

CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 69 City Council Regular Meeting, July 3, 1997, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.)

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

EVELYN V. FARGNOLI

IN CITY COUNCIL

SEP. 4 1997.

APPROVED:

CLERK

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Fagnoli,
Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Coun-
cilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Jackson,
Rollins, Councilwomen Romano and
Young—9.

Absent: Councilmen Igliozzi, Lombardi,
Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan and Willi-
ams—5.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCILWOMAN CAROL A. ROMANO.

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

COUNCILWOMAN JOSEPHINE
DiRUZZO leads the members of the City
Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge
of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States
of America.

APPOINTMENTS BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated June 12, 1997, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980 and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31, passed in 1987, he is this day reappointing Mr. Stanley Weiss of 10 Cushing Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Providence Public Building Authority for a term to expire in July, 2002 and respectfully submits the same for approval.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI
Receives the Communication and Refers the Reappointment to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Receive and Refer is
Unanimously Sustained.

Communication dated June 18, 1997, Informing the Honorable City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Ms. Betsy Holland of 21 Glen Drive, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Providence Human Relations Commission for a term to expire in January, 1999 and respectfully submits the same for approval.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI
Receives the Communication and Refers the Reappointment to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Receive and Refer is
Unanimously Sustained.

ELECTION OF CERTAIN CITY OFFICER

ELECTION OF CLERK OF THE PROVIDENCE MUNICIPAL COURT:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI calls for nominations for the Clerk of the Providence Municipal Court.

COUNCILMAN CLARKIN nominates LOUIS M. PAVAO and this Nomination is seconded by COUNCILMAN JACKSON.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI calls for further nominations and there being none, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO,

seconded by COUNCILMAN CLARKIN it is voted that nominations be closed and the Clerk is directed to cast one ballot for LOUIS M. PAVAO.

The Clerk casts one ballot as directed.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI thereupon declares LOUIS M. PAVAO duly elected as Clerk of the Providence Municipal Court for the ensuing term of Four Years, ending on the first Monday in January, 2001.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

The following Ordinance was in City Council, June 19, 1997, Read and Passed the First Time and is Returned for Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 564 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance" approved June 27, 1994, as amended, by amending Providence Zoning District Maps Number 81 and 120 of the Official Zoning Map by changing the Zoning District Designation of Certain Lots from R-1, One Family District to R-P Residential Professional District.

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. Chapter 564 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled: "The City of

Providence Zoning Ordinance" approved June 27, 1994, as amended, is hereby amended by changing the zoning district designation of Lot 484 of the Zoning District Map Number 81 of the Official Zoning Maps from R-1, One Family District to R-P, Residential Professional District and Providence Zoning Map Number 120, Lots 12, 14, 43, 46, 84, 85, 86, 87, 440, 386, 385, 371, and 90, from R-1, One Family District to R-P, Residential Professional District. This area is located on the northeast side of Smith Street starting at 805 Smith Street and ending on Tyndall Ave., going on lot in depth.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

Read and Passed the Second Time, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILMAN ROLLINS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Fagnoli, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Jackson, Rollins and Councilwomen Romano and Young—8.

Noes: Councilman DeLuca—1.

Absent: Councilmen Igliozi, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan and Williams—5.

The motion for Passage the Second Time is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI (By Request):

Resolution Requesting approval for certain expenditures of funds from the Neighborhood Improvement Program.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Jointly Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning and the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Smith Street, from Chalkstone Avenue to Holden Street, on Saturday, August 23, 1997, between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. for a Smith Hill Community Jam.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested

to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Smith Street, from Chalkstone Avenue to Holden Street, on Saturday, August 23, 1997, between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. for a Smith Hill Community Jam.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILMAN ROLLINS.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN ALLEN, COUNCILMAN CLARKIN, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN MANCINI, COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:

Resolution Extending the sincere congratulations of the Members of the City Council to Councilman John H. Rollins upon his being inducted into the University of Rhode Island's Athletic Hall of Fame.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their sincere congratulations to Councilman John H. Rollins upon his being inducted into the University of Rhode Island's Athletic Hall of Fame.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILMAN CLARKIN.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Carlisle Street, from Elmwood Avenue to Alger Avenue, Depew Street, from Alger Avenue to Elmwood Avenue and Alger Avenue, from Carlisle Avenue to Depew Street on Friday, July 4, 1997, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M. for a Fourth of July Block Party.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Carlisle Street, from Elmwood Avenue to Alger Avenue, Depew Street, from Alger Avenue to Elmwood Avenue and Alger Avenue, from Carlisle Avenue to Depew Street on Friday, July 4, 1997, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M. for a Fourth of July Block Party.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILMAN ROLLINS.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN:

Resolution Requesting the Superintendent of Schools to conduct an Air Quality Assessment of all Middle Schools within the City of Providence and to develop a detailed plan of action, including dates of completion, in order that all problems detected may be corrected as soon as possible.

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Schools is requested to conduct an Air Quality Assessment of all Schools within the City of Providence, starting with Middle Schools and to develop a detailed plan of action, including dates of completion, in order that all problems detected may be corrected as soon as possible.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN moves that the Resolution be amended on the second line by deleting the following: "all Middle Schools within the City of Providence" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "all Schools within the City of Providence, starting with Middle Schools".

This motion being seconded by COUNCILMAN ROLLINS is put to vote and passed.

COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO moves that the Resolution be Read and Passed as Amended.

This motion is seconded by COUNCILMAN ROLLINS.

The motion for Passage as Amended is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN and COUNCILMAN ROLLINS:

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to conduct a Comparative Cost Analysis relative to the \$50 Million Dollar Sidewalk

Program and report back his finding on or before February 8, 1998.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN moves that the Resolution be amended by inserting the following words on the third line "relative to the Sidewalk Program".

This motion being seconded by **COUNCILMAN ROLLINS** is put to vote and passed.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN and COUNCILMAN DeLUCA:

Resolution Authorizing Kelly R. Sheridan, Esquire, to review the legal opinion of the City Solicitor's Office relative to the proposed amendment to the Residency Ordinance and to advise the City Council of his interpretation.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN CLARKIN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause the installation of gutters and sidewalks along East Manning Street, from Wayland Avenue in an easterly direction.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is

requested to cause the installation of gutters and sidewalks along East Manning Street, from Wayland Avenue in an easterly direction.

Resolution Requesting the support for the Providence Housing Authority's Public Housing Drug Elimination Program Grant Application.

Whereas, The Providence Housing Authority is dedicated to preventing substance abuse and its resulting chaos, disillusionment and criminal behavior among young and adult housing residents, and

Whereas, Since 1990, the Providence Housing Authority has provided a comprehensive program, through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, which assists public housing residents in improving their lives and in reaching self-sufficiency, and

Whereas, The work accomplished by the Providence Housing Authority affects the quality of life in the entire City of Providence,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the City Council of Providence fully supports the Providence Housing Authority's Public Housing Drug Elimination Program Grant Application.

COUNCILMAN DeLUCA (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause Chaucer Street, from Mount Pleasant Avenue to Atwells Avenue to be baited for rodents as well as all side streets.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause Chaucer Street, from Mount Pleasant Avenue to Atwells Avenue to be baited for rodents as well as all side streets.

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Lowell Avenue, from Plainfield Street to Hartford Avenue, on Friday, June 27, 1997, between the hours of 4:00 o'clock P.M. to 6:00 o'clock P.M. for a Neighborhood Clean Up Party.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Lowell Avenue, from Plainfield Street to Hartford Avenue, on Friday, June 27, 1997, between the hours of 4:00 o'clock P.M. to 6:00 o'clock P.M. for a Neighborhood Clean Up Party.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to replace the missing street name sign of "Duxbury Street" at its intersection with Killingly Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to replace the missing street name sign of "Duxbury Street" at its intersection with Killingly Street.

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to replace the Traffic Light at the Intersection of Hartford Avenue and Bodell Avenue.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to replace the Traffic Light at the Intersection of Hartford Avenue and Bodell Avenue.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILMAN ALLEN.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "No Parking" signs along Etna Street.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Public Works.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a "Stop" sign along Etna Street, at the intersection of Etna Street and Hartford Avenue.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Public Works.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to bait the sewers for rodents at the intersection of Barrows Street and Bend Street.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to bait the sewers for rodents at the intersection of Barrows Street and Bend Street.

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause Hillhurst Avenue to be baited for Rodents.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause Hillhurst Avenue to be baited for Rodents.

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause Petteys Avenue to be baited for rodents.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause Petteys Avenue to be baited for rodents.

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to request an estimate of repair for the sewer basins located at the intersection of Gifford Street and Laban Street.

Resolved, That the Director of Public Works is requested to request an estimate of repair for the sewer basins located at the intersection of Gifford Street and Laban Street.

Resolution Requesting the Superintendent of Parks to cause the gates to be repaired located at the Old Saint Bartholomew's Church.

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks is requested to cause the gates to be repaired located at the Old Saint Bartholomew's Church.

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to increase the street lighting along Prudence Avenue, Stanton Street and Murray Street to 27,500 lumen.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to increase the street lighting along Prudence Avenue, Stanton Street and Murray Street to 27,500 lumen.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILMAN ROLLINS.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO and COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (By Request):

Resolution that the Members of the City Council hereby support the Town of Burrillville's opposition to Senate Bill 97-S 553 entitled: "An Act relating to law enforcement officers' bill of rights."

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Refers the Resolution to the Special Committee on State Legislation.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution that the Members of the City Council hereby support the Town of North Kingstown's legislation regarding the Quonset Access Road and Third Rail Improvement Program.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Refers the Resolution to the Special Committee on State Legislation.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing His Honor the Mayor to transfer that certain parcel of land known as Assessor's Plat 44, Lot 456, 44 Woodman Street to the Providence Redevelopment Agency and that any and all documents be executed,

including the deed, relative to conveyance of said parcel.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on City Property.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Lenox Avenue, from Elmwood Avenue to Hamilton Street on Saturday, July 19, 1997, between the hours of 11:00 o'clock A.M. to 10:00 o'clock P.M. for a Neighborhood Block Party.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Lenox Avenue, from Elmwood Avenue to Hamilton Street on Saturday, July 19, 1997, between the hours of 11:00 o'clock A.M. to 10:00 o'clock P.M. for a Neighborhood Block Party.

Resolution Requesting the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards to condemn that property located along 219 Lenox Avenue.

Resolved, That the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards is requested to condemn that property located along 219 Lenox Avenue.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILMAN ROLLINS.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ROLLINS (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing the City Collector to cause the taxes to be abated in whole, on that parcel of land known at Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 287, located along 82-84 Potters Avenue in the amount of seven thousand, six hundred eighty-five dollars and twelve cents (\$7,685.12), the Providence Redevelopment Agency having authorized eminent domain proceedings.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Ocean Street, from Potters Avenue to Salisbury Street on Friday, July 4, 1997 between the hours of 5:00 o'clock P.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. for a Neighborhood Block Party.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Ocean Street, from Potters Avenue to Salisbury Street on Friday, July 4, 1997 between the hours of 5:00 o'clock P.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. for a Neighborhood Block Party.

COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Pungansett Street, from June Street to Admiral Street, on Friday, July 4, 1997, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. to 7:00 o'clock P.M. for a Family Reunion.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested

to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Pungansett Street, from June Street to Admiral Street, on Friday, July 4, 1997, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. to 7:00 o'clock P.M. for a Family Reunion.

COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Irving Avenue, from Taber Avenue to Arlington Avenue on Friday, July 4, 1997, between the hours of 5:30 o'clock P.M. to 9:30 o'clock P.M. for a Neighborhood Block Party.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Irving Avenue, from Taber Avenue to Arlington Avenue on Friday, July 4, 1997, between the hours of 5:30 o'clock P.M. to 9:30 o'clock P.M. for a Neighborhood Block Party.

COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Page Street, from Weybosset Street to Pine Street, then Pine Street from Page Street to Dorrance Street on Sunday, September 7, 1997, between the hours of 7:00 o'clock A.M. to 7:00 o'clock P.M. for the Keep Providence Beautiful Pasta Challenge.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Page Street, from Weybosset Street to Pine Street, then Pine Street from Page Street to Dorrance Street on Sunday, September 7, 1997, between the hours of 7:00 o'clock A.M. to 7:00 o'clock P.M. for the Keep Providence Beautiful Pasta Challenge.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Custom House Street, from Weybosset Street to Wirt Street on Monday, July 14, 1997, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. to 2:00 o'clock P.M. for the Pot Au Feu Restaurant's Bastille Day.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Custom House Street, from Weybosset Street to Wirt Street on Monday, July 14, 1997, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. to 2:00 o'clock P.M. for the Pot Au Feu Restaurant's Bastille Day.

Resolution Requesting the Forestry Division of the Parks Department to trim the trees located at the corner of Friendship Street and Point Street.

Resolved, That the Forestry Division of the Parks Department is requested to trim the trees located at the corner of Friendship Street and Point Street.

Resolution Requesting the Forestry Division of the Parks Department to study, survey and trim all trees located along Public Street, from Eddy Street to Elmwood Avenue.

Resolved, That the Forestry Division of the Parks Department is requested to study, survey and trim all trees located along Public Street, from Eddy Street to Elmwood Avenue.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILMAN ROLLINS.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COUNCILMAN KEVIN JACKSON, Chairman COMMITTEE ON CITY PROPERTY

Transmits the following with recommendation the same be severally Approved:

Resolution Requesting His Honor the Mayor to deed the property located along 13-17 Verndale Avenue, known as Assessor's Plat 59, Lot 3, to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to deed property located at AP 59 Lot 3 AKA 13-17 Verndale Avenue to the Providence Redevelopment Agency. The property was before the Housing Court and was transferred to the City instead of to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution approving the transfer of the Water Supply Board's 23,000 volt subtransmission line and the granting of necessary easements to the Narragansett Electric Company.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Providence, on behalf of the Providence Water Supply Board and the Narragansett

Electric Company for the acquisition of the Providence Water Supply Board 23 kv electric subtransmission line in Scituate, Rhode Island by the Narragansett Electric Company.

All documentation for said transfer including bill of sale, easement and transfer of easements must meet the terms and conditions as have been set forth by the Committee on Property, the City Council and His Honor the Mayor. Said documentation shall also meet the satisfaction of the City Solicitor.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILMAN JACKSON, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Fagnoli, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Jackson, Rollins Councilwomen Romano and Young—9.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilmen Iglioizzi, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan and Williams—5.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

**COUNCILMAN JOHN J. LOMBARDI, Chairman
COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND PENDING SUITS**

Transmits the following with recommendation the same be severally Approved for Cancellation:

Certificates from the City Assessor (Nos. 23A and 24A) recommending the same be severally canceled 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.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Fargnoli, Coun-

cilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Jackson, Rollins, Councilwomen Romano and Young—9.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilman Igliozi, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan and Williams—5.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

**COUNCILWOMAN PATRICIA K. NOLAN, Chairwoman
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Transmits the following with recommendation the same be severally Approved:

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated April 18, 1997, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 203(a) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Mr. Mark J. Lomazzo of 20 Fairbanks Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Board of Canvassers for a term to expire on the first Monday in March, 2003 and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Communication Received and Appointment Approved, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILMAN ROLLINS.

The motion to Receive and Approve is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution Authorizing the City Collector to cause the taxes to be abated on that property located along 13-17 Verndale Avenue, City Assessor's Plat 59, Lot 3, in the amount of eleven thousand, one hundred fifty seven dollars, twenty-nine cents (\$11,157.29) as requested by the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

Resolved, That the City Collector is hereby authorized to cause the taxes to be abated on that property located along 13-17 Verndale Avenue, City Assessor's Plat 59, Lot 3, in the amount of eleven thousand, one hundred fifty seven dollars, twenty-nine cents (\$11,157.29) as requested by the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCIL-

MAN ROLLINS, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Fagnoli, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Jackson, Rollins, Councilwomen Romano and Young—9.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilmen Igliozi, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan and Williams—5.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition of Michael J. Byrne, Outside Plant Engineer, Teleport Communications Group (TCG) requesting permission for easements along 1 Citizens Plaza, Battey Street and Westminster Street and 275 Promenade Street to allow the company to extend its service.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Refers the Petition to the Committee on Public Works.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

First Bank and Trust Co.

Melissa Prata

Mark Poirier

Wilfredo Rosa

Paula and Tara Mangiante

Brenda L. Ferro

Ana Andujar p.p.a. Andy M. Andujar

Danielle M. Curran

Donald H. Simon

Thomas Spann

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI Severally Refers the Petitions to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF CITATIONS

"In Congratulations"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FARGNOLI and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

Citations Extending Congratulations.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere congratulations to the following:

The Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau, D.D., J.C.L., S.T.L., Bishop of Providence in recognition of the celebration of his retirement after 25 years of dedicated service to the Diocese of Providence.

James and Genine Cook in recognition on the celebration of the birth of their son, Josiah James Cook.

Cheila Rodriguez in recognition on the celebration of her 21st birthday and her acceptance to Marymount Manhattan College.

Thomas and Angela Deller in recognition on the celebration of the adoption of their son, John Robert Deller.

Michael David in recognition on being the recipient of the Jefferson Award.

Philip West and Anne Grant in recognition of the celebration on becoming Pastors at Trinity Methodist Church.

Mahalia Gonsalves in recognition on the celebration of your retirement.

Brian and Joanne Gallogly in recognition on the celebration of the birth of their daughter, Erin Siobhan Gallogly born on June 25, 1997, weighing 8 lbs. 8 oz.

Dudre Jones in recognition of the celebration on your graduation from Rhode Island College on May 24, 1997.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. DePastina, Sr., in recognition of the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

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

Resolutions Extending Sympathy.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council
extend their sincere sympathy to the families of
the following:

Madeline F. Santangini

Jeffrey R. Paolino

Clayton "Son-Spin" Perry

Joseph R. Cardose

Roma M. Imondi

Katie J. Macari

Chester G. Fuller

Batholomew A. "Bart" Ritota

Amelia DiMaio

Ronald M. Fonseca

Ceceila Strait-Sutton

Ronald W. Mitchell

William "Ben" Benjamain

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed,
by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of
COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, seconded by
COUNCILMAN JACKSON.**

**The motion for Passage is Unanimously
Sustained.**

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on
motion of COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO,
seconded by COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO,
it is voted to adjourn at 9:00 o'clock P.M.
(E.D.T.).

Michael R. Clement

City Clerk