

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND**



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 6 City Council Regular Council Meeting, Thursday, March 5, 2020, 7:00 o'clock P.M.

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

SABINA MATOS

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMEN ANTHONY, CASTILLO, COUNCILMEN CORREIA, ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILWOMEN KERWIN, LAFORTUNE, MILLER, RYAN, COUNCILMEN SALVATORE AND TAYLOR – 13.

ABSENT: COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI – 1.

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

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 19 2020

APPROVED:

Shawn Selleck CLERK

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by **COUNCILMAN PEDRO J. ESPINAL**.

"Our Lord and Savior, we come to You once again to ask that You guide us. As we face difficult and important decisions in our attempt and duty to move our city forward and its upon You that we rely and pray for Your knowledge and understanding. Amen."

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COUNCILWOMAN MARY KAY HARRIS Leads the Members of the City Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Journal of Proceedings No. 3 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held February 6, 2020 and Journal of Proceedings No. 4 of the Special Meeting of the City Council held February 10, 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 Correia, Espinal, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliozi, Councilwomen Kerwin, LaFortune, Miller, Ryan, Councilmen Salvatore and Taylor – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilman Narducci – 1.

APPOINTMENTS BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 14, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1101 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 **Dr. Alma Guerrero Bready, MD** of 86 South Main Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, as a member of the **Providence Water Supply Board** for a term to expire on January 1, 2021.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matter, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the foregoing Communication.

RESULT: RECEIVED

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 14, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1008 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 **Joseph M. Atchue** of 85 Wallen Way, Northbridge, MA 01534, as the **Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards**, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated January 29, 2020, 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 **Joseph Lazzerini** of 25 Woodbine Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the **Providence Human Relations Commission** for a term to expire on January 31, 2023, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 19, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 304(b) and 1002 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 **Leo Perrotta** of 117 Cliff Avenue, Portsmouth, RI 02871, to the position of **Director of Public Works**, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 20, 2020, 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 **Renay Brooks-Omisore** of 213 Sackett Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02907, to the **Board of Canvassers** for a term to expire on March 31, 2026, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the Several Communications to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Communication from Council President Sabina Matos, dated February 21, 2020, Informing the City Clerk of her appointment of Councilman Pedro J. Espinal as a member of the Special Committee on State Legislative Affairs.

Communication from Council President Sabina Matos, dated March 2, 2020, Informing Shawn Selleck, City Clerk of her appointments to the Special Committee on Economic Growth Strategies.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the Several Communications.

RESULT: RECEIVED

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILMEN CORREIA, ESPINAL AND TAYLOR

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 15 “Motor Vehicles and Traffic”, Section 15-11 “Residential Parking/Standing of Certain Commercial Vehicles”.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matter, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

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

RESULT: REFERRED
TO: Refer to Committee on Ordinances

COUNCILMAN SALVATORE, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY AND COUNCILMAN ESPINAL

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 13 “Housing”, Article III “Affordable Housing Trust Fund” Section 13-18 “Allocation System for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund”.

An Ordinance requiring the Department of Public Works to refund taxpayers who were incorrectly charged late removal fees for garbage receptacles.

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.

One Providence Youth Summer Employment Program (Office of Economic Opportunity)	\$567,628.33
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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.

WIOA Comprehensive Youth Program (Workforce Solutions)	\$1,300,000.00
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COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the Several Ordinances and Resolutions to the Committee on Finance.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

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

Resolution Requesting that this Council recognizes the critical importance of a complete and accurate Census count in 2020 and actively encourages all residents to participate in the 2020 Census beginning on March 12, 2020, and to become involved in peer education and outreach about the Census.

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 2 of the United States Constitution requires that the Census be conducted every ten years to count the population; and

WHEREAS, Households will be invited to complete the 2020 Census questionnaire beginning on March 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, An incomplete count of Rhode Island's population in the 2020 Census will likely result in the loss of a congressional seat in the United States House of Representatives, which would leave the State with only one congressional delegate for the first time since 1789; and

WHEREAS, Population data collected during the 2020 Census will help determine the allocation of more than \$680 billion dollars in federal funds among the states each year for the next ten years; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island receives approximately \$3.8 billion in federal funds each year, comprising more than one-third of the State's annual budget; and

WHEREAS, These federal dollars represent funding for education, health care, transportation, public safety, small businesses, housing, clean water, waste disposal and other community programs and services; and

WHEREAS, Local jurisdictions across Rhode Island use Census data to make decisions concerning the need for infrastructure projects, economic development programs, job training, health care services, and other community resources; and

WHEREAS, A lack of public awareness about the purpose of the Census and its importance for our communities, exacerbated by widespread misinformation about the Census, may result in a disproportionate undercount of historically marginalized communities, particularly among immigrants and individuals with limited English proficiency; and

WHEREAS, For the first time in United States history the Census will be conducted primarily online, creating potential barriers for communities with limited internet access; and

WHEREAS, One-quarter of Rhode Island's population lives in "hard-to-count" Census tracts, where obtaining a fair and accurate count has historically proven to be difficult, including such communities as Woonsocket, Central Falls, Pawtucket, Providence, West Warwick, South Kingstown, and Newport; and

WHEREAS, It will require the united action of all of Rhode Island's cities and towns to ensure a complete and accurate count in the State and, furthermore, it will be vitally important for city and town governments to be active in supporting local census outreach and education efforts through a variety of means, including presentations, websites, electronic newsletters, social media posts, and mailings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this Council recognizes the critical importance of a complete and accurate Census count in 2020 and actively encourages all residents to participate in the 2020 Census beginning on March 12, 2020, and to become involved in peer education and outreach about the Census; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That every council member will promote participation in the Census by signing up for the pledge tool by texting Pledge to (401) 205.3434; that every council member will consider other ways to promote Census participation, including integrating messages into regular constituent communications, and that every council member will help increase the count in their respective wards using the resources and materials developed by the Rhode Island Complete Count Committee in their Census promotion efforts.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matter and Moves Passage of the Resolution, 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, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliazzi, Councilwomen Kerwin, LaFortune, Miller, Ryan, Councilmen Salvatore and Taylor – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilman Narducci – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMEN LAFORTUNE, ANTHONY, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMEN KERWIN AND MILLER

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage of by the General Assembly of House Bill 2020 H-7596, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage of by the General Assembly of House Bill 2020 H-7638, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

COUNCILWOMAN LAFORTUNE, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMEN KERWIN AND MILLER

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage of by the General Assembly of House Bill 2020 H-7708, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

COUNCILMAN SALVATORE Recuses himself from voting on the foregoing items.

**COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters,
Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the Resolutions to the Special Committee on
State Legislative Affairs.**

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Special Committee on State Legislative Affairs

**COUNCILWOMEN RYAN, ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCIL
PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMEN CASTILLO, HARRIS AND
COUNCILMAN SALVATORE**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage of by the General Assembly of Senate Bill S-2513 and House Bill 2020 H-7611, Act Relating to Health and Safety - Beverage Container Deposit Recycling Act of 2020.

WHEREAS, The State of Rhode Island does not currently have a bottle return program and therefore relies entirely on curbside recycling programs to collect and transport all recyclable beverage containers to the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Center (RIRRC); and

WHEREAS, The State of Rhode Island does not have a process to recycle glass products of any kind as it has been deemed cost prohibitive to do so; and

WHEREAS, Recyclable bottles that are not collected through curbside recycling programs end up in the environment, including our waterways, where it can take hundreds, and in some cases thousands, of years for the bottles to biodegrade; and

WHEREAS, The RIRRC has the authority to reject trucks attempting to deposit curbside recycling, if it is determined that the load is comprised of more than 10% non-recyclables or trash, and force the entire shipment to be rerouted to the Johnston landfill for processing as trash; and

WHEREAS, The City of Providence spends nearly half a million dollars annually as a result of rejected recycling loads by the RIRRC and the associated costs of rerouting and processing shipments at the Johnston landfill; and

WHEREAS, The Johnston landfill is rapidly reaching capacity, with an anticipated closing date of 2038, and forcing recyclable materials to be stored in the landfill will only worsen the problem; and

WHEREAS, A bottle return program would increase the collection rate of beverage containers by creating an additional, incentivized, method for recycling separate from existing curbside recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, The use of redemption centers for collecting recyclable beverage containers would eliminate the potential for contamination that comes with curbside recycling, thereby reducing the risk of recyclable beverage containers ending up in the environment or in the Johnston landfill; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S-2513 and H-7611, the Beverage Container Deposit Recycling Act of 2020, provide an avenue for Rhode Island to move toward a bottle return program that will reduce the need for curbside recycling, improve the quality of our environmental, and strengthen the fiscal health of both the City and the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby endorse and urge passage by the General Assembly of Senate Bill S-2513 and House Bill 2020 H-7611, Acts Relating to Health and Safety - Beverage Container Deposit Recycling Act of 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The City Council encourages the General Assembly and the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Center to establish a mechanism for recycling glass products within the state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to the members of the Providence Delegation, as well as the Speaker of the House and the Senate President.

Read and 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, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliazzi, Councilwomen Kerwin, LaFortune, Miller, Ryan, Councilmen Salvatore and Taylor – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilman Narducci – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILMEN TAYLOR, CORREIA, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMEN CASTILLO, HARRIS AND COUNCILMAN SALVATORE

Resolution Requesting annual production and submission to the Council of a five-year plan outlining the maintenance and replacement schedules for all public safety vehicles.

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Public Safety and the Department of Public Property are responsible for maintaining and replacing the City of Providence’s public safety vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Over one third of the City of Providence’s fire trucks are twenty years of age or older; and

WHEREAS, The National Fire Protection Association has established the national standard for maintenance and replacement of fire engines and ladder trucks at no more than fifteen years as a front line vehicle, with an additional five years as a reserve, prior to final replacement; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Public Safety and the Department of Public Property have failed to provide adequate maintenance and replacement schedules for the City's Public Safety Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, By failing to maintain adequate replacement schedules in conformity with national standards, the Commissioner of Public Safety and the Department of Public Property are creating an unnecessary safety risk for the public as well as to the city personnel who have to operate the vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council hereby request that the Administration provide the City Council with a five-year plan that is produced and submitted annually on or before January 31 of each calendar year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said five-year plan shall include condition assessments, maintenance records, replacement schedules, and a completed inventory of all public safety vehicles, provided that all replacement schedules shall conform to minimum national industry standards.

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

COUNCILMAN SALVATORE, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL

Resolution Establishing a Special Commission on Recycling.

WHEREAS, Recycling materials removed from the City of Providence are shipped to the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation (RIRRC) recycling facility in Johnston; and

WHEREAS, RIRRC has the authority to reject a recycling shipment in the event that non-recyclables comprise more than 10% the total shipment; and

WHEREAS, In the event a shipment is deemed to be a "contaminated load" by RIRRC, the City of Providence is charged either a \$250 processing fee, or \$47/ton if the driver "self-rejects", and the entire shipment is sent for processing at the landfill; and

WHEREAS, Rejected loads count towards total tonnage the City is allowed to deliver to the landfill each year; and

WHEREAS, In the event the City goes beyond its allotted cap it is charged \$80/ton for all deliveries beyond the cap; and

WHEREAS, In 2019 the City was forced to pay \$476,000 as a result of rejected recycling loads.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby establish a Special Commission on Recycling, the purpose of which shall be to study and make recommendations regarding the current recycling process within the City, and to make recommendations regarding appropriate changes to City procedures, State law, and programs aimed at educating the public on proper recycling strategies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Special Commission on Recycling shall: 1) consist of not more than seven members including the Director of Public Works, one member appointed by the Mayor, and five members to be appointed by the Council President; and 2) shall issue a report of recommendations to the City Council within 120 days of the date appointments are made to the commission.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters and Moves Passage of the Several Resolutions, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Iglizzi, Councilwomen Kerwin, LaFortune, Miller, Ryan, Councilmen Salvatore and Taylor – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilman Narducci – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

REPORT(S) FROM COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
COUNCILMAN JOHN J. IGLIOZZI, Chairman

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted:

COUNCILMAN CORREIA, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, (By Request):

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 all Attendant Expenses and Approving the Financing thereof by the issuance of Water Revenue Bonds and Notes therefor in an amount not to exceed \$19,100,000.00.

An Ordinance of the City of Providence Approving Contractual Arrangements with the Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank ("RIIB") for RIIB to Provide up to \$3,000,000.00 in Funding for a Loan Program for Owners' Lead Service Line Replacements and Approving the Financing thereof by the Issuance of Water Revenue Bonds and Notes therefor in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters and Moves Passage of the Several Ordinances 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, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliazzi, Councilwomen Kerwin, LaFortune, Miller, Ryan, Councilmen Salvatore and Taylor – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilman Narducci – 1.

The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Approved:

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILMEN TAYLOR AND CORREIA,
(By Request):**

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.

Greenwood Emergency Vehicles (Fire Department)	\$25,000.00
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COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matter and Moves Passage of the Resolution and Refer Back to Board of Contract and Supply, 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, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliazzi, Councilwomen Kerwin, LaFortune, Miller, Ryan, Councilmen Salvatore and Taylor – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilman Narducci – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

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

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated January 22, 2020, 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 **LaJuan Allen** of 61 Joseph Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02904, as a member of the **Providence Human Relations Commission** for a term to expire on January 31, 2023, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated January 30, 2020, 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 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 2021, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated January 10, 2020, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 701 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 **Elizabeth Goldberg** of 55 Claverick Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, as a member of the **Providence School Board** for a term to expire on January 31, 2023 and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Ms. Goldberg replaces Mr. Gondola whose term expired January 31, 2020).

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives and Approves the Several Communications.

RESULT:	RECEIVED AND APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilwoman Ryan
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliazzi, Councilwomen Kerwin, LaFortune, Miller, Ryan, Councilmen Salvatore and Taylor – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilman Narducci – 1.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

Lewis E. Duffie
Kevin Austin
Donald Ramsey III
Maritza Deosa
Brian Robinson
Shyanne Christal (G. Eben Milne, Esquire)
CMR Claims Department a/s/o Verizon
Claims Processing-Amica Scan Center a/s/o Amica Mutual Insurance
Jayvion Sanchez (Jason Seaberg, Esquire)
Karissa Rezendes
Sean Brown
Conor Lavoie
Sandra Levandowski
Theresa Martin

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Refers the Several Petitions to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Claims and Pending Suits

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Communication from Sue AnderBois, Chairwoman and Julian Drix, Vice-Chairman, Environmental Sustainability Task Force, dated February 20, 2020, submitting the Annual Report and Priorities for 2020.

COUNCILWOMAN RYAN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matter, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives the foregoing Communication.

RESULT:	RECEIVED
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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:

Gloria Johnson in recognition of being the recipient of the 2020 Humanitarian Award at the Juneteenth RI Celebration of Cultural Excellence Event.

Irving Washington III in recognition of being the recipient of the 2020 Legendary Entertainer Award at the Juneteenth RI Celebration of Cultural Excellence Event.

Justin Case in recognition of being the recipient of the 2020 Visual Arts Award at the Juneteenth RI Celebration of Cultural Excellence Event.

Jennifer Freitas in recognition of being the recipient of the 2020 Outstanding Business Award at the Juneteenth RI Celebration of Cultural Excellence Event.

Matthew Buchanan in recognition of being the recipient of the 2020 Educator Excellence Award at the Juneteenth RI Celebration of Cultural Excellence Event.

Chad Brown Alumni Association/North End Outreach in recognition of being the recipient of the 2020 Community Organization Excellence Award at the Juneteenth RI Celebration of Cultural Excellence Event.

Michael Dillon in recognition of being named Grand Marshall of the 2020 Providence St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Barbara Cottam in recognition of being named Deputy Grand Marshall of the 2020 Providence St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Pastor Esther Person in recognition of the celebration of her retirement after 25 years of dedicated service to the Providence School Department.

Sabina Matos, City council President, in recognition of being the recipient of the 2020 Silver Bowl Award at the Dominican Independence Day Celebration, for her selflessness, passion, and leadership in empowering the youth, civic involvement in our community and her commitment to excellence.

Bonita G. Cade PHD,JD in recognition of being the Keynote Speaker at the 2020 Dominican Independence Day Celebration, for her outstanding contribution in education and her leadership in mentoring and empowering the youth and community in the area of Psychology, Culture and Diversity.

Anita Bruno in recognition of her continued support of Cooking for the Community.

Dawn Elricky in recognition of her continued support of Cooking for the Community.

Ken Watt in recognition of her continued support of Cooking for the Community.

Jorge A. Mercado in recognition of his continued support of Cooking for the Community. Anita Bruno in recognition of her continued support of Cooking for the Community.

RI Public Health Institute (RIPHI) in recognition of the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony of Open Door Health Clinic at 7 Central Street.

Danira Ortiz in recognition of being honored for her contribution in education on the 176th Anniversary of the Dominican Independence Day Gala event.

Wilda Gutierrez in recognition of being honored for her contribution in Community service on the 176th Anniversary of the Dominican Independence Day Gala event.

Maria de los Angeles Rodriguez in recognition of being honored for her contribution in youth talent on the 176th Anniversary of the Dominican Independence Day Gala event.

Alejandro Antonio Tavarez in recognition of being honored for his contribution in commerce on the 176th Anniversary of the Dominican Independence Day Gala event.

Many Perez in recognition of being honored for his contribution as an actor on the 176th Anniversary of the Dominican Independence Day Gala event.

Dr. Julio César Defilló Draiby in recognition of being honored for his contribution as a professional on the 176th Anniversary of the Dominican Independence Day Gala event.

Sabrina Uribe Ruggiero in recognition of being honored for her contribution in public service on the 176th Anniversary of the Dominican Independence Day Gala event.

Manny Núñez in recognition of being honored for his contribution in sports on the 176th Anniversary of the Dominican Independence Day Gala event.

Representante Scott Slater in recognition of being honored for his contribution in service to the community on the 176th Anniversary of the Dominican Independence Day Gala event.

Yaniris Felipe in recognition of being the Keynote Speaker at the 176th Anniversary of the Dominican Independence Day Gala event.

**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, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliozi, Councilwomen Kerwin, LaFortune, Miller, Ryan, Councilmen Salvatore and Taylor – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilman Narducci – 1.

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:

Sonya Yvette Lawrence

Severally Read and Collectively Passed by 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, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Igliozi, Councilwomen Kerwin, LaFortune, Miller, Ryan, Councilmen Salvatore and Taylor – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilman Narducci – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

CONVENTION

There being no further business, on Motion of **COUNCILWOMAN RYAN**, Seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS**, it is voted to adjourn at 7:26 o'clock P.M., to meet again **THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2020 at 7:00 o'clock P.M.**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shawn Selleck". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

**SHAWN SELLECK
CITY CLERK**

