

CITY OF PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 25 City Council Regular Council Meeting, Thursday, October 1, 2020, 5:30 o'clock P.M.

PRESIDING COUNCIL PRESIDENT SABINA MATOS

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMEN ANTHONY, CASTILLO, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILOR KERWIN, COUNCILWOMAN LAFORTUNE, COUNCILOR MILLER, COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILOR SALVATORE AND COUNCILMAN TAYLOR

ABSENT: COUNCILMAN CORREIA – 1.

ALSO PRESENT: SHAWN SELLECK, CITY CLERK, SHERI A. PETRONIO, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, ANGELA HARRIS, SECOND DEPUT CITY CLERK, DONNA M. PELIGIAN, ASSISTNAT CLERK AND JEFFREY DANA, CITY SOLICITOR

(SUBSEQUESNTLY, COUNCILWOMAN CORREIA JOINS THE MEETING)

**IN CITY COUNCIL
OCT 15 2020**

**READ
WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.**

Shawn Selleck **CLERK**

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by **COUNCILWOMAN CARMEN CASTILLO**.

"Dear God, Thank You very much for today and every day. Thank You for my colleagues, let them do the best that they can do for citizens of Providence and for our community. Please protect our families and the citizens of Providence, the state and the world. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen."

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COUNCILWOMAN JO-ANN RYAN Leads the Members of the City Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

PERSONAL EXPRESSION

COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI Requests the privilege of the floor to speak on a Point of Personal Expression and states:

"I would like the City Council to recognize October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and also Domestic Violence Month. Thank you."

SOLICITOR'S STATEMENT ON REMOTE MEETINGS

Per Executive Order of Governor Raimondo we are permitted to hold this meeting via zoom.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Journal of Proceedings No. 24 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held September 17, 2020, are approved as printed, on Motion of **COUNCILWOMAN RYAN**, Seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS**.

RESULT:	APPROVED (WITH VOTE) [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Iglioizzi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 14
ABSENT:	Councilman Correia – 1.

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Executive Order 2020-16, submitted by His Honor the Mayor, dated September 25, 2020, Abolishing the Mayor's Substance Abuse Prevention Council.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the foregoing Communication.

RESULT:	RECEIVED
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Executive Order 2020-17, submitted by His Honor the Mayor, dated September 25, 2020, Establishing the Mayor's Coalition on Behavioral Health.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the foregoing Communication.

RESULT:	RECEIVED
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APPOINTMENTS BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated September 11, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1107 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, and the bylaws of the Providence Housing Authority, he is this day appointing **Marcela Betancur** of 44 Sycamore Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02909, as a member of the **Providence Housing Authority Board of Directors** for a term to expire July 31, 2025.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the foregoing Communication.

RESULT: RECEIVED

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated September 17, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 1005 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Rhode Island Public Law of 1980, Chapter 84, he is this day re-appointing **Kenneth Phillips** of 269 Hamilton Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02907, as a member of the **Recreational Advisory Board** for a term to expire on September 30, 2023.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the foregoing Communication.

RESULT: RECEIVED

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated September 21, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Rhode Island General Law 45-42.1-3, as well as the Zoning Ordinance 501.1(c), he is this day re-appointing **Cornelis J. de Boer** of 107 Halsey Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the **Historic District Commission** for a term to expire on September 30, 2023.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the foregoing Communication.

RESULT: RECEIVED

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated September 21, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Rhode Island General Law 45-42.1-3, as well as the Zoning Ordinance 501.1(c), he is this day re-appointing **Michael S. Marino, Esquire** of 30 Stimson Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the **Historic District Commission** for a term to expire on September 30, 2023.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the foregoing Communication.

RESULT:	RECEIVED
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Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated September 21, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Rhode Island General Law 45-42.1-3, as well as the Zoning Ordinance 501.1(c), he is this day re-appointing **Clark Schoettle** of 24 Meeting Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, as a member of the **Historic District Commission** for a term to expire on September 30, 2023.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the foregoing Communication.

RESULT:	RECEIVED
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Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated September 17, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **Lisa Aurecchia** of 56 Bainbridge Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02909, as a member of the **Providence Harbor Management Commission** for a term to expire on December 31, 2023, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the foregoing Communication to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated September 17, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **Monica Huertas** of 216 Ohio Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02905, as a member of the **Providence Harbor Management Commission** for a term to expire on December 31, 2023, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Ms. Huertas replaces Mr. Cooke who has resigned.)

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the foregoing Communication to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated September 17, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1009 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day re-appointing **Ron Crosson** of 191 Dudley Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02905, as a member of the **Providence Public Building Authority** for a term to expire on January 31, 2025, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the foregoing Communication to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated September 17, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1009 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day re-appointing **Vincent Kilbridge** of 88 Lorimer Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the **Providence Public Building Authority** for a term to expire on January 31, 2025, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the foregoing Communication to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated September 21, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1009 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day re-appointing **James McLoughlin** of 150 Dexterdaled Road, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the **Providence Public Building Authority** for a term to expire on January 31, 2025, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the foregoing Communication to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

The Following Ordinance was in City Council September 3, 2020, Read and Passed the First Time and Referred to the Committee on Ordinances and is Returned for Passage the Second Time, As Amended:

COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMAN CASTILLO, COUNCILMEN CORREIA, ESPINAL, GONCALVES, IGLIOZZI, COUNCILOR KERWIN, COUNCILWOMAN LAFORTUNE, COUNCILOR MILLER, COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN AND COUNCILOR SALVATORE

An Ordinance related to the Providence Redevelopment Agency, Amending Providence Code of Ordinances 2019-31, No. 355 and 2019-48, No. 443.

WHEREAS, The Providence Redevelopment Agency, hereinafter the “Agency” is a Redevelopment Agency created pursuant to Chapters 31-33 of Title 45 of the Rhode Island General Laws, the “Redevelopment Act of 1956”, and is charged with redevelopment on behalf of the City of Providence; and

WHEREAS, The Providence City Council, pursuant to its authority under Rhode Island General Laws § 45-32-40 and in accordance with the laws of the State of Rhode Island and the Code of Ordinances for the City of Providence, has the exclusive authority to exempt real property owned by the Agency and has done so in Ordinance 2019-48 No. 443; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Sections 808 and 811(a) of Article VIII of the City of Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, the Providence City Council, by its sole vested authority, has made supplemental appropriations of municipal revenues to the Providence Housing Trust Fund by Ordinance 2019-31 No. 355; and

WHEREAS, It is in the interest of the residents of the City of Providence for the municipal government to operate in the most effective and financially-prudent manner, the Providence City Council hereby amends the Providence Code of Ordinances as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. The findings set forth in the preceding recitals are hereby made and confirmed.

Section 2. Definitions. All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in Chapters 31-33 of Title 45 of the Rhode Island General Laws, the City of Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, and the Providence Code of Ordinances, as amended.

Section 3. Amendment of Article XII of Chapter 21 of the Providence Code of Ordinances.
The City of Providence, in accordance with the laws of the State of Rhode Island and the Providence Code of Ordinances, is hereby authorized to amend Article XII of Chapter 21 of the Providence Code of Ordinances, entitled "Tax Exemption for Certain Property Owned by the Providence Redevelopment Agency", as provided herein, and does hereby amend Article XII of Chapter 21 as follows:

Article XII. - Tax Exemption for Certain Property Owned by the Providence Redevelopment Agency

Sec. 21-211. - Tax-exempt property acquired for the development of the MET School and the development of the public safety facility.

The following real property shall be exempt from taxation, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws, Section 45-32-40, as amended:

- (a) Certain real property acquired and owned by the Providence Redevelopment Agency which has been acquired for the development of the MET School; those certain properties identified as Plat 45 Lots 90, 418, 750, 636, 641, 652, 97, 95, 96, 830, 99, 426, 749, 432, 862, 37, 92, 319, 430, 431, 78, 130, 131, 838, 407, 408, 98, 99, 94, 101, 93, 650, 119, 127, 128, 129, 134, 135, 136, 137, 337, 346, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 416, 417, 419, 420, 421, 423, 424, 427, 428, 429, 779, 422; Plat 46 Lots 198, 275, 276, 278, 280, 482, 601, 277.
- (b) Certain real property acquired and owned by the Providence Redevelopment Agency which has been acquired for development of the new public safety facility; those certain properties identified as: Plat 25 Lots 380, 387, 53, 54, 55, 56, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 75, 76, 218, 79, 222, 227, 224, 223; Plat 29 Lots 113, 112, 444, 115 also included are the following:

FHE Parcel #7 Portion of Cottage St.

FHE Parcel #8 Portion of Interstate 95 Service Road #7-Per condemnation map

FHE Parcel #18 Portion Fountain St.-Per attached map

Sec. 21-212. - Generally - Tax exempt property.

- (a) In addition to Section 21-211 above, and subject to the exceptions found in Sub-section (b) below, all real property owned by the Providence Redevelopment Agency shall be exempt from taxation throughout the entire period of ownership, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws Section 45-32-40, as amended.
- (b) Notwithstanding Sub-section (a) above, the exemption from real property taxation shall apply under the following conditions:

- i. the exemption shall not operate to abate, cancel, or remove taxes already due and owing on any given real property prior to the Providence Redevelopment Agency's acquisition and ownership. The exemption is personal to the Providence Redevelopment Agency and the ability to abate, cancel, or remove taxes pursuant to the exemption must be exercised by the Agency in writing to the Office of the Tax Collector;
- ii. the exemption shall not operate to make the real property acquired and owned by the Providence Redevelopment Agency tax exempt at any point in time after the Providence Redevelopment Agency disposes of the property. Regardless of the Agency's ownership of any given property on the date of assessment prior to its disposition of the property, said property will become taxable based on that prior assessment value and the remaining apportionment of taxes shall be due and owing from the individual or entity who receives the disposition of that property from the Agency from the date of transfer. The Agency shall notify the Tax Assessor and Tax Collector of said disposition to ensure corrected tax bills are sent to the new owner; and
- iii. the Providence Redevelopment Agency may elect to disregard its exemption status and declare certain property taxable by notice to the Tax Assessor, Tax Collector, and City Treasurer in order to effectuate the redevelopment of said property which it may acquire and own from time to time.

Section 4. Amendment of Ordinance 2019-31 No. 355 of the Providence Code of Ordinances. The City of Providence, in accordance with the laws of the State of Rhode Island and the Providence Code of Ordinances, is hereby authorized to amend Ordinance 2019-31 No. 355 of the Providence Code of Ordinances, entitled "An Ordinance Authorizing the Appropriation of Funds to the Providence Housing Trust", as provided herein, and does hereby amend said ordinance as follows:

Section 1. Supplement Appropriations to the Providence Housing Trust.

- (a) Transfer of Funds. Commencing in tax year 2019 and each tax year thereafter, the Providence City Council hereby directs the City Tax Collector to transfer and deposit ten percent (10%) of all funds collected annually pursuant to tax stabilization agreements to the Providence Housing Trust, including, without limitation, stabilized tax payments for the current tax year, any delinquent stabilized payments for previous tax years, and payments made upon the transfer of properties subject to tax stabilized agreements within five (5) years from the end of the tax stabilized term.

(b) Capitalization of Fund. Should the Providence Redevelopment Agency issues bonds, pursuant to R.I.G.L. 45-33-5, to capitalize the Providence Housing Trust (“Housing Bonds”), the City of Providence hereby pledges appropriations, including but not limited to those contained in this section to service any and all debt associated with repayment of principal and interest on any bonds so issued. In addition to pledging its full faith and credit to any so issued Housing Bonds, the City of Providence hereby:

- i. Authorizes the use and distribution to prospective purchasers of the Housing Bonds of one or more appendices to a final Official Statement (in substantially the form of a Preliminary Official Statement) to include an Information Statement and financial statements of the City;
- ii. Authorizes the City’s Chief Financial Officer or designee to execute and deliver a continuing disclosure certificate in connection with the Housing Bonds issued by or on behalf of the Providence Redevelopment Agency, in such forms as shall be deemed advisable by the City’s Chief Financial Officer or designee;
- iii. Authorizes the Mayor or the Chief Financial Officer to enter into such agreements, certificates and instruments (“City Documents”) and to take any and all action and to execute, file and deliver the City Documents in such form as he/she may deem necessary or desirable to implement the Providence Redevelopment Agency’s capitalization of the Providence Housing Trust Fund.

Section 5. Miscellaneous. Except as specifically provided herein, the provisions of Article XII of Chapter 21, as amended by Ordinance 2019-48 No. 443, and Ordinance 2019-31 No. 355 of the Providence Code of Ordinances shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage by the City Council and approval by the Mayor.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves Passage of the Ordinance the Second Time, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

RESULT:	READ/PASSED SECOND TIME [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliozzi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 15.

The Motion for Passage the Second Time is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCILMEN TAYLOR, CORREIA, COUNCILOR MILLER, COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMAN CASTILLO, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, COUNCILOR KERWIN AND COUNCILWOMAN RYAN

An Ordinance Suspending the Application of Section 21-53 of the Providence Code of Ordinances for the Fiscal Year 2021 Tax Sale by the City Collector.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(a) of the Code of Ordinances.

Downes Construction Company (Department of Public Property)	\$4,551,270.00
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COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b) of the Code of Ordinances.

Fatema Maswood (Department of Art, Culture & Tourism)	\$15,000.00
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COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY,
COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN LAFORTUNE,
COUNCILOR MILLER, COUNCILWOMAN CASTILLO, COUNCILMAN
CORREIA, COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, COUNCILMEN IGLIOZZI,
NARDUCCI, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILOR SALVATORE AND
COUNCILMAN TAYLOR**

Resolution Proclaiming September 15, 2020 to October 15, 2020 to be Hispanic Heritage Month 2020.

WHEREAS, The City of Providence has a vibrant Hispanic community which comprises approximately 40% of the City's population; and

WHEREAS, Each year on September 15th, multiple Latin American countries celebrate their independence including Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua; and

WHEREAS, Mexico's independence is celebrated on September 15th followed by Chilean independence on September 18th and Belize Independence Day on September 21st; and

WHEREAS, September 15th through October 15th has been recognized by Congress as National Hispanic Heritage Month pursuant to Public Law 100-402; and

WHEREAS, During National Hispanic Heritage Month we celebrate and honor the contributions, hard work, love of country, deep commitment to faith and family, and the customs of our Hispanic American residents who have contributed so much to our society, our character, and our way of life in Providence and throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, The City of Providence is proud to recognize those groups whose contributions have made our city and our nation a better place in which to live and work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence hereby declare September 15, 2020 through October 15, 2020 to be Hispanic Heritage Month 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon passage, a copy of this resolution be sent to the Mayor of Providence.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILMAN CORREIA,
COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES,
COUNCILOR MILLER, COUNCILMEN NARDUCCI, TAYLOR,
COUNCILWOMEN CASTILLO, HARRIS, LAFORTUNE, RYAN AND
COUNCILOR SALVATORE**

Resolution Requesting the Mayor and the Board of Licenses establish a payment plan option for renewal applications by existing license holders.

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic has inflicted substantial economic hardship on local bars and restaurants who have, through no fault of their own, been caught trying to maintain a business model with reduced seating capacity, reduced hours, and additional overhead costs; and

WHEREAS, The City has already experienced several restaurants permanently shut down with many more struggling to keep their business operating; and

WHEREAS, On December 1st of each year, all liquor licenses in the City of Providence are up for renewal which can cost an establishment approximately \$3,000.00; and

WHEREAS, In response to these significant economic challenges facing local bars and restaurants, the cities of Pawtucket and Warwick have already established payment plan options for local license holders to provide additional flexibility on how businesses are managing their cash flows; and;

WHEREAS, The City of Providence must follow the lead of Pawtucket and Warwick in providing greater flexibility for local small businesses who are struggling as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby requests that the Mayor of Providence and the Providence Board of Licenses establish a payment plan option for renewal applications by existing license holders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of Providence and the members of the Providence Board of Licenses.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to ask the Clerk to read items 21 and 22 into the record and Moves Passage of the Several Resolutions, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliozi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 15.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMEN CORREIA AND GONCALVES

Resolution Requesting the Tax Assessor apply the Homestead Exemption to the property located on Assessor's Plat 94, Lot 724 (162 Ortoleva Drive), for the years 2012 through 2020.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

COUNCILMEN CORREIA, GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMAN CASTILLO, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN HARRIS, LAFORTUNE, COUNCILOR MILLER, COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILOR SALVATORE AND COUNCILMAN TAYLOR

Resolution Requesting the installation of trees along Atwells Avenue from Academy Avenue to Mount Pleasant Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby requests that the City Forester replace the trees along Atwells Avenue, between Academy Avenue and Mount Pleasant Avenue, that were cut down during the sidewalk replacement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of Providence and the City Forester.

COUNCILMEN CORREIA, ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS AND COUNCILWOMAN RYAN

Resolution Requesting additional safety signage along Manton Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby requests that the Director of Public Works and the Traffic Engineer paint a "SLOW CURVE" notification in the roadway along the 800 block of Manton Avenue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of Providence, the Director of Public Works, and the Traffic Engineer.

COUNCILMEN CORREIA, ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS AND COUNCILWOMAN RYAN

Resolution Requesting the installation of a crosswalk at the entrance of Manton Skatepark.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby requests that the Director of Public Works and the Traffic Engineer install a crosswalk at the entrance of Manton Skatepark located at 588 Manton Avenue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of Providence, the Director of Public Works, and the Traffic Engineer.

COUNCILMEN CORREIA, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN AND COUNCILOR SALVATORE

Resolution Requesting the installation of a gate at the District 6 Police Substation

Parking Lot.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby requests that the Acting Director of Public Property install a gate at the entrance to the District 6 Police Substation parking lot.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of Providence and the Acting Director of Public Property.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to ask the Clerk to read items 23 through 26 into the record and Moves Passage of the Several Resolutions, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliozi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 15.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILOR MILLER, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMEN HARRIS, LAFORTUNE, COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN AND COUNCILOR SALVATORE

Resolution Establishing a Ceremonial Designation along Croyland Road As "Sr. Joyce Flowers Way".

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning

COUNCILOR SALVATORE, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN LAFORTUNE, COUNCILOR MILLER, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMAN CASTILLO, COUNCILMAN CORREIA, COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, COUNCILOR KERWIN, COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN AND COUNCILMAN TAYLOR

Resolution Requesting an Online Application Process for Overnight Residential Parking Permits.

WHEREAS, The Providence Department of Public Works is tasked with providing efficient, cost-effective, high-quality services relative to the operations and planning of public works infrastructure for the City of Providence, including overnight residential parking permits; and

WHEREAS, Overnight parking permits allow Providence residents to park on selected residential streets; and

WHEREAS, Although overnight parking permits serve a critical function for Providence residents, the Department of Public Works still requires applications to be filed in person; and

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic has prompted many city services to transition to remote access in order to limit the need for in-person interactions; and

WHEREAS, Making the overnight parking permit application available for online submission will improve the resident-experience, increase the efficiency of the Department of Public Works, and reduce the potential risks of COVID-19 transmission both for residents and City personnel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council requests that the Department of Public Works create an online application process for overnight residential parking permits within 120 days of passage of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to the Mayor of Providence and the Director of Public Works.

COUNCILOR SALVATORE Moves to Amend the Resolution in the Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved clause to add "within 120 days of passage of this resolution", Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN RYAN.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves Passage of the Resolution, As Amended, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	READ AND PASSED, AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliozi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 15.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

PERSONAL EXPRESSION

COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY Requests the privilege of the floor to speak on a Point of Personal Expression and states:

"I would just like to thank Wendy Nilsson, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation and her very hard working staff for the wonderful job they have done in our parks with very limited staff. She has been unable to hire her temporary help. In my opinion she has done a fabulous job of maintaining our parks which were so needed during the COVID crisis. I would just like to recognize her and her staff for their very hard work."

REPORT(S) FROM COMMITTEE(S)

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE COUNCILMAN JOHN J. IGLIOZZI, Chairman

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted, As Amended:

COUNCILMAN CORREIA AND COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, (By Request):

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Eighty Eight Million One Hundred Sixteen Thousand One Hundred Sixty Two Dollars (\$88,116,162), for the support of the Providence Water Supply Board for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation Plan for the Water Supply Board and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 2019-94, Effective October 11, 2019.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Five Million One Hundred Eighty Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Four Dollars (\$5,180,464), for the Water Supply Board Chemical Sludge Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of One Million Two Hundred Sixty One Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Two Dollars (\$1,261,372), for the Water Supply Board Equipment Replacement Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Four Million Six Hundred Ninety Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Two Dollars (\$4,690,662) for the Water Supply Board Insurance Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Two Million Eight Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Two Dollars (\$2,853,852) for the Water Supply Board Lead Service Replacement Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Seven Hundred Ninety Four Thousand Six Hundred Forty Two Dollars (\$794,642) for the Water Supply Board Revenue Reserve Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted:

An Ordinance Establishing the Classes of Positions, the Maximum Number of Employees and the Number of Employees in Certain Classes in the Water Supply Board and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 2019-107, Effective October 11, 2019.

An Ordinance Making an Appropriation of Two Million Fifty Three Thousand Twenty Dollars (\$2,053,020), for the Water Supply Board Capital Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Fifty Million Thirty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Two Dollars (\$50,037,272) for the Water Supply Board Infrastructure Replacement Program Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of One Million Six Hundred Ninety Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Nineteen Dollars (\$1,697,719) for the Water Supply Board Meter Replacement Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Five Hundred Eighty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Dollars (\$584,840) for the Water Supply Board Property Tax Refund Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Five Million Three Hundred Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Nine Dollars (\$5,311,209) for the Water Supply Board Water Quality Protection Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Two Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Eight Dollars (\$255,258) for the Water Supply Board Western Cranston Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Waive the Reading of items 29 through 42 and Moves Passage of the Several Ordinances for the First Time, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

RESULT:	READ/PASSED FOR THE FIRST TIME [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliazzi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 15.

The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Approved:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rhode Island	\$871,356.00
(Human Resources)	

RESOLVED, That the members of the Providence City Council hereby Authorize Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rhode Island	\$871,356.00
(Human Resources)	

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves Passage of the Resolution and Refer Back to Board of Contract and Supply, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

RESULT:	READ AND PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliozi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 15.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Received and Approved:

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated September 11, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1006 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing **Brenda Almonte** of 37 Longfellow Terrace, Providence, Rhode Island 02907, to the position of **Director of the Department of Public Property**, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Receive and Approve the Communication, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	RECEIVED AND APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliozi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 15.

COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES
COUNCILWOMAN JO-ANN RYAN, Chairwoman

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Adopted, As Amended:

COUNCILOR SALVATORE, COUNCILMEN CORREIA, ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN LAFORTUNE, COUNCILOR MILLER AND COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 23 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places", adding Article VII, "Street and Sidewalk Sweeping".

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Adopted:

COUNCILOR MILLER, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILOR KERWIN, COUNCILOR SALVATORE, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILWOMAN LAFORTUNE AND COUNCILMAN GONCALVES

An Ordinance in Amendment of Article XXII of Chapter II, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "Administration," Amending Section 2-358.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to ask the Clerk to read items 45 AND 46 into the record and Moves Passage of the Several Resolutions for the First Time, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

RESULT:	READ/PASSED FOR THE FIRST TIME [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Iglioizzi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 15.

The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Communication from Kevin Purdy, dated September 17, 2020, submitting his resignation as a member of the Providence Environmental Sustainability Task Force.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the foregoing Communication.

RESULT: RECEIVED

PROVIDENCE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE
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PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN CONGRATULATIONS"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Resolution Extending Congratulations.

RESOLVED, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere
Congratulations to the following:

My HomeCourt (MHC) in recognition of their contribution to the newly constructed outdoor public basketball court at Cranston Street Tot Lot on Providence's West Side.

Providence College Galleries (PC-G) in recognition of their contribution to the newly constructed outdoor public basketball court at Cranston Street Tot Lot on Providence's West Side.

Andrea Bergart in recognition of her court mural featured at the newly constructed outdoor public basketball court at Cranston Street Tot Lot on Providence's West Side.

Tony Guerrero in recognition of the celebration of his Birthday and for his commitment and dedication to the community.

Antonieta & Shawn in recognition of the celebration of the birth of their son, Luca, born on September 4, 2020.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on Motion of COUNCILWOMAN RYAN,
Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

RESULT:	READ AND PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliazzi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 15.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

**PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS
"IN MEMORIAM"**

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Resolution Extending Sympathy.

RESOLVED, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere Sympathy to the families of the following:

Evelyn P. Coelho-Masterson

Lori A. Mello

Helen M. Reilly

Alice A. Andrade

Emilio M. Matos, Sr.

Nancy M. DiLorenzo

Joann (DiLorenzo) Fede

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on a Unanimous Rising Vote, on Motion of COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	READ AND PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliozi, Councilor Kerwin, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilor Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 15.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

CONVENTION

There being no further business, on Motion of **COUNCILWOAN RYAN**, Seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS**, it is voted to adjourn in memory of Supreme Court Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg at 6:11 o'clock P.M., to meet again **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M.**



**SHAWN SELLECK
CITY CLERK**