

CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

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No. 27 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, December 19, 1991, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.)

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PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

JAMES A. PETROSINELLI

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None.

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IN CITY COUNCIL

JAN 16 1992

APPROVED:

*Michael R. Clement* CLERK

## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILMAN  
DAVID G. DILLON.

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

COUNCILMAN JOHN H. ROLLINS 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. 26 of the  
Regular Meeting of the City Council held  
December 5, 1991 and Posted December 19,  
1991 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 November, 1991, in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand, Three Hundred Ninety-One Dollars, Forty-One Cents (\$126,391.41).

Approved, 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, Fagnoli, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Igliazzi, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—15.

**Noes:** None.

**Absent:** None.

**The motion of Approval is Sustained.**

## APPOINTMENT BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated December 12, 1991 informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1102 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Raymond Dettore, Jr., of 1177 Smith Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908 as a Member of the Board of Licenses for a term to expire on the First Monday in January, 1995 and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication Received and Appointment Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

## ORDINANCE SECOND READING

The following Ordinance was in City Council  
December 5, 1991, Read and Passed the First Time  
and is Returned for Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1991-23 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence approved July 24, 1991, entitled: "An Ordinance Making an Appropriation of Two Hundred Sixty-Two Million, Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand, Eight Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars (\$262,216,864.00) for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1992" relative to Committee on Ward Boundaries, as Amended.

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*

*Section 1.* Chapter 1991-23 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, as approved July 24, 1991, is hereby amended, as follows:

<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Original</i>	<i>Increase/</i>	
		<i>Decrease</i>	<i>Revised</i>
Ward Boundary Committee	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
Reserve for Tax Abatements	\$500,000	(\$50,000)	\$450,000

*Section 2.* These adjustments will result in no increase in the Appropriation Ordinance.

*Section 3.* This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

**Read and Passed the Second 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, Fagnoli, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Iglizzi, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—15.**

**Noes: None.**

**Absent: None.**

**The motion for Passage the Second Time is Sustained.**

## PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCE

**COUNCILMAN FENTON:**

An Ordinance Regulating Security Alarm Systems within the City of Providence.

**Referred to Committee on Ordinances, on**

**motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.**

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

**COUNCILMAN CLARKIN (By Request):**

Resolution Granting to the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority, Permission for the installation of Bus Shelters along the Northerly Side of Washington Street, between Mathewson Street and Clemence Street.

*Resolved, That the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority is hereby granted Permission for the installation of Bus Shelters along the Northerly Side of Washington Street, between Mathewson Street and Clemence Street.*

**COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI:**

Resolution Requesting the Mayor to start the New Year with a Plan to reduce spending in each Department and also, extend the Hiring Freeze so as to be prepared for eventful cut backs being considered by the State and Federal Governments.

*Resolved, That the Mayor is requested to start the New Year with a Plan to reduce spending in each Department and also, extend the Hiring Freeze so as to be prepared for eventful cut backs being considered by the State and Federal Governments.*

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause Traverse Street, from Wickenden Street to Pike Street, be established as a One-Way Street on All Sunday Mornings between the hours of 7:00 o'clock A.M. and 12:00 o'clock Noon.

*Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause Traverse Street, from Wickenden Street to Pike Street, be established as a One-Way Street on All Sunday Mornings between the hours of 7:00 o'clock A.M. and 12:00 o'clock Noon.*

**COUNCILMAN FENTON:**

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to cause the installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 13 Located in front of 151 Pratt Street.

*Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to cause the installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 13 Located in front of 151 Pratt Street.*

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause All Traffic Signs that are faded along Transit Street, between Brook Street and Hope Street to be Replaced or Repainted.

*Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause All Traffic Signs that are faded along Transit Street, between Brook Street and Hope Street to be Replaced or Repainted.*

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

**COUNCILMAN FENTON and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:**

Resolution Relating to Ethics Reform in the State of Rhode Island.

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

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

**COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI:**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "Slow School" Signs with Yellow Blinking Lights from the Intersections of Hartford Avenue and Laurel Hill Avenue and Eastwood Avenue and Laurel Hill Avenue.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of "Slow School" Signs with Yellow Blinking Lights from the Intersections of Hartford Avenue and Laurel Hill Avenue and Eastwood Avenue and Laurel Hill Avenue.

**COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI:**

Resolution Requesting the Chief of Code Enforcement to enforce the various code violations at certain locations within the Thirteenth Ward.

*Resolved*, That the Chief of Code Enforcement is requested to enforce the various code violations at the following locations within the Thirteenth Ward:

- 107-109 Chapin Avenue Code Violations
- 100 Chapin Avenue.....Code Violations
- 70 Wood Street .....Code Violations
- 20 Hudson Street .....Code Violations
- 36 Hudson Street .....Code Violations
- 48 Hudson Street .....Code Violations  
(especially the roof rear of building)
- 62-64 Oak Street .....Code Violations

- 40-42 Willow Street .....Code Violations
- 36-38 Willow Street .....Code Violations  
(graffiti)
- 25 Willow Street .....Code Violations
- 90 Chapin Avenue.....Code Violations
- 19 Willow Street .....Code Violations  
(paint peeling)
- 36 Hudson Street .....Code Violations  
(paint peeling)
- 139 Messer Street.....Code Violations  
(missing gutters and broken windows)
- 126 Messer Street.....Code Violations  
(paint peeling)
- 30 Messer Street .....Code Violations  
(paint peeling)
- 76-78 Wood Street.....Code Violations
- 1640 Westminster Street Code Violations
- 100 Oak Street.....Code Violations  
(graffiti)

Resolution Requesting the Chief of Police to investigate the numerous complaints and problems in and around the Thirteenth Ward.

*Resolved*, That the Chief of Police is requested to investigate the numerous complaints and problems in and around the Thirteenth Ward, as follows:

- 104 Chapin Avenue..... Bad Tenants (noise horn honking)
- 61 Wood Street ..... Lots of people, public drinking and nuisance behavior
- 60-62 Wood Street..... People problems (noise)
- 113-115 Parade Street .... Bad Tenants
- 126 Messer Street ..... Cars parking on sidewalks, people hanging out
- 113-115 Parade Street .... Drug Dealing

Resolution Requesting the Superintendent of Environmental Control to cause all Garbage and Debris from various locations within the Thirteenth Ward to be Removed.

*Resolved*, That the Superintendent of Environmental Control is requested to cause all Garbage and Debris from the following locations within the Thirteenth Ward to be Removed:

- 107-109 Chapin Avenue ....Trash problems
- 100 Chapin Avenue .....Trash problems
- 17 Hudson Street .....Trash problems and  
(lot next to 18 Hudson Street) unkempt
- 126 Messer Street .....Trash problems
- 100 Oak Street .....Trash in yard

Resolution Requesting the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards to inspect various locations within the Thirteenth Ward.

*Resolved*, That the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards is requested to inspect the following locations within the Thirteenth Ward:

- Messer Street.....burnt out brick ranch  
(corner of Hudson) house
- 1598 Westminster Street burnt building
- 1492 Westminster Street burnt building, not  
boarded on second floor
- Willow Street School.....building falling apart
- 89 Hudson Street .....abandoned building

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to post Portable "Do Not Enter" Signs at the Ingress and Egress to the Carl G. Lauro Elementary School for Safety Purposes.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to post Portable "Do Not Enter" Signs at the Ingress and Egress to the Carl G. Lauro Elementary School for Safety Purposes.

**COUNCILMAN MANCINI (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the Installation of a "Stop" Sign on Academy Avenue, at its intersection with Salter Street.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the Installation of a "Stop" Sign on Academy Avenue, at its intersection with Salter Street.

**COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN:**

Resolution Extending Congratulations from the Members of the City Council to Councilman David G. Dillon upon being named "Employee of the Month" for December by Women and Infants Hospital.

*Whereas*, Councilman David G. Dillon successfully juggles two full-time jobs with ease. By day, David is Manager of Reimbursement for Fiscal Services at Women and Infants Hospital. By night, he represents the Eighth Ward of the City of Providence and is Chairman of the Committee on Finance, and

*Whereas*, Councilman Dillon's dedication to both jobs often involves long hours and it is not unusual to see David's car at the hospital in the wee hours of the morning, and

*Whereas*, The Members of the City Council are not surprised by David's achievements given his dedication and commitment to his constituents and to the City Council,

*Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their congratulations to Councilman David G. Dillon and to his family with best wishes for continued good fortune.*

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**COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN, COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG and COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:**

Resolution Requesting the Department of Planning and Development to conduct a revitalization or redevelopment survey of the Broad Street Area, from Trinity Square to Montgomery Avenue.

*Resolved, That the Department of Planning and Development is requested to conduct a revitalization or redevelopment survey of the Broad Street Area, from Trinity Square to Montgomery Avenue.*

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**COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Replace those Street Signs in various locations within the Tenth Ward.

*Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to Replace those Street Signs at the following locations within the Tenth Ward:*

- Oxford Street at Gordon Avenue
- Baxter Street at Oxford Street
- Potters Avenue at Broad Street
- Reynolds Avenue at Burnside Street
- Burnside Street at Potters Avenue

- O'Connor Street at Aldrich Street
- O'Connor Street at Jillson Street
- Chapman Street at O'Connor Street
- O'Connor Street at Chapman Street
- O'Connor Street at Porter Street
- Porter Street at O'Connor Street
- O'Connor Street at Johnson Street
- Johnson Street at O'Connor Street
- Baker Street at Eddy Street
- Parkview Avenue at Broad Street

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Resolution Requesting the Superintendent of Environmental Control to cause various vacant lots in the Tenth Ward to be Cleaned of all Garbage and Debris.

*Resolved, That the Superintendent of Environmental Control is requested to cause the following vacant lots in the Tenth Ward to be Cleaned of all Garbage and Debris:*

- 524 Public Street
- 374 Public Street
- 5-7 Burnside Street
- 577 Prairie Avenue

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Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to Repair the Road Depressions at various locations in the Tenth Ward.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works is requested to Repair the Road Depressions at the following locations in the Tenth Ward:

195 Colfax Street

163 Colfax Street

Cass Street at O'Connor Street

Cass Street at Broad Street

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

**COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG and COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a New Traffic Signal Light at the intersection of Public Street and Prairie Avenue.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of a New Traffic Signal Light at the intersection of Public Street and Prairie Avenue.

**COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:**

Resolution Authorizing the City Collector to cause taxes to be abated on that property located along 478 Pine Street, Plat 23 and Lot 85 in a total amount of Three Thousand, One Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars Ninety-Five Cents (\$3,193.95) and prior years as requested by the Rhode Island Indian Council.

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

**COUNCILMAN ROBERT M. CLARKIN, Chairman  
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS**

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

Resolution Granting Permission to Old Stone Bank, 57 Empire Street to cause a Handicap Ramp to be erected at that said location.

**Referred Back to Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.**

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

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**COUNCILMAN DAVID G. DILLON, Chairman  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

**Transmits the following with Recommendation the Same be Approved:**

Communication Transmitting the following Nominees to the Members of the City Council in accordance with Chapter 1981-10 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved March 18, 1981 as amended by Chapter 1981-21 approved April 24, 1981 and Chapter 1982-58 approved October 15, 1982, requesting the same for approval: Edwin C. Brown, David Cross, Allan Petteruto, Cedric Huntley, Ann Nagle, Gary Sasse.

Edwin C. Brown

David Cross

Allan Petteruto

Cedric Huntley

Ann Nagle

Gary Sasse

December 4, 1991

Members of the City Council  
City Hall  
Providence, R.I.

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The following nominees have been voted upon and selected by the Members of the Committee on Finance at its meeting held December 2, 1991 in accordance with Chapter 1981-10 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved March 18, 1981, as amended by Chapter 1981-21, approved April 24, 1981 and Chapter 1982-58, approved October 15, 1982, and are submitted requesting your approval:

Respectfully,

COUNCILMAN DAVID G. DILLON  
*Chairman*

COUNCILMAN THOMAS M. GLAVIN  
*Vice Chairman*

COUNCILWOMAN EVELYN V. FARGNOLI  
COUNCILMAN DAVID V. IGLIOZZI  
COUNCILMAN JOSHUA N. FENTON

Received.

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**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 (14V and 15V) 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 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, Coun-**

**cilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Igliazzi, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—15.**

**Noes: None.**

**Absent: None.**

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

**COUNCILMAN DAVID V. IGLIOZZI, Chairman  
COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES**

**Transmits the following with Recommendation the Same be Adopted:**

An Ordinance Amending Sections 16-92(j) and 16-106 of Article III of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence entitled: "Noise Control".

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Article I and Article III of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence entitled: "In General and Garbage, Trash and Refuse" by adding Section 12-88.

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, Fagnoli, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Igliazzi, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—15.**

**Noes: None.**

**Absent: None.**

**The motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.**

An Ordinance Amending Section C of Chapter 1342 approved August 5, 1960 entitled: "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 544 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved September 21, 1951 as amended, by adding Article VI-A entitled: "Historic District Zoning" creating the Historic North Elmwood District in addition to the Historic Armory District, the Historic College Hill District, the Historic Stimson Avenue District and the Historic Broadway District" as amended.

**Referred Back to Committee on Ordinances, 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, Fagnoli, Councilmen Glavin, Iglizzo, Lombardi, Mancini, and Rollins—11.**

**Noes: Councilman Fenton, Councilwomen Nolan, Williams and Young—4.**

**Absent: None.**

**The motion to Refer Back to Committee is Sustained.**

**The following is Transmitted with Recommendation the Same be Adopted as Amended:**

An Ordinance Requiring that all Bidders be Current with all City of Providence Taxes in order to be qualified bidders for leases and contracts for the City of Providence, as amended.

**Read and Passed the First Time and Referred Back to Committee on Ordinances, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG and COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, by the following Roll Call Vote:**

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

**cilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan and Young—10.**

**Noes: Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Iglizzo, Lombardi, Rollins and Councilwoman Williams—5.**

**Absent: None.**

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

## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT

### FROM MICHAEL R. CLEMENT, CITY CLERK:

Communication Informing the Honorable City Council of his appointment of Jean M. Angelone as First Deputy City Clerk pursuant to the provisions of Section 1201(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, entitled: "Deputies, Appointments".

Received.

### FROM NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY:

Communication by its Attorney requesting an Easement which bisects the Manchester Street Station site and the removal and construction of new fuel storage tanks.

Communication Received and Referred to

Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

### FROM THE CITY ASSESSOR:

Certificates (Nos. 16V and 17V) 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.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

## FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition of John and Paula Gleason, 36 Aventine Avenue, requesting an Easement for Lot 253 through 233, Plat 58, known as Robin Brook Sewer.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Petition of Joseph R. Paolino, Associates to build a Handicap Ramp at the entrance to 76 Dorrance Street.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

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

Patricia and Eric Carr

Ann Marie Gigli

Tricia Hill

Matilda Lombardi

Metropolitan Property and Liability as subrogee of Jean Major

Reliance Insurance Company as subrogee of Astillodoro Diodati

Roseann Riley

Michael A. Rivard

Carl R. Ruggiero

Ruth Scherz

Sandra Shoup

Dana T. Villanova and Kenneth Villanova

**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.**

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

### “In Memoriam”

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

Resolutions extending Sympathy.

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

William W. Hardman

Joseph P. Segatore

William F. Mattos

Frank Garofano, Sr.

Carl J. Kunstmann

Domenic Vechiarino

Marie J. Medeiros

Patrick J. Brassil

Mary Mastracchio

Rosalia DiMeo

Elizabeth A. Smith

Philomena V. Spinard

Kenneth F. McGunagle, Sr.

Paul R. Rossignoli

Magdalena DelSignore

Luigi DiPalma

Clorinda P. Scorpio

Frank Pina

Florence E. Corsetti

Rose DiGiacomo

Mary Neveski-Niewiecki

Joseph Ricci

Carmella DiMaio

Kenneth P. McBurnie, Jr.

Carmelo Calabro

Marilyn Fisher

Marion Notorantonio

Ralph A. Montella, Sr.

Anthony D. Aloisio

Albert A. Zinno, Sr.

Ronald O. Ricci, Jr.

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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## PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

**COUNCILMAN DILLON requests to speak on a Point of Personal Privilege:**

"I would like to speak on a point of personal privilege in regards to a recent meeting of the Retirement Board which you may have read about in the newspaper. I was invited in the morning to come to a 1:00 o'clock P.M. press conference to announce this settlement in the afternoon. What is involved here is a case which was brought by Attorney Cavanaugh, whom *we* hired, which has tremendous financial implications for the City. Apparently, the Mayor thinks that he can settle this matter on his own. I just want you all to know, that I have asked the City Solicitor to review the matter. I don't know what the next step is going to be, but even if there is no legal requirement that the Council be consulted, the

City Council should at least have been brought in and informed of the pros and cons of this settlement and been made aware of what was going to happen. I just want to inform everyone of this matter and express these concerns.

"I think that all fifteen members of this City Council have expressed a willingness to work hand in hand with the Administration for the betterment of the people of the City, but, instances like this where we are not involved and are being left out is wrong, it's unhealthy and I believe it will cause problems down the road if it is not changed.

"Thank you Mr. President."

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**COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN Requests to speak on a point of personal privilege:**

"I also spoke to the members of the Administration of my concerns about the Council being left out, about the Council receiving things on short notice and only being led into the circle when the votes are needed as on the Board of Contract.

"I think it is wrong and I think if the Administration wants our cooperation, then they

are going to have to include us into the picture, a little bit sooner and let us know what is going on. It is very embarrassing. It is very embarrassing, as Jimmy knows on the Board of Contract, to be given a few days notice to pass a 2.5 million dollar item in the City of Providence.

"I voted for it but knowing what I know now, I would not do it again without studying the issues."

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, the City Council adjourns at 9:15 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1992 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.)

*Richard R. Clement*

City Clerk

CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 28 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, January 2, 1992, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.)

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

JAMES A. PETROSINELLI

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Igliazzi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins and Councilwoman Williams—13.

Absent: Councilman Lombardi and Councilwoman Young—2.

JAN 16 1992

APPROVED:

*Richard L. Clement*  
CLERK

## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILMAN  
DAVID G. DILLON.

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

COUNCILMAN ROBERT M. CLARKIN  
leads the members of the City Council and  
the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance  
to the Flag of the United States of America.

## ORDINANCES SECOND READING

The following Ordinances were in City  
Council December 19, 1991, Read and  
Passed the First Time and are Returned for  
Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance Amending Sections 16-92 (j) and  
16-106 of Article III of the Code of Ordinances  
of the City of Providence entitled: "Noise  
Control".

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*

*Section 1.* Section 16-92(j) of the Code of  
Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

"Sec. 16-92. Definitions (j) Sound truck: shall  
mean any motor vehicle or any other vehicle

regardless of motive power, whether in motion or  
stationary, having mounted thereon or therein,  
or attached thereto any sound amplifying  
equipment."

*Section 2.* Section 16-106 of the Code of  
Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

"Sec. 16-106. Violations-Penalty. Any person  
found guilty of violating, disobeying, neglecting,  
or refusing to comply with the provisions of this  
article, shall upon conviction be punished by a

fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment for a period not exceeding ten (10) days, or both, for any one offense, pursuant to Section 1-10 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, except that any person electing to appear before the clerk of Municiple Court and admitting the violation charged, or in lieu of personally appearing before the clerk of the court, electing to admit the violation by mail to the clerk of court, shall be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

*Section 3.* This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Article I and Article III of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence entitled: "In General and Garbage, Trash and Refuse" by adding Section 12-88.

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*

*Section 1.* Amend Section 5-4, *Protection of lots after demolition of structures thereon*, by changing the last sentence to read as follows:

If no immediate reuse of the property is proposed and a building permit it not issued for the reuse of the property in a timely fashion and the property is located in an area subject to littering and dumping, the building inspector shall require the fencing of said lot within ten (10) days upon completion of demolition.

*Section 2.* Amend Section 12-79, *Violations and penalties*, to read as follows:

Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this article or the rules and regulations of the director of public works or the superintendent of health, as the case may be, promulgated hereunder, shall be punishable as provided in section 1-10 of the Code of Ordinances.

In addition to any fine imposed under this chapter, a person convicted of such a violation shall be ordered to remove and properly dispose of the litter and to fence the property on which the litter was located; and in the event such disposal is not accomplished within a reasonable period of time, the director of public works may cause such removal and fencing of the property and for such purpose may enter upon any real property necessary to cause the removal.

In the event that the director of public works is required to remove litter and to fence any real property, the city shall obtain a special lien against said real property for the cost of said litter removal and fencing which lien shall be removed only upon reimbursement of the cost of the litter removal and fencing by the owner of the property.

Said fence shall be at least six (6) feet in height and shall be chain link. Said fence shall remain in place and be maintained by the owner until a building permit has been obtained for the reuse of the property.

*Section 3.* Add Section 12-88, *Fencing of Vacant Lots*.

Any vacant and unused lot in a residential section of the city shall be fenced so that the lot does not become a dumping ground and a nuisance to the neighborhood. Said fence shall be at least six (6) feet in height and shall be chain link. Said fence shall remain in place and be maintained by the owner until a building permit has been obtained for the reuse of the property.

Vacant and unused shall mean any lot that is not used for a side yard and/or parking and is not maintained and kept free of litter. The director of public works shall enforce this regulation and within ninety (90) days of the adoption of this ordinance shall establish rules and regulations for the placement of fences around vacant and unused lots. If the owner of a property does not install a fence in accordance with this ordinance or the rules and regulations adopted, the director of public works may cause such fence to be

installed and for such purpose may enter upon any real property necessary to install such fence. In the event that the director of public works is required to fence said lot, the city shall obtain a special lien against said real property for the cost of said fence and installation which lien shall be removed only upon reimbursement of the cost of the fence and its installation by the owner of the property.

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

**Ayes: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Dillon, Councilwomen DiRuzzo, Fagnoli, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Iglizzo, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins and Councilwoman Williams—13.**

**Noes: None.**

**Absent: Councilman Lombardi and Councilwoman Young—2.**

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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## PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

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

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1987-10 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, as approved May 11, 1987, as amended in Chapter 1988-45, as approved November 23, 1988, as amended in Chapter 1989-18, as approved April 17, 1989, 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."

**COUNCILMAN FENTON:**

An Ordinance entitled: "Standard of Conduct of Elected Officials".

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

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

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## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

**COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI and COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI (By Request):**

Resolution Creating a Special Committee for the Purpose of Observing Saint Patrick's Day, March 17, 1992.

*Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council consisting of Five (5) Members to be appointed by the President thereof, is hereby created for the purpose of planning and conducting a proper observance of Saint Patrick's Day, March 17, 1992.*

Resolution Creating a Special Committee for the Purpose of Observing the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker, 1992.

*Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council consisting of Five (5) Members to be appointed by the President thereof, is hereby created for the purpose of planning and conducting a proper observance of the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker, 1992.*

Resolution Creating a Special Committee for the Purpose of Observing the 216th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1992.

*Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council consisting of Five (5) Members to be appointed by the President thereof, is hereby created for the purpose of planning and conducting a proper observance of the 216th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1992.*

Resolution Creating a Special Committee for the Purpose of the Municipal Observance of Labor Day, September 7, 1992.

*Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council consisting of Five (5) Members to be appointed by the President thereof, is hereby created for the purpose of planning and conducting a proper observance of Labor Day, September 7, 1992.*

Resolution Creating a Special Committee for the Purpose of the Municipal Observance of the 500th Anniversary of the Discovery of America by the Italian Navigator, Cristofaro Colombo on October 12, 1992.

*Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council consisting of Five (5) Members to be appointed by the President thereof, is hereby created for the purpose of planning and conducting a proper observance of the 500th Anniversary of the Discovery of America by the Italian Navigator, Cristofaro Colombo on October 12, 1992.*

Resolution Creating a Special Committee for the Purpose of the Municipal Observance of Armistice Day, November 11, 1992.

*Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council consisting of Five (5) Members to be appointed by the President thereof, is hereby created for the purpose of planning and conducting a proper observance of Armistice Day, November 11, 1992.*

Resolution Creating a Special Committee for the Purpose of Observing Christmas Day, December 25, 1992.

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee of the City Council consisting of Five (5) Members to be appointed by the President thereof, is hereby created for the purpose of planning and conducting a proper observance of Christmas Day, December 25, 1992.

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**COUNCILMAN CLARKIN (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to study the feasibility of implementing traffic control signs in the Wayland Avenue and East George Street Areas, in order to control those hazardous conditions created by the construction.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to study the feasibility of implementing traffic control signs in the Wayland Avenue and East George Street Areas, in order to control those hazardous conditions created by the construction.

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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**COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN:**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to study the feasibility of establishing Corinth Street in a One-Way direction and advise as to what direction it should be.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to study the feasibility and cause the installation of "No Parking" Signs on Niagara Street, between Early Street and Detroit Avenue.

**Severally Referred to Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI.**

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

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**COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:**

Resolution Requesting the Superintendent of Environmental Control to remove debris from various vacant lots within the Tenth Ward.

*Resolved*, That the Superintendent of Environmental Control is requested to remove debris from various vacant lots within the Tenth Ward as follows:

273-277 Chapman Street

19-21 Elma Street

623-625 Prairie Avenue

577 Burnside Street

195 Ocean Street

287 Sayles Street

173-179 Potters Avenue

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Resolution Requesting the Superintendent of Environmental Control to remove those abandoned cars from various vacant lots within the Tenth Ward.

*Resolved*, That the Superintendent of Environmental Control is requested to remove those abandoned cars from various vacant lots within the Tenth Ward as follows:

173-179 Potters Avenue

335 Plain Street

10-12 Salisbury Street

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to replace the Street Name Sign at the corner of Ohio Avenue and Narragansett Boulevard.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to replace the Street Name Sign at the corner of Ohio Avenue and Narragansett Boulevard.

**COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause all Traffic Signs that are faded along Whitmarsh Street, between Broad Street and Updike Street to be Replaced or Repainted.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause all Traffic Signs that are faded along Whitmarsh Street, between Broad Street and Updike Street to be Replaced or Repainted.

**COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG and COUNCILMAN CLARKIN (By Request):**

Resolution Approving the Installation of Street Lights for Roadways within the Hartford Park and Manton Heights Public Housing Developments.

*Whereas*, The Housing Authority of the City of Providence ("Authority") is in the process of completing required modernization work and comprehensive improvements at its Hartford Park and Manton Heights Developments (Project Nos. RI43-P001-004, 005 and 006) with limited financial assistance from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), and

*Whereas*, The Authority is desirous of obtaining street lighting for public roads passing through and/or near said Hartford Park and Manton Heights Developments in order to enhance public safety and security, and

*Whereas*, The City of Providence has an interest in promoting decent, safe, sanitary and affordable public housing for low income residents, and

*Whereas*, The City of Providence has executed a Cooperative Agreement with the Authority, which among other things, provides for the same level of municipal services provided other citizens of the City,

*Now Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence hereby approves the Housing Authority of the City of Providence's request for street lighting roadways within its Hartford Park and Manton Heights Developments, and

*Be it Further Resolved*, That the City Council of the City of Providence hereby authorizes and directs its Chief Electrical Inspector to direct the Narragansett Electric Company to install and maintain same as required.

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE**  
**COUNCILMAN DAVID G. DILLON, Chairman**  
**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

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

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated December 12, 1991, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1102 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Raymond Dettore, Jr., of 1177 Smith Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Board of Licenses for a term to expire on the first Monday in January, 1995, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

**Communication Received and Appointment Approved, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI.**

**The motion for Approval is Sustained.**

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Communication from Director of Public Works, B. James Suzman, Relative to City Council Ordinance No. 1988-60 approved February 11, 1988 Pertaining to Section 17-59 of Article III (c) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence.

**Received.**

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**FROM THE CLERK'S DESK**

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

Citicorp National Services

Joy Clements

Gwyndolyn Kandakai

Ann McGowan

Charles Mouradjian

Janice M. Pina

RIPTA

Juan Santiago

Juan Tejada p/p/a Francisco and Maximina

Trina Wright

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

**COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by  
COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI.**

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

### *“In Memoriam”*

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

Resolutions extending Sympathy.

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

Sovino Albanese

Nunzio R. Magliano

Antonio Perrotta, Jr.

Ralph E. Tucci, Sr.

Dorothea Baldassare

Bishop Moses Hamrick

Pasquale DeMasi, Jr.

James Wilson

Leo Greene

Teresa M. Parrillo

Matteo Sfamni

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, the City Council adjourns at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1992 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.)

*Michael R. Clement*

City Clerk



