

CITY OF PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND



The Credo of the Providence City Council is to be Industrious, to be Watchful and to Promote Peace. The bee, as a symbol of industry, is derived from the early colonial saying "Busy as a Bee"; the goose, as a symbol of watchfulness, is derived from the story of the goose whose cackling saved Rome; and the lamb, as a symbol of peace, is derived from the biblical use of the lamb as a symbol of peace.



IN CITY COUNCIL

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Lina L. Mastrosianni

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CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 17 City Council Regular Council Meeting, Thursday, July 11, 2024, 6:00 o'clock P.M.

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

RACHEL M. MILLER

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMEN HARRIS, PETERSON, COUNCILORS PICHARDO, ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS – 13.

ABSENT: COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS AND COUNCILWOMAN GRAVES – 2.

ALSO PRESENT: TINA L. MASTROIANNI, CITY CLERK, SHERI A. PETRONIO, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, CARISSA VELOSO, ASSISTANT CLERK NAPOLEON ASKIE, CITY SERGEANT AND JEFFREY DANA, CITY SOLICITOR

(SUBSEQUENTLY, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS JOINS THE MEETING).

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by **COUNCILWOMAN ANA S. VARGAS**.

"Oh God, thank you for helping me every single day and thank you for that moment we say God you have everything in control for the city, for the United States, for the whole world. You only be close to me day and night and that is the reason I say you are my God, you are always a blessing, you always take care of me, you always take care of the city and you always take care of the City Council to lead us in the right direction in the city. I say thank you God for everything because of you. In the name of Jesus. Amen."

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COUNCILMAN OSCAR O. VARGAS 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. 15 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held June 20, 2024 and Journal of Proceedings No. 16 of the Special Meeting of the City Council held June 27, 2024:

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 3 and Move Approval, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	APPROVED (WITH VOTE) [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilor AnderBois and Councilwoman Graves – 2.

APPOINTMENT BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated June 26, 2024, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Chapter 2, Article XXII, Section 2-354 of the Code of Ordinances, he is this day appointing **Brendan Rose** of 18 Knowles Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the **Art in City Life Commission** for a term to expire on April 12, 2026. (Mr. Rose replaces Mr. Fakhouri who has resigned).

APPOINTMENT BY THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated July 5, 2024, Informing the City Clerk that pursuant to Resolution 2024-50, she is this day appointing **Robert Bailey** of 1540 Pontiac Avenue, Cranston, Rhode Island 02920 to the **Pathway to End Gun Violence Advisory Council**. (Robert Bailey replaces Jill Van Leesten who has resigned).

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 4 and 5, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Receives items 4 and 5.

RESULT:	RECEIVED
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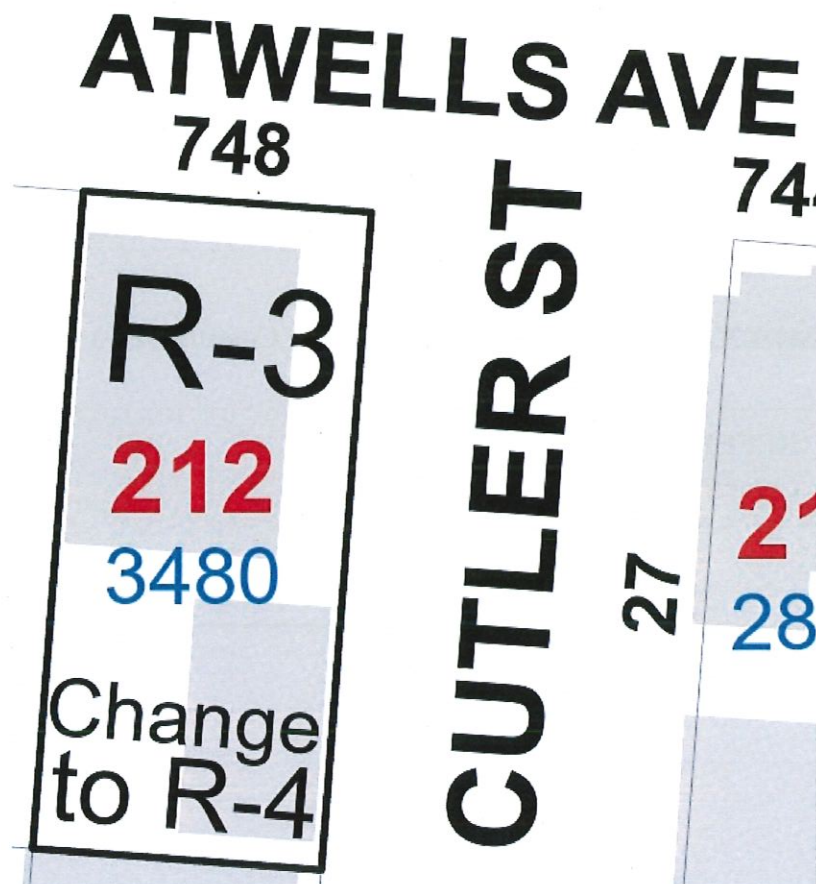
ORDINANCE SECOND READING

The Following Ordinance was in City Council June 20, 2024, Read and Passed the First Time and is Returned for Passage the Second Time:

COUNCILMAN VARGAS

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, to change the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 62, Lot 212 (748 Atwells Avenue), from R-3 to R-4.

SECTION 1. Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, is hereby further amended by changing the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 62, Lot 212 (748 Atwells Avenue), from R-3 to R-4.



SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 6 and Pass for the Second Time on a Roll Call Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	READ/PASSED SECOND TIME [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilor AnderBois and Councilwoman Graves – 2.

The Motion for Passage the Second Time is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY,
(By Request):**

An Ordinance Adopting the City of Providence's Official Comprehensive Plan.

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 7, Seconded by
COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers item 7 to the Committee on Ordinances.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Ordinances

COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL AND COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 5 "Buildings and Structural Appurtenances" of the Code of Ordinances to rename Article X "Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Targets in Buildings" and add Sections 5-126 "Building Energy Reporting Program" and 5-140 "Energy Efficiency and Carbon Neutral Goals for Municipal Buildings".

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 8 and Pass for the First Time on a Roll Call Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	READ/PASSED FOR THE FIRST TIME [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilwoman Graves – 1.

The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

COUNCILOR PICHARDO AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Ninety Seven Million Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$97,014,120), for the support of the Providence Water Supply Board for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Three Million Five Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Five Dollars (\$3,522,485), for the Water Supply Board Water Quality Protection Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Three Million Seven Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Six Hundred Seven Dollars (\$3,775,607), for the Water Supply Board Capital Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Ninety Million One Hundred Thirty Five Thousand Sixty Seven Dollars (\$90,135,067), for the Water Supply Board Infrastructure Replacement Program Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Two Million Nine Hundred Ninety Six Thousand Eight Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$2,996,816), for the Water Supply Board Meter Replacement Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Two Million Eight Hundred Twenty Three Thousand Thirty Five Dollars (\$2,823,035), for the Water Supply Board Insurance Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of One Million Four Hundred Eighty Six Thousand Forty Seven Dollars (\$1,486,047), for the Water Supply Board Revenue Reserve Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Three Million Two Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand One Hundred Thirty Five Dollars (\$3,237,135), for the Water Supply Board Equipment Replacement Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Eight Hundred Fifty Four Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Seven Dollars (\$854,687), for the Water Supply Board Property Tax Refund Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Four Hundred Twenty Thousand Four Hundred Forty Dollars (\$420,440), for the Water Supply Board Western Cranston Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Four Million Seven Hundred Six Thousand Six Hundred Forty Nine Dollars (\$4,706,649), for the Water Supply Board Chemical and Sludge Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance making an Appropriation of Nineteen Million Seven Hundred Eighty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Four Dollars (\$19,787,224), for the Water Supply Board Lead Service Replacement Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.

An Ordinance Establishing a Compensation Plan for the Water Supply Board and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 2023-33, No. 405, Effective October 13, 2023.

An Ordinance Establishing the Classes of Positions, the Maximum Number of Employees and the Number of Employees in Certain Classes in the Water Supply Board and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 2023-34, No. 406, Effective October 13, 2023.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

COUNCILMAN VARGAS

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, as amended, to change certain text in Article 20 regarding the Nonconformity of Existing Self-Storage Facilities.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Ordinances

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Change Order Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) and (4).

Bowman (formerly McMahon Associates) \$671,180.13
(Department of Planning and Development)

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Change Order Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(4).

E.W. Audet & Sons, Inc. \$2,101,340.00
(Water Supply Board)

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 9 through 25, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers items 9 through 22 to the Committee on Finance, item 23 to the Committee on Ordinances and items 24 and 25 to the Committee on Finance.

COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILORS PICHARDO, ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS

Resolution Congratulating Joe Mazzulla for Winning the NBA Championship.

WHEREAS, Joe Mazzulla, born in Johnston, Rhode Island, has achieved the extraordinary accomplishment of winning the NBA Championship as Head Coach of the Boston Celtics; and

WHEREAS, Joe Mazzulla graduated from Bishop Hendricken High School in Warwick, RI, where he played All-State basketball and led his team to three consecutive state championships, showcasing his exceptional talent and dedication to the sport; and

WHEREAS, Joe Mazzulla's success is a source of immense pride for the City of Providence, the entire state of Rhode Island, and all who have followed his remarkable journey from high school standout to NBA champion; and

WHEREAS, Joe Mazzulla's achievements inspire young athletes across our community, demonstrating the heights that can be reached through hard work, perseverance, and passion; and

WHEREAS, The Providence City Council, on behalf of the residents of Providence, extends heartfelt congratulations to Joe Mazzulla for his outstanding accomplishment and his contributions to the sport of basketball.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council congratulates Joe Mazzulla for his exceptional achievement of winning the NBA Championship with the Boston Celtics and celebrates his ongoing contributions to the pride and spirit of our community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Joe Mazzulla as a token of the City Council's admiration and appreciation for his remarkable success.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 26 and Pass on a Voice Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilwoman Graves – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILOR ROIAS, (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Grant a Non-Exclusive License for a period of Forty-Nine (49) Years to Saint Ann's Catholic Church of Providence, for the property located on Assessor's Plat 071, Lot 600 (578 Charles Street), for consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00).

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 27, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers item 27 to the Committee on City Property.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on City Property

COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON, COUNCILOR PICHARDO, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS

Resolution Honoring Kelvin McLeod for His Promotion to Sergeant.

WHEREAS, Kelvin McLeod, a proud native of Providence, Rhode Island, has recently been promoted to Sergeant in the armed forces, marking a significant milestone in his distinguished career; and

WHEREAS, Kelvin McLeod is following in the footsteps of his father, Willie Alexander, who also served in the armed forces, continuing a family legacy of dedication and service to the country; and

WHEREAS, Kelvin McLeod, as a young boy, appeared on the beloved show "Caught in Providence" where he shared a poignant moment with Judge Caprio, who provided him with encouraging advice and facilitated a memorable handshake with former Rhode Island Governor Bruce Sundlun, a celebrated military hero; and

WHEREAS, Kelvin McLeod, inspired by the words and actions of Judge Caprio and Governor Sundlun, has followed a commendable path of service and dedication to his country, embodying the values of bravery, integrity, and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Kelvin McLeod's promotion to Sergeant is a testament to his hard work, perseverance, and exemplary service, making him a role model for young people in our community and a source of pride for the City of Providence; and

WHEREAS, The Providence City Council, on behalf of the residents of Providence, wishes to honor and celebrate Kelvin McLeod's outstanding achievements and his contributions to the nation and our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council formally congratulates Kelvin McLeod on his promotion to Sergeant, recognizing his dedication and service, and extends heartfelt appreciation for his commitment to upholding the values and security of our nation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to Kelvin McLeod as a token of the City Council’s admiration and respect for his remarkable achievements and his inspiring journey from a young boy in Providence to a distinguished Sergeant in the armed forces.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 28 and Pass on a Voice Vote and have the Clerk read it into the record, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilwoman Graves – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILOR ROIAS AND COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS

Resolution Establishing Peter Street as a One-Way Street from Charles Street to Ledge Street.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 29 and Withdraw, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	WITHDRAWN
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COUNCILORS ROIAS, SANCHEZ, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON, COUNCILOR PICHARDO, COUNCILWOMEN RYAN, VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS

Resolution Establishing a Ceremonial Designation along Hawkins Street as "Mr. Lemon Place".

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 30 and have the Clerk read it into the record, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers item 30 to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.

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

COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON, COUNCILOR PICHARDO, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS

Resolution Establishing a Ceremonial Designation along Chad Brown Street as "Alice Brown Memorial Way"

WHEREAS, Alice Brown was a life-long activist, devoting many decades of her life to serving various Providence community-based organizations, all for the betterment of the lives of those most disadvantaged in her community.

WHEREAS, Alice was born in Warwick, Rhode Island in 1930 and moved to Providence with her 6 children in the mid 1960's where, aside from a few years living in Virginia, she lived until her passing in 2023.

WHEREAS, When Alice wasn't spending time with her family, she was busy serving her community through volunteer work, volunteering at 7 different organizations and charities over the years, including, 34 years at Providence Head Start and 14 years at the RI Food Bank and the Government Surplus Commodities at Smith Hill and Chad Brown simultaneously;

WHEREAS, Alice was also an active member of many housing organizations in Providence, serving on the Providence Housing Authority at Chad Brown as a resident for 21 years, the Chad Brown Tenants Association for 19 years and the Eastern Regional Tenants Organization for 14 years.

WHEREAS, Her charity work didn't end there though, and most notably, she spent 40 years as a board member of Providence's Head Start Organization, 20 years at Chad/Ad/Sun Community Center and was also the board chair of Chad Brown Health Center for 12 years until her retirement in 2006.

WHEREAS, Alice was a staunch advocate for the disadvantaged and spoke out for those who had no voice in her community so they could be heard, regardless of their age, race or gender.

WHEREAS, Alice dedicated her life volunteering for her community to make the lives of those in Providence better, and will be remembered fondly for the difference her advocacy made, especially for the young and elderly in her community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence wishes to honor the life, career and legacy of Alice Brown by establishing a ceremonial designation along Chad Brown Street as “Alice Brown Memorial Way” honorary designation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council requests that the Department of Public Works work to manufacture, install, and maintain one or more honorary signs at prominent and appropriate locations, which shall reflect the “Alice Brown Memorial Way” honorary designation; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to the family members of Alice Brown.

COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON, COUNCILOR ROIAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS

Resolution Condemning SCOTUS Ruling on Homelessness.

WHEREAS, Homelessness is a complex situation arising from a myriad of factors including socioeconomic status, domestic violence experiences, mental health care accessibility, and financial instability; and

WHEREAS, In Providence, conditions such as the high demand for affordable housing, insufficient development of multi-family units, and economic disparities are leading to a rising cause of homelessness, significantly increasing the risk of evictions and individuals becoming unhoused; and

WHEREAS, This has resulted in more than 2,100 people on the waiting list for housing and more than 800 people waiting for beds in shelters in the state, and over 100 people living in unhoused encampments in Providence; and

WHEREAS, The recent Supreme Court decision, *City of Grants Pass, Oregon v. Johnson*, made on June 28, 2024, permits punitive measures against people sleeping in public spaces even when all local shelters are at capacity, and the Providence City Council expresses intense opposition to this decision leading to increased criminalization of the homeless population in Providence; and

WHEREAS, The City has recently addressed unhoused encampments in a manner that is counterproductive and inhumane, leading to reduced trust in shelter systems among unhoused people, lost medications and important personal documents, people discouraged from seeking social services, increases in the number of avoidable arrests, and disturbances to unhoused peoples’ routines and access to necessary services; and

WHEREAS, These harmful eviction and displacement policies raise major concerns that, in the wake of the Supreme Court ruling, the City may take its reactionary and criminalizing measures a step further; and

WHEREAS, Providence has already enacted positive and proven policies, such as approving the first-in-the-nation state-sanctioned harm reduction center, demonstrating a commitment to compassionate and effective solutions; and

WHEREAS, The city should focus on implementing more proactive policies like this, as opposed to punitive measures, to address homelessness with dignity and humanity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Providence City Council is profoundly concerned by this Supreme Court decision, made on June 28, 2024, which permits punitive measures against people sleeping in public spaces even when all local shelters are at capacity, and strongly opposes its application in the City; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Providence City Council strongly opposes all legislation criminalizing homelessness, including those which punish public sleeping, camping, sheltering, storing belongings, and vehicle dwelling; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The City must implement stronger legal protections to safeguard unhoused individuals' human rights and continue to advance evidence-based policies that alleviate the state of homelessness with dignity.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That, upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the offices of Providence Mayor Brett Smiley, Providence Chief of Police Oscar Perez, Rhode Island Governor Daniel McKee, the Director of the Rhode Island Department of Health Jerome Larkin, the acting Secretary of Rhode Island Department of Housing, and the Executive Director of Rhode Island Coalition to End Homelessness.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 31 and 32 and Pass on a Voice Vote and have the clerk read item 31 into the record, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

Resolution Establishing a Ceremonial Designation along Chad Brown Street as "Alice Brown Memorial Way"

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Councilman Taylor

SECONDER: Councilwoman Harris

AYES: Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Graves – 1.

Resolution Condemning SCOTUS Ruling on Homelessness.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Councilman Taylor

SECONDER: Councilwoman Harris

AYES: Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 13.

ABSTAIN: Councilwoman Ryan – 1.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Graves – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

AT EASE

RECONVENTION

COUNCILMEN TAYLOR, ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON, COUNCILORS PICHARDO, ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS

Resolution Establishing a Ceremonial Designation along Rounds Avenue as "Rita Murphy Way".

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive with the Reading of item 33, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers item 33 to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.

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

REPORT(S) FROM COMMITTEE(S)
COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES
COUNCILMAN PEDRO J. ESPINAL, Chairman

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

COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON, COUNCILOR PICHARDO, COUNCILWOMEN VARGAS, ANTHONY, GRAVES AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, as amended, to add provisions to Section 1911 Certificate of Appropriateness.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted:

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, to change the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 65, Lot 152 (52 River Avenue), from M-1 to M-MU-75.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, to change the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 108, Lot 32 (181 Pocasset Avenue), Assessor's Plat 108, Lot 24 (187 Pocasset Avenue), Assessor's Plat 108, Lot 23 (191 Pocasset Avenue) and Assessor's Plat 108, Lot 22 (11 Lowell Avenue), from R-3 to C-2.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 34 through 36 and Pass for the First Time on a Roll Call Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	READ/PASSED FOR THE FIRST TIME [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Councilor Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 13.
ABSENT:	Councilwomen Anthony and Graves – 2.

The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

**COMMITTEE ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT,
RENEWAL AND PLANNING
COUNCILWOMAN MARY KAY HARRIS, Chairwoman**

**Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally
Approved:**

**COUNCILMEN GONCALVES, ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES,
PETERSON, COUNCILOR PICHARDO, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN,
COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR
ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution in Support of the Establishment of the Tockwotton Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Place at India Point Park.

WHEREAS, The Cape Verdean community has played a significant role in the history and development of Providence, Rhode Island, particularly in the Tockwotton area of Fox Point, where they settled and established a vibrant community at the end of the 19th and beginning of the 20th century; and

WHEREAS, The Tockwotton Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Place at India Point Park Project, an independent, community-based research initiative led by former residents and descendants of the founding Cape Verdean families, aims to document, preserve, and commemorate the lived history and legacy of the Cape Verdean community, and

WHEREAS, Local 1329 of the I.L.A. (International Longshoremen's Association), founded in 1933 by Manuel Q. Ledo and John F. Lopez, stands as a testament to the resilience and solidarity of the Cape Verdean longshoremen, marking the first Black, predominantly Cape Verdean labor union in New England; and

WHEREAS, The proposed site for the Tockwotton Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Park is historically significant, located in the area of the first settlement, in close proximity to the dock where packet boats carrying immigrants from the Cape Verde Islands first arrived in Providence more than a century ago, and where the longshoremen of Local 1329 of the I.L.A. (International Longshoremen's Association) loaded scrap iron and unloaded loose lumber well into the middle of the 20th century; and

WHEREAS, The establishment of the Tockwotton Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Place at India Point Park will serve as a lasting tribute to the Cape Verdean legacy, celebrating their contributions as seafarers, laborers, factory workers, entrepreneurs, and community members, and acknowledging their unique cultural heritage that has enriched the fabric of our city; and

WHEREAS, The project will be led by founding project members John B. Cruz, III, President of Cruz Construction Co., Boston, Massachusetts, Kristina Stevens, Richard Williams, Arcadis Architects, Engineers and Landscape Architects, and supported by members of the Tockwotton Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Place at India Point Park Project, including Glynis Ramos-Mitchell, President; Claire Andrade-Watkins, Ph.D., Vice-President and Founding Project Director; Theresa J. Mello, Treasurer; Leah Hooks, Secretary; Charlene Andrade; Samantha P. DeAndrade, M.D., MPH; Steven Bento; Marshall Bento; Carol Harden Brito; Jamal Carvalho; David Craig; Michelle Cruz; Maria daGraca, John Goncalves; Olivia Ildefonso, Ph.D.; Ron Locke, Esq.; Cheryl Locke; Mingo Lopes; Natalie Lopes; Barry O'Connor; Michael Pereira; Katy Pickens; Anthony D. Ramos and Nathaniel Scott, (ancestors in memoriam; Carol R. Johnson, landscape architect; Marcia Andrade; Flo Bento; Harold Fontes; Eugene Joseph; Barbara Cohen Pippin); ensuring a design that reflects the community's heritage and values.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby expresses its strong support for the establishment of the Tockwotton Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Place at India Point Park as a means to honor the rich history and contributions of the Cape Verdean community in Providence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council recognizes the historical and cultural significance of the proposed park location, commemorating the legacy of the Cape Verdean longshoremen of Local 1329 of the I.L.A. (International Longshoremen's Association), and the broader Cape Verdean community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council encourages the Board of Parks Commissioners to work collaboratively with the Tockwotton Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Place at India Point Park Project, and all stakeholders to facilitate the work necessary to realize the vision of the Tockwotton Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Place at India Point Park; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council commits to supporting the Tockwotton Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Place at India Point Park Project in efforts to secure funding, resources, and community engagement for the successful establishment of the park; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption, signifying the City Council's commitment to celebrating and preserving the Cape Verdean heritage in Providence for future generation.

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMEN PETERSON, GRAVES,
COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILORS
PICHARDO, ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN
VARGAS**

Resolution Requesting a Ceremonial Designation along South Main Street as Fox Point
Cape Verdean Heritage Way.

WHEREAS, The City of Providence prides itself on its rich tapestry of ethnic cultural diversity, which has been woven over centuries by the contributions of immigrant communities; and

WHEREAS, In the early 20th century, Cape Verdeans, escaping the severe drought and poverty of their homeland, emerged as pioneering sub-Saharan Luso-Africans to voluntarily migrate to America, in pursuit of better opportunities and livelihoods, most notably securing positions on the waterfront as longshoremen in the Port of Providence, as factory workers, domestics, cooks, and small business entrepreneurs; showcasing their expertise and resilience, and playing a crucial role in the economic development of the city; and

WHEREAS, The Cape Verdean community has been an integral part of the City of Providence's ethnic diversity, particularly in the Tockwotton Fox Point neighborhood and along South Main Street, contributing significantly to the cultural, economic, social and religious fabric of Providence since the late 19th century; and thereby playing a pivotal role in the development and prosperity of the city; and

WHEREAS, Beyond their economic contributions, the Cape Verdean community has enriched Providence with a vibrant cultural heritage, including music, cuisine, and annual celebrations that highlight their unique ethnic identity and traditions; and

WHEREAS, The Tockwotton Fox Point neighborhood, in particular, has been a central hub for the Cape Verdean community, serving as a place where families have settled, businesses have flourished, and cultural traditions have been preserved and celebrated; and

WHEREAS, Cape Verdeans have been instrumental in the establishment and growth of local businesses along South Main Street and throughout the Fox Point neighborhood, contributing to the economic vitality and entrepreneurial spirit of Providence; and

WHEREAS, The Cape Verdean community has been an integral part of the City's history, contributing significantly to the cultural, social, economic and religious fabric of our community, particularly in the Fox Point neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Fox Point, through the 1950s, was a vibrant, self-sufficient community, home to a robust Cape Verdean population, characterized by its intimate community life, weekend dances, Kriolu language, and the aroma of Monchupa/Kachupa-a traditional Cape Verdean dish - wafting through the streets; and

WHEREAS, To city planners, the perception of tenements as "urban blight" in the Tockwotton Fox Point neighborhood appallingly justified the seizure of buildings and the construction of Route 195, which tragically sliced through the heart of the community, displacing numerous Cape Verdean families, and severing the neighborhood's vital connection to the waterfront; and

WHEREAS, Historical accounts reveal that community leaders established a "freeway watch" in an effort to mitigate the decline surrounding the highway area, yet despite these efforts, the construction and completion of the highway in the 1960s led to the displacement of 300 families, the loss of 172 homes and 32 businesses, and the demolition of two schools, significantly altering the landscape of the Cape Verdean community which once flourished from Planet Street and South Main Street through to India Point Park, with South Main Street serving as its vibrant core despite being labeled as "one of the worst slum areas in the city" by the Providence Redevelopment Agency in a 1951 report; and

WHEREAS, The construction of Route 195 in the 1960s ultimately resulted in the displacement of hundreds of Cape Verdean families in Fox Point, severing the community from its waterfront and erasing a significant part of its heritage; and

WHEREAS, This displacement was carried out with little to no consultation with the affected community members, many of whom were renters and were not informed of the impending demolitions until it was too late, as noted by Dr. Claire Andrade-Watkins, a respected Emerson College professor, historian, filmmaker, and former resident of the area; and

WHEREAS, The Cape Verdean community of Fox Point, despite facing such adversity, has continued to strive for recognition and preservation of their rich cultural legacy, as evidenced by the efforts of individuals and organizations such as the Tockwotton Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Place Project at India Point Park; and

WHEREAS, The story of the Cape Verdean community in Fox Point is a testament to resilience, community, and the enduring spirit of a people who, despite displacement and challenges, have continued to contribute to the city's diversity and strength; and

WHEREAS, The cultural contributions of the Cape Verdean community have significantly enriched the social tapestry of Providence, through the introduction of Cape Verdean music, dance, and art, which have become integral parts of the city's cultural identity; and

WHEREAS, The Cape Verdean community has maintained a strong tradition of community service and civic engagement in Providence, contributing to local charities, participating in community development projects, and holding positions of leadership that have positively impacted the city as a whole; and

WHEREAS, The Cape Verdean festivals and celebrations, including the Cape Verdean Independence Day Festival, have become key cultural events in Providence, drawing people from across the city, Southeastern New England, and the world to celebrate Cape Verdean heritage, fostering unity, and promoting cultural exchange; and

WHEREAS, The Cape Verdean community has been a cornerstone of the educational landscape in Providence, with generations of Cape Verdean Americans excelling in academics and athletics and contributing to the diversity and enrichment of the city's schools and institutions of higher learning; and

WHEREAS, The enduring spirit, resilience, and contributions of the Cape Verdean community have inspired countless individuals and communities within Providence to strive for success, embrace diversity, and work together for the common good; and

WHEREAS, Renaming South Main Street to Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Way would serve as a lasting tribute to the contributions of the Cape Verdean community to Providence, recognizing their enduring legacy and the role they continue to play in the city's cultural and social landscape; and

WHEREAS, This honorary designation would not only celebrate the past and present contributions of the Cape Verdean community but also inspire future generations to learn about and appreciate the diverse heritage that shapes our city.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council hereby recognizes the historical and cultural significance of the Cape Verdean community in Fox Point and the broader city; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That South Main Street is hereby given the ceremonial designation Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Way, in honor of the Cape Verdean community's enduring legacy and contribution to Fox Point and the city's cultural mosaic; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this act of providing this ceremonial designation is a step towards acknowledging the injustices faced by the Cape Verdean community due to urban renewal policies and is part of a broader effort to preserve and celebrate the rich tapestry of cultures that make up our city; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council directs the appropriate city departments to take all necessary actions to implement this resolution, including the updating of street signs, maps, and official documents to reflect the ceremonial designation of Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Way; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council of Providence hereby honors the significant contributions of the Cape Verdean community by designating South Main Street as Fox Point Cape Verdean Heritage Way; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this designation reflects the City's commitment to acknowledging and celebrating the diverse ethnic cultures that contribute to the vitality and richness of Providence, fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation among all its residents.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILORS
PICHARDO, ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN
VARGAS**

Resolution Establishing a Ceremonial Designation along Pequot Street as Angelo's Way.

WHEREAS, Angelo's Civita Farnese Restaurant has been a beloved institution on Atwells Avenue for a century, embodying the heart and soul of our city's Italian community; and ***WHEREAS***, Angelo's has been a symbol of culinary excellence, familial tradition, and community spirit, serving as a beacon of warmth and hospitality to all who pass through its doors; and

WHEREAS, In honor of Angelo's enduring legacy and contributions to our city, the City Council recognizes the significance of establishing a ceremonial designation of the portion of Pequot St that is adjacent to the restaurant as "Angelo's Way".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby request that the Department of Public Works and the Traffic Engineer work to manufacture, install, and maintain honorary signs at prominent and appropriate locations along the portion of Pequot St. that connects Mountain St. and Atwells Ave, which shall reflect the "Angelo's Way" ceremonial designation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Mayor of Providence, the Director of the Department of Public Works, the Traffic Engineer, and the owners of Angelo's Civita Farnese Restaurant, the Antignano family.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN HARRIS, PETERSON, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS, COUNCILORS PICHARDO AND ROIAS

Resolution Establishing a Honorary Designation of a portion of Kenyon Street as Carl G. Lauro Way.

WHEREAS, Carl G. Lauro was born on April 8, 1926, in Brockton, MA, and moved to Providence, RI, as a baby; and

WHEREAS, Carl G. Lauro grew up on Federal Hill, attended Kenyon Street Elementary School, and graduated from Central High School in 1944; and

WHEREAS, Carl G. Lauro received his undergraduate degree from the University of Rhode Island in 1948 and his graduate degree from Brown University in 1961, being one of the first public school teachers to receive a National Science Foundation Fellowship for graduate work in STEM education; and

WHEREAS, As a first-generation Italian immigrant, Carl G. Lauro experienced racial and ethnic discrimination firsthand, which fueled his dedication to supporting minority students; and

WHEREAS, Carl G. Lauro began his teaching career at Central High School in 1953, where he wrote "Negro Pioneers in Science" to inspire his Black students by highlighting the achievements of scientific luminaries like George Washington Carver and Booker T. Washington; and

WHEREAS, Carl G. Lauro, seeing a need, coached the Central High School wrestling team to its first New England Wrestling Championship; and

WHEREAS, Carl G. Lauro served the Providence School Department from 1953 to 1976 as a teacher and administrator, holding positions such as Science Supervisor, Curriculum Implementation Manager, Deputy Superintendent, and Acting Superintendent at the time of his untimely death; and

WHEREAS, The Providence School Committee resolved on August 24, 1978, that Kenyon Street Elementary School be renamed Carl G. Lauro Memorial Elementary School in his honor; and

WHEREAS, The Carl G. Lauro Memorial Elementary School served the community for nearly 44 years until its closure in June 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the portion of Kenyon Street between De Pasquale Ave and America Street, located directly in front of the former Carl G. Lauro School, be given the honorary distinction of "Carl G. Lauro Way" to commemorate the lasting impact of Carl G. Lauro on the Providence community and his unwavering dedication to education and equality.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council requests that the Department of Public Works work to manufacture, install, and maintain one or more honorary signs at prominent and appropriate locations along that portion of Kenyon Street, which shall reflect the "Carl G. Lauro Way" honorary designation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to the family of Carl G. Lauro, the Office of the Honorable Mayor Brett Smiley, and the Office of the Director of Public Works.

COMMITTEE ON CITY PROPERTY
COUNCILMAN JOHN GONCALVES, Chairman

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved:

**COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON AND
COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution Authorizing the conveyance of the Parcel located on Assessor's Plat 34, Lot 21 (839 Manton Avenue) to PRA for the purpose of redevelopment thereof and for economic development and increased tax revenue.

WHEREAS, The City of Providence ("City") owns that certain real estate located at 839 Manton Avenue, in Providence, Rhode Island, and designated as Tax Assessor's Plat 034, Lot 021 (the "Parcel"); and

WHEREAS, The City desires to have the Parcel redeveloped; and

WHEREAS, The Providence Redevelopment Agency ("PRA") is a municipal redevelopment agency charged with the redevelopment of property on behalf of the City; and

WHEREAS, The PRA has agreed to facilitate the redevelopment of the Parcel under the following terms and conditions:

- a) PRA shall pay to City a payment of One and 00/100 Dollar (\$1.00) upon transfer of title;
- b) PRA shall cause title, survey, and environmental assessments of the Parcel to be undertaken;
- c) PRA shall market the Parcel to prospective developers;
- d) PRA shall specify in the terms of any proposed agreement a date certain for commencement and completion of redevelopment;
- e) PRA shall utilize a public process to select the proposed purchaser;
- f) City shall cause all encumbrances and financial liens to be cleared from the Parcel's title prior to the transfer to PRA;
- g) The proceeds of any subsequent sale of the Parcel by PRA shall be allocated as follows:
 - i) first, to reimburse PRA for all costs and expenses incurred in connection with the Parcel; and
 - ii) second, to the Providence Housing Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, City recognizes that conveyance of the Parcel to PRA for the purpose of redevelopment thereof, and in accordance with the aforementioned terms and conditions, will enable the City to leverage the value of the Parcel with the opportunity for economic development and increased tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, City has, accordingly, accepted the aforementioned terms and conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City hereby approves of the transfer of the Parcel to the PRA, for purposes of its subsequent redevelopment.

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ AND COUNCILMAN
VARGAS**

Resolution Authorizing the conveyance of the Parcel located on Assessor's Plat 36, Lot 91 (173 Ford Street) to PRA for the purpose of redevelopment thereof and for economic development and increased tax revenue.

WHEREAS, The City of Providence (“City”) owns that certain real estate located at 173 Ford Street, in Providence, Rhode Island, and designated as Tax Assessor's Plat 036, Lot 091 (the “Parcel”); and

WHEREAS, The City desires to have the Parcel redeveloped; and

WHEREAS, The Providence Redevelopment Agency (“PRA”) is a municipal redevelopment agency charged with the redevelopment of property on behalf of the City; and

WHEREAS, The PRA has agreed to facilitate the redevelopment of the Parcel under the following terms and conditions:

- a) PRA shall pay to City a payment of One and 00/100 Dollar (\$1.00) upon transfer of title;
- b) PRA shall cause title, survey, and environmental assessments of the Parcel to be undertaken;
- c) PRA shall market the Parcel to prospective developers;
- d) PRA shall specify in the terms of any proposed agreement a date certain for commencement and completion of redevelopment;
- e) PRA shall utilize a public process to select the proposed purchaser;
- f) City shall cause all encumbrances and financial liens to be cleared from the Parcel’s title prior to the transfer to PRA;
- g) The proceeds of any subsequent sale of the Parcel by PRA shall be allocated as follows:
 - i) first, to reimburse PRA for all costs and expenses incurred in connection with the Parcel; and
 - ii) second, to the Providence Housing Trust Fund and

WHEREAS, City recognizes that conveyance of the Parcel to PRA for the purpose of redevelopment thereof, and in accordance with the aforementioned terms and conditions, will enable the City to leverage the value of the Parcel with the opportunity for economic development and increased tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, City has, accordingly, accepted the aforementioned terms and conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City hereby approves of the transfer of the Parcel to the PRA, for purposes of its subsequent redevelopment.

**COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCIL
PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, PETERSON AND
COUNCILOR PICHARDO**

Resolution Authorizing the conveyance of the Parcel located on Assessor's Plat 112, Lot 403 (518 Hartford Avenue) to the PRA for the purpose of redevelopment thereof and for economic development and increased tax revenue.

WHEREAS, The City of Providence ("City") owns that certain real estate located at 518 Hartford Avenue, in Providence, Rhode Island, and designated as Tax Assessor's Plat 112, Lot 403 (the "Parcel"); and

WHEREAS, The City desires to have the Parcel redeveloped; and

WHEREAS, The Providence Redevelopment Agency ("PRA") is a municipal redevelopment agency charged with the redevelopment of property on behalf of the City; and

WHEREAS, The PRA has agreed to facilitate the redevelopment of the Parcel under the following terms and conditions:

- a) PRA shall pay to City a payment of One and 00/100 Dollar (\$1.00) upon transfer of title;
- b) PRA shall cause title, survey, and environmental assessments of the Parcel to be undertaken;
- c) PRA shall market the Parcel to prospective developers;
- d) PRA shall specify in the terms of any proposed agreement a date certain for commencement and completion of redevelopment;
- e) PRA shall utilize a public process to select the proposed purchaser;
- f) City shall cause all encumbrances and financial liens to be cleared from the Parcel's title prior to the transfer to PRA;
- g) The proceeds of any subsequent sale of the Parcel by PRA shall be allocated as follows:
 - i) first, to reimburse PRA for all costs and expenses incurred in connection with the Parcel; and

WHEREAS, City recognizes that conveyance of the Parcel to PRA for the purpose of redevelopment thereof, and in accordance with the aforementioned terms and conditions, will enable the City to leverage the value of the Parcel with the opportunity for economic development and increased tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, City has, accordingly, accepted the aforementioned terms and conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City hereby approves of the transfer of the Parcel to the PRA, for purposes of its subsequent redevelopment.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 37 through 43 and Pass on a Voice Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 12.
ABSENT:	Councilor AnderBois, Councilwomen Anthony and Graves – 3.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition from Scott D. Levesque, Esquire, Kelly Souza & Parmenter, PC, 128 Dorrance Street, Suite 300, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, requesting to abandon a portion of Woodside Road between Ridgeway Avenue and Ruby Avenue.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Public Works

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

Katherine H. Stowell	a/s/o Anthony Silveira
Gayle S. White	(Thomas George Associates, Ltd.)
Marcus Correia	Progressive Direct Insurance Company
Sofia Falla Lamayah Brown	a/s/o Ashley Martinez
(Macari & Macari, Ltd.)	Tom Nault
John O'Malley	Kelsey Knoedler Perri
Daoroung Pongvongkeo	Magda Berroa
(Fay Law Associates, Inc.)	(Orabona Law Offices, P.C.)
Alejandro Anico	Chris Garren
Russell Hopson	USAA a/s/o Bridget McGrath
Erik Lund	(Clerkin, Sinclair & Mahfouz, LLP)

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Claims and Pending Suits

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Communication from Jill Van Leesten, dated June 13, 2024, submitting her resignation from the Pathway to End Gun Violence Advisory Council.

Report from Tina L. Mastroianni, City Clerk, dated July 1, 2024, of all monies received, transmitted to and credited by the City Collector for fiscal quarter of April 1, 2024 to and including June 30, 2024, in a total amount of Two Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Four Dollars (\$2,434.00).

Report from Tina L. Mastroianni, City Clerk, dated July 1, 2024, of all monies received, transmitted to and credited by the City Collector for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, in a total amount of Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Seven Dollars (\$10,987.00).

RESULT: RECEIVED

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 44 through 48, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers item 44 to the Committee on Public Works, Refers item 45 to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits and Receives items 46 through 48.

PERSON EXPRESSION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Requests the privilege of the floor to speak on a Point of Personal Expression and states:

"Tonight was I guess a welcome and a goodbye. Isabella Muratore, this was her first Council Meeting she had to leave to catch a train. She is a new addition to the policy team and I look forward to working with her. And, on a much sadder note we are congratulating Parker Gavigan on nearly three years of his work on behalf of the Providence City Council. So, thank you. From our Easter egg hunts to our budget negotiation, Parker you have really been with us through the thick and thin and everywhere in between and I am sure many stories that I am not aware of. We have a citation as a small token of the great work you've done with us over the past three years. We want to give you a nice send off. Thank you."

**PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS
"IN CONGRATULATIONS"**

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER 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:

Keylynne A. Collado, Times2 Academy, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from Times2 Academy.

Weylynne M. Collado, A -Venture Academy PCTA, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from A-Venture Academy PCTA.

Alexander Zuninga, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Anderson Calan, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Anderson Fidel Alvarado, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Brenda Ochoa, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Dulce Ochoa, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Jacob Acevedo, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Jacob Outlaw, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Jaden Acevedo, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Jazmin Ramos, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Jesse Reyes, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Jonathan Rivas, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Judith Zuninga, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Kayla Calan, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Kingston Coburn, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Lenny Garcia, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Lincy Garcia, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Malaysia Owens, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Marelyn Morales, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Melanie Morales, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Micheilys Sirino, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Owynn Emery, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Saul Anaales Ayala, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Marisabel Ayala, Walking Leader, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Jorge Boj, Walking Leader, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Myra Morales, Walking Leader, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Yuselly Mendoza, Walking Leader, in recognition of your participation in the Walking School Bus. Thank you!

Nayeli Abdul Karim, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Elyanny Acosta Gonzalez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Maison Andreozzi, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Rhiana Carreno, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Axel Castillo Isales, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Anthony Da Rosa, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Joy Davis, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Kenzo Fofana, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Emma Franco, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Ismerlin Guzman, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Nicole Hernandez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Angelet Hernandez Gomez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Samuel Hernandez Huit, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Nylene Jimenez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Aamir McNair, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Stephanie Ramos Baptista, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Gael Recinos Morales, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Jefferson Rodriguez Mojica, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Jayden Saint-Jour, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Britney Samayoa Calima, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Jasmine Smith, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Bryan Vega, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Alisson Casco Izaguirre, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Adalynn Chea, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Johnny Fontan-Ruiz, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Antoine Garrett III, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Nilana Gomes Fernandes, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Jose Haz, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Jaiden Hernandez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

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Dianah Loperena, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Leonardo Maisonet Gonzalez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Samantha Nunez De La Cruz, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Elias Ramos, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Adrian Robinson, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Adan Rodriguez Gutierrez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Zahory Silva Lopez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Joshua Soliz Lujardo, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Kaliya Tarr, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Leo Ucci, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Adrean Valle, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Fiorella Vasquez Hernandez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Adriel Agosto, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Ciara Alcedo, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Hadassah Younger Bryant, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Sophie Dwyer, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Yulianys Fernandez Ruiz, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Lachelle Forsberg, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Rafael Granada, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Rey Herrera Cartagena, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Daniel Luis Gutierrez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Joseph Maltez Baltodano, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Otensi Mclean, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Sebastian Monroy, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Sirrah Nicole, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Genesis Ortega Rodas, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Synthea Pung, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Dallas Ross Moore, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Louvensky Saint-Previl, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

David Santana, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Melany Silberie Perez, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Vaela Tarr, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Luis Villa Santos, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Azarie Waite, Robert F. Kennedy Elementary School, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from 5th Grade!

Andean Cultural Center of Rhode Island, in recognition of the celebration of the 203rd Anniversary of Peruvian Independence!

Yasneri Taveras, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from Providence Career & Technical Academy (PCTA)!

Naomi Brooks, in recognition of the celebration of your 80th Birthday! Congratulations!

Beautiful Beginnings Child Care Center, in recognition of the celebration of your 25th Anniversary!

Andean Cultural Center of Rhode Island, in recognition of the celebration of the 203rd Anniversary of Peruvian Independence!

Alexandrea Gonzalez, in recognition of the Birth Parent Advisory Board members who have organized Rhode Island's Reunification Day Celebration: These parents, who have been reunified with their children, have returned to help others by improving policies, the quality of care, and providing a support system for families.

Amanda Pare, in recognition of the Birth Parent Advisory Board members who have organized Rhode Island's Reunification Day Celebration: These parents, who have been reunified with their children, have returned to help others by improving policies, the quality of care, and providing a support system for families.

Anthony Welchman, in recognition of the Birth Parent Advisory Board members who have organized Rhode Island's Reunification Day Celebration: These parents, who have been reunified with their children, have returned to help others by improving policies, the quality of care, and providing a support system for families.

April Doyle, in recognition of the Birth Parent Advisory Board members who have organized Rhode Island's Reunification Day Celebration: These parents, who have been reunified with their children, have returned to help others by improving policies, the quality of care, and providing a support system for families.

Kelly Correia, in recognition of the Birth Parent Advisory Board members who have organized Rhode Island's Reunification Day Celebration: These parents, who have been reunified with their children, have returned to help others by improving policies, the quality of care, and providing a support system for families.

Kyle Delaney, in recognition of the Birth Parent Advisory Board members who have organized Rhode Island's Reunification Day Celebration: These parents, who have been reunified with their children, have returned to help others by improving policies, the quality of care, and providing a support system for families.

Thomas Corderio, in recognition of the Birth Parent Advisory Board members who have organized Rhode Island's Reunification Day Celebration: These parents, who have been reunified with their children, have returned to help others by improving policies, the quality of care, and providing a support system for families.

Alyssa Carr, in recognition of these brave parents who are here today, embracing reunification with their children and their journey of love and redemption.

Brandie Cambio, in recognition of these brave parents who are here today, embracing reunification with their children and their journey of love and redemption.

Clifton Peasley, in recognition of these brave parents who are here today, embracing reunification with their children and their journey of love and redemption.

Chelsea Staggs, in recognition of these brave parents who are here today, embracing reunification with their children and their journey of love and redemption.

Damian Dias, in recognition of these brave parents who are here today, embracing reunification with their children and their journey of love and redemption.

Joe Coleman, in recognition of these brave parents who are here today, embracing reunification with their children and their journey of love and redemption.

Ryan Sharp, in recognition of these brave parents who are here today, embracing reunification with their children and their journey of love and redemption.

Wes' Rib House, in recognition of the celebration of your Grand Opening on Saturday, June 29, 2024!

Victoria McRae, in recognition of your life accomplishments and contributions to the community.

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 49 and Pass on a Voice Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 12.
ABSENT:	Councilor AnderBois, Councilwomen Anthony and Graves – 3.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN MEMORIAM"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER 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:

Joseph R. Giacin

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 50 and Pass on a Unanimous Rising Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Taylor
SECONDER:	Councilwoman Harris
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwoman Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 12.
ABSENT:	Councilor AnderBois, Councilwomen Anthony and Graves – 3.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

CONVENTION

There being no further business, on Motion of **COUNCILMAN TAYLOR**, Seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS**, it is voted to adjourn in memory of Cedric Huntley, John Leo and Daniel Fallah Nyumah at 7:16 o'clock P.M., to meet again **THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2024 at 6:00 o'clock P.M.**



TINA L. MASTROIANNI
CITY CLERK

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