

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
RHODE ISLAND**



**CITY COUNCIL**

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

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No. 61 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, May 18, 1989, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.)

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IN CITY COUNCIL  
JUN 1 1989

PRESIDING

APPROVED:

*R. M. Menhaden* CLERK

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

NICHOLAS W. EASTON

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Council President Easton and Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Brasil, Councilman Dillon, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Lombardi, Lopes, Petrosinelli, Rollins, and Councilwoman Young—12.

**Absent:** Councilwoman DiRuzzo and Councilmen Cola and Stravato—3.

## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILWOMAN BALBINA A. YOUNG.

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

COUNCILWOMAN BALBINA A. YOUNG  
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. 59 of the Special Meeting of the City Council held April 26, 1989 and Posted May 5, 1989 and Journal of Proceedings No. 60 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held May 3, 1989 and Posted May 17, 1989 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.

## SCHEDULE OF BILLS

### FROM CITY CONTROLLER:

Street Lighting Bill from Narragansett Electric Company for March, 1989, in the amount of One Hundred Five Thousand, Nine Hundred Forty-Seven Dollars, Ninety-Nine Cents. (\$105,947.99).

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

Ayes: Council President Easton and Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilman Dillon, Councilwoman Farg-

noli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Lombardi, Petrosinelli, Rollins and Councilwoman Young—11.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilman Cola, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Lopes and Stravato—4.

The motion to Approve is Sustained.

## PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

### COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL (By Request):

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1987-10 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, as Approved May 11, 1987, entitled, "An Ordinance creating and establishing an Economic Development Zone within the City of Providence pursuant to 3-7-16.4 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island", as amended.

### COUNCILMAN FARMER:

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 544 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, as approved September 21, 1951, entitled: "An Ordinance Zoning the City of Providence and Establishing Use, Height and Area Regulations".

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON (By Request):**

Resolution Authorizing the City Collector to cause taxes to be abated on that property located at 48-50 Lenox Avenue in the amount of Nine Hundred One Dollars, Thirteen Cents (\$901.13), to be granted to Lawrence L. Jones.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

### **COUNCILMAN ANNALDO and COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI:**

Resolution of the City Council Expressing their Best Wishes to Clara Corrado for a complete and speedy recovery from her Recent Illness.

*Resolved*, That the members of the City Council hereby express their best wishes to Clara Corrado for a complete and speedy recovery from her recent illness.

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

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Prohibit Motor Vehicle Traffic along Page Street, from Pine Street to Weybosset Street, during Certain Hours on June 19 and 20, 1989 to accommodate the Graduation of Cranston East and Cranston West High Schools to be held at the Providence Performing Arts Center.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is hereby

requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Page Street, from Pine Street to Weybosset Street on Monday, June 19 and Tuesday, June 20, 1989, between the hours of 6:30 o'clock P.M. and 10:00 o'clock P.M. to accommodate the Graduations of Cranston East and Cranston West High Schools to be held at the Providence Performing Arts Center.

### **COUNCILMAN DILLON:**

Resolution of the City Council Congratulating Dog Officer Edward Logan upon the successful capture of a Fox.

*Whereas*, Edward Logan has served as a dog officer for the City of Providence for some eighteen years, and in that time, he has captured countless dogs and cats, as well as a number of skunks, raccoons, and possums, and

*Whereas*, Ed Logan is ever on the lookout for criminal activity as he goes about his duties, and has been instrumental in the capture of a number of two-legged beasts as well, and

*Whereas*, On a recent Saturday, Ed was called to 166 Gallup Street in response to a complaint about a "strange animal" in a tree, and

*Whereas*, A crowd of nearly 200 cheered when Ed Logan finally snared what turned out to be a red fox, the first of his career, and

*Whereas*, It is only in America that a humble Irishman from South Providence would be afforded an opportunity to engage in the "Sport of Kings" and get paid overtime for it at that,

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That the Members of the City Council extend congratula-

tions and a hearty "tally-ho" to dog officer Edward Logan, and do hereby nominate him as First President of the soon-to-be-formed South Providence Fox and Hound Association.

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**COUNCILMAN DILLON (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to order the installation of Street Lights on Poles No. 30 and 35, along Adelaide Avenue and to cause the Street Lighting along Adelaide Avenue, from Crescent Street to Downing Street to be Upgraded.

*Resolved*, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of Street Lights on Poles No. 30 and 35 along Adelaide Avenue, and to cause the Street Lighting along Adelaide Avenue, from Crescent Street to Downing Street to be Upgraded.

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**COUNCILMAN DILLON, COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON and COUNCILMAN LOPES:**

Resolution of the City Council Requesting the General Assembly enact Legislation relating to Jubilee Inner City Development Corporation.

*Resolved*, That the Providence City Council petition the General Assembly to pass an Act relating to Jubilee Inner City Development Incorporation, a non profit Organization Incorporated under the General Laws of Rhode Island on February 12, 1986, which will grant said Corporation exemption from real estate and tangible property tax on property held within the City of Providence so long as said property is used for the purposes of which the Corporation was Incorporated.

**COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 5, located along Biltmore Avenue.

*Resolved*, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 5, located along Biltmore Avenue.

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**COUNCILMAN FARMER (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting Gulf Road be Closed off for a Six-Month period at its intersection with Loring Avenue, subject to approval of certain City Departments.

*Resolved*, That in accordance with the approvals and plans of the City's traffic engineering, parks, public works, fire and police departments and the approval of the Blackstone Park Improvement Association that Gulf Road be closed off for a six-month period at its intersection with Irving Avenue and immediately below the driveway near its intersection with Loring Avenue in order to determine whether such temporary closing alleviates certain types of antisocial and disturbing activities taking place in said area.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Prohibit Motor Vehicle Traffic along certain streets on June 2, 3, and 4, 1989 during specified hours to accommodate the Providence Preservation Society's Annual Festival of Historic Houses.

*Whereas*, the Providence Preservation Society will be holding its annual Festival of Historic Houses on the weekend of June 2, 3 and 4, 1989

and requires that certain streets to be closed during certain hours.

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer and other appropriate departments of the City are requested to take appropriate action to close the below listed streets on the dates and during the times indicated below:

Friday, June 2, 1989 and Saturday, June 3, 1989, from 5:30 o'clock P.M. to 10:00 o'clock P.M.:

Cushing Street, from Brown Street to Congdon Street;

Brown Street, from Meeting Street to Bowen Street;

Congdon Street, from South Court Street to Cushing Street.

Saturday, June 3, 1989, from 9:00 o'clock A.M. to 4:00 o'clock P.M.:

Orchard Avenue, from Wayland Avenue to Butler Avenue;

Oriole Avenue, from Paterson Street to Parkside Road;

East Orchard Avenue at Parkside Road.

Sunday, June 4, 1989, from 11:30 o'clock A.M. to 4:00 o'clock P.M.

Princeton Avenue, from Elmwood Avenue to Broad Street;

Whitmarsh Street, from Elmwood Avenue to Broad Street;

Udike Street, from the northerly side of Whitmarsh Street, to the southerly side of Princeton Avenue, and

*Be It Further Resolved*, That the Public Works Department and Traffic Engineering Department

are requested to clean the above referenced streets prior to the commencement of the Festival of Historic Houses and to ensure that proper street signs are in place for the affected streets.

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**COUNCILMAN GLAVIN (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Installation of a Street Light on that Pole located along 5 Whipple Street.

*Resolved*, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of a Street Light on that Pole located along 5 Whipple Street.

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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

Resolution Authorizing the City Council of the City of Providence, Rhode Island, to file a statement of Objectives and Funding under the Housing and Community Development Act.

**Referred to Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI.**

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

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## AT EASE

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON declares the Council Stand at Ease at 8:10 o'clock P.M.

## RECONVENTION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EASTON reconvenes the City Council at 8:15 o'clock P.M.

Resolution Authorizing the Conveyance of Certain Land located in the Capital Center District.

Referred to Committee on City Property, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

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COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause Bowditch Place to be paved.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause Bowditch Place to be Paved.

COUNCILMAN LOPES:

Resolution of the City Council endorsing House Bill 6742 relating to Health and Safety — The Rhode Island Lead in the Environment Abatement and Detection Act.

*Whereas*, House Bill 89-H 6742 presently pending before the Committee on Finance would establish and fund a Rhode Island lead in the environment abatement and detection program.

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That the members of the City Council hereby endorse House Bill 89-H 6742 relating to Health and Safety — The Rhode Island Lead in the Environment Abatement and Detection Act.

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COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Installation of a 22,000

Lumen Mercury Vapor Light on Pole No. 1,  
located along Ainsworth Street.

*Resolved*, That the Chief Electrical Inspector  
is requested to order the installation of a 22,000  
Lumen Mercury Vapor Light on Pole No. 1,  
located along Ainsworth Street.

152 Rugby Street,  
Baffin Court.

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public  
Works to cause all Streets within the Tenth  
Ward to be cleaned.

**COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI and  
COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Director of Grounds  
Maintenance Services to cause the removal of  
the Tree Stump and Two Trees located along  
44 Argol Street.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Grounds Main-  
tenance Services is requested to cause the removal  
of the Tree Stump and Two Trees located along  
44 Argol Street.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works is  
requested to cause all Streets within the Tenth  
Ward to be cleaned.

**COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Director of Grounds  
Maintenance Services to cause that Tree located  
in front of 67-69 Tanner Street to be Removed  
and Roots Cut.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Grounds Main-  
tenance Services is requested to cause that Tree  
located in front of 67-69 Tanner Street to be  
Removed and Roots Cut.

**COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:**

Resolution Requesting the Supervisor of Envir-  
onmental Management to cause certain vacant  
lots within the Tenth Ward to be cleaned of all  
debris.

*Resolved*, That the Supervisor of Environmen-  
tal Control is hereby requested to cause the  
following vacant lots, located within the Tenth  
Ward, to be cleaned of all debris.

275-277 Potters Avenue,

59-61 Ocean Street,

195 Ocean Street,

213 Ocean Street,

577 Prairie Avenue,

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to  
cause the Installation of "Stop" Signs at  
various intersections.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer be and he  
is hereby requested to cause the installation of  
"Stop" Signs at the following intersections:

Peace Street at Elmwood Avenue;

West Clifford Street at Dudley Street;

Glenham Street at Prairie Avenue;

Robinson Street at Prairie Avenue;



Comstock Avenue at Prairie Avenue;  
Tanner Street at Pearl Street;  
Mawney Street at Updike Street;  
Mawney Street at Elmwood Avenue;  
Burnett Street at Public Street;  
Tanner Street at Dudley Street;  
Providence Street at Dudley Street;  
Pearl Street at West Clifford Street;  
Westfield Street at Fuller Street;  
Warren Street at Harrison Street;  
Gilmore Street at Wilson Street;  
Robinson Street at Prairie Avenue;  
Wesleyan Avenue at Broad Street;  
Providence Street at Dudley Street;  
Somerset Street at Tanner Street;  
Conduit Street at Lockwood Street; and  
Portland Street at West Clifford Street.

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Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to order the installation of Street Lights and vandal shields on Poles No. 58, 60, 62 and 64, along Plain Street.

*Resolved*, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of street lights and vandal shields on Poles numbered 58, 60, 62 and 64 located along Plain Street.

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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Resolution Authorizing the City Collector to cause the taxes to be abated on that property under the SWAP Program, located along 206 Wesleyan Avenue, in the amount of \$4,219.81 as requested by John Blakeslee.

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

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

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## REPORT FROM COMMITTEE

### COUNCILMAN JAMES A. PETROSINELLI, Chairman COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

Transmits the following with Recommendation the Same be Adopted:

Resolution Ordering the Abandonment of portions of Lockwood Street, which runs westerly from Plain Street and Landor Street, which runs southerly from Lockwood Street.

*Resolved, Decreed and Ordered:*

That the following named highways shown as cross-hatched areas on the accompanying plan entitled: "Providence, Rhode Island, Department of Public Works — Engineering Office, Street Line Section, Plan, No. 064427, Date September 14, 1988",

VIZ:

Landor Street and Lockwood Street (portions of), having ceased to be useful to the public and the same are abandoned as public highways, subject to the provisions that the Water Supply Board be granted an easement to gain twenty-four (24) hour access to the twenty inch water line and the Narragansett Bay Commission be granted a full sewer easement to the fifty-four (54) inch sewer line that will remain active beneath Lockwood Street, as identified in Plan No. 064427,

and the damage to the abutters is appraised at nothing and so awarded, and it is further

*Ordered,* That the Traffic Engineer be and he is hereby directed to cause a sign to be placed on the above-named highways abandoned as aforesaid having thereon the words "Not a Public Highway", and it is further

*Ordered,* That after the entry of this order or decree, the City Clerk shall cause a notice thereof to be published in a newspaper published in the County of Providence at least once each week for three successive weeks and a further and personal notice shall be served by the City Sergeant upon every owner of land abutting the above-named highways which have been abandoned, who is known to reside within this state.

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT

### FROM THE CITY ASSESSOR:

Certificates (10-S, 13-S through 20-S inclusive; 22-S, 23-S, 25-S, 26-S, 28-S, 30-S and 31-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 the State of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended.

Severally Referred to Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

### FROM THE CITY CONTROLLER:

Monthly Financial Report for April 1989.

Received.

## FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

James G. Allen

Betty J. Brown

Anthony Cervone

Crum & Forster, Inc.,  
as sub. of McLaughlin & Moran

Paul R. Drummey

E & J Pizza

Doris M. Floyd

Foremost Insurance

Genevieve C. Layumas

Francis E. Lyons

Amir-Hossein Mehran

Luigi and Rosa Prodigio

Robert D. Rao

Leona D. Sock

Judith Teto

Tire King of R.I.

Precious Valentine

Worldwide Ins., Group as sub. of James Pereira

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 extended to the  
families of the following:

William F. Leahy

Peter J. Petrarca

Frank Muro

Irene Gemma

John J. Pilla

Vartan Mourachian

Mary D. Zompa

John N. Giso

Bruna Benedetti

J. Philip Catanzaro

Vincent Ciunci

Robert John Downing

Anthony M. Iacobucci, Jr.

Filomena D'Antuono

Joseph A. Dupre

Lawrence F. Sullivan

Angie Moretti

Stanley P. Andrukiewicz

Joseph F. O'Loughlin

Philip J. McCabe

C. Edward Cappelli

Mary Pasqualucci

Carmella Carcieri

Antonio Cerbo

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, the City Council adjourns at 8:25 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 1989 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.).

*Rose M. Mendonca*

*City Clerk*



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