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CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 32 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, February 19, 1976 8:00 P.M. (E.S.T.)

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

RALPH FARGNOLI

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Pro Tempore Fargnoli and Councilmen Almagno, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Flynn, Garan, Henries, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso, and Xavier—19.

Absent: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Abern, Cirelli, Crowley, Gorodetsky, and Turchetta—7.

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INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by Father Bernard O'Reilly, Associate Pastor, Saint Edward's Church, Providence.

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

COUNCILMAN WILLIAM G. BRADSHAW 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. 31 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Thursday, February 5, 1976, and posted February 17, 1976 on that Bulletin Board located on the Ground Floor of the City Hall, is Approved as Printed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GARAN, seconded by COUNCILMAN FLYNN.

SCHEDULE OF BILLS

Street Lighting Bill for the Month of January, 1976, in the Amount of Eighty Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars and Nine Cents, (\$80,669.09).

Severally Approved, on motion of COUNCILMAN GARAN, seconded by COUNCILMAN FLYNN, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fargnoli and Councilmen Almagno, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Flynn,

Garan, Henries, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Stravato, and Xavier—14.

Noes: Councilmen Merola and Tomasso—2.

Not Voting: Councilman Salvatore—1.

Absent: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Cirelli, Crowley, Goro-detsky, Johnson, Lynch, and Turchetta—9.

ORDINANCES SECOND READING

The Following Ordinances Were in City Council February 5, 1976, Read and Passed the First Time and Are Returned for Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1797 of the Ordinance of the City of Providence, Approved November 7, 1966, and Entitled "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the East Side Project No. R.I. R-4."

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

1. That Chapter 1797 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved November 7, 1966, and entitled "An Ordinance Approving the Official Redevelopment Plan for the East Side Project No. R.I. R-4" as heretofore amended, be and is hereby further amended as follows:

A. Delete paragraph (b) "Institutional uses are excluded from this C-4 district, in Section

III B.3.b. (1) Permitted Uses in C-4 Heavy Commercial Zone in South Main-South Water Section on page 18 of the Official Redevelopment Plan for the East Side Project.

B. Delete Map No. 2; Sheet 2 of 2, "Proposed Land Use and Zoning" revised 9-14-72;

C. Insert Map No. 2; Sheet 2 of 2, "Proposed Land Use and Zoning" revised 10-7-75.

2. That said Chapter 1797 of the Ordinance of the City of Providence as adopted and as heretofore amended, be and the same is hereby ratified and affirmed in all other respects.

3. That this Ordinance shall take effect on its passage and shall be filed with the City Clerk who is hereby authorized and directed to for-

ward a certified copy thereof to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

Read and Passed, the Second Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN GARAN, seconded by COUNCILMAN FLYNN, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fargnoli and Councilmen Almagno, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Flynn, Garan, Henries, Johnson, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso, and Xavier—18.

Absent: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Cirelli, Crowley, Gorodetsky, Lynch, and Turchetta—8.

An Ordinance in Amendment of the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1974-19, Approved June 19, 1974, by Appropriating a Sum Not to Exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to Law Department—Special Item 3, for Claims Against the City of Providence.

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. Chapter 1974-19 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, as approved June 19, 1974, entitled, "An Ordinance making appropriation of \$85,823,307.71 for the support of City Government for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 1974, and ending June 30, 1975" (July 1, 1975-June 30, 1976) as amended is hereby further amended by appropriating sum not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to Law Department—Special Item 3, for Claims against the City of Providence.

Sec. 2. The said sum not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) as thus added and appropriated shall be obtained by authorizing the City Controller and City Treasurer to transfer such amount from the Reserve for Ex-

traordinary Expenditures Account to the Receipt Account.

Sec. 3. The estimated Receipts from the Reserve for Extraordinary Expenditures Account are hereby increased by a sum not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00).

Sec. 4. This Emergency Ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption by the Council and its Approval by the Mayor.

Read and Passed the Second Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN GARAN, seconded by COUNCILMEN FLYNN and STRAVATO, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fargnoli and Councilmen Almagno, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Flynn, Garan, Henries, Johnson, Lynch, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso, and Xavier—19.

Noes: Councilman Mansolillo—1.

Absent: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Cirelli, Crowley, Gorodetsky, and Turchetta—7.

An Ordinance Controlling and Regulating Massage Parlors and Health Clubs.

COUNCILMAN LYNCH moves the Ordinance be Passed the Second Time.

This Motion is seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO moves the Ordinance be Referred Back to Committee on Public Welfare.

This Motion being seconded by COUNCILMEN BRADSHAW and PEARLMAN, is Put to Vote and Not Passed.

COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO moves the Ordinance be amended by deleting in its entirety Paragraph D in Section 7 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Have had a physical examination including serological examination and chest x-ray and is certified as free of communicable disease by a licensed physician within fifteen (15) days prior to application for licensing or relicensing.

This Motion being seconded by **COUNCILMEN BRADSHAW, JOHNSON, LYNCH, McKIERNAN, STRAVATO, and TOMASSO**, is Put to Vote and Passed.

COUNCILMAN FLYNN desires to be Recorded as "Not Voting."

Read and Passed the First Time, as Amended,

on motion of **COUNCILMAN LYNCH**, seconded by **COUNCILMEN BRADSHAW, MANSOLILLO, McKIERNAN, PETROSINELLI, and STRAVATO**, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fargnoli and Councilmen Almagno, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Garan, Henries, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, and Xavier—17.

Noes: None.

Not Voting: Councilmen Flynn and Tomasso—2.

Absent: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Cirelli, Crowley, Gorodesky, and Turchetta—7.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCILMAN FLYNN for Himself and for **COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON** In Absentia:

Resolution Requesting the City Solicitor to Prepare, Cause to be Introduced and Urge Passage on an Act Exempting All Persons 65 Years of Age or Older from Sales Tax on Purchase of Tangible Personal Property.

Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of **COUNCILMAN LYNCH**, seconded by **COUNCILMAN TOMASSO**.

Being, "An Act Making November 11, Armistice Day."

Whereas, November Eleventh has heretofore been celebrated in the United States of America as Armistice Day in commemoration of the cessation of World War I on November 11, 1918, and

Whereas, In rearranging the 1976 calendar year, Armistice Day is scheduled to be celebrated on Monday, October 25, 1975, thus causing some confusion in its celebration and has the disapproval of Veterans of World War I and of Organizations of Veterans of World War I,

Resolution Endorsing the Senate Bill, 76-S 2147,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That in order to restore in the State of Rhode Island and the celebration of the end of World War I, on the

Eleventh Hour of the Eleventh Day of the Eleventh Month of 1918, the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby endorse Senate Bill 76-S 2147, being, "An Act Making November Eleventh, in every year, Armistice Day."

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN BRADSHAW, FLYNN and GARAN.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI:

Resolution Endorsing Senate Act 76-S 2144, Being "An Act Relating to Motor Vehicles," and Providing that a Motor Vehicle Would be Taxed in City or Town for the Exact Time it was Registered.

Resolution Endorsing Senate Act 76-S 2145, Being "An Act Relating to Motor Vehicles," Providing that During the Period of Ninety (90) Days After Assessment of Taxes in any City or Town the Registry Shall Not Register a Vehicle if it has Reasonable Ground to Believe There is an Evasion of Taxes.

Severally Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN COLA for COUNCILMAN CIRELLI, In Absentia:

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Permit Motor Vehicles, Traveling in a Northerly Direction Along Atwells Avenue, to Make

a Right Hand Turn Anytime on to Academy Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Permit Motor Vehicles, Traveling Northerly Along Manton Avenue, to Make a Right Hand Turn Anytime, on to Fruit Hill Avenue.

Severally Referred to Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN FLYNN, COUNCILMAN XAVIER and COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the City Solicitor to Prepare, Cause to be Introduced and to Urge Passage of An Act Which Would Grant the Widow of Carl G. Lauro Survivors Benefits Under the Teachers' Retirement Act, Not Withstanding the Fact That he Did Not Elect to Choose that Provision During His Lifetime.

Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN LYNCH and COUNCILMAN GARAN for Themselves and COUNCILMAN ADDISON, In Absentia (By Request):

Resolution Approving Accompanying Plat, Entitled, Dedication of Knowles Walkway, Mount Hope Renewal Project R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, Dedicating the Same for Walkway Purposes and Thereafter

Declaring it a Public Walkway. (Evergreen Street and Grand View Street.)

dence Redevelopment Agency, Dedicating the Same for Walkway Purposes and Thereafter Declaring it a Public Walkway. (Abbott Street and Cypress Street.)

Resolution Approving Accompanying Plat, Entitled, Dedication of Padelford Street Walkway, Mount Hope Renewal Project R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, Dedicating the Same for Walkway Purposes and Thereafter Declaring it a Public Walkway. (Duncan Avenue and Padelford Street.)

Resolution Approving the Accompanying Plat, Entitled, Dedication of Corner of Wilkins and Knowles Streets, Mount Hope Renewal Project, R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, Dedicating the Same for Highway Purposes and Thereafter Declaring it a Public Highway.

Resolution Approving Accompanying Plat, Entitled, Dedication of Right-of-Way (Padelford Place), Mount Hope Renewal Project R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, Dedicating the Same for Highway Purposes and Thereafter Declaring it a Public Highway. (Western Street and Padelford Street.)

Severally Referred to Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning, on motion of **COUNCILMAN LYNCH**, seconded by **COUNCILMAN MEROLA**.

Resolution Approving the Accompanying Plat, Entitled, Dedication of Knowles Walkway, Mount Hope Renewal Project R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency Dedicating the Same for Walkway Purposes and Thereafter Declaring it a Public Walkway. (Cross-Hatched Area Designated by the Letters L-M-N-K and B-C-D-E-F-G-B and Altering the Shaded Areas Designated by the Letters M-A-H-J-N).

Resolution Requesting the Finance Director to Provide a Sum Not to Exceed Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to Help Defray Expense for Veterans of Foreign Wars Conventions, Scheduled to be Held in Providence in 1976.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of **COUNCILMAN LYNCH**, seconded by **COUNCILMEN GARAN** and **XAVIER**.

COUNCILMAN MEROLA for Himself and **COUNCILMAN TURCHETTA**, In Absentia:

Resolution Approving the Accompanying Plat, Entitled, Dedication of Knowles Walkway, Mount Hope Renewal Project R.I. R-18, Provi-

Resolution Requesting the City Solicitor to Urge Passage of an Act Recommending to the Department of Education it Provide Classroom Instruction for Voter Education to Students

Who Attain 17 Years of Age in the Public High Schools in Rhode Island.

Referred to the Committee on Public Welfare, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COUNCILMAN RALPH FARGNOLI, Chairman

COMMITTEE ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT, RENEWAL AND PLANNING

Transmits the Following with Recommendation
the Same be Severally Adopted:

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1971-24 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled, "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for West Broadway NDP Urban Renewal Area (1)".

Read and Passed the First Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO, by the Following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fargnoli and Councilmen Almagno, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Garan, Henries, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso, and Xavier—18.

Absent: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Cirelli, Crowley, Flynn, Gorodetsky, and Turchetta—8.

Hope Urban Renewal Project R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency and Thereafter Declaring the Same a Public Park.

Resolution approving the accompanying plat entitled Dedication of Woodbine Park, Mount Hope Urban Renewal Project, R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, Stanley P. Blacher, Chairman, et al, Scale 1"=50.0' dedicating for Park purposes a certain tract or parcel of land, situated at the southerly street line of Woodbine Street shown as a cross-hatched area and designated by the letters, A-B-C-D-E-F containing 7,765 plus or minus square feet on the accompanying plan under the provisions of Chapter 987 of the Public Laws of 1913 and thereafter declared a public Park to be repaired and maintained at the expense of the City of Providence.

Resolution Approving the Accompanying Plat Entitled, Dedication of Pleasant Park, Mount Hope Urban Renewal Project R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, Thereafter Declaring the Same a Public Park.

Resolution Approving the Accompanying Plat Entitled, Dedication of Woodbine Park, Mount

Resolution approving the accompanying plat, entitled Dedication of Pleasant Park, Mount Hope Urban Renewal Project, R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, Stanley P. Blacher, Chairman, et al, Scale 1"=50.0' dedicating for Park purposes certain tracts or parcels of land, shown as cross-hatched areas and designated by the letters A-B-J-K and C-D-E-F-G-H and altering the shaded area designated by the letters B-C-H-J from highway purpose to park purpose on the accompanying plan under the provisions of Chapter 987 of the Public Laws of 1913 and thereafter declared a public Park to be repaired and maintained at the expense of the City of Providence.

Resolution approving the accompanying plat, entitled Dedication of Knowles Walkway, Mount Hope Urban Renewal Project R.I., R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, Stanley P. Blacher, Chairman, et al, Scale 1"=40.00' dedicating for walkway purposes certain tract or parcel of land situated between Evergreen Street and York Street, shown as a cross-hatched area and designated by the letters A-B-C-D-E on the accompanying plan under the provisions of Chapter 987 of the Public Laws of 1913 and thereafter declared a public walkway to be repaired and maintained at the expense of the City of Providence.

Resolution Approving the Accompanying Plat, Entitled, Dedication of York Street, Mount Hope Urban Renewal Project, R. I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, and Thereafter Declaring the Same a Public Highway.

Resolution Approving the Accompanying Plat, Entitled Dedication of Knowles Walkway, Mount Hope Urban Renewal Project, R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, and Thereafter Declaring the Same as a Public Walkway. (York Street.)

Resolution approving the accompanying plat, entitled Dedication of York Street, Mount Hope Urban Renewal Project R.I., R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, Stanley P. Blacher, Chairman, et al, Scale 1"=50.0' dedicating for highway purposes a certain tract or parcel of land, shown as a cross-hatched area and designated by the letters A-B-C-D-E-A on the accompanying plan under the provisions of Chapter 987 of the Public Laws of 1913 and thereafter declared a public highway to be repaired and maintained at the expense of the City of Providence.

Resolution approving the accompanying plat, entitled Dedication of Knowles Walkway, Mount Hope Urban Renewal Project R.I., R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, Stanley P. Blacher, Chairman, et al, Scale 1"=50.0' dedicating for walkway purposes certain tract or parcel of land, shown as a cross-hatched area and designated by the letters J-D-E-H and altering the shaded areas designated by the letters A-B-C-D-J-K and H-E-F-G from highway purpose to walkway purpose on the accompanying plan under the provisions of Chapter 987 of the Public Laws of 1913 and thereafter declared a public walkway to be repaired and maintained at the expense of the City of Providence.

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

Resolution Approving the Accompanying Plat, Entitled, Dedication of Knowles Walkway, Mount Hope Urban Renewal Project, R.I. R-18, Providence Redevelopment Agency, and Thereafter Declaring the Same as a Public Walkway. (Evergreen and York Streets.)

The Following is Returned With Recommendation the Same Be Received:

Report of the Providence Redevelopment Agency, Dated January 30, 1976, Proposing the Sale of Land — Parcel 11A to Cora Spolidoro and Michael Morgera, 72 Marshall Street, Provi-

dence, Rhode Island, and Parcel 11B to Anthony Barkett, 82 Marshall Street, Providence, Rhode Island, and Parcel 11C to Dexter Realty Co., 260 Garden Hills Drive, Cranston, Rhode Island.

Received.

COUNCILMAN HARRY A. JOHNSON, Chairman

COMMITTEE ON CITY PROPERTY

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Adopted:

Resolution Authorizing His Honor the Mayor to Execute a Lease with the Fox Point Senior Citizens for City Owned Premises Located at 511 Wickenden Street, for its Use as a Senior Citizens Center.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor is authorized to execute a lease of that certain land and building located on Plat 17, Lot 2, designated as 511 Wickenden Street, Providence, to the "Fox Point Senior Citizens" for a period of five (5) years, at a rental of One Dollar (\$1.00) per annum, and such other terms and conditions as His Honor the Mayor and the City Solicitor shall impose, and

Be It Further Resolved, That if at any time the City of Providence demonstrates need and use of the aforementioned premises then said lease shall terminate.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL, COUNCILMAN GARAN and COUNCILMAN XAVIER, by the Following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fargnoli and Councilmen Almagno, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Flynn, Garan, Henries, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, and Xavier—18.

Absent: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Cirelli, Crowley, Goro-detsky, Tomasso, and Turchetta—8.

REPORTS

FROM THE PROVIDENCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY:

Twenty-Seventh Annual Report for the Calendar Year 1974.

Received.

Report, Dated February 13, 1976, Proposing the Sale of the Following Real Property Within the Comstock Redevelopment Project:

Parcel 22 to Barbara Towns, 16 Briggs Street, Providence;

Parcel 24 to Anthony and Betty Thompson, 20 A Village Green Apts., East Providence;

Parcel 25 to Richard and Loretta O'Neal, 13 Laura Street, Providence;

Parcel 27 to Carol and Calvin Nichols, 94 Glenham Street, Providence;

Parcel 30 to Sandra V. Miller, 261 Rhodes Street, Providence;

Parcel 39 to Michael and Gloria Clayborne, 208 Thurbers Avenue, Providence; and

Parcel 40 to Arthur and Geraldine Strother, 18A Whelan Road, Providence.

Referred to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

FROM CITY ASSESSOR:

Certificates (74-N, 78-N and 79-N) recommending the Same be Severally Cancelled.

Referred to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages and Refund, viz:

Joseph Marciano

Merchants Mutual Insurance Co., as subrogee of Anthony Mannoehia

Mary P. Mulcahey, Karen Mulcahey, Brian D. Mulcahey and Joseph Shacchis

Richard J. Pizzuti

Lena Puopolo

Everett Randall

Vincent P. Speaks

Clara Tartaglia

Severally Referred to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits on motion of COUN-

CILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

COUNCILMAN STRAVATO Requests and is Granted the Privilege of the Floor and Makes the Following Remarks:

COUNCILMAN STRAVATO: I would like to speak on a point of personal privilege. I am not going to speak about the verbal and physical abuse I took, today in City Hall.

I was amused when I read last night's Evening Bulletin, under letters to the editor, from William Grande for Residents of Moorefield Street.

Mr. Grande is one of Mayor Cianci's Independent Republicans who recently transferred from the 12th Representative District to the 13th Representative District. There are many residents transferring into the 13th District of which the Mayor is well aware of and knows many of the people.

It was I who invoked an investigation in the 13th District by the Board of Canvassers and Registration and the Police Department to check on registrations and transfers I made with the Board of Canvassers and Registration.

The fact remains that I supplied the Providence Journal and the Police Department with two lists with approximately 200 names.

I would like to get back to the article. The letter heading was "Thanks to Cianci, Almagno" and was from William Grande for residents of Moorefield Street; it should be thanks to "Stravato."

THANKS TO CIANCI, ALMAGNO

As a lifelong resident of the Silver Lake area, Seventh Ward, of the City of Providence, I would like to thank Mayor Cianci and Councilman Almagno for beautifying the lot on the corner of Moorefield and Ethan Streets.

For the past 10 years, under Mayor Doorley, this little plot of city property was nothing but a parking lot for junk cars and anyone who wanted to use it. Now we have a beautiful landscaped Memorial Park.

William Grande
for residents of
Moorefield Street

Providence

Now that amuses me. I spent several months working on this project. All Mayor Cianci did was make a political football of the memorial and Almagno took the bows there.

I had it donated at no cost, I did all of the work, it was my project, and I want to say if Lieutenant Riccitelli could rise from his grave, he would shoot a few people.

COUNCILMAN ALMAGNO Requests and is Granted the Privilege of the Floor and Makes the Following Remarks:

COUNCILMAN ALMAGNO. I know Riccitelli personally. No. 1, Mr. Grande, if you want to check, has been living there for the last five

years. Mr. Grande wrote that article for the Journal and I saw the return article before it went in the paper, they okayed it. I didn't know he was a scholar.

As far as Riccitelli Square, I think it was done by the City at a very minimum fee, in fact for practically nothing, and it was in Committee for 10 years to have it done.

All of a sudden, he got excited and he starts hollering that the Mayor took it away from him. What did he take away from him, all he did was put cobblestones in. Mr. Riccitelli did the landscaping, and so forth.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN COLA, FLYNN, GARAN, MANSO-LILLO, MEROLA, and PETROSINELLI, the City Council adjourns at 9:35 o'clock P.M. (EST) to meet again on THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1976 at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (EST).

Vincent Vespia

City Clerk

