

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND**



IN CITY COUNCIL
FEB 18 1975

APPROVED:

Vincent Vespia
CLERK

**CITY COUNCIL
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

No. 4. City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, February 6, 1975 8:00 P.M. (EST)

**PRESIDING
COUNCIL PRESIDENT
ROBERT J. HAXTON**

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Almagno, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cirelli, Cola, Crowley, Fagnoli, Flynn, Garan, Gorodetsky, Henries, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso, Turchetta and Xavier—25.

Absent: Councilman Johnson—1.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by Reverend Roscoe L. Nelson, Sr. Ebenezer Baptist Church, Providence, Rhode Island.

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

COUNCILMAN RAYMOND COLA leads the Members of the City Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS

COUNCILMAN LYNCH moves that Journal of Proceedings No. 1 of the Organization Meeting of the City Council, held January 6, 1975 be amended as follows:

"Page 12, 1st column, paragraph commencing "FOR VINCENT T. IZZO:, second line, insert the name "Almagnò" following the name "Ahern," due to printer's error.

Journal of Proceedings No. 2 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council, held January 16, 1975, be amended as follows:

"Page 47, second column, third line delete the name "Salvatore" and insert-in lieu thereof the name "Stravato."

The Journal of Proceedings No. 1 of the Organization Meeting of the City Council held January 6, 1975, and Posted January 14, 1975 on that Bulletin Board located on the ground floor of the City Hall, and the Journal of Proceedings No. 2 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held January 16, 1975 and Posted January 22, 1975 on that Bulletin Board located on the ground floor of the City Hall, are Severally approved as printed and corrected, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN ADDISON, FARGNOLI, GARAN, GORODETSKY and PETROSINELLI.

COUNCILMAN BRADSHAW moves that the Journal of Proceedings No. 2 of the Regular Meet-

ing of the City Council, held January 16, 1975, be amended as follows:

"Page 56, second column, paragraph commencing "Rule 21.; second line, delete the word 'five' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'seven.'"

This motion is seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.

The Journal of Proceeding No. 2 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held January 16,

1975 and Posted January 22, 1975 on that Bulletin Board located on the ground floor of the City Hall, is thereupon approved as printed and corrected.

The Journal of Proceedings No. 3 of the Special Meeting of the City Council held January 22, 1975 and Posted January 31, 1975 on that Bulletin Board located on the ground floor of the City Hall, is approved as printed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

VETO BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication Informing the Honorable City Council, in writing, of his Disapproval and Veto of the Resolution Requesting the School Committee, Superintendent of Schools, the School Administration and any Officials of the School Administration Not to Refuse the Admission to Classical Senior High School, of Any Student, Otherwise Qualified, Solely on the Basis of Color, when a Vacancy Exists at said School, viz:

January 28, 1975

The Honorable City Council
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Gentlemen:

Under the authority granted to me by Chapter 3, Section 3.18 of the Charter of the City of

Providence, Rhode Island, I hereby disapprove and veto the resolution of the City Council of Providence, Rhode Island proposing the change in Federal Guidelines by the School Committee and/or School Administration of the City of Providence.

I have taken this action because the resolution is in violation of existing Federal Guidelines and law, and the passage of said resolution would jeopardize the Federal funding of our School system.

Respectfully yours,
VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.
Mayor

Received.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Communication, dated January 18, 1975. Informing the City Clerk of his Appointments of the following Members of the City Council to the Committee on Finance of the City Council, as follows:

January 18, 1975

Mr. Vincent Vespia
City Clerk
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Mr. Vespia:

This is to advise under the Provisions of the Rules of the City Council for the ensuing term 1975-1979, I have, this day, appointed the fol-

lowing Members of the City Council to the Committee on Finance.

Councilman Robert F. Lynch
Councilman Donald E. McKiernan
Councilman Louis R. Stravato
Councilman Francis Crowley
Councilman John P. Garan
Councilwoman Carolyn F. Brassil
Councilman William G. Bradshaw

Sincerely yours,
ROBERT J. HAXTON
Council President

Received.

SCHEDULE OF BILLS

Street Lighting Bill for the Month of January, 1975, in the Amount of \$80,093.75.

Approved, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Almagno, Bradshaw, Coun-

cilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cirelli, Cola, Crowley, Fagnoli, Flynn, Garan, Gorodetsky, Henries, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso and Xavier—24.

Noes: Councilman Turchetta—1.

Absent: Councilman Johnson—1.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCILMAN HENRIES, COUNCILMAN ALMAGNO and COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO:

An Ordinance Implementing the Provisions of Chapter 256 of the Public Laws of 1974, Approved May 8, 1974, Authorizing the City of Providence to Regulate a "Homestead Program."

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN LYNCH, COUNCILMAN ADDISON and COUNCILMAN GARAN (By Request):

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1974-19 Approved June 19, 1974 by Appropriating the Sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), to Public Property — 07-03 Maintenance and Repair.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN GARAN and STRAVATO.

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1974-19 Approved June 19, 1974 by Appropriating the Sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), to Contingencies — 1-13-01 — Item 1.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN GARAN and STRAVATO.

COUNCILMAN TURCHETTA desires to be recorded as Voting "No."

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 544 of 1951 by Changing from a C-1 Limited Commercial Zone and a C-4 Heavy Commercial Zone to an R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone; from a C-2 General Zone to an R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone; from an R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone and a C-4 Heavy Commercial Zone to a C-3 Downtown Commercial Zone; from a R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to a C-3 Downtown Commercial Zone; from a C-4 Heavy Commercial Zone to an R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone and from an R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone to a C-4 Heavy Commercial Zone; from a C-4 Heavy Commercial Zone to a C-2 General Commercial Zone; from a C-2 General Commercial Zone to a C-1 Limited Commercial Zone; those Certain Lots shown as Outlined and Indicated on the Accompanying Maps and Bounded Generally by Olney, Benefit, Wickenden, South Main, North Main and Canal Streets.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN and COUNCILMAN BRADSHAW (By Request):

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1974-19, Approved June 19, 1974, by Appropriating the Sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00), to Mayor's Office — 1-01-01 — Item 5.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI:

Resolution Creating a Special Committee of the City Council for the Municipal Observance of the Four Hundredth Eighty Third Anniversary of the Discovery of America by the Italian Navigator Christopher Columbus.

Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council, consisting of five Members thereof, to be appointed by the President, for the purpose of planning and conducting the Municipal Observance of the Four Hundredth and Eighty-Third Anniversary of the Discovery of America by the Italian navigator Christopher Columbus.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN COLA, FARGNOLI, GARAN and STRAVATO.

COUNCILMAN ADDISON:

Resolution Requesting the Bureau of Licenses to Study the Feasibility of Invoking Certain Safety Measures in Public Conveyances Under Its Jurisdiction.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN ADDISON and GARAN.

COUNCILMAN AHERN and COUNCILMAN CROWLEY (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Director of Recreation to Cause the Installation of Lighting at the James G. O'Brien Tot Park located at Regent Avenue.

Resolved, That the Director of Recreation is requested to cause the installation of lighting on the James J. O'Brien Tot Park, located along Regent Avenue.

Resolution Requesting Street Light on Pole No. 116 along Chalkstone Avenue.

Resolved, That the Acting Public Service Engineer is requested to cause the installation of an electric street light, on Pole No. 116, located along Chalkstone Avenue.

Resolution Requesting Potholes be Repaired along Chalkstone Avenue, from Smith Street to Its Termination at Route 95 and along Rathbone Street and Valley Street and Kinsley Avenue.

Resolved, That the Acting Director of Public Works is requested to cause potholes to be repaired along the following:

Chalkstone Avenue, from Smith Street to its termination at Route 95, and along

Rathbone and Valley Streets and Kinsley Avenue.

Resolution Requesting Yield Sign along Francis Street at Its Intersection with Smith Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of a Yield Sign

along Francis Street at its intersection with Smith Street.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN BRADSHAW:

Resolution Requesting Motor Vehicle Traffic Signal Light be Installed at the Intersection of Lloyd Avenue with Wayland Avenue.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to install forthwith, a motor vehicle Traffic Signal Light at the intersection of Lloyd Avenue and Wayland Avenue.

COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL and COUNCILMAN XAVIER:

Resolution Requesting the City Solicitor to Prepare, Cause to be Introduced and Urge Passage of An Act Requiring Notification to Occupants of Residential, Commercial, or Industrial Properties, owned by Corporations, before Public Utilities Services are Terminated.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN BRADSHAW, COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN, COUNCILMAN LYNCH, COUNCILMAN ADDISON and COUNCILMAN GARAN:

Resolution Creating a Special Committee of the City Council to Wait Upon His Honor Mayor Vincent A. Cianci, Jr., and Request he Sit for his Official Portrait.

Whereas, It has been the tradition since the City of Providence elected its first Mayor in 1832, to wait upon incumbent Mayors and request that they sit for official portraits, which portraits now hang in the Chamber of the City Council, in City Hall, Providence, appropriately identified,

Therefore be It Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council, consisting of five Members thereof, to be appointed by the President of said City Council, is hereby created for the purpose as hereinbefore noted, and

Be It Further Resolved, That such sum of money, necessary for the commission of said portrait and appropriate framing, shall be charged to the Appropriation of Contingencies.

COUNCILMAN GARAN:

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Cause a Survey to be Conducted of All Parking Meters within the Downtown Area, so-called to Insure Proper Operation.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause a survey to be conducted of all parking meters, within the Downtown area, so-called to insure proper operation so that the motoring public, using the same, be not allegedly in violation of such use, when in a state of disrepair.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Designate and Cause the Installation of "No Parking — Snow Zone" Signs along Farragut Avenue.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to designate and to cause the installation of "No Parking — Snow Zone" signs along Fariagut Avenue.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN GARAN and COUNCILMAN ADDISON:

Resolution Requesting the General Assembly to Enact a Motor Carrier Tax Act, the Revenue from Which Would Benefit to Cities and Towns in Rhode Island.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN GARAN and STRAVATO.

COUNCILMAN GORODETSKY:

Resolution Requesting a Street Name Sign be Installed along Ogden Street, at Lorimer Avenue, Denoting "Ogden Street."

Resolved, That the Acting Director of Public Works, is requested to cause a street name sign be installed denoting "Ogden Street," along said Ogden Street, at its intersection with Lorimer Avenue.

COUNCILMAN HENRIES and COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO:

Resolution Requesting Stop Signs along Milk Street, at Its Intersection with Bogman Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the Replacement of missing Stop Signs along Milk Street, at its intersection with Bogman Street.

Resolution Requesting Replacement of Missing Stop Signs along Dartmouth Avenue at Elmwood Avenue.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the replacement of a missing Stop Sign along Dartmouth Avenue at its intersection with Elmwood Avenue.

COUNCILMAN LYNCH:

Resolution Creating a Special Committee of the City Council for the Municipal Observance of Christmas Day, 1975.

Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council consisting of five Members thereof, to be appointed by the President, is hereby created for the purpose of planning and conducting a Municipal Observance of Christmas Day, 1975.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN LYNCH, COUNCILMAN ADDISON and COUNCILMAN GARAN (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing and Directing the City Treasurer and the City Controller to Transfer the Sum of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00) to General Fund — Water — Other Structures and Improvements 1-16-03-721

Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract on behalf of the City of Providence, with the Town of North Providence, Purchasing the Water System in the Marieville Section of North Providence, Rhode Island.

Resolution Authorizing the Board of Contract and Supply to Purchase from the Providence Redevelopment Agency for the Sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), that Certain Parcel of Land Situated at the Corner of Prairie Avenue and Blackstone Street; being a Portion of the Former Martin Luther King Shopping Center.

Resolution Requesting the City Solicitor to Cause the Introduction into the General Assembly, and Urge the Passage, of the Accompanying Act Enabling Active Members of the Employee Retirement System, of the City of Providence, for the Continuing Opportunity of said Members to make Regular Purchases of Services.

Resolution Requesting the City Solicitor to Cause the Introduction into the General Assembly, and Urge Passage, of the Accompanying Act Enabling Active Members of the Employee Retirement System, of the City of Providence, for the Continuing Opportunity of said Members to make Regular Purchases of Armed Services Credit.

Resolution Refunding to Certain Taxpayers Sums of Money Representing Overpayment of City Taxes for the Years 1971, 1972, 1973 and 1974.

Resolutions Accepting Gifts of Money for Specified Burial Lots in North Burial Ground

Severally Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of **COUNCILMAN LYNCH**, seconded by **COUNCILMEN GARAN, PETRO-SINELLI** and **STRAVATO**.

COUNCILMAN MANSOLILLO:

Resolution Requesting the City Solicitor to Prepare, Cause to be Introduced and Urge Passage, by the General Assembly, of An Act Permitting the Title of "Councillor" to Denote a Member of the City Council of Providence, Rhode Island.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, on motion of **COUNCILMAN LYNCH**, seconded by **COUNCILMAN GARAN**.

COUNCILMAN MEROLA and COUNCILMAN TURCHETTA:

Resolution Requesting Stop Signs along Knight Street, at Its Intersection with Carpenter Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of Stop Signs along Knight Street, at its intersection with Carpenter Street.

Resolution Requesting Replacement of Stop Signs along Grove Street, at Its Intersection with Knight Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the replacement of a Stop Sign along

Grove Street, at its intersection with Knight Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause "Stop" Signs be installed along Augusta Street at its intersection with Crandall Street.

COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI and COUNCILMAN SALVATORE:

Resolution Requesting the Alleviation of a Drainage Problem along the Robin Brook Sewer, so-called between Greeley Street and Aventine Avenue.

Resolved, That the Acting Director of Public Works is requested to cause the Alleviation of a Drainage Problem along the Robin Brook Sewer, so-called, between Greeley Street and Aventine Avenue.

Resolution Requesting Reseting of Curbing along Veazie Street at Branch Avenue.

Resolved, That the Acting Director of Public Works is requested to cause the resetting of curbing along Veazie Street at Branch Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Replacement of One-Way Traffic Sign along Ashton Street at Luna Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the replacement of One-Way Traffic Signs along Ashton Street at Luna Street.

Resolution Requesting Stop Signs along Augusta Street, at Its Intersection with Crandall Street.

Resolution Requesting Stop Signs along Fair Street, at Its Intersection with Waite Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause "Stop" signs be installed along Fair Street, at its intersection with Waite Street.

Resolution Requesting Street Light along that Thoroughfare at Pole 129 off Charles Street Opposite Esek Hopkins Middle School.

Resolved, That the Acting Public Service Engineer is requested to cause installation of an electric street light along that thoroughfare at pole 129 off Charles Street, opposite Esek Hopkins Middle School.

Resolution Requesting the Chief of the Police Department to Inaugurate a Radar Patrol along Woodward Road.

Resolved, That the Chief of the Police Department is requested to inaugurate a Radar Patrol along Woodward Road, to dissuade apparent violations of the motor vehicle speed limit.

Resolution Requesting the Installation of a Motor Vehicle Traffic Signal Light at the Intersection of Branch Avenue with Veazie Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of a Motor Vehicle Traffic Signal Light at the Intersection of Branch Avenue with Veazie Street.

Resolution Requesting "No Parking Anytime" Signs along that Portion of Greeley Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the replacement of missing "No Parking Anytime" Signs along the southerly side of Greeley Street, from Russo Street to Charles Street; said installations are not to effect the presently established one-way traffic pattern of Greeley Street.

Resolution Requesting Crosswalks be Painted on Branch Avenue and "Stop for Pedestrian" Signs be Installed.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause crosswalks to be painted on Branch Avenue, and that "Stop for Pedestrians" signs be installed, at that location at the main entrance to the Wanskuck Boy's Club.

COUNCILMAN STRAVATO and COUNCILMAN ALMAGNO:

Resolution Requesting Establishment of a Crossing Guard Post at the Intersection of Hillhurst Avenue with Laurel Hill Avenue.

Resolved, That the Acting Commissioner of Public Safety is requested to cause the establishment of a crossing guard post at the intersection of Hillhurst Avenue with Laurel Hill Avenue.

Resolution Requesting that Those Street Car Rails along Pocasset Avenue, from Webster Avenue to the Providence-Cranston City Line be Removed and It's Roadway be Resurfaced.

Whereas, Those street car rails, no longer used as such, on Pocasset Avenue, from Webster Avenue to the Providence-Cranston City Line are presently covered by pavement, which at some locations, are partially exposed and create a hazardous motor vehicle traffic and pedestrian crossing condition,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Acting Director of Public Works is requested to make such arrangements, as he may deem necessary, to cause the said unused street car rails to be removed and the roadway be resurfaced.

Resolution Requesting "Stop" Signs along Kinfield Street, at Barbara Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of "Stop" signs along Kinfield Street, at its intersection with Barbara Street.

COUNCILMAN TOMASSO (By Request):

Resolution Requesting Posting of Motor Vehicle Speed Limit Signs along Edgewood Boulevard.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of Motor Vehicle Speed Limit Signs, along Edgewood Boulevard.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN GARAN and STRAVATO.

COUNCILMAN TURCHETTA and COUNCILMAN MEROLA:

Resolution Requesting the Committee on Finance to Consider Overtime Compensation to Members of the City Sergeant's Staff who Attend City Council Meetings.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

Resolution Requesting Installation of a Mercury Vapor Street Light between 237 and 239 Atwells Avenue.

Resolved, That the Acting Public Service Engineer is requested to cause the installation of a Mercury Vapor Street Light, to be located between 237-239 Atwells Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Undertake a Survey of the Existing Street Lighting along Atwells Avenue for the Purpose of Improving the Same.

Resolved, That the Acting Public Service Engineer is requested to undertake a survey of the existing street lighting facilities located along Atwells Avenue for the purpose of recommending better street lighting.

COUNCILMAN XAVIER:

Resolution Requesting an Inspection of the Agreement between the Providence Civic Center Authority and Araserv, Inc., Relative to Lease of Royal Roost Restaurant.

Whereas, The Royal Roost Restaurant, so-called, located in the Providence Civic Center is open for public business, only on days when events are scheduled at the said Center, and

Whereas, It appears that the City of Providence is deprived of its share of revenue under the provisions of its lease from said restaurant, since it is currently operating on a limited basis.

Now Therefore be It Resolved, That the Providence Civic Center Authority is requested to submit a copy of its' contract with Araserv, Inc. to the Committee on Finance of the City Council that the said Committee may investigate the authority of Araserv, Inc. to operate said restaurant on a limited time basis, thus depriving the City of Providence of sorely needed revenue from its' lease.

Resolution Creating a Special Committee on the Municipal Observance of July 4, 1975.

Resolved, That a Special Committee of the City Council is created, consisting of five members thereof, to be appointed by its President for the purpose of planning and conducting an appropriate Municipal Observance of the One Hundredth Ninety-Ninth Anniversary of the Independence of the United States of America.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

COUNCILMAN XAVIER and COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL (By Request):

Resolution Designating the Street Number of the Equitable Building, at Custom House Street and Weybosset Street, as "One Custom House Street."

Referred to the Committee on Naming Bridges, Expressways, Buildings, Edifices and Other City Constructions, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

Resolution Requesting the Committee on City Property to Propose the Demolition of the former Bathhouse Building, located upon that City-Owned Property at the Northeasterly Corner of Atwells Avenue and Bradford Street, for the Purpose of Developing a Park Area.

Referred to the Committee on City Property, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL, COUNCILMEN GARAN and XAVIER.

Resolution Requesting a Street Light along Pequod Street, between Atwells Avenue and Mountain Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of an Electric Street Light along Pequod Street, between Atwells Avenue and Mountain Street.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN BRASSIL, COUNCILMEN GARAN and XAVIER.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE

COUNCILMAN ROBERT F. LYNCH, Chairman

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1974-19, Approved June 19, 1974, by Appropriating the Sum of Seventy-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$79,750.00) to Various Departments.

Capital Fund Designated "Merino Bridge Replacement (3-25-00), Item 791 -- Other Structures and Improvements."

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1974-19, Approved June 19, 1974, by Appropriating the Sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) to a

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1974-19, Approved June 19, 1974, by Appropriating the Sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$55,888.00) to the School Department Various Items.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed the First Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Almagno, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cirelli, Cola, Crowley, Fagnoli, Flynn, Garan, Gorodetsky, Henries, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso, Turchetta and Xavier—25.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilman Johnson—1.

Resolution Refunding to Certain Taxpayers Sums of Money Representing Overpayment of City Taxes to the City Collector for the Years 1970, 1972 and 1974.

Resolved, That the Accompanying certificates, nos. 2892 thru 2900 (except No. 2893) representing overpayment of City Taxes for the years 1970, 1972 and 1974, are hereby refunded in the amounts overpaid. (Accompanying certificates on file in Department of City Clerk.)

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Almagno, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cirelli, Cola, Crowley, Fagnoli, Flynn, Garan, Gorodetsky, Henries, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso, Turchetta and Xavier—25.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilman Johnson—1.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

FROM JUSTICES OF PROVIDENCE MUNICIPAL COURT

Communication Informing the Honorable City Council of their Appointment of John Ziegelmayer, as Clerk of said Court.

Received.

FROM CLERK OF PROVIDENCE MUNICIPAL COURT

Communication Informing the Honorable City Council of his Appointments of James P. O'Connor and Stephen V. Ryan, as Deputy Clerks of said Court, with the Approval of the Justices of the Providence Municipal Court.

Received.

FROM CLERK OF PROBATE COURT

Report of Its' Activities for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974.

Received.

FROM BUILDING BOARD OF REVIEW

Annual Report of the Activities for the Calendar Year 1974.

Received.

FROM CITY CONTROLLER

Monthly Statements of Capital, General and School Funds for the Four Months Ended October 31, 1974; for the five Months Ended November 30, 1974 and the Six Months Ended December 31, 1974.

Severally Received.

FROM HOUSING BOARD OF REVIEW

Annual Report of the Activities for the Calendar Year 1974.

Received.

FROM DEPUTY PORT DIRECTOR

Second Quarterly Report for the Period from October 1, 1974 to December 31, 1974.

Received.

FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Annual Report for the Twelve Months Ended June 30, 1974.

Received.

FROM ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW AND THE ZONING OFFICE

Annual Report of the Activities for the Calendar Year 1974.

Received.

FROM CITY ASSESSOR

Certificates (72-L and 76-L) Recommending the Same be Severally Cancelled.

Severally Referred to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN GARAN and STRAVATO.

PETITIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON and COUNCILMAN FLYNN (By Request):

Petition of Alfred Smith, 107 Sorrento Street, Providence, for Appointment as an Auctioneer.

COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI and COUNCILMAN SALVATORE (By Request):

Petition of Anthony J. Cacchiotti, 111 Vandewater Street, Providence, for Appointment as an Auctioneer.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition of Arthur Hopkins, 541 Hartford Avenue, Providence, for Appointment as an Auctioneer.

Severally Referred to the Committee on ~~Claims and Pending Suits~~, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

LICENCES

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

James M. Bajakian, P.P.A. Vahan Bajakian

Alice Bezigian

William Carcieri, Jr.

Joseph D'Angelo

John Del Bonis

Albert Falcofsky

Ernest Fontaine

Industrial National Bank

South Main Street Rehabilitation Company

Severally Referred to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

(In Memoriam)

COUNCILMAN AHERN and COUNCILMAN CROWLEY:

Resolution of Sympathy Upon the Death of William P. Beattie, late an Employee of the Water Supply Board.

Resolved, That His Honor Mayor Vincent A. Cianci, Jr. and the Members of the City Council do hereby express their sympathy upon the recent death of William P. Beattie, late an em-

ployee of the Water Supply Board and a member of the Twelfth Ward Democratic Committee

Read and Passed by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN AHERN, CROWLEY and GARAN.

COUNCILMAN GORODETSKY addresses **COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON** to the fact that invitations were transmitted to Everett A. Travisono as Director of the Department of Public Property and Michael J. Farina as Acting Director of Department of Public Property, to appear before this meeting of the City Council for questioning regarding City Business.

COUNCILMAN GORODETSKY further states that the Clerk has correspondence addressed to the Honorable Members of the City Council from these two gentlemen.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON directs the Clerk to read the same, as follows:

Hon. Robert Haxton
Council President
c/o Clerk's Office
City Hall
Providence, R. I. 02903

Dear Bob:

Per your invitation to appear before the City

Council on February 6, 1975, please be advised that I have pressing personal matters to be attended to making it impossible for me to attend the meeting.

Very truly yours,

EVERETT A. TRAVISONO
Director

February 5, 1975
Honorable Vincent A. Cianci, Jr.
Mayor of Providence
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Mayor Cianci:

Please accept this letter as notice of my resignation as Director of Public Property for the City of Providence, effective today.

I also want to take this opportunity to say

that I have been very proud to serve the City and the Doorley administration for the last ten years.

Very truly yours,
EVERETT A. TRAVISONO

February 6, 1975

The Honorable Members of the
Providence City Council
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Members:

After review of Council President pro tempore Ralph Fagnoli's letter of February 4, 1975, be advised that I wish not to appear at the Council Meeting scheduled for February 6, 1975.

I am taking this action at this time pursuant to the Council Rules adopted by the Honorable City Council since my letter of appointment as Acting Director of the Department of Public Property was returned by the City Council as not having been received. The Council has demonstrated by this action that they do not consider me to be an Acting Director of this Department, since they do not, the Council under Rule 8 has no jurisdiction over me and by the very fact that the aforementioned letter of February 4 indi-

cates that I am to appear before the Council to explain my "assumed status" I feel this is nothing more than harrassment.

I stand ready to appear before you at any time that you recognize the validity of my appointment as Acting Director of Public Property, which was made by the Mayor pursuant to the Charter of the City of Providence.

With respect to your questioning of me as to my "assumed status" as Personnel Director, again the communication informing you of my appointment by Mr. Vincent Izzo to this position was evidently overlooked by the Council President. Enclosed is a Xerox copy of a letter dated February 5, 1975, confirming my appointment as of January 8, 1975.

Again, once the City Council recognizes the legitimacy of my appointment, I will be duty bound to appear subject to Council Rule 8 of the City Council of the City of Providence, and the various provisions as that appear in the City Charter of the City of Providence.

Sincerely,
MICHAEL J. FARINA

Severally Received.

On motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH. seconded by COUNCILMAN GARAN, It is voted to suspend Rule 2 of the Rules of the City Council in order to Allow the City Council to meet on a day other than provided in said Rule 2.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN GARAN and MEROLA, the City Council adjourns at 9:25 o'clock P.M. (EST) to meet again on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1975 at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (EST).

Vincent Vapira

City Clerk