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IN CITY COUNCIL  
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**CITY COUNCIL**

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

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No. 42 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, November 16, 1972, 8:00 P.M. (EST)

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**PRESIDING**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**ROBERT J. HAXTON**

**ROLL CALL**

**Present: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Beatini, Bradshaw, Brown, Crowley, Darigan, DeVito, Goldin, Kelly, Lynch, Mascia, McKiernan, Moran, J. Murphy, Payne, Pearlman, Prete and Sciarretta—20.**

**Absent: Councilmen Cola, Johnson, Lorenzo, W. Murphy, Pisaturo and Xavier—6.**

## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by HENRY F. MURRAY, JR., Personnel Director of the City of Providence.

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

COUNCILMAN FRANCIS J. DARIGAN, JR., 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 RECORD

The Journal of Proceedings No. 41 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held November 2, 1972, and posted November 10, 1972, on that Bulletin Board located on the ground floor of the City Hall, is approved as printed, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCLARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON:**

Resolution Congratulating the Providence Police Department for Its Role in the Handling of the Traffic within Downtown Providence on the Occasion of the Opening of the Providence Civic Center.

*Whereas*, With the opening of the Providence Civic Center, a great amount of traffic converged in the immediate area of the Providence Civic Center which could have resulted in a traffic snarl, and

*Whereas*, The Chief of Police, Colonel Walter A. McQueeney, and his well conditioned and trained Police force of sixty members assigned to traffic direction, performed with such precision to the end that not one traffic accident or congested point was experienced even in view of new construction still underway within the shadows of the Providence Civic Center,

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That to Colonel Walter A. McQueeney and the Providence Police Department members assigned to this role on the opening night of the Providence Civic Center, are hereby extended the sincere appreciation of His Honor, Mayor Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., and the Members of the City Council for their efficient planning and execution of their responsibility to safeguard the patrons of that magnificent Civic Center made possible by the foresightedness of the Electorate of the City of Providence and the direction of the combined efforts of Mayor Doorley, the City Council, the Providence Civic Center Authority, and sundry others who truly exemplified the expression "If We All Work Together, We Can Work Wonders" and the further fact that the City of Providence, Rhode Island, is regarded now as the "Renaissance City of the northeastern part of the United States of America."

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.**

### **COUNCILMAN AHERN and COUNCILMAN CROWLEY (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Removal of "No Parking Anytime" Signs along the southerly side of West Park Street, from Calverley Street to its termination.

Resolution Requesting Street Light along Oakland Avenue .

### **COUNCILMAN CROWLEY and COUNCILMAN AHERN (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting "Stop" Signs along Putnam Street at its Intersection with Appleton Street; along Bowdoin Street at its Intersection with Appleton Street and Crosswalks; along Newark Street at its Intersection with Cutler Street and Crosswalks; and along Aurora Street at Harold Street, and adjustment of "Walk" signs at the intersection of Atwells Avenue and Academy Avenue and Putnam Street.

Resolution Requesting Street Light along Harold Street near Chalkstone Avenue.

**Severally Referrtd to the Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.**

**COUNCILMAN J. MURPHY for Himself and COUNCILMAN XAVIER, In Absentia (By Request):**

Resolution Granting Permission to Derk Petraccia to Clean by Sandblast Process Building located at 101 Dyer Street.

*Resolved*, That Permission is hereby granted to Derk Petraccia to clean by sandblast process building located at 101 Dyer Street, being also situated on Lot 96, City Assessor's Plat 20, all in accordance with accompanying petition approved by the Director of the Department of Building Inspection.

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.**

structed on the Site of the Former Bowling Green, Neutaconkanut Park.

**Referred to the Committee on Public Welfare, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Cause to be Erected "Fifteen Minute Parking To Corner" Signs from 525 Hartford Avenue in a Westerly Direction to Glenbridge Avenue.

**Referred to the Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.**

**COUNCILMAN DeVITO for Himself and COUNCILMAN LORENZO, In Absentia (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting One Hour Parking along Both Sides of Bell Street, from Broadway to its Termination.

**Referred to the Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.**

**COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA:**

Resolution Creating a Standing Committee of the City Council for the Purposes of Naming all Buildings, Bridges, Edifices and other City Constructions.

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

**COUNCILMAN DeVITO for COUNCILMAN PISATURO, In Absentia:**

Resolution Requesting the Director of the Department of Public Property to cause Two Tennis Courts and a Boccia Court to be Con-

**COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA and COUNCILMAN LYNCH (By Request):**

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

**COUNCILMAN J. MURPHY for Himself and  
COUNCILMAN XAVIER, In Absentia:**

chased by Qualified Electors of the City of  
Providence.

Resolution Requesting the Providence Civic Cen-  
ter Authority to Consider Granting a Ten Per  
Cent Per Ticket Reduced Price on Tickets Pur-

Severally Referred to the Committee on Fi-  
nance, on motion of **COUNCILMAN SCIAR-  
RETTA**, seconded by **COUNCILMAN LYNCH**.

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

**COUNCILMAN THOMAS L. PAYNE, Chairman**

### COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

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

Resolution Authorizing His Honor the Mayor to  
Engage Professional Engineering Services to  
Determine the Extent and Cost of Repairs to  
the City Dock Facilities at the Port of Provi-  
dence.

*Whereas*, The Port of Providence is now the  
Leading Revenue Producing Agency of the City  
of Providence, and

*Whereas*, Its potential attraction and prospec-  
tive expansion, as a leading facility for water-  
borne commerce along the Eastern seaboard, is  
evident by the fact that the revenue it produces  
has more than tripled within the last five years,  
and

*Whereas*, In order to attract additional users  
and carriers to this facility, maintain a high level  
of efficiency, and to expand the said Port of  
Providence, it is necessary to augment the pres-  
ent Port facilities,

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That His  
Honor the Mayor is authorized to engage such

professional engineering services, that he may  
deem necessary, for the purpose of conducting an  
engineering and cost survey to determine the  
extent and cost of repairs to the dock facilities  
and the dredging requirements and cost needed  
for the present berths, to accomodate the more  
modern and larger carriers to conform to the  
recently deepened forty-foot channel.

Resolution Ordering the Abandonment as a Pub-  
lic Highway of that Portion of Dewey Street,  
from Eastwood Avenue Northerly to its North-  
erly Termination.

*Resolved, Decreed, and Ordered*, That that cer-  
tain portion of Dewey Street from Eastwood  
Avenue northerly to its northerly termination,  
shown as cross-hatched area and designated by  
the letters A-B-C-D-A on the accompanying plan  
entitled "Providence, R.I. P.W. Dept.—Engineer-  
ing Office, Street Line Section, Plan No. 063582,

Date November 3, 1972," has ceased to be useful to the public and the same is abandoned as a public highway and the damage to the abutters is appraised at nothing and it is further

*Ordered*, That the Director of Public Works, be and he is hereby directed to cause a sign to be placed on that certain portion of Dewey Street from Eastwood Avenue northerly to its northerly termination, abandoned as aforesaid, having thereon the words, "Not a Public Highway," and it is further

*Ordered*, That after the entry of this order or decree, the City Clerk shall cause a notice thereof to be published in a newspaper published in the County of Providence at least once each week for three successive weeks and a further and personal notice shall be served by the City Sergeant upon every owner of land abutting that certain portion of Dewey Street from Eastwood Avenue northerly to its northerly termination, which has been abandoned, who is known to reside within this State.

Resolution Establishing Mohawk Street, from Arnold Street to Transit Street, as a One-Way Street.

*Resolved*, That Mohawk Street, from Arnold Street to Transit Street, in a southerly direction, is established as a one-way street.

Resolution Establishing Touro Street, from Branch Avenue to Lombardi Street, as a One-Way Street.

*Resolved*, That Touro Street, from Branch Avenue to Lombardi Street, is established as a one-way street.

Resolution Establishing Vandewater Street, from Cornwall Street to Douglas Avenue, as a One-Way Street.

*Resolved*, That Vandewater Street, in a West-erly direction from Cornwall Street to Douglas Avenue, is established as a one-way street.

Resolution Establishing Young Avenue, from Smith Street to Chalkstone Avenue, as a One-Way Street.

*Whereas*, A Resolution of the City Council establishing Young Avenue, from Smith Street to Chalkstone Avenue, as a one-way street was introduced into the City Council on November 18, 1971, and referred to the Committee on Public Works, and

*Whereas*, On November 18, 1971, a copy of the subject Resolution was referred to the Traffic Engineer for study and report, and

*Whereas*, Again, on April 17, 1972, the sponsors of that Resolution, COUNCILMAN AHERN and COUNCILMAN CROWLEY, at the request of residents of the area for consideration of that Resolution, requested a response from the Traffic Engineer and, accordingly, a second memorandum was transmitted to the Traffic Engineer, and

*Whereas*, As of this date, being October 13, 1972, the original Resolution has not been reported on,

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That Young Avenue, from Smith Street to Chalkstone Avenue, is established as a one-way street notwithstanding the benefit of a report from the Traffic Engineer.

Resolution Requesting that Admiral Street, from Charles Street to Berkshire Street, be Resurfaced.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause Admiral Street, from Charles Street to Berkshire Street, to be resurfaced.

signal light at the intersection of Public Street with Plain Street.

Resolution Requesting that Newcomb Street and Forsythe Street be Resurfaced.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause Newcomb Street and Forsythe Street to be resurfaced.

Resolution Requesting the Penn-Central Railroad Company to Arrange its Scheduled Operations so that the Residents of the Immediate Vicinity of Metcalf and Silver Spring Streets would be Relieved of Noise Nuisance from said Operations.

*Resolved*, That the Penn-Central Railroad Company is requested to arrange its schedule of operations relative to repairs or related operations so that the residents of the immediate vicinity of Metcalf and Silver Spring Streets would be relieved of a nuisance caused by noise from said operations during the hours of 10:00 o'clock P.M. to 7:00 o'clock A.M.

Resolution Requesting a Vehicular Traffic Signal Light at the Intersection of Public Street with Plain Street.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of a vehicular traffic

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

## REPORTS

### FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Annual Report for the Twelve Months ended June 30, 1972.

Received.

School Funds for the Two Months ended August 31, 1972, and for the Three Months ended September 30, 1972.

Severally Received.

### FROM CITY CONTROLLER

Monthly Statements of Capital, General and

### FROM CITY ASSESSOR

Certificates (11-H, 18-H, 23-H and 30-H) Recommending the Same be Cancelled, Pursuant to

the Provisions of Sections 14 and 15 of Title 44, Chapter 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended.

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

## PETITIONS

**COUNCILMAN AHERN and COUNCILMAN CROWLEY (By Request):**

Petition to Abandon as a Public Highway Clara Street, from Smith Street to its North-easterly Termination.

Referred to the Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.

**COUNCILMAN DARIGAN for COUNCILMAN PISATURO In Absentia (By Request):**

Petition of Secondino J. Manzotti, 18 Pongansett Avenue, Providence, for Appointment as an Auctioneer.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.

**COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA (By Request):**

Petition of C.I.R. Enterprises, Inc., to Construct a Main Drain or Common Sewer in a Portion of Belmont Avenue and in a Portion of Claremont Avenue.

Referred to the Committee on Public Works, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH.

## FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

**Petitions for Compensation for Injuries, Damages and/or Refund, viz:**

Joseph Abood Carpet Company, Inc.

Joseph DeCubellis ppa Ann Marie, Joanne and Cynthia DeCubellis

Elliott Leases Cars, Inc.

David G. Gordon

David R. Jennings

Mrs. Joan M. Higgins

Edward Laurenzo

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company

Mary Lonardo

Peter Peckham

Madeline Rayhill

Paul Zimmet ppa Lonnie S. Zimmet

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

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

### In Memoriam

**COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN and COUNCILMAN AHERN:**

Resolution of Sympathy Upon the Deaths of Barney M. Goldberg and Phillip Goldberg, Esquire.

*Resolved*, That in the passing of Barney M. Goldberg and Phillip Goldberg, Esquire, His

Honor, Mayor Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., and the Members of the City Council express their condolences in the loss of these two brothers who are exemplary citizens of our community.

**Read and Passed by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCJARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMEN AHERN, LYNCH and PEARLMAN.**

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA, seconded by COUNCILMAN LYNCH, the City Council adjourns at 8:50 o'clock P.M. (EST) to meet again on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1972, at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (EST).

*Vincent Vespia*

*City Clerk*

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