

CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL  
**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

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No. 29 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, January 16, 1992, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.)

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PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

EVELYN V. FARGNOLI

IN CITY COUNCIL

FEB 6 1992

APPROVED:

*Richard R. Clement*  
CLERK

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Pro Tempore Fargnoli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Dillon, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Fenton, Glavin, Iglizzo, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rollins, Councilwomen Williams and Young—14.

Absent: Council President Petrosinelli—1.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1010 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Gail Ann Calenda of 3 Priscilla Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Housing Board of Review, for a term expiring in January of 1997, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1009 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Arthur Strother of 270 Willard Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Zoning Board of Review, for a term expiring in January, 1997, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 701 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Julia Steiny of 38 Forest Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the School Board, for a term expiring in January, 1995, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 701 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Rose Antonelli of 92 Erie Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the School Board, for a term expiring in January, 1995, replacing Vincent McWilliams whose term

expired in January, 1992, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 701 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Mary Batastini of 192 Eaton Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the School Board, for a term expiring in January, 1995, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1013 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Louis Smith of 40 Loring Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the City Plan Commission, for a term expiring in January, 1997, replacing Louis A. DeSimone, Jr., whose term expired in January, 1992, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 814 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Arthur Dumican of 101 Whitford Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Board of Tax Assessment Review, for a term expiring in January, 1995, replacing James Creamer whose term expired in January, 1992, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1103A of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Cecilia Ramos of 59 Cypress Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Human Relations Commission, for a term expiring in January, 1995, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1103A of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Mary Lima of 48 Memorial Road, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Human Relations Commission, for a term expiring in January, 1995, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1103A of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Gary St. Peter of 248 Blackstone Boulevard, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Human Relations Commission, for a term expiring in January, 1995, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Section 302 (b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, and Section 45-50-5 of the Rhode Island General Laws, he is this day appointing Victor Pizarro of 20 Blackstone Boulevard, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Providence Public Building Authority, for a term expiring in January, 1997,

replacing George Hoey whose term expired in January, 1992, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1103A of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Mary Ross of 91 Wadsworth Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Human Relations Commission, for a term expiring in January, 1995, replacing Edward R. Watts whose term expired in January, 1992, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Section 302 (b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, and Section 5 (a) of the Rhode Island General Laws, Chapter 306, he is this day appointing Ralph Lennon of 652 River Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Providence Off-Street Public Parking Commission, for a term expiring in January, 1997, replacing Raymond J. Esposito who has resigned, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Section 302 (b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, and Section 5 (a) of the Rhode Island General Laws, Chapter 306, he is this day appointing Arthur Norman of 100 Tabor Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Providence Off-Street Public Parking Commission, for a term expiring in January, 1997, replacing George Tennian who has resigned, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

**Communications Severally Received and Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.**

**The motion to Receive and Refer to Committee on Finance is Sustained.**

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Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1005 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Joseph Murphy of 83 Huxley Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Recreational Advisory Board, for a term expiring in January, 1994.

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Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1005 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing William Noonan of 439 River Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Recreational Advisory Board, for a term expiring in January, 1995.

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Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Section 302 (b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, and Section 46-25-6 of the Rhode Island General Laws, he is this day appointing Pasquale Rocchio of 1547 Chalkstone Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Commission, for a term expiring in April, 1992. Mr. Rocchio will fill the unexpired term of Gary Garafano who resigned January 3, 1992.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1003 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Sally DeSimone of 234 Blackstone Boulevard, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Board of Park Commissioners, for a term expiring in January, 1996.

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Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1101 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Joyce Battista of 61 Russo Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Water Supply Board, for a term expiring in January 1996, replacing Daniel J. Schatz whose term expires in January, 1992.

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Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1016 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing William Goddard of 5 Brown Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Port Commission, for a term expiring in January, 1995.

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Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1016 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Theodore F. DiStefano of 35 Fosdyke Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Port Commission, for a term expiring in January, 1995, replacing Robert Freeman, whose term expired in January, 1992.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1016 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Russell Gower of 17 Diman Place, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Port Commission, for a term expiring in January, 1995, replacing Donald Lopes whose term has expired.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1302 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Charles R. Mansolillo of 44 Whitford Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of Charter Review Commission.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1302 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Angelo Aiello of 95 University

Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Charter Review Commission.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1302 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Ronald Allen of 59 Benedict Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Charter Review Commission.

Communication dated January 8, 1992, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1302 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Sarah Dowling of 109 Hazard Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Charter Review Commission.

Severally Received.

## PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI**  
(By Request):

An Ordinance pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 21, Section 21-19 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled: "Capital Equipment Budget" for the Presentation to the City Council detailing a Budget for upgrading the Computer System of the City of Providence and to be financed through Financing

Leases in the current fiscal year and in future fiscal years.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

**COUNCILMAN MANCINI (By Request):**

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1982-47 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence approved November 25, 1987 and entitled: "An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for Eagle Park Renewal Project for Additional Acquisition and Land Disposition."

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

**COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI and COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI:**

Resolution Creating a Special Committee for the purpose of Observing Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, January 20, 1992.

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee is hereby created for the purpose of Observing Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, January 20, 1992.

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

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

**COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI (By Request):**

Resolution Granting to the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority permission for the installation of a Bus Shelter in the vicinity of Hartford Avenue and Laurel Hill Avenue.

Referred to the Committee on Public

Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

**COUNCILMAN MANCINI (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the insallation of a "Stop" Sign at the intersection of Nelson Street and Salter Street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a "Stop" Sign at the intersection of Cumberland Street and Sandringham Avenue.

**Severally Referred to the Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.**

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

**COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS:**

Resolution Extending the best wishes of the Members of the City Council to Ben Cohen for a complete and speedy recovery from his recent illness.

*Resolved*, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their sincere best wishes to Ben Cohen for a complete and speedy recovery from his recent illness.

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

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

**COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG (By Request):**

Resolution Authorizing the City Collector to cause the taxes to be abated on that property located along 77 Mawney Street, Providence, Rhode Island, in the total amount of Two Thousand, Thirteen Dollars, Ninety-Eight Cents (\$2,013.98) for the years 1982 through 1985, in accordance with the request of Benjamin and Victoria Carter.

**Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.**

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

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## REPORT FROM COMMITTEE

### COUNCILMAN DAVID G. DILLON, Chairman COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

**Transmits the following with Recommendation the same be Approved:**

Communication from B. James Suzman, Director of Public Works relative to City Council Ordinance No. 1988-60, approved February 11, 1988, pertaining to Section 17-59 of Article III (c) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence.

**Communication Received and Approved, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.**

**The motion for Approval is Sustained.**

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## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

### FROM THE CITY ASSESSOR:

Certificates (Nos. 18V and 19V) Recommending the Same be Severally Cancelled pursuant to the provisions of Sections 14 and 15 of Title 44, Chapter 7 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 1956 as Amended.

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### FROM THE CITY COLLECTOR:

Certificates (Nos. 1 and 2) Recommending the Same be Severally Cancelled pursuant to the provisions of Section 44-7-14 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 1956 as Amended, inasmuch as the same have been determined to be Uncollectible.

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

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

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### FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF LICENSES:

Report for the Quarter Ending December 31, 1991.

Received.

### FROM THE CITY CONTROLLER:

Monthly Financial Report for November, 1991.

Received.

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### FROM THE PORT DIRECTOR:

Monthly Report for November, 1991.

Received.

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### FROM RICHARD O. RAFANOVIC, P.E., CHIEF ENGINEER AND GENERAL MANAGER OF THE PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY BOARD:

Communication Informing the Honorable City Council of their approval of the Providence Water Supply Board Employment Contract commencing March 5, 1992 and ending June 30, 1995.

Communication Received and Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

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## FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

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

Allstate Insurance Co., a/s/o Patricia Borucki

Mary Alves

Adriano M. Cabral

Sophano Chan

Marie Desilets and Michael Desilets

Juana Fernandez

Dolores Montagano

Elida Murillo p/p/a Silvia Murillo

Silvia Murillo

Roberto Murillo-Guardado

Anthony V. Rocha, MD

Irene Saccoccio

State Farm Insurance a/s/o George  
Cummington

Susan Vartian

Edward Voccola (Jere Realty)

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

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

### *"In Memoriam"*

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI  
and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:**

Resolutions extending Sympathy.

*Resolved*, That the Sympathy of the Members  
of the City Council is hereby expressed to the  
families of the following:

Reno M. Lantini

James E. Foley

Lorna A. Guglielmo

C. Horton O'Brien

Barbara J. Bamford-Angell

Felicia Mallozzi

Olga Anderson

Amalia Orabona

June Comeau

Antonio Gianfrancisco

Margaret A. Scittarelli

Dempsey A. Varner

Santa Purro

Benjamin Tramonti

Anna Reposa

Dorothy M. Kasewicz

Mary M. Galvin

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

Nannie Callazo

Vincent J. Colella

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

Aristide A. Carosi

## MATTERS NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

**On motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN,  
seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, it  
is Voted to Suspend Rule 16 of the Rules of  
the City Council in order to allow the  
introduction of the following matter not  
appearing on the Printed Docket.**

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

**COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILWOMAN  
FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI  
and COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI:**

the City Finance Director to apply for  
Reimbursement Funds expended by the City of  
Providence due to the Damage caused by  
Hurricane Bob.

Resolution Authorizing His Honor the Mayor and

*Whereas*, The City of Providence experienced extensive storm damage due to the effects of Hurricane Bob, and

*Whereas*, The City has made application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for seventy-five percent (75%) reimbursement of allowable expenses incurred as a result of the storm, and

*Whereas*, The President has declared Rhode Island eligible for federal disaster assistance due to the amount of damage incurred, and

*Whereas*, FEMA requires that a Resolution designating an applicant's agent,

*Now Therefore, Be It Resolved*, The Providence City Council does hereby designate the Mayor and the City Finance Director the City's applicant agent to receive federal funds for reimbursement of storm damage.

**Approved, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.**

**The motion of Approval is Sustained.**

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, the City Council adjourns at 8:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1992 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.)

*Michael R. Clement*

City Clerk





