

CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 90 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, April 16, 1998, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.)

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

JOHN J. LOMBARDI

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Pro Tempore Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Iglizzi, Jackson, Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan, Romano and Young—12.

Absent: Council President Fagnoli, Councilman Rollins and Councilwoman Williams—3.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAY 21 1998

APPROVED:

*Michael R. Clement* CLERK  
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## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCIL-  
WOMAN PATRICIA K. NOLAN.

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

COUNCILWOMAN PATRICIA K. NOLAN  
leads the members of the City Council and  
the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance  
to the Flag of the United States of America.

## VETO BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated April 9, 1998 Informing the City Clerk of his Disapproval and Veto, pursuant to Sections 302(f) and 412 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980. I have taken this action because almost none of the specifics of this proposal have been disclosed to date. "Resolution endorsing and urging passage by the General Assembly of Senate Bill (98-S 2598), relating to sports, racing and athletics — establishment and extension of gambling activites, in substantially the form

attached. This resolution is not intended at this time to place the question on the ballot at the next general election. The question can only be placed on the ballot by another resolution passed by the City Council of the City of Providence specifically allowing the question to be placed on the ballot."

Received.

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## APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Communication dated April 10, 1998, Informing the Honorable City Clerk that she is this day appointing several members to the Commission on Gaming.

Received. \_\_\_\_\_

## ORDINANCE SECOND READING

The following Ordinance was in City Council April 2, 1998, Read and Passed the First Time, and is returned for Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance in amendment of and in addition to Chapter 1984-11 of the Ordinance of the City of Providence, approved February 10, 1984, and entitled, "An Ordinance approving and adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the West River Project No. URR R.I. 1-6" for the revision of the regulations and controls in the Silver Spring Industrial Park.

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*

1. That Chapter 1984-11 of the Ordinance of the City of Providence, approved February 10, 1984, and entitled, "An Ordinance approving and adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the West River Project No. URR R.I. 1-6" as amended by the following Ordinances of the

City of Providence: Chapter 1987-7 (March 11, 1987); Chapter 1988-41 (November 10, 1988); Chapter 1991-9 (March 28, 1991); Chapter 1993-45 (October 29, 1993); Chapter 1994-18 (June 13, 1994); and Chapter 1997-48 (September 11, 1997) is hereby amended as follows:

A. Part a. *Permitted Uses* of Section 4. "Regulations and Controls" to be applied under Chapter B. "Planning Proposals" is amended to read as follows:

- All uses permitted by right in an M-1 Zone by the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Providence shall be allowed with the exception of adult entertainment as defined in the Ordinance.

2. That said Ordinance, as adopted and amended, be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed in all other respects.

3. That said Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and shall be filed with the City Clerk who is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of the same to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

Read and Passed, the Second Time, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG, by the following Roll Call Vote:

**Ayes:** Council President Pro Tempore Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Igliazzi, Jackson, Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan, Romano and Young—12.

**Noes:** None.

**Absent:** Council President Fagnoli, Councilman Rollins and Councilwoman Williams—3.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

## PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI (By Request):**

An Ordinance in amendment of and in addition to the Providence Water Supply Board Compensation Ordinance approved September 29, 1997 and repealing Chapter 1997-53.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE LOMBARDI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Finance.**

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

An Ordinance in amendment of and in addition to the Classes of Positions, the Maximum Number of Employees and the Number of Employees in certain Classes in the Providence Water Supply Board and repealing Ordinance Chapter 1997-54, approved September 29, 1997.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE LOMBARDI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Finance.**

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

### COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI:

Resolution authorizing the approval of certain expenditures of funds from the Neighborhood Improvement Program.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE LOMBARDI** Jointly Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.

On motion of **COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO**, seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG**, it is voted to reconsider the Resolution.

**COUNCILMAN DeLUCA** requests to amend the Resolution to add \$5,500.00 to Viscolosi Park.

**COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO** requests that a letter be sent to the Chairperson of the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning and the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

### COUNCILMAN ALLEN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate, in whole, the taxes assessed in the amounts of \$11,990.55, \$25,558.66 and \$16,447.57 for the properties located on Assessor's Plat 32, Lots 199, 429 and 450, 171-185 Bridgham Street

and 160 Bridgham Street in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws Section 44-7-23.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE LOMBARDI** Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

**COUNCILMAN CLARKIN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN ALLEN, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILMAN HASSETT, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN MANCINI, COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN, COUNCILMAN ROLLINS, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:**

Resolution Requesting the Board of Park Commissioners to rename the Arnold Street Park as the "Carolyn F. Brassil Memorial Park".

*Resolved*, That the Board of Park Commissioners is requested to rename the Arnold Street Park as the "Carolyn F. Brassil Memorial Park".

**Read and Passed**, on motion of **COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO**, seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG**.

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

*Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to cause the upgrading of lumen on Osborne Street, Felix Street and Fern Street.*

**COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO (By Request):**

**COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the submission of the 1998 Rhode Island Overall Economic Development Program.

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to increase the lumens, in their entirety, on Sunset Avenue, Moorefield Street, Sibyl Street and Duxbury Street.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.**

*Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to increase the lumens, in their entirety, on Sunset Avenue, Moorefield Street, Sibyl Street and Duxbury Street.*

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

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG.**

**COUNCILMAN HASSETT:**

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

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to bait the sewers for rodents on various streets in the Twelfth Ward.

*Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to bait the sewers for rodents on various streets in the Twelfth Ward.*

**COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a four way "Stop" sign at the intersection of Division Street and Hammond Street.

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to cause the upgrading of lumen on Osborne Street, Felix Street and Fern Street.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Public Works.**

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

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a four way "Stop" sign at the intersection of Division Street and Harrison Street.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Public Works.**

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

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Union Street from Westminster Street to Fulton Street on Friday, May 29, 1998 from 6:00 o'clock P.M. to 2:00 o'clock A.M. for a Citadel Broadcasting Memorial Day Block Party at Lupo's Heartbreak Hotel.

*Resolved,* That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Union Street from Westminster Street to Fulton Street on Friday, May 29, 1998 from 6:00 o'clock P.M. to 2:00 o'clock A.M. for a Citadel Broadcasting Memorial Day Block Party at Lupo's Heartbreak Hotel.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Dexter Street between Division Street and Hollywood

Road, on Sunday, April 12, 1998 from 8:00 o'clock A.M. to 2:00 o'clock P.M., and on Saturday, June 13, 1998 and Sunday, June 14, 1998 from 8:00 o'clock A.M. to 5:00 o'clock P.M. for the Hmong Evangelical Church.

*Resolved,* That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Dexter Street between Division Street and Hollywood Road, on Sunday, April 12, 1998 from 8:00 o'clock A.M. to 2:00 o'clock P.M., and on Saturday, June 13, 1998 and Sunday, June 14, 1998 from 8:00 o'clock A.M. to 5:00 o'clock P.M. for the Hmong Evangelical Church.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer for a portable "Do Not Enter" sign for the Hmong Evangelical Church at 46 Dexter Street.

*Resolved,* That the Traffic Engineer is requested for a portable "Do Not Enter" sign for the Hmong Evangelical Church at 46 Dexter Street.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic in front of 46 Dexter Street every Sunday from 8:00 o'clock A.M. to 1:00 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of the Hmong Evangelical Church's religious exercises.

*Resolved,* That the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic in front of 46 Dexter Street every Sunday from 8:00 o'clock A.M. to 1:00 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of the Hmong Evangelical Church's religious exercises.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG.**

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

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a pedestrian crossing signal, with a button, at the corner of Dexter Street and Hollywood Road.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Public Works.**

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

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**COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN ALLEN, COUNCILMAN CLARKIN, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILMAN HASSETT, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN MANCINI, COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN, COUNCILMAN ROLLINS, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:**

Resolution extending congratulations from the Members of the City Council to Lesley and Robert Skeffington on the birth of their

daughter, Kiley Mia, born March 27, 1998, weighing 8 pounds, 10 ounces.

*Resolved,* That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their sincere congratulations to Lesley and Robert Skeffington on the birth of their daughter, Kiley Mia, born March 27, 1998, weighing 8 pounds, 10 ounces.

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**COUNCILMAN ROLLINS (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Ohio Avenue from Michigan Avenue to 106 Ohio Avenue on Friday, May 1, 1998 and Saturday, May 2, 1998, from 5:00 o'clock P.M. to 11:00 o'clock P.M. to accommodate a Religious Feast of the Crown.

*Resolved,* That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Ohio Avenue from Michigan Avenue to 106 Ohio Avenue on Friday, May 1, 1998 and Saturday, May 2, 1998, from 5:00 o'clock P.M. to 11:00 o'clock P.M. to accommodate a Religious Feast of the Crown.

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**COUNCILMAN ROLLINS (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Hawkins Street, from Charles Street to Branch Avenue and from the corner of Monticello Street and Russo Street from Wednesday, July 22, 1998 to Sunday, July 26, 1998 from 6:00 o'clock P.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. for the St. Ann's Church Feast.

*Resolved,* That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Hawkins Street, from Charles Street to Branch Avenue and from the corner of Monticello Street and Russo Street from Wednesday, July 22, 1998 to Sunday, July 26, 1998 from 6:00 o'clock P.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. for the St. Ann's Church Feast.

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**COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Elmgrove Avenue between Sessions Street and Savoy Street, on Sunday, June 7, 1998 between the hours of 6:00 o'clock A.M. to 6:00 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of the 50th Birthday of the State of Israel, sponsored by the Jewish Community Center and the Jewish Federation.

*Resolved,* That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Elmgrove Avenue between Sessions Street and Savoy Street, on Sunday, June 7, 1998 between the hours of 6:00 o'clock A.M. to 6:00 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of the 50th Birthday of the State of Israel, sponsored by the Jewish Community Center and the Jewish Federation.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Woodbury Street between Fosdyke Street and Cole Avenue on Saturday, May 2, 1998 between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. to 6:00 o'clock P.M. for a Neighborhood Children's Party.

*Resolved,* That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Woodbury Street between Fosdyke Street and Cole Avenue on Saturday, May 2, 1998 between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. to 6:00 o'clock P.M. for a Neighborhood Children's Party.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG.**

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

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a plaque at the intersection of Sessions Street and Elmgrove Avenue to be named the Israel Jubilee Square.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.**

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

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Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to increase the lumens on pole number 1 at the corner of Blackstone Boulevard and Margrave Avenue.

*Resolved,* That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to increase the lumens on pole number 1 at the corner of Blackstone Boulevard and Margrave Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Forestry Division of the Department of Public Parks to trim the tree located on Cole Avenue where it intersects Intervale Avenue, on the southwest side of the street.

*Resolved*, That the Forestry Division of the Department of Public Parks is requested to trim the tree located on Cole Avenue where it

intersects Intervale Avenue, on the southwest side of the street.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG.**

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

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

**COUNCILWOMAN PATRICIA K. NOLAN, Chairwoman  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

and

**COUNCILWOMAN JOSEPHINE DiRUZZO, Chairwoman  
COMMITTEE ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT,  
RENEWAL AND PLANNING**

**Jointly transmit the following with recommendation the same be Approved:**

Resolution authorizing the approval of certain expenditures of funds from the Neighborhood Improvement Program.

*Whereas*, An Ordinance appropriating \$50 million and authorizing the issuance of \$50 million in bonds for the Neighborhood Improvement Program: A Plan to Revitalize Providence's Neighborhoods was adopted (1997-27); and

*Whereas*, Said Ordinance requires that "each component of said plan will be developed and approved by the city council prior to the expenditures of any funds"; and;

*Whereas*, \$12,382,235.00 million has been appropriated by Council Resolution Number 375 dated June 30, 1997, Council Resolution 474 dated August 22, 1997, Council Resolution numbered 610 dated October 19, 1997 and

Council Resolution Numbers 702 and 703 dated December 19, 1997 for various projects; and;

*Whereas*, Plans have been developed for additional components of the Neighborhood Improvement Plan;

*Now therefore*, The following expenditures of funds are approved:

1. *Neighborhood Improvement Projects:*
  - A. Ward 4 Park Improvements —
    1. Prete-Metcalf Fields  
(additional funds) \$20,000.00
  - B. Ward 5
    1. Home Repair Revolving  
Loan Fund \$250,000.00
  - C. Ward 7 — Park Improvements
    1. Neutaconkanut Park  
(additional Funds) \$10,000.00
  - D. Ward 10 — Park Improvements
    1. Columbia Park \$35,000.00
    2. Drummond Field  
(additional work) \$33,000.00
    3. New Baxter Street Park  
(additional work) \$22,000.00
  - E. Ward 10
    1. Washington Park  
Community Center \$100,000.00
    2. Removal of Diseased  
Street Trees \$50,000.00
  - F. Ward 12 — Park Improvements
    1. Candace Street Playground  
(additional funds) \$10,000.00
    2. Regent Avenue Park  
(additional funds) \$12,000.00
    3. Davis Park \$111,000.00

G. Ward 14  
1. Fargnoli Park  
(additional funds) \$33,000.00

H. Ward 8  
1. Home Repair Revolving  
Loan Fund \$250,000.00

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG, by the following Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Igliazzi, Jackson, Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan, Romano and Young—12.**

**Noes: None.**

**Absent: Council President Fargnoli, Councilman Rollins and Councilwoman Williams—3.**

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

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Whereas, Said Ordinance requires that "each component of said plan will be developed and approved by the city council prior to the expenditures of any funds"; and;

Whereas, \$12,382,235.00 million has been appropriated by Council Resolution Number 375 dated June 30, 1997, Council Resolution 474 dated August 22, 1997, Council Resolution numbered 610 dated October 19, 1997, Council Resolution Numbers 702 and 703 dated December 19, 1997 and Council Resolution No. 163 dated March 16, 1998 for various projects; and;

Whereas, Plans have been developed for additional components of the Neighborhood Improvement Plan;

Now therefore, The following expenditures of funds are approved:

1. *Elimination of Blight* — \$1,000,000.00

For continued demolition and property acquisition of those properties on a respected list previously approved by the City Council. Title and acquisition to be managed by the Department of Planning and Development, demolition by the Department of Inspection and Standards.

2. *Housing Assistance* — \$5.1 million:

To fund a series of housing programs to address citywide issues of homeownership and the existing housing stock. The proposed programs will consist of: Home Purchase Assistance Program, Paint Program, Home Repair Program and Rental Rehab Program.

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG, by the following Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Igliazzi, Jackson, Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan, Romano and Young—12.**

**Noes: None.**

**Absent: Council President Fargnoli, Councilman Rollins and Councilwoman Williams—3.**

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

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**COUNCILWOMAN PATRICIA K. NOLAN, Chairwoman**  
**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

**Transmits the following with recommendation the same be Approved:**

Resolution authorizing reimbursement for legal fees sustained by Christine Roundtree, Director of the Human Relations Commission, pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws 45-15-16 "Indemnity of Public Officials, Employees or Elected Officials" for approximately \$2,300.00.

*Resolved*, That the legal fees sustained by Christine Roundtree, Director of the Human Relations Commission, be reimbursed, pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws 45-15-16 "Indemnity of Public Officials, Employees or Elected Officials" for approximately two thousand, three hundred dollars \$2,300.00.

**Read and Passed**, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by

COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG, by the following Roll Call Vote:

**Ayes:** Council President Pro Tempore Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Iglizzo, Jackson, Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan, Romano and Young—12.

**Noes:** None.

**Absent:** Council President Fagnoli, Councilman Rollins and Councilwoman Williams—3.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Communication from Raymond Dettore, Jr., Chairman & Secretary, Board of Licenses, dated March 25, 1998, informing the Council President that in accordance with Resolution Number 180, he is appointing himself to serve on the Committee to Study the Current Peddlers and Hawkers Ordinance.

March 25, 1998

The Honorable Evelyn V. Fagnoli  
 Council President  
 City of Providence, City Hall  
 25 Dorrance Street  
 Providence, Rhode Island 02903

RE: Resolution #180

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Dear Councilwoman Fagnoli:

Very truly yours,

With reference to Resolution #180, my appointment to the committee to study the current Peddlers and Hawkers ordinance would be myself.

RAYMOND DETTORE, JR.  
*Chairman and Secretary*

Received.

## PERSONAL EXPRESSION

**COUNCILMAN ALLEN requests the privilege of the floor to speak on a point of personal expression and states:**

"The information that we received from our attorney, Kelly Sheridan, which we hired to give us an opinion with respect to the Memorandum Agreement dated February 12th, executed by Art Coloian, which Councilman Clarkin made some very vivid remarks about, and the issue was related to some 27 people in administrative position becoming part of the union. I am sure most of you have received and read this. It's a very nice report. The question was answered, simply stated, that yes the City Council does have the authority to have to ratify any changes made to the Collective

Bargaining Agreement, in a nutshell. At this point I would just like to comment on the last Council meeting where we have been dealing with the possibility of creating a City Council committee on Employee misconduct, which would be a nice vehicle to refer a subject of this nature to so that it would have a forum to be dealt with. There are a lot of employee related issues, and there doesn't seem to be a forum for it. So that at the next Council meeting, I would hope that the Council President does appoint a committee on the City Council to deal with Employee misconduct so that this issue can be raised and clarified to it's fullest extent."

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## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Communication from Charles R. Mansolillo, City Solicitor, dated March 27, 1998, informing the Council President that in accordance with Resolution Number 180, he is appointing John T. D'Amico, Senior Assistant Solicitor, to serve on the Committee to Study the Current Peddlers and Hawkers Ordinance.

March 27, 1998

The Honorable Evelyn Fargnoli  
City Council President  
City Hall  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Madam President:

I am in receipt of your letter dated March 24, 1998 requesting my appointment to membership of a committee to study the Peddlers and Hawkers Ordinance.

Please be advised that I am appointing Senior Assistant City Solicitor, John T. D'Amico as a member of said subject committee.

Sincerely,

CHARLES R. MANSOLILLO  
*City Solicitor*

Received.

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Report from Raymond Dettore, Jr., Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Licenses, of all moneys received from licenses, etc., issued during the quarter ending March 31, 1998.

Received.

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Report from Michael R. Clement, City Clerk, of all moneys received, credited and returnable to the City Collector for the fiscal quarter of January 1, 1998 to and including March 31, 1998.

Received.

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## FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries  
and Damages, viz:

Philip Services Corp. (John Stiller)

Ronald Roy

David Santomassimo

Narragansett Electric Co.

Narragansett Electric Co.

Narragansett Electric Co.

Kevin Bushee

Harriet A. Morse

Gina M. Corsi

Lucia Cotto

Vladislav Fedorenko

Abraham Jeffries

Victor Goris

Eboni Catala

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM-  
PORE LOMBARDI** Severally Refers the  
Petitions to the Committee on Claims and  
Pending Suits.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously  
Sustained.

## PRESENTATION OF CITATIONS

*“In Congratulations”*

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI and  
the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:**

Citations Extending Congratulations.

*Resolved*, That the Members of the City  
Council extend their sincere congratulations to  
the following:

Richard Urbani, in recognition of the re-  
naming of the Neutaconkanut Park as the  
“Robert Urbani Athletic Complex”.

Silver Lake Little League, in recognition of  
the celebration of Opening Day on May 3, 1998.

Paul and Neeta Vallone, in recognition of the  
celebration of the birth of their daughter,  
Sophia, born on April 15, 1998.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed,  
on motion of COUNCILWOMAN Di-  
RUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN  
YOUNG.**

The motion for Passage is Unanimously  
Sustained.

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

“In Memorium”

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI and  
the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:**

Resolutions Extending Sympathy.

*Resolved*, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere sympathy to the families of the following:

Mary Theresa Cerilli

Joseph H. Rossi, Jr.

Margaret Caldarone

Rita M. Beaumier

Carmino Morra

Frank Pranzo

Mary M. Shorts

Michael T. Jackson

Bessie J. Clanton

Jayna Unique Sivels

Anne R. Fiorenzano

Herbert A. D'Errico

Angelina M. DiIorio

Pompeii A. Francese

Rocco Parente, Jr.

Armad J. Ciaccia

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed,  
by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of  
COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded  
by COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG.**

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

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG, it is voted to adjourn at 8:20 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.).

*Michael R. Clement*

City Clerk

April 16]

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