

CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 25 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, November 17, 1983, 8:00 P.M. (E.S.T.)

IN CITY COUNCIL
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PRESIDING

APPROVED:

Jose M. Mendonca CLERK

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

JOSEPH R. PAOLINO, JR.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Paolino and Councilmen Annaldo, Cola, Dillon, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilman Easton, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—14.

Absent: Councilwoman Brassil—1.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILMAN DAVID G. DILLON.

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

COUNCILMAN JAMES A. PETROSINELLI 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. 24 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held November 3, 1983, and Posted November 15, 1983 on that Bulletin Board located on the Ground Floor Level of City Hall, is Approved as Printed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

The following Ordinance was in City Council November 3, 1983, Read and Passed the First Time and is Returned for Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1983-30, Approved July 10, 1983, by Transferring the Sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) from Law Department, Item 3 to Capital Center Commission, Item 3.

Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

Section 1. Chapter 1983-30 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, as approved July 10, 1983, entitled: "An Ordinance Making an Appropriation of One Hundred Sixty-Nine Million, Seven Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand, Two Hundred Forty Dollars and Ninety-Six Cents (\$169,796,240.96) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1984, as amended", is hereby further amended by transferring the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) from Law Department, Item 3 to Capital Center Commission, Item 3.

Sec. 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its Passage.

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

Ayes: Council President Paolino and Councilmen Annaldo, Cola, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilman Easton, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor and Pitts—11.

Noes: Councilmen Dillon, Petrosinelli and Stravato—3.

Absent: Councilwoman Brassil—1.

The motion for Passage the Second Time, is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAOLINO:

An Ordinance requesting the Board of Park Commissioners to require a Formal Training Program for Park Security Officers.

COUNCILMAN ANNALDO:

An Ordinance in Amemdment of and in Addition to Article VIII of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled "Pawnbrokers" by Adding Section 14-161.

COUNCILMAN EASTON:

An Ordinance Limiting the Issuance of Class "F" Liquor Licenses to No More than Six (6) per year to any single Organization.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1983-30 Approved July 10, 1983, by Transferring the Sum of Forty-five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000) from Debt Service Retirement Bonds Account (1-12-01-802) to the Department of Public Works Municipal Docks and Service Account (1-05-13-151).

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1983-30 Approved July 10, 1983, by Transferring the Sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) from Debt Service Retirement Bonds (1-12-01-802) to Rhode Island Historical Society (1-14-10-3-41).

COUNCILMAN FARMER (By Request):

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1983-30 Approved July 10, 1983, by Transferring the Sum of Six Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$6,700.00) from Debt Service Retirement Bonds Account (1-12-01-802) to Recorder of Deeds (1-09-01-501).

Severally Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAOLINO, COUNCILMAN ANNALDO, COUNCILMAN COLA, COUNCILMAN DILLON, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILMAN EASTON, COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN FARMER, COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILMAN GRIFFIN, COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR, COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI, COUNCILMAN PITTS and COUNCIL

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE STRAVATO:

Resolution expressing the Best Wishes of the Members of the City Council to Kevin Brassil for a complete and speedy recovery from his recent injuries.

Resolved, That the Best Wishes of the City Council are hereby expressed to Kevin Brassil.

son of our esteemed colleague, Councilwoman Carolyn F. Brassil, for a speedy and complete recovery from his recent injuries.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAOLINO (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards to release the demolition lien, in the amount of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$3,700.00) against the property located along 125 Tell Street.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ANNALDO:

Resolution requesting His Honor the Mayor to Institute a Public/Private Partnership with the Major Fire Insurance Companies to Intensify the City's efforts to Convict a few of the Major Arsonists in Our Community.

Whereas, Arson is a profit making business for a few that ruins neighborhoods and the quality of life for many, and

Whereas, There were 311 confirmed or

suspected arsons in Providence in 1982 and 230 in 1981, and

Whereas, The estimated losses in Providence attributable to arson were \$2.8 million in 1982 and \$4.9 million in 1981, and

Whereas, The State of Rhode Island has estimated arson losses of \$16 million, and

Whereas, The cost is also reflected in higher insurance costs and higher property taxes, and

Whereas, The Providence Fire Department has the knowledge and the talent but not the financial resources to effectively combat arson, and

Whereas, It is in the best business interest of the major fire insurance companies doing business in Rhode Island to reduce arson,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Mayor institute a public/private partnership with the major fire insurance companies to intensify the City's efforts to convict a few of the major arsonists in our Community. Supplementing the City's operational expertise with the insurance companies' financial and technical resources will dramatically reduce arsons in our City.

COUNCILMAN DILLON (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to Order the Installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 12, located along 1 Dixon Street.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of a street light on Pole No. 12, located along 1 Dixon Street.

COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO:

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the replacement of All "No Parking" signs along Valley Street.

Resolved. That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the replacement of all "No Parking" signs along Valley Street.

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the replacement of all Traffic Signs along Union Avenue, from Messer Street to Terrace Avenue.

Resolved. That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the replacement of all Traffic Signs along Union Avenue, from Messer Street to Terrace Avenue.

COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI:

Resolution requesting the Personnel Director to institute certain objectives into his plan of operation as required by the Providence Home Rule Charter for good management practices.

Whereas, The Personnel Director has recently submitted his plan of operation to the Providence Review Commission, and

Whereas, This is a good overall plan, certain important quality personnel practices need to be expressed,

Now Therefore. Be It Resolved, That the Personnel Director is hereby requested to institute the following objectives into his plan of operation

as required by the Providence Home Rule Charter and by good management practices:

1. Computerization of the personnel records;
2. Develop job evaluation formats and require annual evaluations;
3. Analyze department staffing requirements and develop a flexible workforce so that temporary or seasonal work demands can be met without overtime or hiring temporary employees;
4. Develop a skill-testing program for all new hires; and
5. Development of internal control systems so that all employees will be accountable for a full day's work.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN and COUNCILMAN DILLON (By Request):

Resolution accepting and authorizing the Recorder of Deeds to accept for recording from the Providence Redevelopment Agency to the City for highway purposes, certain parcels of real estate as depicted on attached maps.

Referred to Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN PITTS (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "Stop" signs at Braman Street, Savoy Street and Sessions Street, at their intersections with Morris Avenue.

Whereas, Motorists travel along Morris Avenue as an alternate route to Hope Street in excess of 35 miles per hour, resulting in numerous accidents,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the

Traffic Engineer is hereby requested to cause the installation of "Stop" signs at Braman Street, Savoy Street and Sessions Street, at their intersections with Morris Avenue, to alleviate the existing problems.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COUNCILMAN ANDREW J. ANNALDO, Chairman COMMITTEE ON CITY PROPERTY

Transmits the following with recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted:

Resolution authorizing His Honor the Mayor to execute a Deed of Conveyance to Raul and Martha Martinez, of Lot 283, on City Assessor's Plat 31, containing approximately 7,694 square feet of land, more or less, situated along 145-147 Bellevue Avenue, for the sum of Seven Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars and Eighty-Three Cents (\$788.83) pursuant to Ordinance Chapter 1982-53, approved August 12, 1982.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute, pursuant to Ordinance Chapter 1982-53, approved August 12, 1982, a Deed of Conveyance to Raul and Martha Martinez, or nominee, of 329 Dexter Street of that certain Lot or Parcel of Land comprising of approximately 7,694 square feet of land, more or

less, situated on Lot 283, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 31, situated along 145-147 Bellevue Avenue, for the sum of Seven Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars and Eighty-Three Cents (\$788.83) containing such terms and conditions as may be approved by His Honor the Mayor and the City Solicitor.

Resolution authorizing His Honor the Mayor to execute a Deed of Conveyance to Raymond D. and Maria C. Monsanto, of Lot 35 on City Assessor's Plat 36, containing approximately 4,092 square feet of land, more or less, situated

along 80 Messer Street for the sum of Eight Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$826.58) pursuant to Ordinance Chapter 1982-53, approved August 12, 1982.

Resolved. That His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute, pursuant to Ordinance Chapter 1982-53, approved August 12, 1982, a Deed of Conveyance to Raymond D. and Maria C. Monsanto, or nominee, of 113 Althea Street of that certain Lot or Parcel of Land comprising of approximately 4,092 square feet of land, more or less, situated on Lot 35 as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 36, situated along 80 Messer Street, for the sum of Eight Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$826.58) containing such terms and conditions as may be approved by His Honor the Mayor and the City Solicitor.

Resolution authorizing His Honor the Mayor to execute a Deed of Conveyance to Rafael Dominguez, of Lot 13, on City Assessor's Plat 52, containing approximately 3,902 square feet of land, more or less, situated along 164-166 Hamilton Street, for the sum of Eight Hundred Six Dollars and Twenty-Six Cents (\$806.26) pursuant to Ordinance Chapter 1982-53, approved August 12, 1982.

Resolved. That His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute, pursuant to Ordinance Chapter 1982-53, approved August 12, 1982, a Deed of Conveyance to Rafael Dominguez, or nominee, of 95 Congress Street of that certain Lot or Parcel of Land comprising of approximately 3,902 square feet of land, more or less, situated on Lot 13, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 52, situated along 164-166 Hamilton Street, for the sum of Eight Hundred Six Dollars and Twenty-Six Cents (\$806.26) containing such terms and conditions as may be approved by His Honor the Mayor and the City Solicitor.

Resolution authorizing His Honor the Mayor to execute a Deed of Conveyance to Harriet G. Mayerson, of Lot 439, on City Assessor's Plat 32, containing approximately 3,381 square feet of land, more or less, situated along 18-20 Hammond Street, for the sum of Eight Hundred Twenty Dollars and Seventy-Eight Cents (\$820.78) pursuant to Ordinance Chapter 1982-53, approved August 12, 1982.

Resolved. That His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute, pursuant to Ordinance Chapter 1982-53, approved August 12, 1982, a Deed of Conveyance to Harriet G. Mayerson, or nominee, of 49 Manning Drive, East Providence, RI of that certain Lot or Parcel of Land comprising of approximately 3,381 square feet of land, more or less, situated on Lot 439, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 32, situated along 18-20 Hammond Street, for the sum of Eight Hundred Twenty Dollars and Seventy-Eight Cents (\$820.78) containing such terms and conditions as may be approved by His Honor the Mayor and the City Solicitor.

Resolution authorizing His Honor the Mayor to execute a Deed of Conveyance to Michael C. McHugh, of Lot 184, on City Assessor's Plat 66, containing approximately 4,000 square feet of land, more or less, situated along 18 Zone Street, for the sum of Seven Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Twenty-Two Cents (\$777.22) pursuant to Ordinance Chapter 1982-53, approved August 12, 1982.

Resolved. That His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute, pursuant to Ordinance Chapter 1982-53, approved August 12, 1982, a Deed of Conveyance to Michael C. McHugh, or nominee, of 312 Veazie Street of that certain Lot or Parcel of Land comprising of approximately 4,000 square feet of land, more or less, situated on Lot 184, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 66, situated along 18 Zone Street,

for the sum of Seven Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Twenty-Two Cents (\$777.22) containing such terms and conditions as may be approved by His Honor the Mayor and the City Solicitor.

Resolution authorizing His Honor the Mayor to execute a Lease to Anthony D. Mastronardi of a Certain Area of land situated on a portion of Lot 16, on City Assessor's Plat 18, containing approximately 11,000 square feet of land, more or less, located along South Water Street for a period of 20 years to be renegotiated after the first 10 years, for the Sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) per month.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a lease to Anthony D. Mastronardi, 870 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886, of a portion of Lot 16, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 18, designated by the letters A-B-C-D-A, on accompanying plan entitled, "Providence, R.I., P.W. Dept.—Engineering Office, City Property Section, Plan No. 064253, September 16, 1983", for that portion of said lot situated along South Water Street, containing approximately eleven thousand (11,000) square feet of land, more or less, for a period of twenty (20) years, at a rental fee of One Hundred Fifty (150.00) Dollars monthly, to be renegotiated following ten years of said lease, subject to such terms and conditions as the Mayor and the City Solicitor shall deem to be in the best interest of the City of Providence.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Paolino and Councilmen Annaldo, Cola, Dillon, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilman Easton, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—14.

Absent: Councilwoman Brassil—1.

COUNCILMEN EASTON, FARMER and GLAVIN desire to be recorded as voting "No" relative to that "Resolution Authorizing His Honor the Mayor to execute a lease to Anthony D. Mastronardi of a Certain Area of land situated on a portion of Lot 16, on City Assessor's Plat 18, containing 11,000 square feet of land, more or less, located along South Water Street for a period of 20 years, to be renegotiated after the first 10 years, for the Sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) per month."

Recapitulation of Vote:

Ayes: 11.

Noes: 3.

Absent: 1.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

**COUNCILWOMAN CAROLYN F. BRASSIL, Chairwoman
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Transmits the following with Recommendation, the Same be Adopted:

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1983-32 entitled: "An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Chapter 1982-60" as Approved July 10, 1983, relative to City Clerk.

Read and Passed the First Time on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Paolino and Councilmen Annaldo, Cola, Dillon, Council-

woman DiRuzzo, Councilman Easton, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—14.

Absent: Councilwoman Brassil—1.

The motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

FROM JOHN L. McELROY, CLERK OF PROBATE COURT:

Communication informing the City Council of his Re-Appointment of Mrs. Jennie Liberatore as Deputy Clerk.

Received.

FROM THE CITY COLLECTOR:

Certificates (Nos. 16 and 17), Recommending

the Same be Cancelled, Pursuant to the Provisions of Section 44-7-11 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as Amended, inasmuch as the Same have been determined to be uncollectible as such amounts were not reported as required on the statement of lien.

Severally Referred to Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

FROM THE CITY ASSESSOR:

Certificates (38-L and 40-L) 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 Rhode Island, 1956, as Amended.

Severally Referred to Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

Report containing Financial Statements and Supplementary Information for Years ended June 30, 1983 and 1982 with Audit Report of Certified Public Accountant.

Received.

FROM THE PORT DIRECTOR:

Reports for the Month of September, 1983 and the first quarter ended September 30, 1983.

Severally Received.

FROM THE PROVIDENCE CIVIC CENTER AUTHORITY:

PETITION

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN and COUNCILMAN DILLON (By Request):

Petition of the Providence Redevelopment Agency to amend the Zoning Map by changing the Zoning in Areas of the Hartford Avenue Renewal Project.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition of Margaret Bajokian to abandon the end of Brush Hill Road, facing Chalkstone Avenue, approximately 203.68' beginning point being Lot 238 and ending on Lot 242, on City Assessor's Plat 94.

Beverly C. Gebler

Elizabeth M. Hickey

John Jones

Referred to Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

Max Kaplan

Joseph R. Marocco

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Mary D. O'Hare

Ernest Orticerio

Pablo Salazar

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

Rose and Jack Santos

Hansi M. Aguilotti

Robert J. Shedenhelm — Ross Laboratories

Ana M. Baptista

Edward E. Smith

Anne M. Baptista

James Ventriglia

Sharon E. Berg

Severally Referred to Committee on Claims and Pending Suits on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.

Mario G. Cece

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Shirley Cicchetti p.p.a. Michelle Cicchette

Department of the Army

Juan and Martha Garcia

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Congratulations"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAOLINO and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

Resolutions Extending Congratulations to the following:

Frank and Theresa D'Antuono, in Recognition of the Occasion of their Marriage on October 1, 1983.

Brian J. Sarault, in Recognition of his successful re-election as Councilman-at-Large to the Pawtucket City Council.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAOLINO and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

Resolutions of Sympathy of the Members of the City Council to the Families of Various Decedents:

Resolved, That the Sympathy of the Members of the City Council is hereby expressed to the Families of the following:

Anna M. Dooley

Leonardo Mottola

Ralph S. Altieri

Edward F. Parker

Edward DeRita

Henry D. Marzilli

Concetta DiToro

Edward DeCosta

Anthony Rosciti

Alexander Lopes

Corp. Thomas A. Julian

David Massa

Thomas Gibalerio

Joseph M. Preziosi

Ernesto DiBiasio

Antonetta DiCola

Filomena DeClements

Pearl V. Hie

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

MATTER NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

On motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON, it is voted to Suspend Rule 16 of the Rules of the City Council in Order to Allow the Introduction of the Following Matter Not Appearing on the Printed Docket.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCE

COUNCILMAN FARMER (By Request):

An Ordinance to Authorize the Issue of a One Million Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollar (\$1,850,000.00) Refunding Bond.

Read and Passed the First Time and Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Paolino and Councilmen Annaldo, Cola, Dillon, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilman Easton, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Griffin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—14.

Absent: Councilwoman Brassil—1.

The motion for Passage the First Time and to Refer is Sustained.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Councilman Easton requests and is granted the floor on a Point of Personal Privilege and speaks regarding a visit to his home by members of the Providence Police Department to check his notarization of his wife's signature on a recall petition and he felt that was an unnecessary use of the Police Department and intimidating on people trying to pursue their constitutional rights.

He asks his fellow Council Members to use their good offices to try to discourage this type of practice by the Police Department.

Councilman Griffin requests and is granted the floor on a Point of Personal Privilege and speaks on Councilman Easton's reference about people who are being investigated by policemen needlessly. He further states last year, a young lady who was forcibly taken and searched in a very disrespectful way — she was investigated by the police. Hundreds of people, most of them who happen to be black over in the South Providence area were visited by the police. Nobody in this Council raised their voice to say it was intimidating. There were investigations all over the place, people were summoned to the Grand Jury, and in the end, it was found out that nobody had violated the law. Nobody stood up to raise their voice, and tonight Mr. Easton stands up to talk about somebody visiting his house.

Councilman Griffin continues by stating, that he thinks it was perfectly legitimate. What they did, at that time, was perfectly legitimate. Now, the shoe is on the other foot — enjoy it.

Councilwoman DiRuzzo requests and is granted the floor on a Point of Personal Privilege stating that in her opinion the Council should not become involved on a personal basis. No member is above reproach when it comes to upholding the law.

Councilman Pitts requests and is granted the floor on a Point of Personal Privilege stating that he has no objections to the Police Department investigating a complaint, but when there is no complainant, the Police Department is out to intimidate. In this case there was no complaint.

He further states that there is no reason, whatsoever, for what happened in the City. It was absolutely disgusting and the worst travesty he has seen since becoming involved in the City Government.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN DILLON, the City Council adjourns at 8:55 o'clock (E.S.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1983 at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.).

Rose M. Mandonea

City Clerk