Board of Contract and Supply is hereby empowered to purchase from the Providence Redevelopment Agency that certain parcel of land known as Assessor's Plat 64 Lot 653 located in the Special Vacant Lot Project, the parcel contains approximately 3,865 square feet, at a cost of one dollar (\$1.00). This parcel, has been developed as a City Park. The parcel is to be transferred to the Parks Department, for park purposes.

The Providence Redevelopment Agency is requesting, that the Council does hereby cancel or abate, in whole, the taxes assessed upon the mentioned property in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, or any taxes accrued including 2002 taxes.

COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS and PENDING SUITS
COUNCILMAN PETER S. MANCINI, Chairman

**Transmits the following with recommendation
the same be severally approved:**

Amendment from John J. Gelati, Acting City Assessor to Certificate No. 1G — approved February 20, 2003.

Certificates from the City Collector, No. 49, recommending the cancellation of taxes for the years 1938 to 1958, pursuant to Section 44-7-14 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, as the same are determined to be uncollectible, in the amount of eighty five thousand two hundred sixty two dollars and sixty five cents (\$85,260.65).

COUNCILMAN APONTE moves to dispense with the reading of the foregoing matters.

Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Aponte, Butler, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Igliozi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwomen Romano, Williams and Young—13.

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilmen Allen and Segal—2.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition from Paul Dietel, Project Manager, Brown University, Department of Facilities Management, requesting that utility easements on Meeting Street, south-north, Meeting Street, east-west and Olive Street, east-west be established for University use.

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:

Mark M. Vieira

Selma Fischman (Stephen G. Linder, Esquire)

Mary Fenn (G. Eben Milne, Esquire)

Subrogation Partners/GEICO a/s/o Alice & Jenny Dickerson

Brian Gomes

Martin Skatz

Scott Varner

Joan T. K. Rothman & Frank G. Rothman (Jeffrey S. Michaelson, Esquire)

Maria Turcios

Ramon Moreno

Aida Melendez-Young

Kristine L. Jordan (Laura S. Cameron, Esquire)

Will Torres (Christopher E. Fay, Esquire)

Progressive Insurance Company a/s/o Frank McCarthy (Thomas J. Gavlick, Esquire)

Eric P. Quinones

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Congratulations"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Resolution Extending Congratulations.

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

Richard "Dicky Roo" Lynch, in recognition of the celebration of his Fiftieth Birthday.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and
MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:**

Resolution Extending Sympathy.

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

Teresa Pallotta

Robert C. Garganese

Esther L. Pennacchia

Edgar O. Ortega

Peter J. Hegarty

Angelo Guatieri

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

MATTER NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

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

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCE

COUNCILMAN APONTE:

An Ordinance authorizing the creation of a Class "N" retail liquor license.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI relinquishes the Chair.

**ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM-
PORE** in the Chair.

**ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM-
PORE** Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Ordinances.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI returns to the Chair.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of **COUNCILMAN APONTE**, seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS**, it is voted to adjourn in memory of Peter J. Hegarty at 8:15 o'clock PM. (E.D.T.), to meet again on **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2003** at 7:30 o'clock PM. (E.D.T.).

Richard R. Clement





