

CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND



IN CITY COUNCIL
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APPROVED:

Robert J. Haxton
CLERK

CITY COUNCIL

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No. 49 City Council Special Meeting, Monday, September 13, 1976 8:00 P.M. (E.D.T.)

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ROBERT J. HAXTON

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILMAN
CHARLES R. MANSOLILLO.

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

COUNCILWOMAN CAROLYN F. BRASSIL
leads the Members of the City Council and the
Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the
Flag of the United States of America.

REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETING FROM CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

The Clerk reads the following request from
Certain Members of the City Council:

In accordance with Section 3.11 of the Providence City Charter, we the undersigned, being more than one-sixth (1/6) of the City Council, hereby respectfully request that a special meeting of the Providence City Council be held on the 13th day of September, 1976, at 8:00 P.M.

ROBERT V. SALVATORE

SANFORD H. GORODETSKY

RAYMOND A. TOMASSO

RONALD G. HENRIES

PHILIP A. ALMAGNO

JAMES A. PETROSINELLI

Have the Board of Canvassers and Registration Appear.

Received.

RECESS

On Motion of COUNCILMAN SALVATORE, seconded by COUNCILMAN PETROSINELLI, it is Voted that the Council be in Recess at 8:30 o'clock P.M. (EDT) to Reconvene at the Call of the Chair.

RECONVENTION

COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON Reconvenes the Council at 8:45 o'clock P.M. (EDT) and Directs the Clerk to Call the Roll to Ascertain if there is a Quorum Present:

Present: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Almagno, Bradshaw,

Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cirelli, Cola, Fagnoli, Flynn, Garan, Gorodetsky, Henries, Johnson, Lynch, Mansohillo, McKiernan, Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso, Turchetta and Xavier—25.

Absent: None.

FROM THE CITY CLERK

The Clerk Reads the following Warrant, with the City Sergeant's Return Endorsed thereon, Certifying that He did Notify the Members of the City Council of the Special Meeting to be held on Monday, September 13, 1976, at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.), by Personally Delivering a Copy of the following Warrant:

To Giacomo Martone, City Sergeant:

Whereas, More than one-sixth (1/6) of the Members of the City Council, pursuant to Section 3.11 of the Charter of the City of Providence, Rhode Island, have respectfully requested

that a Special Meeting of the City Council be held on the 13th day of September, 1976, at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) for the purpose of having the Members of the Board of Canvassers and Registration appear before it to determine whether it has been functioning administratively in accordance with the related General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 1956 as amended, and of the Charter of the City of Providence, Rhode Island.

You are accordingly commanded and required to summons each Member of the City Council to that Special Meeting as Noted.

Hereof, Fail Not, and make true return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon.

Given under my Hand and official Seal of the City of Providence, State of Rhode Island, and Providence Plantations, this 9th Day of September, A.D., 1976.

VINCENT VESPINA, *City Clerk*

I, Giacomo Martone, City Sergeant, do hereby certify that I have notified each Member of the

City Council of the Special Meeting scheduled to be held on Monday, September 13, 1976, at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) in the Chamber of the City Council, City Hall, Providence, in accordance with the subject warrant by delivering to each Member, a copy thereof.

GIACOMO MARTONE, *City Sergeant*

Severally Received.

SUBPOENA OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS AND REGISTRATION

In Response to the Warrant, dated September 13, 1976 Transmitted by the Acting City Clerk, Leo P. Baronian, Gaetano Lanzi and Francis J. Dean, Jr., Members of the Board of Canvassers and Registration, are Present in the Chamber of the City Council.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON invites the Members of the Board of Canvassers and Registration to the Rostrum who are accompanied by their Attorneys Louis A. Mascia and Stephen T. Napolitano.

MR. MASCIA refers to and reads Section 2.6 of the City Charter of the City of Providence wherein it is his opinion, the entire City Council must vote upon and authorize an investigation as to whether or not that Department has been functioning administratively in accordance with the related General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 1956 and of the Charter of the City of Providence, Rhode Island.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON declares the Council to be at ease at 9:05 o'clock P.M. (EDT).

COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON, at 9:30 o'clock P.M. (EDT) directs the Clerk to Call the Roll to ascertain if there is a Quorum present.

Present: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Almagno, Bradshaw, Cirelli, Cola, Fagnoli, Flynn, Garan, Gorodetsky, Henries, Johnson, Lynch, Mansolillo, McKiernan,

Merola, Pearlman, Petrosinelli, Salvatore, Stravato, Tomasso and Turchetta—23.

Absent: Councilwoman Brassil and Councilman Xavier—2.

COUNCILMAN GARAN desires to be Recorded as Supporting the Members of the Board of Canvessers and Registration who are Public Servants, doing their jobs to the best of their abilities, and should be compensated for their time and for having their attorneys present.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

COUNCILMAN JOHNSON submits the following Resolution, in Writing, for Introduction:

Resolution Concerning the Warrant for the Special Meeting on the Docket for September 13, 1976.

Referred to the Committee on Public Welfare, on motion of **COUNCILMAN JOHNSON**, seconded by **COUNCILMEN MEROLA** and **FLYNN**, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Bradshaw, Councilwoman Brassil, Councilmen Cirelli, Cola, Fagnoli, Flynn, Garan, Johnson, Lynch, Merola, Pearlman, Stravato, Turchetta and Xavier—17.

Noes: Councilmen Almagno, Gorodetsky, Henries, Mansolillo, McKiernan, Petrosinelli, Salvatore and Tomasso—8.

Absent: None.

MATTERS NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

On motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN FLYNN, it is Voted to Suspend Rule 4 of the Rules of the City Council in Order to Allow the Introduction of the following Matter Not Appearing on the Printed Docket of a Special Meeting.

APPOINTMENT BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated August 31, 1976, Informing the Honorable City Council, in Writing, that He has Appointed Mrs. Catherine S. Robinson of 221 Howell Street, Providence to the Providence Civic Center Authority for the Term that will Expire in May, 1978.

On Motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN JOHNSON, it is voted that the Appointment be Not Confirmed, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Councilwoman Brassil,

Councilmen Cirelli, Fargnoli, Flynn, Garan, Johnson, Lynch, McKiernan, Merola, Stravato, Turchetta and Xavier—15.

Noes: Councilmen Almagno, Bradshaw, Cola, Henries, Pearlman and Petrosinelli—6.

Not Voting: Councilmen Gorodetsky, Manso-lillo, Salvatore and Tomasso—4.

Absent: None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, Seconded by COUNCILMEN FLYNN, MEROLA and TURCHETTA, the City Council adjourns at 10:20 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) to meet again on Thursday, September 23, 1976 at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.).

Rose M. Mendonca
Acting City Clerk