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CITY COUNCIL
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 22 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, October 18, 1979, 8:00 P.M. (E.D.T.)

PRESIDING
COUNCIL PRESIDENT
RALPH FARGNOLI

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Fagnoli and Councilmen Addison, Almagno, Boyle, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Dillon, Easton, Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, Moise, O'Connor, Paolino, Pearlman, Pennine, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Snowden and Stravato—23.

Absent: Councilmen Cirelli, Flynn and Xavier—3.

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INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by Reverend Fergus Healey, of Saint Francis Chapel.

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

COUNCILMAN MALCOLM T. FARMER, III 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. 21 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held October 4, 1979, and Posted October 16, 1979, on that Bulletin Board located on the Ground Floor Level of the City Hall, is Approved as Printed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

**The following Ordinance was in City Council
October 4, 1979, Read and Passed the First Time,
and Is Returned for Passage the Second Time:**

An Ordinance Enabling the City Council of the City of Providence to Grant a Three Thousand Dollar (\$3,000.00) Real Property Exemption from Taxation to Any Person One Hundred Percent (100%) Disabled Who Owns and Occupies Residential Property Located in the City of Providence.

COUNCILMAN ADDISON moves the Ordinance be Read and Passed the Second Time on a Roll Call Vote:

This motion is seconded by **COUNCILMAN GLAVIN**.

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

This motion being seconded by **COUNCILMEN MOISE** and **PEARLMAN**, and having precedence over the Main Motion, is Put to Vote and Passed.

The Ordinance is thereupon Referred Back to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer Back to the Committee on Finance is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI and **COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL**:

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Permit Non-Payment of Parking at All Meters within the Downtown Area During the Christmas Season from 11:00 o'clock A.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer be and is hereby requested to consider permitting non-payment of parking at all meters within the Downtown Providence Shopping Area during the Christmas Season, from the day following Thanksgiving, same being November 23, 1979 to and including December 31, 1979 from 11:00 o'clock A.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M.

Resolution Requesting the Commissioner of Public Safety to Consider the Feasibility of Engaging Security Guards in the Interest of Public Safety and Security During the Christmas Season Within the Downtown Shopping Area of Providence.

Whereas, The Christmas Shopping Season is imminent which will result in the influx of shoppers within the Downtown Shopping Area of Providence, and

Whereas, In the interest of public safety and security, it appears that additional security will be necessary in order to protect the interest of shoppers and merchants,

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Safety is hereby requested to consider the feasibility of engaging additional assistance, in the form of Security Guards, preferably from the ranks of the Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA Employees), so that the interest of the public and the merchants will be better served commencing the day following Thanksgiving, being November 23, 1979 to and including December 31, 1979.

COUNCILMAN BOYLE and COUNCILMAN GLAVIN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Acting Public Service Engineer to Order the Installation of 30,000 Lumen High Pressure Sodium Vapor Lights along Chalkstone Avenue, from Raymond Street to Its Intersection with Smith Street.

Resolved, That the Acting Public Service Engineer is requested to order the installation of 30,000 Lumen High Pressure Sodium Vapor Lights along Chalkstone Avenue, from Raymond Street to its intersection with Smith Street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Invoke "No Parking Anytime" Regulations along 40 Candace Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to Invoke "No Parking Anytime" Regulations along 40 Candace Street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Invoke "No Parking Anytime" Regulations along Douglas Avenue, from Wayne Street to Its Intersection with Chalkstone Avenue.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to Invoke "No Parking Anytime" Regulations along Douglas Avenue, from Wayne Street to its intersection with Chalkstone Avenue.

COUNCILMAN FLYNN (By Request):

Resolution in Amendment of Resolution No. 886, Approved September 28, 1979, Converting a Portion of DePasquale Avenue to a Pedestrian Plaza, by Adding Thereto, an Easement Over the 6-Inch C.I. Water Main.

Resolved, That Resolution No. 886, approved September 28, 1979, converting DePasquale Avenue, from the southerly line of Spruce Street, to the northerly line of Atwells Avenue, to a Pedestrian Plaza, be amended by adding the following:

Be it further Resolved, That said portion of DePasquale Avenue shall remain a public right-of-way with nothing built over the 6-Inch C.I. Water Main or services, or adjacent to, so as to restrict accessibility to same.

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILMAN EASTON, COUNCILMAN DILLON, COUNCILMAN BOYLE and COUNCILMAN MOISE:

Resolution Requesting His Honor the Mayor, in His Capacity as Chief Executive Officer of the City of Providence to Immediately Instruct the Director of Public Works to Reconsider the Recently Suspended Neighborhood Clean-Up Project.

Whereas, It has been several years since a complete city wide neighborhood clean-up project has been implemented in the City of Providence, and

Whereas, The taxpayers of Providence deserve proper City services for exorbitant tax monies paid, and

Whereas, The citizens of Providence urgently desire a clean-up project of this nature,

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor, in his capacity as Chief Executive of the City of Providence, immediately instruct the Director of Public Works to resume the recently suspended neighborhood clean-up project, beginning at the next scheduled Ward as advertised in the Providence Journal and continuing until each and every Ward that has not participated in this clean-up be completed.

COUNCILMAN MOISE and COUNCILMAN LYNCH:

Resolution Extending the Best Wishes of the Members of the City Council to Right Reverend Frederick H. Belden, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, for a Complete and Speedy Recovery from His Recent Illness.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere best wishes and offer their prayers to Right Reverend Frederick H. Belden, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island for a complete recovery from his recent illness.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

COUNCILMEN EASTON, JOHNSON, LYNCH, MOISE and SNOWDEN desire to be Recorded as Voting "No" on that "Resolution Requesting the Commissioner of Public Safety to Consider the Feasibility of Engaging Security Guards in the Interest of Public Safety and Security During the Christmas Season within the Downtown Shopping Area of Providence."

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN MOISE and COUNCILMAN ADDISON (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Providence Civic Center Authority to Honor Rhode Island Champion Boxers by Having Their Names and Photographs Placed along the Walls of the Providence Civic Center with Other Sport Notables.

Resolution Requesting a Plaque be Dedicated at the Providence Civic Center in Honor of Firefighters and Policemen of the City of Providence, Who have Died in the Line of Duty.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN PAOLINO and COUNCILMAN PENNINE (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to Cause the Installation of a Sewer Line in Cory Street.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause the installation of a Sewer Line in Cory Street.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN PAOLINO (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Committee on Naming of Buildings, Expressways, Bridges, Edifices and Other City Constructions to Change the Name of Whittemore Place to Theresa Court.

Referred to the Committee on Naming of Buildings, Expressways, Bridges, Edifices and Other City Constructions, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN:

Resolution Requesting the Commissioner of Public Safety, the Chief of Police and Representatives of Police and Crime Prevention Agencies to Submit Recommendations and Suggestions to Reduce Crime in the City of Providence.

Whereas, With crime being on an increasing level Nationwide, various Communities are looking into areas to solve the problems,

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Safety, the Chief of the Police Department, and Representatives of Police and Crime Prevention Agencies are Requested to Submit Suggestions and Recommendations as to a Method of Reducing Crime within the City of Providence.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN SALVATORE.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Committee on Public Welfare to Cause an Investigation Into Assaults on and Abuse of Policemen and Other Law-Enforcement Officials by Lawbreakers.

Whereas, An enormous increase in the number of assaults on, and abuse of, Police Officers and other Law Enforcement Officials by lawbreakers and criminals has taken place in the past ten years while these officers and officials have been performing their official duties for the protection of our Community, and

Whereas, Police Officers are subjected, on an almost daily basis, to abuse from those elements of our Community who have neither respect nor concern for the legal rights of Law Abiding Citizens, and

Whereas, It is apparent, to prevent our Society from falling into a State of Anarchy, that it is essential that all Law Enforcement Officials be protected from unjustified claims and charges being made against them by lawbreakers and criminals who know no restraints and whose only concern is to remain free while breaking the law, and

Whereas, All Leaders and Law Abiding Citizens in our Community should support the Law and those Officers and Officials who have the duty of enforcing it, and

Whereas, The Providence Police Department should be commended for its outstanding work in protecting our Community instead of being needlessly criticized and harassed by certain elements of our City, and

Whereas, To continue their enforcement of the Law and to have a greater contact with Lawbreakers in effectively performing their official duties it is necessary that Police Officers and other Law Enforcement Officials have stronger legal tools to assist them in carrying out their duties for the protection of all Law Abiding Citizens,

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, That the Com-

mittee on Public Welfare is hereby requested to cause an Investigation into the matter of assaults on, and abuse of, Police Officers and other Law Enforcement Officials by Lawbreakers while these Officers and Officials are performing their official duties.

COUNCILMAN ADDISON moves the Resolution be Referred to the Committee on Public Welfare.

There is no Second to this motion.

COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR moves the Resolution be Layed on the Table.

This motion is seconded by **COUNCILMAN EASTON**.

COUNCILMAN LYNCH moves Passage of the Resolution.

There is no Second to this motion.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Requests a Division Vote on the motion to Lay the Resolution on the Table.

A Division Vote being Requested, is as follows:

Ayes: 3.

Noes: 19.

Not Voting: 1.

The motion to Lay the Resolution on the Table does not Pass.

COUNCILMAN ADDISON withdraws his motion to Refer the Resolution to the Committee on Public Welfare.

COUNCILMAN EASTON moves the Resolution be Referred to the Committee on Public Welfare.

This motion being seconded by **COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR**, is Put to Vote and Not Passed.

COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN moves Passage of the Resolution.

This motion being seconded by **COUNCILMAN ALMAGNO**, is Put to Vote and Passed.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGES

MAJORITY LEADER ADDISON Requests and is Granted the Privilege of the Floor in Response to Items in the Debate on the foregoing Resolution, and States:

"I resent the Minority Leader, Councilman Pearlman, casting slurs upon the Human Rights Commission. Frederick Williamson who is the Director of Community Affairs along with being Chairman of the Human Relations Commission is an Honorable Man and has been accepted as such, also Councilman Farmer's wife, Susan, and

many other members of the Committee and when a Public Official will say degrading things about a Committee that preserves the City I think it is unacceptable."

MINORITY LEADER PEARLMAN Requests and is Granted the Privilege of the Floor and States:

"I question the Judgment of the Human Relations Commission. The individuals, Mr. Williamson, Susan Farmer, I have the highest respect for. But I think they are in the same position as the professor who taught corrections, and I think they do not know all the issues.

I am questioning their judgment, that is my duty as a Public Official, I am not attacking their integrity."

COUNCILMAN SNOWDEN:

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to Repair that Sidewalk Located along 2 Chace Drive.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause that sidewalk located along 2 Chace Drive to be Repaired.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Cause Traffic Signs to be Posted at the Intersection of Smith Street and Canal Street to Regulate the Flow of Traffic through this Busy Intersection.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause Traffic Signs to be posted at the intersection of Smith Street and Canal Street, to

regulate the flow of Traffic through this busy intersection.

Resolution Requesting the President of the City Council to Form a Special Committee of the City Council for an Appropriate Observance of Hanukkah.

Resolved, That the President of the City Council is hereby requested to appoint a Special Committee of the City Council for a Proper Observance of Hanukkah.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

RECESS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI declares the Council be in Recess at 9:55 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) to Reconvene at the Call of the Chair.

RECONVENTION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Reconvenes the Council at 10:05 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) and Directs the Clerk to Call the Roll to Ascertain if there is a Quorum Present:

Glavin, Griffin, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, Moise, O'Connor, Paolino, Pearlman, Pennine, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Snowden and Stravato—23.

Present: Council President Fagnoli and Councilmen Addison, Almagno, Boyle, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Dillon, Easton, Farmer,

Absent: Councilmen Cirelli, Flynn and Xavier —3.

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 Chapter 1979-32, Approved June 22, 1979, 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" Relative to Various Departments.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1979-31, Approved June 22, 1979, Entitled, "An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Chapter 1978-20, Approved July 28, 1978," Relative to Various Departments.

COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL moves to amend the two Ordinances by deleting Section 2. which states "This Ordinance shall take effect upon its Passage" and insert in lieu thereof "This Ordinance shall be effective Retroactive to July 1, 1979."

This motion being seconded by **COUNCILMAN EASTON**, is Put to Vote and Passed.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed the First Time as Amended, on motion of **COUNCILMAN ADDISON**, seconded by **COUNCILMAN GLAVIN**, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Fagnoli and Councilmen Addison, Almagno, Boyle, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cola, Dillon, Easton, Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, Moise, O'Connor, Paolino, Pearlman, Pennine, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Snowden and Stravato—23.

Absent: Councilmen Cirelli, Flynn and Xavier—3.

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

COUNCILMAN NICHOLAS W. EASTON, Chairman **COMMITTEE ON LICENSES**

Transmits the following with Recommendation
the Same be Adopted as Amended:

An Ordinance in Amendment of Article I. in General by Adding Section 23-32 to be Entitled: "Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages on Any Public Street, Public Sidewalk, Public Way or Any Grounds Owned by the City of Providence," as Amended.

COUNCILMAN ADDISON moves the Ordinance be Read and Passed the First Time, as Amended.

This motion is seconded by **COUNCILMAN GLAVIN**.

COUNCILMAN EASTON moves the Ordinance be Referred Back to the Committee on Licenses as Passed the First Time.

This motion being seconded by **COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR**, is Put to Vote and Passed.

The Ordinance is thereupon Read and Passed, the First Time, as Amended, and Referred Back to the Committee on Licenses.

The motion for Passage and Referral is Sustained.

REPORT

FROM THE PORT DIRECTOR:

Report for the Month of August, 1979.

Received.

PETITION

**COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN and COUNCILMAN
FARMER (By Request):**

Petition to Abandon a Portion of Wendell
Street.

Referred to the Committee on Public Works,
on motion of **COUNCILMAN ADDISON**, sec-
onded by **COUNCILMAN GLAVIN**.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

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

Carmelo Aviles

Lena Benlifer

Francis A. Cahill

Felix Colanduono

Joanne C. Heron

Santo Paolino

Peerless Insurance Co., as subrogee of Folino
Industries

Arminda Pereira

Cesear McClary

Louise Silva

John C. Tsagarakis

Severally Referred to the Committee on Claims
and Pending Suits, on motion of **COUNCILMAN
ADDISON**, seconded by **COUNCILMAN GLAV-**
IN.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Congratulations"

COUNCILMAN BOYLE, COUNCILMAN LYNCH League Upon Their Completion of a Productive
COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILMAN Season.
PENNINE, COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI
and COUNCILMAN SALVATORE:

Father Owen F. Goodwin s.s.c.c., Twenty-Five
 Years in the Priesthood with the Congregation
 of Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary.

COUNCILMAN PENNINE and COUNCILMAN
PAOLINO:

Giovanni XXIII Soccer Society Upon Winning
 the Championship.

COUNCILMAN MOISE and COUNCILMAN AD-
DISON:

Veterans Boxer's Association, Inc. of Rhode
 Island for Their Contribution to the Support of
 Boxing in the State of Rhode Island.

Mr. and Mrs. John Volpe Upon the Occasion
 of Their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary.

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

COUNCILMAN PAOLINO and COUNCILMAN
PENNINE:

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

Congratulations to the Federal Hill Little

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI:

Rita E. Lavoie.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI and COUN-
CILMAN ALMAGNO:

Albert "Dick" Lettieri.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI and COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI:

Egidio "James" DiNunzio.

COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO and COUNCILMAN ALMAGNO:

Joseph Lautieri.

COUNCILMAN BOYLE:

Anik Donikian.

COUNCILMAN MOISE:

Daniel D. Breault.

COUNCILMAN DILLON, COUNCILMAN FLYNN, COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO and COUNCILMAN LYNCH:

Kathryn R. Smollins.

COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR, COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO, COUNCILMAN ADDISON, COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL, COUNCILMAN EASTON, COUNCILMAN FARMER and COUNCILMAN SNOWDEN:

John Nicholas Brown.

COUNCILMAN EASTON, COUNCILMAN JOHNSON and COUNCILMAN MOISE:

Theresa Kelly.

COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR and COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO:

Pereza Matoian.

COUNCILMAN PAOLINO, COUNCILMAN PENNINE and COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI:

Cristina DeCristofaro.

COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN and COUNCILMAN FARMER:

Anne Altman.

COUNCILMAN FARMER and COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN:

Louis Bigelow.

Elizabeth Baru.

Clara Mendelson.

Bertha Rubenstein.

David Genser.

Harry Cohen.

Louis H. Rubin.

Anna D. Rivitz.

Irving J. Glantz.

Herman Weinstein.

Edward Schimel.

Philip Schaffer.

Sarah M. Zawatsky.

**COUNCILMAN SNOWDEN and COUNCILMAN
ADDISON:**

Elbertha D. Young.

Robert Kaplan.

Cecelia Shapiro.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, by a
Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of COUNCIL-
MAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN
GLAVIN.**

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

MATTER NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

On motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, it is Voted to Suspend Rule 16 of the Rules of the City Council in Order to Allow the Introduction of One (1) Matter Not Appearing on the Printed Docket.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

"In Congratulations"

COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO:

Councilman Raymond Cola, Upon His Fiftieth Birthday and Wishing Him Many Happy Returns.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO, seconded by COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI, COUNCILMEN ADDISON, ALMAGNO, BOYLE, COUNCILWOMAN BRAS-

SIL, COUNCILMEN CIRELLI, DILLON, EASTON, FARMER, FLYNN, GLAVIN, GRIFFIN, JOHNSON, LYNCH, MOISE, O'CONNOR, PAOLINO, PEARLMAN, PENNINE, PETROSINELLI, SALVATORE, SNOWDEN, STRAVATO and XAVIER.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on motion of COUNCILMAN ADDISON, seconded by COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, the City Council Adjourns at 10:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1979, at 8:00 P.M. (E.S.T.).

Rose M. Mendonca
City Clerk