

CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
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CITY COUNCIL  
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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No. 46 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, October 20, 1988, 7:30 P.M. (E.D.T.)

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IN CITY COUNCIL

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APPROVED:

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT

NICHOLAS W. EASTON

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Easton,  
Councilmen Annaldo, Dillon, Council-  
women DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen  
Farmer, Glavin, Lombardi, Lopes, O'Con-  
nor, Petrosinelli, Rollins—12.

Absent: Councilwoman Brassil, Council-  
men Cola and Stravato—3.

## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILMAN DAVID G. DILLON.

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

COUNCILMAN ANDREW J. ANNALDO 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. 45 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held October 6, 1988 and Posted October 14, 1988 on that Bulletin Board located on the Ground Floor Level of City Hall, is Approved as Printed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI.

## PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON, COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL and COUNCILMAN FARMER:**

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1988-21, Approved July 1, 1988, by Transferring the Sum of \$15,000.00 from F.I.C.A. Account No. 1015 00225-3980 to Mary Elizabeth Sharpe Tree Trust Fund.

**Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI.**

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**

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

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled "Animals and Fowl".

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled "Definitions".

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled "Penalty for Violations of Sections 4-53 through 4-55".

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled "Penalty for Violation of Article".

**COUNCILMAN LOPES (By Request):**

An Ordinance in Amendment of Section 23-24 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence.

**Severally Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI.**

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

### **COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL and COUNCILMAN DILLON:**

Resolution of the City Council Expressing Their Sincere Best Wishes to James Creamer for a Complete and Speedy Recovery from His Recent Illness.

*Resolved*, That the City Council expresses their sincere best wishes to James Creamer for a complete and speedy recovery from his recent illness.

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

**The motion for Passage, is Sustained.**

### **COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL (By Request):**

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the Installation of Four-Way "Stop" Signs at the Intersection of Ives and Wickenden Streets.

**Referred to the Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI.**

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the Installation of "Loading Zone" Signs along Freemont Street at the Corner of 150 Ives Street.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the Installation of "Loading Zone" Signs along Freemont Street at the Corner of 150 Ives Street.

### **COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO (By Request):**

Resolution requesting the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority to cause the Installation of a Bus Shelter on Pocasset Avenue at Its Intersection with Plainfield Street.

*Resolved*, That the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority is hereby requested to cause the Installation of a Bus Shelter on Pocasset Avenue at Its Intersection with Plainfield Street.

### **COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI (By Request):**

Resolution requesting the Director of Grounds Maintenance Services to cause that Tree located between 131 and 137 Gentian Avenue, to be Removed.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Grounds Maintenance Services is requested to cause that Tree located between 131 and 137 Gentian Avenue, to be Removed, due to the Roots growing into the foundation of the home at said location.

**COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO and COUNCILMAN DILLON:**

Resolution commending Representative John M. Skeffington, Jr., for His Numerous Years of Dedicated Service to the People of the City of Providence as Representative of the Ninth District.

*Whereas*, John M. Skeffington, Jr., known to his many friends as "Jack" or "Cousin", has served his constituency in the capacity of Representative of the Ninth District of the City of Providence with pride and distinction, and

*Whereas*, As Funeral Director in the Mount Pleasant section of our City, a business started by his grandfather, he not only serviced that area, but families State-wide, and

*Whereas*, Active in civic and social affairs, he was co-founder and former President of the Mount Pleasant Businessman's Association, Past Exalted Ruler of the Providence-Cranston Lodge of Elks #14, Chief Steward of the Irish Kings of Rhode Island and a member of numerous organizations, and

*Whereas*, Endowed with a popular and likeable personality, "Jack" enjoyed legions of friends throughout his life and became even more renown when elected as Representative on October 14, 1979, and

*Whereas*, During his tenure, he rose to Deputy Majority Leader of the Rhode Island House of Representatives, and

*Whereas*, He is the father of three sons, John, Robert and Peter, with whom he takes great pride in,

*Now, therefore, be it Resolved*, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby commend "Jack" Skeffington for his many years of dedicated and unselfish service rendered to the people of our community and extend their sincere best wishes for continued success and good health in grateful recognition of his countless good deeds.

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

**The motion for Passage, is Sustained.**

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

Resolutions Reporting Receipts of Certain Gifts of Monies by the Board of Park Commissioners for the Preservation and Care of Specified Burial Lots in North Burial Ground.

**Severally Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI.**

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**

Resolution authorizing His Honor the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with the Department of Environmental Management to Permit the City's Participation in the Waste Oil Collection Program.

**Referred to the Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI.**

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**

**COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI (By Request):**

Resolution requesting the Rhode Island Public

Transit Authority to cause the Installation of Bus Shelters at Various Locations.

*Resolved*, That the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority is hereby requested to cause Bus Shelters to be Installed at the following locations:

Atwells Avenue, opposite Joe Acorn's Market;

Atwells Avenue, opposite Rialto Furniture.

requested to Order the Upgrading of that Street Light on Pole No. 31½, located along Hawkins Street to 22,000 Lumen.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARG-NOLI.**

**The motion for Passage, is Sustained.**

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**COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI (By Request):**

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the Installation of Traffic Signal Lights at the Intersection of Charles Street and Ledge Street.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the Installation of Traffic Signal Lights at the Intersection of Charles Street and Ledge Street.

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**COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:**

Resolution requesting the Secretary of the Zoning, Building and Housing Boards of Review to Clarify Notices Transmitted to People regarding Public Hearings.

**Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARG-NOLI.**

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**

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Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to cause that Sidewalk located along 60 Christopher Street to be Replaced.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause that Sidewalk located along 60 Christopher Street to be Replaced, Due to Street Repairs Damaging Same.

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**COUNCILMAN ROLLINS (By Request):**

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the Missing Street Name Signs at Various Locations to be Replaced.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is hereby requested to cause the following Street Name Signs to be Replaced:

Quince Street at Oxford Street,

Houston Street at Quince Street,

Houston Street at Plum Street,

Plum Street at Houston Street,

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Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Upgrading of that Street Light on Pole No. 31½, located along Hawkins Street to 22,000 Lumen.

*Resolved*, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is

Gordon Avenue at Oxford Street,  
Quince Street at Houston Street,  
Burnside Street at Reynolds Avenue,  
Burnside Street at Sayles Street,  
Burnside Street at Oxford Street,  
Miner Street at Oxford Street,  
Miner Street at Mystic Street,  
Harriet Street at Mystic Street,  
Harriet Street at Oxford Street,  
Harriet Street at Sayles Street,  
Croyland Road at Sayles Street,  
Sayles Street at Gordon Avenue,  
Gordon Avenue at Sayles Street,  
Croyland Road at Oxford Street,  
Oxford Street at Croyland Road,  
Oxford Street at Gordon Avenue,  
Gordon Avenue at Houston Street,

Van Buren Street at Houston Street,  
Gordon Avenue at Colfax Street, and  
Burnside Street at Potters Avenue.

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Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to cause Certain Streets within the Tenth Ward to be Repaved.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works is hereby requested to cause the following Streets to be Repaved:

Washington Avenue from Narragansett Boulevard to Michigan Avenue,

Wyatt Street from Eddy Street to Rugby Street, and

Potters Avenue from Prairie Avenue to Eddy Street.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARG-NOLI.**

**The motion for Passage, is Sustained.**

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

### COUNCILWOMAN CAROLYN F. BRASSIL, Chairwoman COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Transmits the following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted:

An Ordinance in Amendment of Section 51 of Chapter 1988-22, Approved July 1, 1988, Entitled, "An Ordinance Establishing the Classes of Positions, the Maximum Number of Employees and the Number of Employees in Certain Classes in the City Departments and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 1987-30, Approved October 30, 1987", as Amended, "Relative to Rehabilitation Specialist/Planning and Development.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, the First Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Easton, Councilmen Annaldo, Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fargnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Lombardi, Lopes, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Rollins—12.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola and Stravato—3.

The motion for Passage the First Time, is Sustained.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1988-23, Approved July 1, 1988, Entitled: "An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 1987-31, Approved October 20, 1987", as Amended, "Relative to Rehabilitation Specialist/Planning and Development.

The following Ordinance was in City Council October 6, 1988, Read and Passed the First Time, Referred to the Committee on Finance and is Transmitted with Recommendation of Adoption the Second Time:

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1988-23, Approved July 1, 1988, Entitled: "An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Chapter 1987-31, Approved October 20, 1987", as

Amended, "Relative to Fire Equipment Superintendent II."

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*



*Section 1.* Chapter 1988-23 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, Approved July 1, 1988, is hereby amended to read as follows:

<i>Title</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Fire Equipment		
Superintendent II	\$47,669.	\$50,885.

**Ayes:** Council President Easton, Councilmen Annaldo, Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Lombardi, Lopes, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Rollins—12.

**Noes:** None.

*Section 2.* This Ordinance shall take effect retroactive to July 1, 1988.

**Absent:** Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola and Stravato—3.

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

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

**The following Is Transmitted with Recommendation the Several Nominees be Approved:**

Communication transmitting Nominees to the Members of the City Council in Accordance with Section 21-142 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, with Recommendation the Same be Approved for Appointment to the Providence Review Commission.

October 14, 1988

Members of the City Council  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The following nominees have been voted upon and selected by the Members of the Committee on Finance at its meeting held October 13, 1988 in accordance with Sec. 21-142 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, and are submitted, requesting your approval:

Leo P. Trambukis  
850 Atwells Avenue  
Providence, RI 02909

Donald M. Murano  
102 Stamford Avenue  
Providence, RI 02907

Respectfully,

Councilwoman Carolyn F. Brassil  
*Chairwoman*  
Councilman David G. Dillon  
*Vice Chairman*

Councilman Thomas M. Glavin  
Councilman Thomas F. O'Connor, Jr.  
Councilman Malcolm Farmer, III

**Communication Received and Appointments Approved, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI.**

**The motion for Approval, is Sustained.**

## **COUNCILWOMAN EVELYN V. FARGNOLI, Chairwoman COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND PENDING SUITS**

**Transmits the following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved for Cancellation:**

Certificates from the City Assessor (28-R, 1-S, 3-S and 7-S), Recommending the Same be Severally Cancelled, Pursuant to the Provisions of Sections 14 and 15 of Title 44, Chapter 7, of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as Amended.

Certificates from the City Collector (Nos. 51 and 52), Recommending the Same be Severally Cancelled, Pursuant to the Provisions of Section 44-7-11 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as Amended, inasmuch as the Same have been Determined to be Uncollectible as such Amounts were Not Reported as Required on the Statement of Lien.

**Severally Approved for Cancellation, on**

**motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, by the following Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes: Council President Easton, Councilmen Annaldo, Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fargnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Lombardi, Lopes, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Rollins—12.**

**Noes: None.**

**Absent: Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola and Stravato—3.**

**The motion to Approve for Cancellation, is Sustained.**

## **COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT**

Certificates from the City Assessor (2-S and 9-S), Recommending the Same be Severally Cancelled, Pursuant to the Provisions of Sections 14 and 15 of Title 44, Chapter 7, of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as Amended.

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

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**

### **FROM THE BOARD OF LICENSES:**

**Report for the Quarter Ended September 30, 1988.**

**Received.**

## FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

### **Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:**

Dorothy and Harvey Cohen

Cynthia A. Daniels

William A. Filippo, Esq.

Gail A. Girard

Ursula Irving, p.p.a. Christopher Boyd

Marty Johnson

Peter Kalian

Thomas W. King

John Lloyd

M. Kathleen McLacken

Paula Parente

Limbania Reyes-Filion

Aristo L. Rodriguez, Sr.

Sentry Claims Service as subrogee of Theresa Lomano

Elizabeth Simon

Philip Sullivan

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

**The motion to Refer, is Sustained.**

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

### *"In Memoriam"*

#### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:**

#### **Resolutions Extending Sympathy.**

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

James Marzilli

Ronald N. Delgado, Jr.

Jeffrey A. Lyon, Sr.

Robert S. Rogers

Anthony DiMeglio

Santana Borrelli

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, the City Council adjourns at 8:10 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1988 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.).

*Rose M. Mendonca*

*City Clerk*



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