

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
RHODE ISLAND**



IN CITY COUNCIL  
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**CITY COUNCIL  
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

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No. 41 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, November 2, 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, Johnson, Kelly, Lynch, Mascia, McKiernan, Moran, J. Murphy, Payne, Pearlman, Pisaturo, Prete and Xavier—22.**

**Absent: Councilmen Cola, Lorenzo, W. Murphy and Sciarretta—4.**

## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by Reverend Father Joseph Invernizzi, Pastor, Holy Ghost Roman Catholic Church of Providence.

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

COUNCILMAN MICHAEL E. KELLY leads the Members of the City Council and the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

## APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Journal of Proceedings No. 40 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held October 19, 1972, and posted October 31, 1972, on that Bulletin Board located on the ground floor of the City Hall, is approved as printed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI.

## PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

**COUNCILMAN LYNCH for Himself and COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA in Absentia (By Request):**

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance Chapter 1972-32 Approved June 23, 1972, by Transferring Certain Sums of Money within the School Department.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 778 of City Ordinances of 1953, and Chapter 1860 of 1967, Entitled: "An Ordinance Providing Additional Payments to Retired Employees of the

City of Providence," Approved September 18, 1953 and Amendment Approved July 13, 1967.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1210 of the City Ordinances of 1958, Entitled: "An Ordinance Providing for Payment of Annuities to Widows of Policemen or Firemen," Approved August 8, 1958.

Severally Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of **COUNCILMAN LYNCH**, seconded by **COUNCILMEN BEATINI and GOLDIN**.

## RECESS

On motion of **COUNCILMAN LYNCH** seconded by **COUNCILMAN BEATINI**, it is voted that the City Council be in Recess at 8:35 o'clock P.M. (EST).

## RECONVENTION

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAXTON** reconvenes the City Council at 9:15 o'clock P.M. (EST) and directs the Clerk to call the Roll to ascertain if there is a quorum present.

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

Brown, Crowley, Darigan, DeVito, Goldin, Johnson, Kelly, Lynch, Mascia, McKiernan, Moran, J. Murphy, Payne, Pearlman, Pisaturo and Xavier—21.

Absent: Councilmen Cola, Lorenzo, W. Murphy, Prete and Sciarretta—5.

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO-TEMPORE BEATINI and COUNCILMAN PRETE (By Request):**

Resolution Granting to the North End Businessmen's Association the Privilege of Erecting Lights and Related Christmas Decorations for the 1972 Season.

*Resolved*, That the North End Businessmen's Association is granted the privilege of erecting light decorations and related Christmas decorations for the 1972 Christmas Season along and over and across certain areas of the North End as may be incorporated in the said Association's Plans, all subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and the Public Service Engineer; provided that the North End Businessmen's Association shall furnish to the City and file with the City Clerk a liability insurance policy certificate, approved as to form by the City Solicitor, its limits to be not less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), indemnifying the City against any claim arising out of any damage due to the erection, maintenance and/or removal of any decorations or parts thereof.

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN BEATINI and PRETE.**

**COUNCILMAN BRADSHAW and COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN (By Request):**

Resolution granting to the Wayland Square Businessmen's Association the privilege of erecting lights and related Christmas Decorations for the 1972 Season.

*Resolved*, That the Wayland Square Businessmen's Association is granted the privilege of erecting light decorations and related Christmas decorations for the 1972 Christmas Season along and over and across certain areas of Wayland Square as may be incorporated in the said Association's Plans, all subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and the Public Service Engineer; provided that the Wayland Square Businessmen's Association shall furnish to the City and file with the City Clerk a liability insurance policy certificate, approved as to form by the City Solicitor, its limits to be not less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), indemnifying the City against any claim arising out of any damage due to the erection, maintenance and/or removal of any decorations or parts thereof.

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN BEATINI, BRADSHAW and PEARLMAN.**

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

Resolution requesting the removal of "No Parking Anytime" signs along the southerly side of Chalkstone Avenue, from Candace Street to Douglas Avenue, and along the southerly side of Raymond Street, from Chalkstone Avenue to Valley Street.

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

**COUNCILMAN BROWN, COUNCILMAN MORAN, COUNCILMAN J. MURPHY and COUNCILMAN XAVIER (By Request):**

Resolution closing to Vehicular Traffic, on Winter Street, between Broad Street and Westminster Street, from the hours of 11:00 o'clock A.M. to 3:00 o'clock P.M. during School Days.

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

**COUNCILMAN DARIGAN and COUNCILMAN GOLDIN (By Request):**

Resolution granting to the Washington Park Citizens' Association the privilege of erecting lights and related Christmas Decorations for the 1972 Season.

*Resolved*, That the Washington Park Citizens' Association is granted the privilege of erecting light decorations and related Christmas decorations for the 1972 Christmas Season along and over and across certain areas of Washington Park as may be incorporated in the said Association's Plans, all subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and the Public Service Engineer; provided that the Washington Park Citizens' Association shall furnish to the City and file with the City Clerk a liability insurance policy certificate, approved as to form by the City Solicitor, its limits to be not less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), indemnifying the City against any claim arising out of any damage due to the erection, maintenance and/or removal of any decorations or parts thereof.

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN BEATINI, DARIGAN and GOLDIN.**

**COUNCILMAN DARIGAN, COUNCILMAN J. MURPHY, COUNCILMAN XAVIER and COUNCILMAN PISATURO:**

Resolution Requesting the Providence Civic Center Authority to Authorize the Erection of a Suitable Plaque within the Civic Center upon which would be Inscribed the Names of Citizens of the City of Providence Who Lost Their Lives in World War II.

**Referred to the Committee on City Property, on motion of COUNCILMAN DARIGAN, seconded by COUNCILMEN BEATINI and LYNCH.**

**COUNCILMAN DeVITO for Himself and COUNCILMAN LORENZO in Absentia:**

Resolution Requesting the Providence Redevelopment Agency to make application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Funds to Implement the Federal Hill East Redevelopment Project.

**Referred to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI.**

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

Resolution granting to the Federal Hill Businessmen's Association the privilege of erecting lights and related Christmas Decorations for the 1972 Season.

*Resolved*, That the Federal Hill Businessmen's Association is granted the privilege of erecting light decorations and related Christmas decorations for the 1972 Christmas Season along and over and across certain areas of Atwells Avenue as may be incorporated in the said Association's plans, all subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and the Public Service Engineer; provided that the Federal Hill Businessmen's Association shall furnish to the City and file with the City Clerk a liability insurance policy certificate, approved as to form by the City Solicitor, its limits to be not less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), indemnifying the City against any claim arising out of any damage due to the erection, maintenance and/or removal of any decorations or parts thereof.

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN BEATINI and DeVITO.**

**COUNCILMAN PISATURO (By Request):**

Resolution granting to the Olneyville Businessmen's Association the Privilege of erecting lights and related Christmas Decorations for the 1972 Season.

*Resolved*, That the Olneyville Square Businessmen's Association is granted the privilege of erecting light decorations and related Christmas decorations for the 1972 Christmas Season along and over and across certain areas of Olneyville Square as may be incorporated in the said Association's plans, all subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and the Public Service Engineer; provided that the Olneyville Square Businessmen's Association shall furnish to the City and file with the City Clerk a liability insurance policy certificate, approved as to form by the City Solicitor, its limits to be not less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), indemnifying the City against any claim arising out of any damage due to the erection, maintenance and/or removal of any decorations or parts thereof.

**Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN BEATINI and PISATURO.**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the word "Stop" to be painted on those Intersections controlled by "Stop" signs.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to Cause "Dead End" Sign to be Erected along Eliza Street at Killingly Street.

Resolution Requesting the Acting Public Service Engineer to Cause the Replacement of Street Light at 122 Laban Street.

Resolution Requesting the Acting Public Service Engineer to Order the Installation of an Electric Street Light located along Alverson Avenue, Laurel Hill Avenue and Killingly Street.

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

**COUNCILMAN DARIGAN for COUNCILMAN SCJARRETTA in Absentia:**

Resolution Authorizing the City Assessor to Forward to All Tax Exempt Institutions and Persons Owning Real Estate within the City of Providence, Request for Payment, in Lieu of Taxes, an Amount Equal to Five Cents Per Square Foot of Land Owned by Said Tax Exempt Institutions and Persons.

**Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI.**

**COUNCILMAN LYNCH for Himself and COUNCILMAN SCJARRETTA in Absentia (By Request):**

Resolution Authorizing the City Treasurer to Arrange for the Redemption or Sale to Joseph E. Pina, 217 Twin River Road, Lincoln, Rhode Island, of \$1,869.16 for Lots 77 and 78, Located along Henrietta Street, and of Lots 91 and 92, located along Wild Street; Said Lots being Set Out and Delineated on City Assessor's Plat 102.

**Referred to the Committee on City Property, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI.**

Resolutions Accepting Gifts of Money for Specified Burial Lots in North Burial Ground.

Severally Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI.

COUNCILMAN LYNCH, COUNCILMAN MASCIA, COUNCILMAN AHERN, and COUNCILMAN CROWLEY for Themselves and COUNCILMAN COLA and COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA in Absentia (By Request):

Resolution Granting to Mount Pleasant Businessmen's Association the Privilege of Erecting Lights and Related Decorations for the 1972 Christmas Season along and over and across certain Areas of Academy Avenue and Chalkstone Avenue.

Resolved, That the Mount Pleasant Businessmen's Association is granted the privilege of erecting light decorations and related Christmas decorations for the 1972 Christmas Season along and over and across certain areas of Academy Avenue and Chalkstone Avenue as may be incorporated in the said Association's plans, all subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and the Public Service Engineer; provided that the Mount Pleasant Businessmen's Association shall furnish to the City and file with the City Clerk a liability insurance policy certificate, approved as to form by the City Solicitor, its limits to be not less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), indemnifying the City against any claim arising out of any damage due to the erection, maintenance and/or removal of any decorations or parts thereof.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN AHERN, BEATINI, CROWLEY and MASCIA.

## REPORT FROM COMMITTEE

COUNCILMAN CHARLES A. PISATURO, Chairman  
COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND PENDING SUITS

Transmits the following with Recommendation  
the Same be Severally Approved:

Certificates from the City Assessor (6-H, 9-H, 14-H, 15-H, 16-H, 20-H, 21-H, 22-H, 25-H to 28-H, 31-H, 33-H, 34-H, and 37-H) 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 Rhode Island 1956, as amended.

Severally Approved, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI, by the following Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Council President Haxton and Councilmen Addison, Ahern, Beatini, Bradshaw, Brown, Darigan, DeVito, Johnson, Kelly, Lynch, Mascia, Moran, Payne, Pearlman and Xavier—16.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilmen Cola, Crowley, Goldin, Lorenzo, McKiernan, J. Murphy, W. Murphy, Pisaturo, Prete and Sciarretta—10.

## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

### FROM PROVIDENCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Report informing the City Council of its Proposal to sell certain land within the East Side Renewal Project, West Broadway N.D.P. Area A2-1 and Weybosset Hill Project, to Constitution Hill Realty, Inc., Davenport Associates, Inc., Richmond Realty Co., Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Providence Health Centers, Inc., and a Joint Venture of Weybosset Hill Development Corp., and Downtown Realty, Inc.

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

### FROM CITY CONTROLLER

Monthly Statement of Capital, General and School Funds for the One Month ended July 31, 1972.

Received.

### FROM CITY ASSESSOR

Certificates (12-H, 17-H, 19-H, 32-H, 35-H and 39-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 LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI.

## PETITION

### COUNCILMAN XAVIER and COUNCILMAN J. MURPHY (By Request):

Petition of John V. Sylvia, et als, Employees at the Docks of the City of Providence Opposing

any Further Installations of Storage Tanks for Liquified Gas in that Area.

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



## FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

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

A. D. Cab, Inc.

Walter Bernard

Mrs. Isabella F. Caron

Edward Maciel

New York System Restaurant

Jose P. Rosa

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

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

### *In Memoriam*

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO-TEMPORE BEATINI for COUNCILMAN SCJARRETTA and COUNCILMAN COLA in Absentia:**

Resolution of Sympathy Upon the Death of John Conca, Late Religious Civic and Fraternal Leader.

*Resolved*, That His Honor, Mayor Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., and the Members of the City Council do hereby note with deep regret the passing of John Conca, late religious, civic, and fraternal

leader of our community who gave much of his time to the Knights of Columbus as a member and as Past Grand Knight of the Dillon Council; as a member of the Lion's Club; as a member of the Parish Council of the Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church of Providence; and as a member of the Sixth Ward Democratic Committee.

**Read and Passed by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI.**

## MATTERS NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

On motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI, it is voted to suspend Rule 16 of the Resolution of the City Council No. 1, approved January 4, 1971, in order to allow the introduction of the following Matters Not Appearing on the Printed Docket.

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

**COUNCILMAN LYNCH for Himself and COUNCILMAN SCIARRETTA in Absentia (By Request):**

Resolution Endorsing the Several Questions which will appear on the Ballot at the Election to be held on November 7, 1972, concerning Bond Issues for the City of Providence.

*Resolved*, That His Honor, Mayor Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., and the Members of the City Council do hereby endorse the following questions which will appear on the ballot at the Election to be held on November 7, 1972:

QUESTION (1) "Shall an act, passed at the 1971 session of the general assembly, entitled 'An act providing for inspecting, reconstructing, rehabilitating, repairing and maintaining bridges and viaducts by the City of Providence and authorizing the financing thereof, including the issue of not more than \$1,500,000 bonds therefor' be approved?"

QUESTION (2) "Shall an act, passed at the 1971 session of the general assembly, entitled

'An act providing for repairing the existing seawall at Fields Point and constructing an extension thereof and for constructing additional docking and support facilities by the City of Providence and authorizing the financing thereof, including the issue of not more than \$6,500,000 bonds therefor' be approved?"

QUESTION (3) "Shall an act, passed at the 1971 session of the general assembly, entitled 'An act providing for acquiring land for and constructing, equipping and furnishing new schools and additions to existing schools and for acquiring land and buildings to be used for school purposes, for reconstructing, rehabilitating and modernizing such buildings and for providing equipment and furnishings in connection therewith,' which provides for the issue of \$7,000,000 bonds therefor be approved?"

QUESTION (4) "Shall an act, passed at the 1971 session of the general assembly, entitled 'An act providing for remodeling, reconstructing, rehabilitating, modernizing and improving Municipal dock buildings and facilities by the City of Providence and authorizing the financing

thereof, including the issue of not more than \$1,500,000 bonds therefor' be approved?"

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

**on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI.**

**COUNCILMAN PEARLMAN and COUNCILMAN BRADSHAW (By Request):**

**COUNCILMAN JOHNSON and COUNCILMAN McKIERNAN (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting "Twenty-Five Miles Per Hour" Speed Limit Signs along a portion of Ocean Street.

Referred to the Committee on Public Works,

Resolution Requesting that Alley at Thayer Street, between Barnes Street and Keene Street, be Resurfaced.

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

## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

### In Memoriam

**COUNCILMAN ADDISON and COUNCILMAN BROWN:**

Resolution of Sympathy Upon the Death of Jackie Robinson, late, Professional Baseball Luminary.

*Whereas*, Jackie Robinson, an outstanding sport luminary and model American whose conduct, as an athlete and citizen, brought credit to his race and the professional sport of Baseball, passed on to his Eternal Reward, and

*Whereas*, Jackie Robinson, who personified fair play in all his endeavors, broke the color barrier in Major League Baseball more than one-quarter of a century ago, thus establishing the fact that sports-minded America never intended a proven athlete's ability to be sidelined because of color, and

*Whereas*, In the loss of this stalwart athlete,

all fair minded Americans, particularly those participating in the professional baseball world, mourn his passing.

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That in the death of Jackie Robinson, His Honor, Mayor Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., and the Members of the City Council join the sports world in mourning the loss of this high level professional sportsman, a civic minded individual, and an American in the true sense of the word, and

*Be It Further Resolved*, That upon the adoption of this Resolution, the same be incorporated in the records of this Meeting and that a duly engrossed copy, thereof, be transmitted by the City Clerk to his survivors.

**Read and Passed by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMEN ADDISON, BEATINI, BROWN and XAVIER.**

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN LYNCH, seconded by COUNCILMAN BEATINI, the City Council adjourns at 9:45 o'clock P.M. (EST) to meet again on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1972, at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (EST).

*Vincent Vespia*

*City Clerk*