

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND**



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 8 City Council Special Meeting, Thursday, April 8, 2021, 4:30 o'clock P.M.

PRESIDING

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT
SABINA MATOS**

CALL TO ORDER

**PRESENT: COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILWOMAN CASTILLO,
COUNCILMAN CORREIA, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL,
COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS,
COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILWOMAN LAFORTUNE,
COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN,
COUNCILOR SALVATORE, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR – 12.**

**ABSENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILOR KERWIN,
COUNCILOR MILLER – 3.**

**ALSO PRESENT: TINA L. MASTROIANNI, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, SHERI
A. PETRONIO, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK AND JEFFREY DANA, CITY
SOLICITOR**

**IN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 6 2021**

APPROVED:

Sheri A. Petronio

CLERK

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by **COUNCILWOMAN MARY KAY HARRIS**.

"Heavenly Father, we want to thank You first of all for this beautiful day. Father, we want to encourage each other in this strange time just to hold on. I ask You Lord to bless the Council Office, the Clerk's Office and all the positions that You have Lord as we are moving forward providing the most for our beautiful City of Providence. Lord, we need each other more than ever and Father, we ask You to bless our outgoing President of the Council. Lord, we ask You to guide her with wisdom as you take on this new role as Lieutenant Governor of State. Lord, let her know we are always willing to support her especially around our housing crisis as she made it clear that is part of her agenda. Lord, we ask You to bless her family, keep them healthy Lord, and most of all keep us together in this transition while it's happening. In Jesus name. 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.

SOLICITOR'S STATEMENT ON REMOTE MEETINGS

Per Executive Order of the Governor of the State of Rhode Island we are permitted to hold this meeting via zoom.

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CALL FOR SPECIAL MEETING
COMMUNICATION FROM
COUNCIL PRESIDENT SABINA MATOS

Request filed with the First Deputy City Clerk April 6, 2021, Requesting a Special Meeting to be called on the 8th day of April, 2021 at 4:30 o'clock P.M., Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device: Please click this URL to join <https://providenceri-gov.zoom.us/j/93203893009> Or join by phone: Dial 1-646-876-9923 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) Webinar ID: 932 0389 3009 International numbers available: <https://providenceri-gov.zoom.us/u/abLFqAlygw>.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL MEETING

Warrant of the First Deputy City Clerk to Andy Singleton, Dash Delivery with Return Certification that he has notified each member of the City Council of the Special Meeting called for the 8th day of April, 2021 at 4:30 o'clock P.M. Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device: Please click this URL to join <https://providenceri-gov.zoom.us/j/93203893009> Or join by phone: Dial 1-646-876-9923 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) Webinar ID: 932 0389 3009 International numbers available: <https://providenceri-gov.zoom.us/u/abLFqAlygw>.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Waive the Reading of items 1 and 2 and Receive, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT: RECEIVED

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE COUNCILMAN JOHN J. IGLIOZZI, Chairman

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

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 2019-84, No. 337, Approved July 9, 2019 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, making an Appropriation of Seven Hundred Seventy Million, One Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand, Four Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars and no cents (\$770,169,494.00) for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020, As Amended. *(Sponsored by Council President Matos, by request)*

An Ordinance Establishing A Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 2019-110, No. 338, Approved November 26, 2019, As Amended. *(Sponsored by Council President Matos, by request)*

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 2019-111, No. 497, Approved November 26, 2019, As Amended. *(Sponsored by Council President Matos, by request)*

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Waive the Reading of items 3 through 5, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Amend item number 4 in the header, changing the date referenced, currently it's stated as November 26, 2029, the year should be changed to 2019, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves Passage of items 3, 4 and, As Amended for the First Time, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

RESULT:	READ/PASSED FOR THE FIRST TIME [9 TO 3]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Acting Council President Igliazzi, Councilwoman Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 9.
NAYS:	Councilwoman Anthony, Councilman Goncalves and Councilwoman LaFortune – 3.
ABSENT:	Council President Matos, Councilors Kerwin and Miller – 3.

The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted:

COUNCILMAN CORREIA AND COUNCILWOMAN RYAN

An Ordinance of the City of Providence Approving Improvements to the Providence Water Supply Board’s Distribution System and Appurtenances thereto, including, but not limited to the cleaning, relining, repair and replacement of water mains, transmission lines, service lines and valves, and attendant expenses and approving the financing thereof by the issuance of Water Revenue Bonds and Notes therefor in the amount not to exceed \$21,000,000.00.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Waive the Reading of item number 6 and Moves Passage of the Ordinance 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:	Acting Council President Igliazzi, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 12.
ABSENT:	Council President Matos, Councilors Kerwin and Miller – 3 .

The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, (By Request):

An Ordinance Supplementing Ordinance Chapter 2018-45 and Approving the Issuance of not to exceed \$100,690,000 General Obligation Bonds, Notes and other evidences of indebtedness to fund the City's School Capital Improvements Plan.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Waive the Reading of item number 7 and Moves Passage of the Ordinance 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:	Acting Council President Igliozi, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 12.
ABSENT:	Council President Matos, Councilors Kerwin and Miller – 3 .

The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally 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(a) of the Code of Ordinances.

Dewcon, Inc. \$4,262,690.00
(Water Supply Board)

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(a) of the Code of Ordinances.

Dewcon, Inc. \$4,262,690.00
(Water Supply Board)

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.

Cathedral Corporation \$2,100,000.00
(Water Supply Board)

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(a) of the Code of Ordinances.

Cathedral Corporation \$2,100,000.00
(Water Supply Board)

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.

W. Walsh Company, Inc. \$2,400,000.00
(Water Supply Board)

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(a) of the Code of Ordinances.

W. Walsh Company, Inc. \$2,400,000.00
(Water Supply Board)

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.

Neptune Technology Group, Inc. total amount not to exceed \$1,950,000.00
(Water Supply Board)

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(a) of the Code of Ordinances.

Neptune Technology Group, Inc. total amount not to exceed \$1,950,000.00
(Water Supply Board)

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Waive the Reading of items 8 through 11 and Moves Passage of the Several Resolutions and Refers Back to the Board of Contract and Supply, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Acting Council President Igliozzi, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 12.
ABSENT:	Council President Matos, Councilors Kerwin and Miller – 3 .

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to take item number 12 that appears Out of Order on the Docket, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Denied Without Prejudice:

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 24, 2021, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 203 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day re-appointing **Jordan Seaberry** of 100 Canton Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, to the **Board of Canvassers** for a term to expire on the first Monday in March 2027, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Waive the Reading of item number 12 and Moves to Deny Without Prejudice, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE (FINAL) [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Acting Council President Igliazzi, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 12.
ABSENT:	Council President Matos, Councilors Kerwin and Miller – 3 .

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

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated March 8, 2021, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 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 **Traci Picard** of 139 Wood Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02909, as a member of the **Human Relations Commission** for a term to expire on January 31, 2024, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated March 8, 2021, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 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 **Elder Gonzalez Trejo** of 244 Rankin Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a member of the **Human Relations Commission** for a term to expire on January 31, 2024, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. Gonzalez Trejo replaces Mr. Raymond Watson who has resigned.)

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Waive the reading of items 13 and 14 and Receive and Approve, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT: RECEIVED AND APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER: Councilwoman Harris
AYES: Acting Council President Igliazzi, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo,
Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris,
Councilwoman LaFortune, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan,
Councilor Salvatore and Councilman Taylor – 12.
ABSENT: Council President Matos, Councilors Kerwin and Miller – 3 .

CONVENTION

There being no further business, on Motion of **COUNCILWOMAN RYAN**, Seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS**, it is voted to adjourn in memory of all those lost and those suffering due to the COVID-19 pandemic at 5:22 o'clock P.M., to meet again **TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 at 7:00 o'clock P.M.**

Tina L. Mastroianni

**TINA L. MASTROIANNI
FIRST CITY CLERK**