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CITY OF PROVIDENCE
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CITY COUNCIL
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 71 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, June 3, 1993, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.)

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

JAMES A. PETROSINELLI

ROLL CALL

IN CITY COUNCIL

AUG 5 1993

READ

WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.

Michael R. Clement CLERK

Present: Council President Petrosinelli,
Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Dillon,
Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Council-
men Fenton, Glavin, Igliozi, Lombardi,
Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins,
Councilwomen Williams and Young—14.

Absent: Councilman Mancini—1.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILWOMAN BALBINA A. YOUNG.

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

COUNCILWOMAN JOSEPHINE DIRUZZO 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 RECORDS

The Journal of Proceedings No. 68 of the Special Meeting of the City Council held April 30, 1993 and Posted May 27, 1993 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 LOMBARDI.

SCHEDULE OF BILLS

FROM CITY CONTROLLER:

Street Lighting Bill from Narragansett Electric Company for April, 1993, in the amount of \$123,078.99.

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

Ayes: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Dillon, Coun-

cilwomen DiRuzzo, Fargnoli, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Igliozi, Lombardi, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—14.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilman Mancini—1.

The motion of Approval is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCILMAN DILLON:

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1992-31, approved August 7, 1992, entitled "An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 1991-24, approved July 24, 1991, as amended".

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1992-31, approved August 7, 1992, 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 and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 1991-25, approved July 24, 1991, as amended".

Severally Read and Collectively Passed,

the First Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fargnoli, Councilmen Glavin, Igliozi, Lombardi, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—13.

Noes: Councilman Fenton—1.

Absent: Councilman Mancini—1.

The motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN DILLON and COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1973-52 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved December 24, 1973 entitled: "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for West Broadway NDP Urban Renewal Area (1)" for the Revision of Regulations and Controls for Certain Parcels located on Broadway.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 564 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance" approved October 24, 1991 by amending the Official Zoning Map by Changing

Zoning District Map Number 32, Lots 150, 152, 155, 157, 197 and 156; Zoning District Map Number 33, Lots 309, 310, 311, 312, 325, 445 and 446; and Zoning District Map 35, Lots 1,2,3,4, and 35, from R-3 to C-2..

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

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN moves Reconsideration of the motion to Refer to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN moves that the Ordinance be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, is Put to a Vote and Passed.

The motion to Refer to Committee on Ordinances is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCILMAN CLARKIN (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic at various locations surrounding the Wriston Quadrangle on Friday, May, 28, 1993 beginning at 6:00 o'clock A.M. and ending Monday, May 31, 1993 at 3:00 o'clock P.M. in observance of Brown University's 225th Annual Commencement Activities.

Resolved, that the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic at various

locations surrounding the Wriston Quadrangle on Friday, May, 28, 1993 beginning at 6:00 o'clock A.M. and ending Monday, May 31, 1993 at 3:00 o'clock P.M. in observance of Brown University's 225th Annual Commencement Activities.

COUNCILMAN DILLON (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to cause the installation of a Street

Light on that pole located in from of 161 Rutherglen Avenue.

Resolved, that the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to cause the installation of a Street Light on that pole located in from of 161 Rutherglen Avenue.

COUNCILMAN FENTON (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Dexterdaile Road, between Summit Avenue and Camp Street on Sunday, May 30, 1993, from 3:00 o'clock P.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M. to accomodate a Neighborhood Block Party.

Resolved, that the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Dexterdaile Road, between Summit Avenue and Camp Street on Sunday, May 30, 1993, from 3:00 o'clock P.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M. to accomodate a Neighborhood Block Party (Rain Date, Monday, May 31, 1993).

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Benefit Street, between College Street and Waterman Street, on Saturday, June 5, 1993, from 6:00 o'clock A.M. to 4:00 o'clock P.M. in observance of Rhode Island School of Design's Graduaation Activities.

Resolved, that the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Benefit Street, between College Street and Waterman Street, on Saturday, June 5, 1993, from 6:00 o'clock A.M. to 4:00 o'clock P.M. in observance of Rhode Island School of Design's Graduaation Activities.

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI:

Resolution requesting the Superintendent of the Parks Department to evaluate and rectify the problem at Neutaconkanut Park relative to Foul Balls from the Little League Fields entering the Playground and injuring the children playing there.

Resolved, that the Superintendent of the Parks Department is requested to evaluate and rectify the problem at Neutaconkanut Park relative to Foul Balls from the Little League Fields entering the Playground and injuring the children playing there.

COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along West Street, from Belknap Street to Cargill Street, on Sunday, June 13, 1993, from 1:00 o'clock P.M. to 5:00 o'clock P.M. in observance of a Birthday Party.

Resolved, that the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along West Street, from Belknap Street to Cargill Street, on Sunday, June 13, 1993, from 1:00 o'clock P.M. to 5:00 o'clock P.M. in observance of a Birthday Party.

COUNCILMAN MANCINI (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Director of Public Works to cause the Pot Hole located in front of 14 Clyde Street which is causing a public safety hazard, to be repaired.

Resolved, that the Director of Public Works is requested to cause the Pot Hole located in front of 14 Clyde Street which is causing a public safety hazard, to be repaired.

Resolution congratulating John J. Leyden, North Kingstown Chief of Police and former Major of the Providence Police Department on his recent appointment as Rhode Island's United States Marshal.

Whereas, John J. Leyden grew up in a cold water flat in the Smith Hill Section of the City of Providence and attended Saint Patrick's Junior High School and LaSalle Academy, and

Whereas, He joined the Navy in 1951 and served in the Korean Conflict, and

Whereas, In 1963, he was promoted to the rank of Detective and later served as a Detective Sergeant and Detective Lieutenant and was responsible for the creation of the departments of the first Arson Squad, and

Whereas, From 1973 to 1975, he was the Captain of the Patrol/Night Watch Command and he was then named Head of the Juvenile Division and in 1978, was promoted to Major and placed in charge of the Investigative Division, and

Whereas, In 1983, he was again promoted to Inspector Major of the Night Watch Command which included Patrol Detective, Juvenile and Criminal Investigative Bureaus, and

Whereas, In 1983, he took on the duties of the North Kingstown Police Department which was then a very troubled department. But, under the leadership of Chief Leyden, has become one of the best run and most respective departments in the State, and

Whereas, John Leyden has now been selected to the President of the United States to serve as the United States Marshal for the State of Rhode Island.

Now Therefor, Be It Resolved, That the Members of the City Council join the entire State of Rhode Island in commending Chief Leyden for this High Honor and expressing every competence

that he fulfill these duties with the distinction that has marked his entire career in public service.

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

Ayes: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fargnoli, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Igliozi, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—15.

Noes: None.

The motion of Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN MANCINI:

Resolution requesting endorsing House Bill 93-H 7374 relating to the City of Providence — Property Tax Exemption.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Resolution requesting the Forestry Division of the Parks Department to remove the entire tree trunk located at 23 Iona Street.

Resolved, that the Forestry Division of the Parks Department is requested to remove the entire tree trunk located at 23 Iona Street.

COUNCILMAN ROLLINS (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Cass Street from O'Connor Street to Broad Street on Saturday, July 3, 1993 from 12:00 o'clock Noon to 11:00 o'clock P.M. in celebration of the Fourth of July.

Resolved, that the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Cass Street from O'Connor Street to Broad Street on Saturday, July 3, 1993 from 12:00 o'clock Noon to 11:00 o'clock P.M. in celebration of the Fourth of July.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

Resolution requesting His Honor the Mayor to execute a Lease for a portion of Fones Alley to D'Angelo's Sandwich Shop for the use of private parking.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:

Resolution requesting the Acting Director of Public Property to cause the Graffiti to be removed from the Broad Street School, Washington Park Community Center, Roger Williams Middle School and the Fogarty School.

Resolved, that the Acting Director of Public Works is requested to cause the Graffiti to be removed from the Broad Street School, Washington Park Community Center, Roger Williams Middle School and the Fogarty School.

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Union Street, from Washington Street to Fountain Street (up to Murphy's Bar) on Saturday, June 19, 1993, from 11:00 o'clock A.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M. to accommodate a Block Party.

Resolved, that the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Union Street, from Washington Street to Fountain Street (up to Murphy's Bar) on Saturday, June 19, 1993, from 11:00 o'clock A.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M. to accommodate a Block Party.

COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "No Parking-Handicapped" Signs in front of the Jewish Community Center on Elmgrove Avenue.

Resolved, that the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of "No Parking-Handicapped" Signs in front of the Jewish Community Center on Elmgrove Avenue.

COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and COUNCILMAN FENTON (By Request):

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Meeting Street, between Benefit Street and Congdon Street, on Thursday, May 20, 1993 from 2:00 o'clock P.M. to 4:00 o'clock P.M. and Friday,

May 21, 1993, from 3:00 o'clock P.M. to 4:00 o'clock P.M. as requested by the Rhode Island School of Design.

Resolved, that the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Meeting Street, between Benefit Street and Congdon Street, on Thursday, May 20, 1993 from 2:00 o'clock P.M. to 4:00 o'clock P.M. and Friday, May 21, 1993, from 3:00 o'clock P.M. to 4:00 o'clock P.M.

as requested by the Rhode Island School of Design.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

COUNCILMAN ROBERT M. CLARKIN, Chairman COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

Transmits the following with Recommendation the same be Severally Adopted:

Resolution Granting Permission to Jim Egan, Vice-President, Doran Building Condominium Association, to place planters along the sidewalk on both sides of the entryway located at 150 Chestnut Street.

Whereas, Doran Building Condominium Association (hereinafter "Petitioner") has sought to place decorative planters adjacent to its real estate located at 150 Chestnut Street, Providence, RI.

Whereas, said encroachment has been proposed in order to facilitate certain construction requirements;

Whereas, upon the filing of said petition by Doran Building Condominium Association, various municipal departments and public utility concerns were informed of said petitioner and their comments solicited.

Whereas, inter alia, the Department of Public

Works, upon investigation has found that the proposed placement of planters will not unduly impede other pedestrian traffic;

It Is Hereby Resolved; Petitioner is granted permission to place decorative planters not exceeding 21 inches square above references location. Said grant is specifically conditioned upon the following:

a.) Grantee shall undertake all construction in accordance with the plans submitted to the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards; the Department of Public Works and the Department of Traffic Engineering; as the same may have been amended or modified.

b.) The Grantee shall enter into an indemnification and hold harmless agreement with the City in a form satisfactory of the City Solicitor.

c.) The Grantee shall provide insurance coverage against loss or injury in an amount not

less than (\$100,000.00) Dollars, with the City of Providence its agents, servants, officers and employees being named as an additional insured.

d.) Easements, satisfactory to those entities soliciting the same, are expressly reserved and, if necessary, Petitioner shall execute the appropriate documents to convey the same.

e.) the City shall retain a right of reverter in the premises.

Should the Grantee fail to comply with or to abide by any of the above referenced conditions, or should said encroachment cease to be used for decorative planters, the premises should automatically revert to the full fee and control of the City of Providence; any agreement hereunder shall be null and void, and any right or fee created hereunder shall be forever extinguished without recourse by the Grantee or any successor in interest.

f.) Further, the Grantee expressly agrees — which agreement shall be evidenced by the commencement of any construction provided hereunder that:

1. All documents obtained in connection with the Grantee's petition including any minutes, voice recording or transcription of the same shall compromise the official record of the Grantee's position;

2. The Grantee is presumed to assent to and comply with all recommendations, requests and the like — including but not limited to: modifications of the Grantee's original plan, landscaping alteration, set-back adjustments, rights of access to utility concerns and federal, state and municipal departments or agencies — which are contained in the official record presented to the City Council Committee on Public Works;

g.) Such other amendments or modifications as the Mayor or the Office of the City Solicitor may deem necessary to effect the purpose of this

Resolution and to promote the health and safety of the citizenry.

Resolution Granting Permission to Rhode Island Hospital by R.A. Cataldo Engineering to abandon a portion of Somerset Street, beginning at the easterly line of Prairie Avenue and continuing easterly to the westerly line of Gay Street.

Resolved, Decreed and Ordered:

That the following named street shown as cross-hatched area on the accompanying plan entitled "Providence, RI Department of Public Works — Engineering Office, Street Line Section Plan No. 064541 dated March 2, 1993."

Somerset Street, (portions of), shown as cross-hatched area on accompanying plan as designated by letters (A-B-C-D-A) having ceased to be useful to the public and is proposed to be abandoned as a Public Highway. Said Abandonment is specifically conditioned precedent upon the following: (1) The City Plan Commission of the City of Providence shall indicate its approval of the within abandonment letter to the Office of the City Clerk, City of Providence. (2) Petitioner shall tender the amount of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000.00) in legal tender U.S. to the City of Providence. (3) The petitioner shall convey an easement acceptable to the Narragansett Electric Company which will permit retention of its facilities in their existing location, together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same with twenty-four hour access to said facilities, or in the alternative should it be determined by the petitioner that any such facilities need to be relocated in order to comply with an intended use, the petitioner shall assume all costs of relocation. (4) The petitioner shall convey and easement acceptable to the Providence Water Supply Board which will permit retention of its facilities in their existing location

together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same and with twenty-four access to said facilities or upon the election of the Providence Water Supply Board pay the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Seven Hundred Four and 31/100 (\$2,704.31) to provide for the relocation of said facilities, 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 highway abandoned as aforesaid, having thereon the words "Not a Public Highway", and it is further

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

Resolution Granting Permission to Joseph Walsh, Chairman and J. Lynn Singleton, President of the Performing Arts Center, to abandon a 12 Foot Wide section of Pine Street.

Resolved, Decreed and Ordered:

That the following named street shown as cross-hatched area on the accompanying plan entitled "Providence, RI Department of Public Works — Engineering Office, Street Line Section Plan No. 064543 dated April 7, 1993 and Plan No. 064544 dated April 12, 1993."

Viz:

Pine Street, (portions of), shown as cross-hatched area on accompanying plan as designated by letters (A-B-C-D-A) having ceased

to be useful to the public and is proposed to be abandoned as a Public Highway. Said Abandonement is specifically conditioned precedent upon the following: (1) The City Plan Commission of the City of Providence shall indicate its approval of the within abandonement letter to the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Providence. (2) Petitioner shall tender the amount of One Hundred Fifty-three Thousand Dollars (\$153,000.00) in legal tender U.S. to the City of Providence. (3) The petitioner shall convey an easement acceptable to the Providence Water Supply Board which will permit retention of its facilities in their existing location together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same and with twenty-four access to said facilities, or in the alternative should it be determined by the petitioner that any such facilities need to be relocated in order to comply with an intended use, the petitioner shall assume all costs of relocation. (4) The petitioner shall convey an easement acceptable to the Narragansett Electric Company which will permit retention of its facilities in their existing location, together with the right to inspect, maintain, operate and replace the same with twenty-four hour access to said facilities, or in the alternative should it be determined by the petitioner that any such facilities need to be relocated in order to comply with an intended use, the petitioner shall assume all costs of relocation. (5) The Petitioner shall, to the approval of the Director of the Department of Public Works, reconstruct the street curb line for the relevant portions of Pine Street, 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 highway abandoned as aforesaid, having thereon the words "Not a Public Highway", and it is further

Ordered, That after the entree of this order or decree the City Clerk shall cause a notice thereof published in a newspaper, published in the County of Providence at least once a week for three

successive weeks and a further personal notice shall be served by the City Sergeant upon every owner of land abutting the above-named highway which has been abandoned, who is known to reside within the State.

January 29, 1993, is amended by deleting all references to the "Fleet National Bank and Fleet" and inserting therein the words "Fleet Bank as Lessee of the Azarig Kooloian and Elizabeth Kooloian.

Resolution No. 49, approved January 29, 1993, is amended by deleting all references to the "Fleet National Bank and Fleet" and inserting therein the words "Fleet Bank as Lessee of the Azarig Kooloian and Elizabeth Kooloian.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

Resolved, that Resolution No. 49, approved

The following is Transmitted with Recommendation the same be Denied:

Resolution Granting Permission to David Serrecchia, 10 Smith Avenue, Greenville, RI to abandon a portion of Burton Street.

GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion to Deny is Sustained.

Denied, on motion of COUNCILMAN

AT EASE

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI
declares the City Council to stand at ease
at 8:00 o'clock P.M.**

RECONVENTION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI
declares the Council back in session at 8:05
o'clock P.M. and directs the Clerk to declare
there is a quorum present.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

**COUNCILMAN CLARKIN requests the
Privilege of the Floor and states:**

Recently, there were two articles in the newspaper. One informed us that building fires went up 12% over the last year. The other article stated that we were going to have another training school to hire more firefighters. There was one thing that was not in the newspaper and it was over this Holiday Weekend in the downtown business center, at least two plate glass windows, right on Westminster Street, were broken, and that graffiti was written all over buildings in this, the main center of Providence.

I wonder how many of you remember "Joe Melino?" "Joe Melino" was a non-existent non-worker on the City Payroll in the early 1960's. A paycheck was made out to "Joe Melino" each and every week even though he did no work. We in the 1990's have our own version of "Joe Melino" and it is the 80 to 100 unneeded, underworked firefighters that we have on the payroll. The only difference between "Joe Melino" and some of our firefighters is that they do exist. But like "Melino" they do no work.

Let me tell you what the 12% increase in fires really means in work load. In 1972, our Fire Department fought 1,677 building fires with less men than we have now with less injuries. Last

year they fought a total of 461 building fires, a 70% decrease — 1,216 less fires. They still want more manpower. They fought only 1.2 fires a day and that's 1.2 building fires for a 24 hour day.

Let me state again that this is a bloated, overmanned, underworked and grossly mismanaged department. There is only one reason for Minimum Manning. There is only one reason we have as big a Fire Department as we now have and it is so the Local Firefighters Union Leaders can look good to the International Union. It is so some of these leaders can grab a job with the International Union at the expense of Providence Taxpayers when they are through ripping this City off. I ask each of you, would you give up 100 firefighters if you could get 40 walking police officers? We could do this and still save Millions of Dollars. We could do this and not hurt the fire safety in this City. Forty Walking Cops, can you imagine the impact on crime with forty walking police officers? I would like to see ten walking cops at night in this Downtown Business Center.

Can you imagine what two walking cops in each of our Wards would do to crime? More firefighters are a complete waste of money. Remember firefighters don't prevent fires, they only put them out. But, the presence of a Police Officer helps stop crime.

The few businesses left in the Downtown Business Center do not need more firefighters. They need and deserve protection from crime. They need and deserve protection from vandals. People that leave the Providence Performing Arts Center or those leaving Trinity at night deserve police protection. The residents of our neighborhoods don't need more "Joe Melino's", they need and deserve good police protection. We have more firefighters today than we had in 1972. We have more firefighters than we have Police officers. Is there one of you that thinks this is right? I know I don't".

COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN requests the privilege of the floor and states:

"I would just like to pick up where Councilman Clarkin left off. If we are indeed stuck with the Minimum Manning provision of the Firefighters Contract, for now, then I would suggest because we have all been complaining about the graffiti in our neighborhoods, why don't we have the Firefighters go out in their spare time and clean up some of the graffiti in the neighborhoods. They are always saying that they are there to help and they do so much for the neighborhoods. They always say they are going to do something. I think they should help the Community.

I am opposed to the new firefighter school for several reasons but the main reason is that there are no minority recruits. It is completely white and we should go back and re-advertise and have another school. Thank You"

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COUNCILMAN DAVID G. DILLON, Chairman COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Transmits the following with recommendation the same be Adopted:

Resolution endorsing House Bill 93-H 6172 relating to the City of Providence — Center City Providence District.

Resolved, that the City Council endorses and urges passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 93-H 6172 relating to the city of Providence — Center City Providence District, provided however that the legislation is amended to include two (2) members to be appointed by the Council President and two (2) members to be appointed by the Chamber of Commerce Committee on Corporations.

Resolution endorsing House Bill 93-H 5042 and Senate Bill 93-S 304 entitled "An Act relating to State Aid to Libraries".

Resolved, that the City Council of the City of Providence requests that the Rhode Island General Assembly enact House Bill 93-H 5042 and Senate Bill 93-S 304 entitled "An Act relating to State Aid to Libraries".

Resolution endorsing and urging passage of House Bill 93-H 5042 entitled "An Act relating to State Aid to Libraries".

Resolved, that the City Council of the City of Providence endorses and urges passage of House Bill 93-H 5042 entitled "An Act relating to State Aid to Libraries".

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

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

Transmits the following with recommendation the same be Adopted:

Resolution of the Providence City Council urging the Mayor to appoint John F. Palmieri as the Director of the Department of Planning and Development.

Resolved, That the City Council hereby urges the Mayor to appoint John F. Palmieri as the

Director of the Department of Planning and Development.

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

The motion for passage is sustained.

**COUNCILWOMAN EVELYN V. FARGNOLI, Chairwoman
COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND PENDING SUITS**

Transmits the following with recommendation the same be Severally Approved for Cancellation:

Certificates from the City Assessor (Nos. 20W and 21W) 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 Approved for Cancellation on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Dillon, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Igliazzi, Lombardi, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—13.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilwoman DiRuzzo and Councilman Mancini—2.

**The motion to Approve for Cancellation
is Sustained.**

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

FROM THE CITY CONTROLLER:

Monthly Financial Reports for the Month of
March 1993.

Received.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

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

Evelyn Balasco	Nadine Johnson p.p.a. Claude Johnson
Bilray Demolition Company	Helen Shuman
Marcha Cain	Michael F. Weber
Central Construction Company	Deotha Williams
Olga F. Ceseretti	Frank Williams
Antonio Cipolla, Duff Electric Corporation and Duncan A. Duff	Xeng Yang
Emmanuel K. Jallah	Severally Referred to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Petition from the Providence Redevelopment Agency requesting to abandon a portion of Albro Street.

Referred to Committee on Public Works,

on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN,
seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

**COUNCILMAN DeLUCA requests to speak
on a point of Personal Privilege and states:**

"In view of the recent decision of the Rhode Island Supreme Court regarding a negotiating team or contracts regarding municipalities, the Negotiator does not necessarily need to have at that table, the power to make binding bargaining agreement and requirements of ratification made of these agreements does not violate any state law and in view of that since the three contracts that were agreed to by the Administration and the Union for 1994 to 1997 were never ratified

by the City Council, I submit to you that all these contracts are illegal and void. I ask all of you, all members of the City Council to consider co-sponsoring a letter that will be drafted and directed to the City Controller, the City Finance Director and the City Treasurer to disburse funds to all City Union Employees for employment Compensation using 1992-1993 Contracts. I think we could not do that until new contracts are re-negotiated and ratified."

PRESENTATION OF CITATIONS

"In Congratulations"

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

Citations Extending Congratulations.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their sincere Congratulations to the families of the following:

James Predergast, upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout in Troop 53 of Saint Pius Church.

Raymond Pontarelli, upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout in Troop 53 of Saint Pius Church.

Christopher Gargaro, upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout in Troop 53 of Saint Pius Church.

Thomas Coleman, upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout in Troop 53 of Saint Pius Church.

John J. Leyden, upon his recent appointment as Rhode Island's United States Marshal.

Ralph Robert Liguori, upon receiving his Law Degree from New England School of Law.

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Lennon, upon the celebration of their recent marriage on May 29, 1993.

Alfred Ricci, upon receiving the Father of the Year Award from the Senior Citizens of Hope.

Thomas Jason Pullano, upon your graduation from South Kingstown School on June 14, 1993.

Peter Boitiano, upon the celebration of your 50th Birthday, born May 27, 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. George Calise, upon the celebration of the birth of their son, born on May 2, 1993.

Mr. and Mrs. Damian Lopez, upon the

celebration of the birth of their son, born on May 4, 1993.

Mr. and Mrs. James LaSalle, upon the celebration of their recent marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Adio Esaojo, upon the celebration of their recent marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Jose Contretas, upon the celebration of their recent marriage.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

Resolutions extending Sympathy.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their sincere Sympathy to the families of the following:

Mary Vellucci

Tarviz Topalian

Margaret E. Brett

George Napolitano

Pasqualina DiCarlo

Mary H. Migliaccio

Tanasi Shola

Mary Gatta

William A. Celio

Pearl A. Skolnik

Theresa T. Murphy

Cornelius E. Collins

Herta E. Massotti

Carlo A. Furio

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by
COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed,
by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on
motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, second-
ed by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, the City
Council votes to adjourn at 8:30 o'clock P.M.
to meet again on THURSDAY, JUNE 17,
1993 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.)

Richard R. Clement

City Clerk

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