

City of Providence
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 429

EFFECTIVE October 16, 2017

WHEREAS, The Providence Public Safety Complex is over 15 years old; and

WHEREAS, Many structural problems exist at the Public Safety Complex and other police stations in Providence; and

WHEREAS, A detailed review of the condition of the Public Safety Complex, including a breakdown of all necessary repairs, is needed to properly address the infrastructure issues facing the Providence Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Problems already identified, yet unrepaired, at the Public Safety Complex include:

- Leaking pipes in the basement, gym, and locker room
- Multiple broken doors
- Broken molding for exterior door officer entrance
- Ineffective heat and air conditioning
- Ripped, pulled up, and moldy carpets
- Broken desks and chairs
- Tripping hazards in the exterior stairwell at station outside of gym
- Tripping hazards in the interior stairwell of the parking garage
- Lack of a wall between men's and ladies' locker rooms (lockers separate rooms)
- Broken tile in locker rooms and bathrooms
- Missing, moldy, and damaged ceiling tiles
- Moldy shower stalls
- Slow/clogged drains in the men's shower room stalls
- Unrepaired holes in walls
- Issues with the padded male cellblock area
- Parking garage security issues
- No hookup for the CAFIS System
- Deteriorating vehicle ramp leading into the basement
- No backup generator; and

WHEREAS, When their facilities are in such dire need of repairs, it is more difficult for the hardworking men and women of the Police Department to perform their vital duties on behalf of the people of Providence; and

WHEREAS, As the elected representatives of the people of Providence, the Providence City Council has an obligation to ensure that the facilities of the Providence Police Department are properly maintained, repaired, and kept in good working order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby respectfully request that the Providence Police Department provide the City Council with a report on the condition of the Providence Public Safety Complex identifying all necessary repairs within sixty (60) days.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby respectfully request that, in the upcoming bond issue, funds be earmarked to cover the costs of repairing the problems identified herein and any other issues identified in the aforementioned report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to the Mayor, the Commissioner of Public Safety, and the Chief of Police.

IN CITY COUNCIL

OCT 05 2017

READ AND PASSED


ACTING PRES.


CLERK

**Effective without the
Mayor's Signature**



**Lori L. Hagen
City Clerk**