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No. 9 City Council Regular Meeting, Monday, May 2, 1983, 8:00 P.M. (E.S.T.)

IN CITY COUNCIL

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APPROVED:

PRESIDING

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT

JOSEPH R. PAOLINO, JR.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Paolino and Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Brasil, Councilman Dillon, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilman Easton, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—13

Absent: Councilmen Cola and Griffin—2.

INVOCATION

The invocation is given by COUNCILMAN
DAVID G. DILLON.

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

COUNCILMAN NICHOLAS W. EASTON,
leads the Members of the City Council and
the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance
to the Flag of the United States of America.

MAYOR'S BUDGET MESSAGE AND PRESENTATION OF BUDGET ORDINANCE

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAOLINO declares
that the Council Stand at Ease at 8:10
o'clock P.M. to Reconvene at the Call of the
Chair, and appoints DEPUTY MAJORITY
LEADER DILLON, DEPUTY MAJORITY
LEADER FARGNOLI, MINORITY LEAD-
ER FARMER, and DEPUTY MINORITY
LEADER PITTS to escort HIS HONOR
MAYOR VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR., to the
Chamber of the City Council.

RECONVENTION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAOLINO reconvenes the City Council at 8:20 P.M. (E.S.T.) and directs the Clerk to Call the Roll to ascertain if there is a Quorum Present:

Present: Council President Paolino and Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Bras-sil, Councilman Dillon, Councilwoman Di-Ruzzo, Councilman Easton, Councilwoman Fagnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—12

Absent: Councilmen Cola, Griffin and O'Connor—3.

HIS HONOR MAYOR VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR., delivers the following Budget Message and Submits the Budget Ordinance.

May 2, 1983

The Honorable Members
The City Council of the
City of Providence
City Hall
Providence, R.I. 02903

Dear Honorable Members:

Providence has gone through periods of greatness during its long history, times when its people had confidence in themselves and their city, times when there was a flowering of commerce and culture and when there was a great leap forward to the benefit of all. I believe that Providence, as it approaches its 350th anniversary as a settlement, is today entering another era of greatness. All of us know that much needs to be done. But much is underway or is about to begin, and there is growing optimism that much more can be achieved. It is in this spirit that we should make our decisions regarding city finances during the coming year.

It is true that more needs to be done than we can afford today. But consider these facts. The tax base of the city is generally growing at an accelerating rate. The amount of public and private investment in Providence has grown to truly impressive proportions. Indeed, today's issue of the U.S. News and World Report points out that the current pace of construction in the Providence area is greater than in any other metropolitan center in the country. Downtown Providence is going through what can only be described as a construction boom, and it is apparent that the downtown will have an entirely different appearance by the year 2000. In addition, redevelopment projects are underway in seven city neighborhoods, and many hundreds of homes, stores, schools, streets, sidewalks and recreational facilities are being refurbished annually, thanks to our grants and loans. After a long pause, catalytic investments are again being made at the Port of Providence, and city revenues from the port are sharply on the rise. The manufacturing sector also is being given special attention: today, four industrial centers are in various stages of planning. All of this new economic activity, combined with the fact that inflation has slowed to a modest level, is giving us renewed hope that the city government in coming years will be able to maintain a relatively stable property-tax rate.

It is worthwhile to review some of the many public and private investments that are taking place. In Downtown Providence, Fleet Center and Old Stone Plaza are under construction, and these two office buildings will yield the city more than \$1 million annually in revenue. Capital Center, perhaps the most ambitious renewal project undertaken in Providence during this century, is also underway. About \$100 million is being spent to develop this new commercial center at the foot of the State House. We are confident that firms which otherwise would not

even have considered southeastern New England as a site for office construction will be locating in the Capital Center over the next 10 to 15 years. In the historic downtown, the restoration movement is continuing as well. Perhaps the most exciting project now under way is the restoration of the Old Journal Building next door to City Hall. In addition, almost 2,000 parking spaces are being provided in 5 new garages. Davol Square, a dazzling architectural showpiece with dozens of elegant specialty shops, has opened its doors and is drawing impressive crowds of urban shoppers. This administration also is making major investments downtown to ensure we have the right environment for ambitious private ventures to move forward. We are developing exciting public spaces in Capital Center, Kennedy Plaza, La Salle Square, Memorial Square and adjacent to Davol Square. The only serious setback we have had downtown has been the closing of the Outlet store. But the Outlet Task Force which I formed has interviewed several developers who expressed serious interest in purchasing this downtown landmark, and we now expect that recycling plans will be announced before the end of this year.

In the neighborhoods, we have renewal projects underway or planned in Smith Hill, Silver Lake, Washington Park, Eagle Park, South Providence, the Trinity Gateway area and in Olneyville. Moreover, the Mayor's Office of Community Development is preparing to allocate almost \$10 million during 1983-84, much of it in the neighborhoods. Once again, homes and businesses will be renovated, almost 50 social programs will be supported, and streets, sidewalks and recreational areas will be upgraded. We are also applying for another Urban Parks federal grant, and \$1 million would be used to improve 11 recreational areas in the city, from Bucklin Field and the Dexter Training Ground in the West End, to the Veazie Street playground in the North End, to the Hope High School fields on the East Side. Schools, major landmarks in every city neighborhood, also are being renovated with a \$4 million fund which the City Council so wisely voted to appropriate. Work is being done

on 24 schools, and Conley Stadium at Mt. Pleasant High is being substantially renovated as well.

At the Port, we are about to put our two massive container cranes into operation. Moreover, we will be announcing shortly that at least two more major shippers have decided to call at the Providence port to take advantage of our new container facilities. This new business yields a great deal of additional revenue for the city. For the coming year, we are estimating conservatively that port revenues will rise by half a million dollars. By comparison, this is close to the real estate tax that will be paid by Fleet Center, the largest office building in the state. Within five years, we anticipate that revenues from container cargo alone will rise to about \$2 million a year.

We are also taking numerous steps to ensure the growth of our industrial base. A hazardous-waste treatment facility has been approved for a site in Olneyville, thus ensuring that electroplaters will be able to have their wastes treated at a convenient, cost-effective facility that meets EPA regulations for sewer discharge. We are also working to create four industrial parks and centers. As you know, we are negotiating to buy more than 30 acres of vacant land parallel to Route 95 in the North End from the Providence & Worcester Railroad. We anticipate that manufacturers providing about 1,000 jobs will be able to build on this land, which we hope to begin selling as soon as this summer. Last Friday, we also applied for a \$1.5 million Urban Development Action Grant which would go towards the \$6 million cost of creating a center on the East Side for new high-tech companies. Richmond Square, as the center is called, is a bold attempt to encourage the best technical minds at nearby Brown University and elsewhere in the state to become high-tech entrepreneurs. We are also working closely with manufacturers in the Promenade Street area to dramatically upgrade this historic industrial area, which is adjacent to Capital center and to the Civic Center Interchange that is to be built. Finally, we are exploring the feasibility of creating an Enter-

prise Zone for manufacturers in South Providence, close to the Port of Providence.

We believe that the tax base is growing at an accelerated rate in part because of the city government's loans, grants and direct investments. Whereas taxable valuation grew by only nine-tenths of one percent in 1978, the current rate is 3.5 percent. Surely the most effective means of ensuring the city's financial stability is to find cost-effective ways to enlarge the tax base. Despite the encouraging progress of the last several years, however, it is a fact of life that the City of Providence must periodically raise its tax rate in order to have revenues cover necessary expenditures. Such is the case this year.

We did not raise the tax rate in the last two years. By keeping a very tight rein on expenditures, we were able to achieve an operating surplus for 1981-82, and it appears right now that we will have another surplus for the current year. In order to be confident of ending next fiscal year in the black as well, however, we believe that an increase in the tax rate is necessary, and we are proposing a \$3.89 hike in the rate.

The operating budget I am submitting calls for almost \$173.5 million in expenditures, an increase of about \$15.2 million over what was budgeted for the current year. The rising cost of wages, as specified in contracts signed and ratified last year, as well as in fringe benefits and other items over which we have little control, are the principal factors that are boosting the cost of government. Specifically, wages for non-school employees are up \$5.3 million; the school budget (most of which covers wages) is rising by \$3.6 million; the Blue Cross premium is up by \$921,000, and we must contribute \$600,000 more to the pension fund. Welfare costs are also up \$2.7 million. Because we floated a \$22.5 million bond last fall, and plan to borrow at least \$15 million more next fiscal year for redevelopment projects, our debt service costs are expected to rise by \$1.6 million.

On the revenue side, we expect significant increases in state aid to education and in general public assistance, among other revenue sources. Growth in the tax base will provide \$3.6 million more in taxes. But, even though we made major cutbacks in departmental requests for expenditures, we still faced a \$5.1 million gap between revenues and expenditures. The proposed tax hike of \$3.89 will ensure a balanced budget for next year.

You will find that proposed spending for equipment and furnishings is extremely limited. However, we have tentatively allocated about \$1 million from the federally-funded Mayor's Office of Community Development to cover a large number of such purchases. Fortunately, MOCD regulations now permit such expenditures if they can be shown to relate to the goals of community development. Among the purchases covered by MOCD are 15 new police cars, \$95,000 in computer equipment for the police department, a new rescue van for the fire department, as well as \$302,000 in annual payments for 10 firefighting vehicles acquired by lease/purchase in 1980.

As is usually the case, rising costs for unionized labor represented the largest single increase in expenditure incurred by the general fund. The increases we negotiated a year ago ranged from seven to nine percent, which approximated the rate of inflation at that time. Since then, inflation has come down to about four percent. It should be remembered, however, that the unions had settled for seven percent raises during the previous three-year contract period, a time when inflation was well into the double-digit range. Contracts in the seven-to-nine percent range last spring thus seemed to be an equitable settlement.

A laudable feature of the new charter is that the budget must be submitted to the City Council by May 2, rather than by May 15 as the previous charter specified. This gives the council more time to pass budget ordinances before the new fiscal year starts on July 1. It has been our experience that the city generally achieves a

higher rate of collection the earlier that tax bills can be mailed out. Let us strive to adopt a budget by July 1 in order to have as long a collection period as possible.

No one likes to raise property taxes. We all know that property owners have been forced to pay more and more for every necessity of life. That is why we in city government should increase the property-tax rate only when

absolutely necessary. I am sure that, after reviewing the budget documents I have placed before you, the Honorable City Council will agree that this is an occasion when a modest tax increase cannot be avoided.

Respectfully submitted,

VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.
Mayor of Providence

DEPUTY MAJORITY LEADER DILLON, DEPUTY MAJORITY LEADER FARGNOLI, MINORITY LEADER FARMER and DEPUTY MINORITY LEADER PITTS thereupon escort HIS HONOR MAYOR VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR., back to the Executive Chamber and the Council is declared to be at Ease, at 8:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.), to Reconvene at the Call of the Chair.

RECONVENTION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAOLINO Reconvenes the City Council at 8:40 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.) and directs the Clerk to Call the Roll to Ascertain if there is a Quorum Present:

Present: Council President Paolino and Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Bras-sil, Councilman Dillon, Councilwoman Di-Russo, Councilman Easton, Councilwoman Fargnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato—13.

Absent: Councilmen Cola and Griffin—2.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET ORDINANCE

MAYOR CIANCI Presents:

An Ordinance Making an Appropriation for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1984.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

ORDINANCES SECOND READING

The following Ordinances were in City Council April 21, 1983, Read and Passed the First Time and Are Returned for Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project.

Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

Whereas, The Providence Redevelopment Agency (hereinafter sometimes called "Local Public Agency") pursuant to the provisions of Title 45, Chapter 31-33 (inclusive) of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, entitled, "Redevelopment Act of 1956", has formulated and submitted to the City Council on January 20, 1983 for its consideration, and Urban Renewal Plan approved by the Local Public Agency, for an Urban Renewal Area, which said Urban Renewal Plan is entitled, "Olneyville Square Revitalization Project" and comprises a

report consisting of approximately 47 pages of text, exhibit and maps; and

Whereas, A general plan has been prepared by the City Plan Commission and is recognized and used as a guide for the general development of the City of Providence as a whole; and

Whereas, The said Urban Renewal Plan concerns itself with areas which have been designated Redevelopment areas by the City Council of the City of Providence by Chapter 103 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved July 6, 1948, as amended by Chapter 69-44 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved November 28, 1969, in conformity with the provisions of Section 22 of Chapter 1802 of the Public Laws of Rhode Island 1946, as amended,

and Title 45, Chapter 32, Section 4 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended; and

Whereas, A copy of said Urban Renewal Plan was transmitted to the City Plan Commission.

Whereas, The City Plan Commission, which is the duly designated and acting official planning body for the City, has submitted to the City Council its report and recommendations respecting the Urban Renewal Plan for the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project and has certified that said Urban Renewal Plan conforms to the said General plan for the City as a whole, and the City Council has duly considered said report, recommendations and certification of the planning body; and

Whereas, The plan as submitted contains a finding that the area included in the proposed Urban Renewal Plan qualified as a deteriorated blighted areas within the meaning of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956" as amended to date, because there exist in the area buildings or improvements, used or intended to be used for living, commercial, industrial or other purposes, which by reason of (1) dilapidation, deterioration, age or obsolescence, (2) inadequate provisions for ventilation, light, sanitation, open spaces and recreation facilities, (3) defective design or unsanitary or unsafe character of condition, (4) defective or inadequate street and lot layout, (5) mixed character, deterioration or shifting of uses to which they are put, or any combination of such factors and characteristics are conducive to the further deterioration and decline of the area and injuriously affect the entire area; and

Whereas, A structural quality survey was conducted by the City of Providence, Department of Planning and Urban Development and the results of that survey as set forth in the Urban Renewal Plan indicated that 13.3% of the structures have deficiencies that include serious deterioration; lack of sanitary facilities; and serious inadequacies in lighting and ventilation. The Olneyville Square Revitalization Project

Area is not restricted to, nor does it consist entirely of lands, buildings, or improvements which of themselves are detrimental, but is an area in which such conditions exist and injuriously affect the entire area.

Whereas, There has also been presented to the City Council information and data respecting Urban Renewal Plans for the Urban Renewal Areas in the City of Providence including the following:

Capital Improvement Programs for 1950-1956, 1951-1957, 1952-1958, 1953-1959, 1954-1960, 1955-1961, 1956-1962, 1957-1963, 1958-1964, 1959-1965, 1960-1966, and 1961-1967, 1962-1968, 1963-1969, 1964-1970, 1965-1971, 1966-1972, 1967-1973, 1968-1974, 1979-1985, 1980-1986 and the Annual Reports of the Providence Redevelopment Agency for 1948 through 1980 (inclusive); and

Whereas, At a public hearing held following notice of the date, time, place and purposes of such hearing, the City Council Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning duly considered the Urban Renewal Plan, and all evidence and testimony for and against the adoption of such plan, in accordance with the provisions of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956"; and

Whereas, Said Urban Renewal Plan for the Project Area prescribes certain land uses for the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project Area and will require, among other things, but not by way of limitation, property acquisition clearance and demolition, rehabilitation and reconstruction of certain streets, curbs and sidewalks, grading and other public improvements and other public actions; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

1. The Project is hereby designated as "Olneyville Square Revitalization Project."

2. It is hereby found and determined that for

the purpose of the Urban Renewal Plan, the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project comprises that certain tract of land situated in the City of Providence and State of Rhode Island, which is bounded as described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as if more fully set forth herein.

3. It be and hereby is found and determined in relation to the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project on the basis of the facts set forth in the report and documents mentioned in the Preamble of this Ordinance and upon the basis of evidence and testimony presented at the public hearing on said Plan.

(a) That within the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project Area 3.8% of the structures are substandard or seriously deficient or unsafe in that these structures contain serious deterioration, and

(b) Within the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project Area there exists the following environmental deficiencies:

a. Defective or Inadequate Street and/or Lot Layout.

b. Incompatible or Shifting Uses.

c. Obsolete or Aged Buildings, Not Suitable for Improvement or Conversion.

d. Inadequate Provision for Ventilation, Light, Sanitation, Open Space and Recreation Facilities.

e. Defective Design or Unsanitary or Unsafe Character or Condition of Physical Construction.

4. It be and hereby is found and determined that because of a predominance of conditions of dilapidation, deterioration, obsolescence, inadequate provision for light and sanitation, unsanitary and unsafe character and condition of physical construction, mixed character of uses injuriously affect the entire area and constitute a

menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the area and of the community generally, said Urban Renewal Area is a deteriorated and blighted area within the meaning of Sections 2-8 inclusive of Chapter 31 of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956", as amended, and that said Olneyville Square Revitalization Project Area is hereby determined to be deteriorated blighted area.

5. It be and hereby is found that the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project Area requires clearance, replanning, redevelopment, and improvement and rehabilitation under the provisions of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956".

6. It be and hereby is declared to be the purpose and intent of this Body to eliminate the deteriorated and substandard conditions existing in the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project Area and the replacement of such conditions by a well-planned area in accordance with and by the means provided in the "Redevelopment Act of 1956".

7. It is hereby found, declared and determined that:

(a) The Urban Renewal Plan for the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project Area will redevelop said Urban Renewal Area in conformity with the provisions of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956"; will effectuate the purposes and policy of said Act; and will promote the public health, safety, morals and welfare of the City of Providence.

(b) The Urban Renewal Plan for said Urban Renewal Area conforms to the general or master plan for the City of Providence as a whole.

(c) The acquisition of the real property in accordance with said Plan for the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project Area is in the public interest.

(d) Adequate provision for payment for property which may be acquired by the exercise

of eminent domain has been made in the Urban Renewal Plan.

(e) The Urban Renewal Plan contains adequate safeguards to assure the carrying out of the work of redevelopment in accordance with the Urban Renewal Plan.

(f) The Urban Renewal Plan provides for the retention of controls and the establishment of restrictions and covenants which may run with the land.

8. The Providence Redevelopment Agency shall sell, lease or dispose of land in the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project Area only in accordance with the terms of the Redevelopment Plan and subject to the restrictions, covenants and conditions set forth herein and which are hereby found and declared to be necessary to effectuate the purposes of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956".

9. In enacting this Ordinance, the City Council intends to comply with the provisions of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956" which relates to adoption of an Urban Renewal Plan for an approved Urban Renewal Area so that the blighted and substandard conditions in this Urban Renewal Area can be eliminated and the Urban Renewal Area can be redeveloped in accordance with the Urban Renewal Plan to attain the public purposes and policy of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956" and thereby to protect and promote and be in the interest of the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the people in the State as a whole and particularly the people of this City.

10. The Urban Renewal Plan for the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project consisting of a booklet containing a table of contents, approximately 53 pages of text, exhibit and maps, is hereby approved, adopted and designated as the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project and is herein incorporated by reference, and made a part hereof.

11. The Providence Redevelopment Agency is hereby fully authorized to carry out this Official Redevelopment Plan, however, that the Agency shall not enter into any contracts for disposition of property in the Urban Renewal Project Area until at least ten days after the City Council of the City of Providence has received at a regular or special meeting a report from the Providence Redevelopment Agency concerning the proposed sale or lease.

12. In order to implement and facilitate the effectuation of the Urban Renewal Plan hereby approved, it is found and determined that certain official action must be taken by this Body.

(a) Pledges its cooperation in helping to carry out said Official Urban Renewal Plan;

(b) Requests the various officials, departments, boards, and agencies of the City of Providence having administrative responsibilities in the premises likewise to cooperate to such end and to exercise their respective functions and powers in a manner consistent with said Urban Renewal Plan;

(c) Declares that it will provide the cost of the redevelopment of the Urban Renewal Project area, and hereby allocates a cash contribution of \$1,269,000.00 representing the estimated amount of the Project Cost;

(d) That the City Treasurer, acting under the direction of the Committee on Finance, be and hereby is authorized and directed to borrow from time to time, in such sums as may be necessary, not exceeding One Million Two Hundred Sixty Nine Thousand and 00/100 (\$1,269,000.00) Dollars in accordance with the provisions of Title 45, Chapter 32, Section 42, and Title 45, Chapter 33, Sections 1, 2, 4 and 17 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, entitled, "Redevelopment Act of 1956", and to issue the City's notes therefore, signed by him and countersigned by the Mayor and the Chairman of the Committee on Finance and to renew any such notes from time to time as the same become due. the money thus obtained shall be used exclusively for carrying out the

Official Redevelopment Plan for the Olneyville Square Revitalization Project.

(e) Stands ready to consider and take appropriate action upon any other proposals and measures designed to effectuate said Urban Renewal Plan.

13. This Ordinance shall take effect on its passage and shall be filed with the City Clerk who is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Ordinance to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1982-16 the Ordinance of the City of Providence Approved March 26, 1982 and Entitled, "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Smith Hill Renewal Project" for the Deletion of Lot 621 on Assessor's Plat 68 from Acquisition.

Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

1. That Chapter 1982-16 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved March 26, 1982 and entitled, "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Smith Hill Renewal Project" be and the same is hereby amended as follows:

A. Lot 621 on Assessor's Plat 68 designated for acquisition in Section 2, entitled "Proposed Acquisition" under Chapter E entitled "Plan Proposals" is contained in and set forth in Page 25 of that certain booklet entitled, "Smith Hill Renewal Project", "Official Redevelopment Plan, 1981" which is a part of the aforementioned ordinance be and the same is hereby deleted.

B. Certain maps of the aforementioned Official Redevelopment Plan hereinafter identified are deleted:

(1) Map No. 4 "Proposed Acquisition" dated 5/13/82.

(2) Map No. 5 "Disposition" dated 5/13/82.

(3) Map No. 6 "Proposed Site Improvements" dated 5/13/82.

C. Insert the following maps in its stead:

(1) Map No. 4 "Proposed Acquisition" dated 2/10/83.

(2) Map No. 5 "Disposition" dated 2/10/83.

(3) Map No. 6 "Proposed Site Improvements" dated 2/10/83.

2. That said Chapter 1982-16 of the Ordinance of the City of Providence as adopted and as heretofore amended, be and the same is hereby ratified and affirmed in all other respects.

3. That this Ordinance shall take effect on its passage and shall be filed with the City Clerk who is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy thereof to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project, as Amended.

Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

Whereas, The Providence Redevelopment Agency (hereinafter sometimes called "Local Public Agency") pursuant to the provisions of Title 45, Chapter 31-33 (inclusive) of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, entitled, "Redevelopment Act of 1956", has formulated and submitted to the City Council on February 17, 1983 for its consideration, and Urban Renewal Plan approved by the Local

Public Agency, for an Urban Renewal Area, which said Urban Renewal Plan is entitled, "Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project" and comprises a report consisting of approximately 34 pages of text, 1 exhibit and 7 maps; and

Whereas, A general plan has been prepared by the City Plan Commission and is recognized and used as a guide for the general development of the City of Providence as a whole; and

Whereas, The said Urban Renewal Plan concerns itself with areas which have been designated Redevelopment Areas by the City Council of the City of Providence by Chapter 103 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved July 6, 1948, as amended by Chapter 69-44 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved November 28, 1969, in conformity with the provisions of Section 22 of Chapter 1802 of the Public Laws of Rhode Island 1946, as amended, and Title 45, Chapter 32, Section 4 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended; and

Whereas, A copy of said Urban Renewal Plan was transmitted to the City Plan Commission.

Whereas, The City Plan Commission, which is the duly designated and acting official planning body for the City, has submitted to the City Council its report and recommendations respecting the Urban Renewal Plan for the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project and has certified that said Urban Renewal Plan conforms to the said General plan for the City as a whole, and the City Council has duly considered said report, recommendations and certification of the planning body; and

Whereas, The plan as submitted contains a finding that the area included in the proposed Urban Renewal Plan qualified as a deteriorated blighted area within the meaning of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956" as amended to date, because there exist in the area buildings or improvements, used or intended to be used for living, commercial, industrial or other purposes, which by reason of (1) dilapidation, deterioration,

age or obsolescence, (2) inadequate provisions for ventilation, light, sanitation, open spaces and recreation facilities, (3) defective design or unsanitary or unsafe character of condition, (4) defective or inadequate street and lot layout, (5) mixed character, deterioration or shifting of uses to which they are put, or any combination of such factors and characteristics are conducive to the further deterioration and decline of the area and injuriously affect the entire area; and

Whereas, A structural quality survey was conducted by the City of Providence, Department of Planning and Urban Development and the results of that survey as set forth in the Urban Renewal Plan indicated that 37.37% of the structures have deficiencies that include serious deterioration; lack of sanitary facilities; and serious inadequacies in lighting and ventilation. The Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project Area is not restricted to, nor does it consist entirely of lands, buildings, or improvements which of themselves are detrimental, but is an area in which such conditions exist and injuriously affect the entire area.

Whereas, There has also been presented to the City Council information and data respecting Urban Renewal Plans for the Urban Renewal Areas in the City of Providence including the following:

Capital Improvement Programs for 1950-1956, 1951-1957, 1952-1958, 1953-1959, 1954-1960, 1955-1961, 1956-1962, 1957-1963, 1958-1964, 1959-1965, 1960-1966, and 1961-1967, 1962-1968, 1963-1969, 1964-1970, 1965-1971, 1966-1972, 1967-1973, 1968-1974, 1979-1985, 1980-1986 and the Annual Reports of the Providence Redevelopment Agency for 1948 through 1980 (inclusive); and

Whereas, At a public hearing held following notice of the date, time, place and purposes of such hearing, the City Council Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning duly considered the Urban Renewal Plan, and all evidence and testimony for and against the adoption of such plan, in accordance with the

provisions of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956"; and

Whereas, Said Urban Renewal Plan for the Project Area prescribes certain land uses for the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project Area and will require, among other things, but not by way of limitation, property acquisition clearance and demolition, rehabilitation and reconstruction of certain streets, curbing and sidewalks, grading and other public improvements and other public actions; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

1. The Project is hereby designated as "Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project".

2. It is hereby found and determined that for the purpose of the Urban Renewal Plan, the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project comprises that certain tract of land situated in the City of Providence and State of Rhode Island, which is bounded as described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as if more fully set forth herein.

3. It be and hereby is found and determined in relation to the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project on the basis of the facts set forth in the report and documents mentioned in the Preamble of this Ordinance and upon the basis of evidence and testimony presented at the public hearing on said Plan.

(a) That within the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project Area 25.25% of the structures are substandard or seriously deficient or unsafe in that these structures contain serious deterioration, and

(b) Within the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project Area there exists the following environmental deficiencies:

a. Defective or Inadequate Street and/or Lot Layout.

b. Incompatible or Shifting Uses.

c. Obsolete or Aged Buildings, Not Suitable for Improvement or Conversion.

d. Inadequate Provision for Ventilation, Light, Sanitation, Open Space and Recreation Facilities.

e. Defective Design or Unsanitary or Unsafe Character or Condition of Physical Construction.

4. It be and hereby is found and determined that because of a predominance of conditions of dilapidation, deterioration, obsolescence, inadequate provision for light and sanitation, unsanitary and unsafe character and condition of physical construction, mixed character of uses injuriously affect the entire area and constitute a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the area and of the community generally, said Urban Renewal Area is a deteriorated and blighted area within the meaning of Sections 2-8 inclusive of Chapter 31 of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956", as amended, and that said Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project Area is hereby determined to be deteriorated blighted area.

5. It be and hereby is found that the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project Area requires clearance, replanning, redevelopment, and improvement and rehabilitation under the provisions of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956".

6. It be and hereby is declared to be the purpose and intent of this Body to eliminate the deteriorated and substandard conditions existing in the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project Area and the replacement of such conditions by a well-planned area in accordance with and by the means provided in the "Redevelopment Act of 1956".

7. It is hereby found, declared and determined that:

(a) The Urban Renewal Plan for the Trinity

Gateway Revitalization Project Area will redevelop said Urban Renewal Area in conformity with the provisions of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956"; will effectuate the purposes and policy of said Act; and will promote the public health, safety, morals and welfare of the City of Providence.

(b) The Urban Renewal Plan for said Urban Renewal Area conforms to the general or master plan for the City of Providence as a whole.

(c) The acquisition of the real property in accordance with said Plan for the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project Area is in the public interest.

(d) Adequate provision for payment for property which may be acquired by the exercise of eminent domain has been made in the Urban Renewal Plan.

(e) The Urban Renewal Plan contains adequate safeguards to assure the carrying out of the work of redevelopment in accordance with the Urban Renewal Plan.

(f) The Urban Renewal Plan provides for the retention of controls and the establishment of restrictions and covenants which may run with the land.

8. The Providence Redevelopment Agency shall sell, lease or dispose of land in the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project Area only in accordance with the terms of the Redevelopment Plan and subject to the restrictions, covenants and conditions set forth herein and which are hereby found and declared to be necessary to effectuate the purposes of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956".

9. In enacting this Ordinance, the City Council intends to comply with the provisions of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956" which relates to adoption of an Urban Renewal Plan for an approved Urban Renewal Area so that the blighted and substandard conditions in this

Urban Renewal Area can be eliminated and the Urban Renewal Area can be redeveloped in accordance with the Urban Renewal Plan to attain the public purposes and policy of the "Redevelopment Act of 1956" and thereby to protect and promote and be in the interest of the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the people in the State as a whole and particularly the people of this City.

10. The Urban Renewal Plan for the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project consisting of a booklet containing a table of contents, approximately 343 pages of text, 1 exhibit and 7 maps, is hereby approved, adopted and designated as the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Trinity Gateway Revitalization Project and is herein incorporated by reference, and made a part hereof.

11. The Providence Redevelopment Agency is hereby fully authorized to carry out this Official Redevelopment Plan, however, that the Agency shall not enter into any contracts for disposition of property in the Urban Renewal Project Area until at least ten days after the City Council of the City of Providence has received at a regular or special meeting a report from the Providence Redevelopment Agency concerning the proposed sale or lease.

12. The repaving of Point Street will be incorporated as part of this project and the Providence Redevelopment Agency, will prepare a cost analysis for the rehabilitation of Point Street, and offer amendments to the cost of this project if necessary.

13. Any monies made available from the TIP Program and the sale of properties, in this project will be added to this project without reducing the allocation of monies already made by this Ordinance.

14. In order to implement and facilitate the effectuation of the Urban Renewal Plan hereby approved, it is found and determined that certain official action must be taken by this Body.

(a) Pledges its cooperation in helping to carry out said Official Urban Renewal Plan;

(b) Requests the various officials, departments, boards, and agencies of the City of Providence having administrative responsibilities in the premises likewise to cooperate to such end and to exercise their respective functions and powers in a manner consistent with said Urban Renewal Plan;

(c) Declares that it will provide the cost of the redevelopment of the Urban Renewal Project Area, and hereby allocates a cash contribution of \$1,050,000.00 representing the estimated amount of the Project Cost;

(d) Stands ready to consider and take appropriate action upon any other proposals and measures designed to effectuate said Urban Renewal Plan.

15. This Ordinance shall take effect on its passage and shall be filed with the City Clerk who is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Ordinance to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 544 of 1951 by Changing from an R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to a C-2 General Commercial Zone, Lot 184, as Set Out and Delineated on City Assessor's Plat 16, said Lot being situated along South Main Street, at the corner of Transit Street.

Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

Section 1. The Zoning Map, accompanying and made a part of Chapter 544 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved September 21, 1951, entitled: "An Ordinance Zoning the City of Providence and Establishing Use, Height and Area Regulations," as heretofore amended, is hereby further amended by changing from an R-4

Multiple Dwelling Zone to a C-2 General Commercial Zone, Lot 184 as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 16, said lot being situated along South Main Street, at the corner of Transit Street, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the easterly side of South Main Street said point being the north-easterly intersection of South Main Street and Transit Street; thence northwesterly along the easterly line of South Main Street to the northwesterly corner of herein described parcel; thence generally easterly to the northeasterly corner of herein described parcel; thence southerly to the northerly line of Transit Street and the southeasterly corner of herein described parcel; thence westerly along the northerly line of Transit Street to the easterly line of South Main Street, said point being point and place of beginning.

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

An Ordinance in Amendment of Article II Section 15-18 (b), 15-22 (a) and 15-23 (a) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence Relative to Vehicle Towing and Storage Charges, as Amended.

Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

Section 1. Article II Section 15-18 (b), 15-22 (a) and 15-23 (a) are hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) Generally, any police officer may remove or impound or cause to remove or impound any vehicle which is in violation of any state or city law or is involved in any ongoing or new police investigation.

(b) Payment of Charges. A charge of twenty

dollars (\$20.00) for towing performed during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or a charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for towing performed during the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.; and/or truck towing and/or winching of commercial vehicles with a gross vehicle weight of 12,000 pounds or greater including trucks, buses, trailers, semis, construction equipment, etc., refer to the individual carrier's tariff on file with the Rhode Island Department of Public Utilities plus a storage charge of five dollars (\$5.00) per day (twenty-four (24) hours) or for a fraction thereof for storage off the public highway in a secured lot; an additional charge of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for the special use of a car carrier will be levied when requested or required; an additional labor charge of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per 1/2 hour for cable winching, with a five (5) minute free hook-up time allowed on each winch job; and additional labor charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) for (linkage) the express purpose of moving the shift lever into a towaway position and/the repositioning into a park position when the two is completed; all fees shall be paid to the carrier in the usual business manner before any such vehicle shall be released except for vehicles towed during periods when emergency regulations controlling parking and traffic movements during storm periods are in effect. The payment of such towing and storage charges shall not release the operator or owner of the vehicle from any penalty imposed for violation of any traffic regulation.

Sec. 2. Section 15-22 (a), entitled: "Towing and storage charges during emergencies; amount, payment" is amended as follows:

Section 15-22. Towing and storage charges during emergencies; amount, payment.

(a) Generally. During periods when emergency regulations controlling parking and traffic movements during storm periods are in effect a towing charge for day or night not to exceed thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) for passenger vehicles or small trucks under 10,001 pounds G.V.W., not to exceed sixty-five dollars (\$65.00) for commercial vehicles over 10,001 pounds G.V.W.,

plus a storage charge of five dollars (\$5.00) per day (twenty-four (24) hours) or for a fraction thereof for storage off the public highway in a secured lot shall be paid to the carrier in the usual business manner.

Sec. 3. Section 15-23 (a) entitled: "Use of towing service companies by police department", is hereby amended as follows:

Towing service companies will be required to release towed vehicles only during normal daylight hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for seven (7) days a week.

Sec. 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

An Ordinance Requiring the Ratification by the City Council an Any Agreement between the City of Providence and Any Developers Proposing to Locate a Hazardous Waste Management Treatment Facility in the City of Providence.

Be It Ordained By The City of Providence:

Section 1. No agreement or contract negotiated by any person, corporation, officer, agency, board, department or committee, for the locating of any hazardous waste management treatment facilities in the City of Providence shall become effective unless and until ratified by the Providence City Council.

Sec. 2. Definitions for the Purposes of this Ordinance.

(A) "Hazardous Waste Management Treatment Facility" means hazardous waste management facility as that term is defined for purposes of the Rhode Island Hazardous Waste Management Act of 1978, General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended.

(B) "Agreement or Contract" means a contract or agreement negotiated between, binding upon, and enforceable against a corporation or individual or developer and the City of Providence.

(C) "Developer" means any person or corporation who proposes to site, construct, substantially alter or operate a hazardous waste management facility in the City of Providence.

Sec. 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 21 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence entitled "Tax Stabilization for Industrial Property."

Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

Section 1. Chapter 21 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence is hereby amended by adding thereto the following new Article VIII, entitled "Tax Stabilization for Industrial Property."

Section 21-16. *Declaration of Policy.* The City Council has the authority, pursuant to section 44-3-9 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, as amended, to exempt property used for industrial purposes from the payment of property tax if the granting of an exemption will:

1. Cause an industrial concern to locate in the City, or
2. Cause an industrial concern to replace, reconstruct, expand, or remodel existing buildings and facilities, and thereby increase the tax base in the City, or
3. Cause an industrial concern to construct new buildings or facilities and thereby increase employment opportunities in the City.

The City Council finds that it is in the interest of the residents of the City of Providence to adopt a plan for the granting of such exemptions.

Section 21-161. *Eligible Property.* The provisions of this Article shall apply to industrial property which is defined to mean buildings, structures, and other improvements thereto, the primary purpose and use of which is the manufacture of goods and materials. "Industrial Property" shall include facilities related to a manufacturing operation including but not limited to office, engineering, research and development, warehousing or parts distribution facilities, but shall not include land.

21-162. *Procedure.*

(a) No person shall be entitled to any exemption herein authorized without first filing an application for a tax stabilization with the office of the City Assessor. The application shall include the program of building, alterations and/or improvements to be made and, in the case of a new facility, must contain a statement by the applicant of how the facility will increase employment in the City. No application shall be considered unless: (i) the application is filed prior to the issuance of a building permit with respect to the property, and (ii) the estimated cost of new construction exceeds 20 percent (20%) of the assessed value of the industrial property or One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) whichever is less. The City Assessor shall promptly forward a copy of any application to the Building Inspector and notify the City Collector of the pendency of the exemption application.

(b) The Building Inspector shall review the application to determine whether any violations of the provisions of the building code of the City Ordinances exist with respect to the property of the applicant, and any other property in the City owned by the applicant. If no violations exist, he shall certify that fact to the City Assessor within thirty (30) days. If violations do exist, he shall forward a statement stating the nature and extent of the violations. No exemption granted

hereunder shall be effective unless and until any and all such violations have been cured.

(c) The City Collector shall review the City tax records to determine whether all taxes (together with interest and penalties) which are due and owing to the City with respect to the property to which the exemption applies, and all other property in the City owned by the applicant, have been paid. If no deficiency exists the City Collector shall certify that fact to the City Assessor within thirty (30) days. If a deficiency or deficiencies do exist the City Collector should forward a statement of the amounts due and the properties involved. No exemption granted hereunder shall be effective unless and until any and all taxes together with interest and penalties remaining unpaid and due and owing to the City assessed on any such property and/or previous improvements upon any such property have been paid in full to the City.

(d) Within thirty (30) days following the receipt of the statements from the Building Inspector and the City Collector, the City Assessor will review the application and, if the Building Inspector and the City Collector have certified that no violations or deficiencies which did exist have been cured, he will forward the application to the City Council together with his comments and recommendations for action by the City Council.

21-163. Exemption. Upon receipt from the City Assessor of an application for abatement under this Title, the City Council may grant the exemption provided for herein or any such lesser exemption as the City Council may in its complete discretion deem beneficial, upon its finding that the granting of such exemption will benefit the City for any of the reasons set forth in Section 21-160 above. All industrial property which is exempt hereunder shall be assessed as follows:

A. For the first year in which the industrial property is subject to abatement hereunder, the

abatement shall be to the extent of Fifty Percent (50%) of the assessed valuation of the property attributable to new construction.

B. In subsequent years the abatement shall be to the extent of the percentages set forth in the following schedule:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Percentage Abated</i>
2	45%
3	40%
4	35%
5	30%
6	25%
7	20%
8	15%
9	10%
10	5%
11	0

The City Assessor shall determine the increase in the assessed valuation of the industrial property attributable to new construction based upon the estimated assessed value of the industrial property assuming new construction is completed according to the plans and specifications submitted in the application for tax stabilization filed hereunder and the increase in the assessed valuation as to determined shall be used in all subsequent years notwithstanding any subsequent revaluation of such industrial property.

21-164. Forms and Administration. The City Assessor shall develop such forms and procedures as he or she deems necessary or proper for any application for exemption.

21-165. Limited Scope. This Article shall not limit or otherwise preclude the City Council from exempting or stabilizing taxes on properties used for manufacturing or commercial purposes which would otherwise be permitted by Section 44-3-9 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, as amended.

21-166. Limitation. The City Council shall

not grant any abatement to any industrial concern which is relocating from one city or town within the state to the City of Providence.

21-167. Transfers of Exempt Property. If property for which an exemption has been granted is transferred during the exemption period, the exemption shall run with the property and benefit the transferee so long as the property continues to be used for industrial purposes and the transferee could otherwise qualify for an exemption if the transferee had filed the original application.

21-168. Revocation. The City Council may terminate an exemption granted hereunder prior to the expiration thereof in the event of fraud or misrepresentation by an applicant regarding any statements or representations contained in the application filed hereunder.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and shall continue in effect, unless otherwise amended or repealed, with respect to applications filed on or before December 31, 1987.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1982-60, Entitled: "An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Chapter 1982-43", Approved December 10, 1982, Relative to City Solicitor and Personnel Director.

Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

Section 1. Chapter 1982-60 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled: An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Chapter 1982-43", approved December 10, 1982, as amended is hereby further amended as follows:

<i>Change</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
City Solicitor	\$35,000/yr. Pay Grade	\$42,500.00/yr.
Personnel Director	26	\$30,800.00/yr.

Sec. 2. This Ordinance shall take effect January 3, 1983.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Section 46 of Chapter 1982-44 Approved July 7, 1982, Entitled: "An Ordinance Establishing the Classes of Positions the Maximum Number of Employees and the Number of Employees in Certain Classes in the City Departments and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 1981-40 Effective July 20, 1981" Relative to Division of Grounds Maintenance Services.

Be It Ordained By The City Of Providence:

Section 1. Section 46 of Chapter 1982-44 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, approved July 7, 1982, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

DELETE: 1 Heavy Equipment Operator

ADD: 1 Tree Trimmer

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

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

Ayes: Council President Paolino and Councilman Annaldo, Councilwoman Bras-sill, Councilman Dillon, Councilwoman Di-Ruzzo, Councilman Easton, Councilwoman Fargnoli, Councilmen Farmer, Glavin, O'Connor, Petrosinelli, Pitts and Stravato — 13.

Absent: Councilmen Cola and Griffin — 2.

COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR desires to be

recorded as "Not Voting" relative to "An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 544 of 1951 by Changing from an R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to a C-2 General Commercial Zone, Lot 184, as set out and delineated on City Assessor's Plat 16, said Lot being situated along South Main Street, at the corner of Transit Street".

Recapitulation of Vote:

Ayes: 12.

Not Voting: 1.

Absent: 2.

COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR desires to be recorded as voting "No" relative to "An Ordinance in Amendment of Article II Section 15-18 (b), 15-22 (a) and 15-23 (a) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence Relative to Vehicle Towing and Storage Charges, as Amended".

Recapitulation of Vote:

Ayes: 12.

Noes: 1.

Absent: 2.

COUNCILMAN EASTON desires to be recorded as voting "No" relative to "An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 21 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence entitled, "Tax Stabilization for Industrial Property".

Recapitulation of Vote:

Ayes: 12.

Noes: 1.

Absent: 2.

The motion for Passage the Second Time, is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCILMAN FARMER (By Request):

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1982-42 Approved July 7, 1982, by Transferring Certain Sums of Money within Several Departments.

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 1982-44, Approved July 7, 1982.

COUNCILMAN FARMER (by Request):

An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation

Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Chapter 1982-60, Approved December 10, 1982, as Amended.

An Ordinance Providing for the Assessment and Collection of 1983 Taxes in a Sum Not Less than One Hundred Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$102,500,000.00) and Not More than One Hundred Five Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$105,500,000.00) being Based on One Hundred Percent (100%) of the 1983-1984 Fiscal Year Tax Collection.

Severally Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of Councilman Glavin, seconded by Councilman Dillon.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN and COUNCILMAN DILLON (by Request):

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1797 of the Ordinance of the City of Providence, Approved November 7, 1966, and Entitled "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the East Side Project No. R.I. R-4", as Amended herein to Rezone Lot 184 on Assessor's Plat 16 at the Corner of South Main and Transit Streets from R-4 to C-2 Zone.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL, COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR and COUNCILMAN FARMER:

Resolution Directing the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority Seek City Council Approval for the Sites of All Bus Shelters prior to Construction.

Resolved, That the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority is hereby requested to seek approval of the City Council for the sites of all Bus Shelters prior to construction, and

Be It Further Resolved, That the Director of

Public Works is requested to notify the City Council and obtain approval prior to granting permission to the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority to erect Bus Shelters.

COUNCILMAN COLA (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause that Missing Street name Sign along "Henry Street" from Glenbridge Avenue to Riverdale Street, to be Replaced.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause that Missing Street Name Sign along "Henry Street" from Glenbridge Avenue to Riverdale Street, to be Replaced.

COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI:

Resolution Endorsing House Bill 83-H 5147, entitled: "An Act Relating to Elections".

Whereas, House Bill 83-H 5147 makes substantial revisions in the election laws regarding residency, mail ballot voting and the investigatory powers of the Board of Elections, and

Whereas, It defines residency in terms of a factual physical presence in the voting district on a regular basis incorporating an intention to reside for an indefinite period and sets forth criteria, and

Whereas, Said act provides for a number of new safeguards in the mail ballot process to guarantee that only electors truly eligible to vote by mail ballots are allowed to do so, and

Whereas, The authority of the Board of Elections to initiate an investigation of error, irregularity or impropriety in the election system has been greatly expanded,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Providence City Council hereby endorses House Bill 83-H 5147, as it relates to Elections.

COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Prohibit Motor Vehicle Traffic along Jastram

Street, from Wabun Street to Whitford Avenue on Saturday, May 28, 1983 between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M. to Accommodate a Neighborhood Block Party.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit Motor Vehicle Traffic along Jastram Street, from Wabun Street to Whitford Avenue on Saturday, May 28, 1983, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M. to Accommodate a Neighborhood Block Party.

COUNCILMAN FARMER, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO (By Request):

Resolution Requestion the General Assembly to Urge Passage of an Act entitled: "An Act Relating to Retirement of Employees of the City of Providence". (Draft of Act Appended)

Resolved (1) That the City Council urge the passage by the General Assembly of that Act entitled:

AN ACT RELATING TO RETIREMENT OF EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE

which would alter existing law to enable any member of the Retirement System of the City of Providence who has been retired prior to 1974 with a so-called disability pension to purchase for pension purposes time spent in the military and increase his or her disability pension by the stated amounts.

Be It Further Resolved (2) That the City Solicitor is directed and authorized to take whatever steps are necessary to assist in the passage of said act, substantially as set forth in the proposed bill attached.

COUNCILMAN GRIFFIN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to order the installation of 400 Watt High Pressure Sodium Vapor Light on Pole No. 1, located along Congress Avenue, at the Broad Street Fire Station.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the Installation of a 400 Watt High Pressure Sodium Vapor Light on Pole No. 1, located along Congress Avenue, at the Broad Street Fire Station.

Inspector to order the installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 5, located along Windmill Street.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 5 located along Windmill Street.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause the Sewers to be Cleaned at DePinedo Street, along the westerly side of Argol Street.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause the Sewers to be cleaned at DePinedo Street, along the westerly side of Argol Street.

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause the depression in the roadway along 453 Charles Street, to be repaired.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause the depression in the roadway along 453 Charles Street, to be repaired.

COUNCILMAN PITTS:

Resolution Authorizing filing of Grant Application under the Urban Park Recreation Recovery Act of 1978.

Authorizing filing of Grant Application under the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978.

Whereas, The Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978 established a grant program to assist communities in rehabilitation of park and recreation systems; and

Whereas, The City of Providence has been determined eligible to apply for said funds;

Whereas, Active sports areas in the West End, Elmwood, Smith Hill, Olneyville, Mount Hope, the North End, the Reservoir Triangle, and the East Side are critically in need of rehabilitation;

Whereas, Rehabilitation of active sports sites would provide jobs to reduce unemployment in Providence;

Whereas, The Mayor's Office of Community Development has allocated 30% matching funds to rehabilitate Bucklin Field, Dexter Training

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical

Ground, Ardoene Field, Cypress Street Playground, Danforth Street Playground, Veazie Street Playground, Joslin Field, Hope High School Playfields, Nathan Bishop Tennis and Basketball Courts, Sackett Field, and Blackstone Boulevard jogging path;

Whereas, The Board of Park Commissioners has approved this grant application at its April 21, 1983 meeting;

Whereas, Rehabilitation of active sports sites is part of the recently approved Capital Improvement Program to be submitted to the Mayor and City Council before May 1, 1983:

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, By the City Council, City of Providence, Rhode Island that the Mayor of Providence is authorized and directed to file this grant application for \$784,000 for rehabilitation of active sports sites and to provide such additional information as may be required with respect to Providence's participation in this program.

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

COUNCILMAN O'CONNOR desires to be recorded as "Not Voting".

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN PITTS (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Acting Public Service Engineer to order the Installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 18 located along 199 Sixth Street.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to order the installation of a Street Light on Pole No. 10 located along 199 Sixth Street, to deter any extension of criminal activities in the area.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

FROM EDWARD D. DiPRETE, MAYOR OF CRANSTON, RHODE ISLAND:

Communication appealing to the Members of the City Council, on behalf of the Rhode Island Coalition of Coastal Communities, to solicit support for this important regional council of local Governments.

Received.

FROM THE BUREAU OF LICENSES:

Report for the Quarter Ending March 31, 1983.

Received.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz;

Linda A. Caparrelli

Commercial Union Assurance Company as sub.
of Nancy J. Gregory

Nathan B. Dabsky

Barbara Donahue

Donald Patrick Ford

Maria Kattke

Thomas Muro

Linda Shookster

Daniel J. Zollo

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Congratulations"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAOLINO and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

Resolutions Extending Congratulations to the
Following:

Saint Pius Midget Basketball Team, In
Recognition of Winning the New England C.Y.O.
Championship in Bridgeport, Connecticut, held
on April 8, 9 and 10, 1983.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Taldone, In Recognition of
the Celebration of their Fifty-Fifth Wedding
Anniversary, on April 12, 1983.

Mr. and Mrs. John Aucone, In Recognition of
the Celebration of their Sixty-Fourth Wedding
Anniversary, on May 14, 1983.

Councilman James A. Petrosinelli, In
Recognition of Being Inducted into the Hall of
Fame by the Wanskuck Boys Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Luigi Petrucci, In Recognition of the Celebration of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

Mrs. Orrie C. Morse, In Recognition of the Celebration of Her One Hundredth Birthday.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAOLINO and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

Resolutions Extending the Sympathy of the Members of the City Council to the Families of the following Decedents:

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

Walter S. Steere, Jr.

Salvatore J. Angolano, Sr.

Carla A. Spicola

Luigi Sinapi

Fred Santagata, Sr.

Antonetta Manco

Russell E. Oatley, Jr.

Beatrice M. Liveratore

Alice J. Pfansteihl

John Zincone

Alba DiFante

Albert R. Conely

Thomas E. Rao

Joseph T. Bishop

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

MATTER NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

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

REPORT

**FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING,
AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT:**

**Report Submitted for the Capital Improvement
Program for 1983-1988 of the City Plan Commis-
sion in Collaboration with the Finance Director.**

Referred to Committee on Urban Re-

**development, Renewal and Planning, on
motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, sec-
onded by COUNCILMAN DILLON.**

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, the meeting adjourns at 9:15 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1983 at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.).

Rose M. Mandonea

City Clerk