

March 20, 2003 Regular City Council Meeting

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND
CITY COUNCIL
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

No. 6 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, March 20, 2003, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.)

PRESIDING

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT
JOHN J. LOMBARDI**

ROLL CALL

**PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI,
COUNCILMEN ALLEN, APONTE, DELUCA,
COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILMEN
HASSETT, IGLIOZZI, JACKSON, LUNA,
COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILMAN
SEGAL, COUNCILWOMEN WILLIAMS and
YOUNG – 13.**

ABSENT: COUNCILMAN BUTLER and MANCINI – 2.

**ALSO PRESENT: Ralph Guglielmino, City Sergeant, Bruce Todesco,
Deputy City Solicitor, Michael R. Clement, City
Clerk, Claire E. Bestwick, First Deputy City Clerk
and Jennifer L. Emidy, Assistant Clerk.**

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by **COUNCILWOMAN JOSEPHINE DIRUZZO.**

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

COUNCILMAN TERRENCE M. HASSETT 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 March 3, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1010 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Eulogio Acevedo of 69 Woodman Street,

Providence, Rhode Island 02907, as a member of the Housing Board of Review for a term to expire in January, 2008, and respectfully submits the same for approval. (Mr. Acevedo will fill the expired term of Mr. Sal Solomon)

Received.

Communication dated March 3, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Mary Kay Harris of 44 Superior Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02907, as a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire in January 2006, and respectfully submits the same for approval. (Mary Kay Harris will fill the expired term of Mr. Juan Pichardo who has resigned)

Received.

Communication dated March 3, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 415 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Merrill Sherman of 24 Channing Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the Salary Review Commission for a term to expire in January 2007, and respectfully submits the same for approval. (Ms. Sherman will fill the expired term of Ms. Sarah Dowling)

Received.

Communication dated March 3, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 415 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day re-appointing Michael Van Leesten of 11 Belair Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the Salary Review Commission for a term to expire in January 2007, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Received.

Communication dated March 7, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 415 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing David Schechter of 131 Woodbury Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, as a member of the Salary Review Commission for a term to expire in January 2007, and respectfully submits the same for approval. (Mr. Schechter will fill an existing vacancy on the commission).

Received.

Communication dated March 5, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1013 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Andrew Cortes of 107 Messer Street, Providence Rhode Island 02909, as a designee on the City Plan Commission for a term to expire in January 2008, and respectfully submits the same for approval. (Mr. Cortes will fill the expired term of Mr. Robert L. Ricci)

Received.

Communication dated March 5, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1013 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day re-appointing George Calcagni of 32 Loring Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a member of the City Plan Commission for a term to expire in January 2008, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Received.

Communication dated March 10, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1011 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day re-appointing F. Steele Blackall, III of 113 Williams Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, to the Building Board of Review for a term to expire in January 2008, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Received.

Communication dated March 10, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Molly Soum of 125 Pocasset Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02909, as a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire in January 2006, and respectfully submits the same for approval. (Ms. Soum will fill the expired term of Mr. Gary St. Peter who has resigned)

Received.

Communication dated March 5, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, and Public Law Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31, passed in 1987, he is this day re-appointing Lloyd Granoff of 470 Blackstone Boulevard, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the Providence Public Building Authority for a term to expire in July 2006, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Received.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the foregoing matters.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Receives the Several Communications and Refers the Same to the Committee on Finance.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Communication from Council President John J. Lombardi, dated February 21, 2003, [appointing Councilman David A. Segal and Councilman Patrick K. Butler to the Commission to Study Conditional On Street Parking by Application and Permit.](#)

Received.

Communication from Council President John J. Lombardi, dated March 14, 2003, [appointing Steven Salk of 205 President Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906 and Heather Hallack of 52 Barnes Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906 as members of the Commission to Study Conditional On Street Parking by Application and Permit.](#)

Received.

Communication from Council President John J. Lombardi, dated March 13, 2003, [appointing Five \(5\) City Council Members: Councilman Terrence M. Hassett, Councilman John J. Igliazzi, Councilman David A. Segal, Councilman Patrick K. Butler and Councilwoman Rita M. Williams; One \(1\) Public Member, Armand E. Batastini, Jr., One \(1\) Tax Exempt Member, Louis Fazzano, and One \(1\) Business Owner, Patrick Griffin, to the Special Commission to Study Tax Exempt Institutions.](#)

Received.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Receives the Foregoing Communications.

ORDINANCES SECOND READING

The following Ordinances were in City Council March 12, 2003, Read and Passed the First Time and are Severally Returned for Passage the Second Time:

An Ordinance Amending the Appropriation Ordinance submitted to the City Council for approval for the Fiscal Year 2002-2003.

An Ordinance Amending the Compensation Ordinance submitted to the City Council for approval for the Fiscal Year 2002-2003.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to expunge the forgoing matters, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

[An Ordinance Amending the Classes of Positions, the Maximum Number of Employees and the Number of Employees in Certain Classes in the City Department](#) Ordinance submitted to the City Council for approval for the Fiscal Year 2002-2003.

Read and Passed the Second Time, on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the Following Roll Call Vote:

AYES: COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMEN ALLEN, APONTE, BUTLER, DELUCA, COUNCILMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILMEN HASSETT, IGLIOZZI, JACKSON, LUNA, COUNCILMAN ROMANO, COUNCILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILWOMEN WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG -14.

NAYES: NONE.

ABSENT: COUNCILMAN MANCINI – 1.

The Motion for Passage of the Ordinance the Second Time is Sustained.

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1986-53 of the Ordinance of the City of Providence Approved October 23, 1986 and Entitled: [“An Ordinance](#)

[Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Special Vacant Lot Project” for the Acquisition of Lots 2, 73, & 763, Plat 23, 10, 2, & 6 Hayward Street, Respectively.](#)

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1986-53 of the Ordinance of the City of Providence Approved October 23, 1986 and Entitled: [“An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Special Vacant Lot Project” for the Acquisition of Lots 560 & 555, Plat 63, 2 & 60 Curtis Street, Respectively.](#)

An Ordinance in Amendment of and in Addition to Chapter 1986-53 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence Approved October 23, 1986 and Entitled: [“An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for the Special Vacant Lot Project” for the Acquisition of Lots 371 and 384, on Plat 62, 39 Julian Street and 31-33 Julian Street, Respectively.](#)

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters.

Read and Passed the Second Time, on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the Following Roll Call Vote:

AYES: COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMEN ALLEN, APONTE, BUTLER, DELUCA, COUNCILMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILMEN HASSETT, IGLIOZZI, JACKSON, LUNA, COUNCILMAN ROMANO, COUNCILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILWOMEN WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG -14.

NAYES: NONE.

ABSENT: COUNCILMAN MANCINI – 1.

The Motion for Passage of the Several Ordinances the Second Time is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI (By Request):

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of 2003-H 5646 – Relative to An Act Relating to Public Officers and Employees – Election Workers, in substantially the form attached.

Resolution in support of a Firearm Training Facility.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Several Resolutions to the Committee on State Legislation.

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Union Street between Washington Street and Fountain Street](#) on Friday, March 28, 2003 between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. through Monday, March 31, 2003 until 11:00 o'clock A.M., to accommodate a Block Party for the NCAA Hockey East Regionals being held at the Dunkin' Donuts Center.

Read and Passed n Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN:

Resolution Instructing and Authorizing the Tax Assessor to obtain an independent appraisal in addition to the requirements of Section 416, Subsection 2 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980 Entitled: "Prior to the sale of any city property the Tax Assessor shall appraise and determine the current market value thereof" to place a value of any major city asset at least 30 days prior to the sale. (For the purpose of this resolution a major city asset will be defined as any asset with a value of \$750,000.00 or more)

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

**COUNCILMAN APONTE and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG
(By Request):**

[Resolution Requesting the Narragansett Electric Company to cause the installation of five new floodlights on Pole No. 2 on Gordon Avenue and Pole Nos. 10, 11 and 12 on Reynolds Avenue.](#)

Read and Passed on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

**COUNCILMAN APONTE and COUNCILMAN HASSETT
(By Request):**

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 63, Lot 574 (120 Aleppo Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Three Thousand Forty Three Dollars and Fifty Two (\$3,043.52) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 63, Lot 293 (13 Steere Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Six Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Five Dollars and Thirty Two (\$6,735.32) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 68, Lot 57 (160 Douglas Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Three Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Two Dollars and Thirty One (\$3,462.31) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 68, Lot 58 (162 Douglas Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Six Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Eight Dollars and Thirty Eight (\$6,288.38) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 68, Lot 59 (168 Douglas Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Two Thousand Eighty One Dollars and Forty Nine (\$2,081.49) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 68, Lot 84 (211 Douglas Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Two Thousand Forty One Dollars and Sixty Six (\$2,041.66) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 68, Lot 85 (217 Douglas Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Two Thousand Forty One Dollars and Sixty Six (\$2,041.66) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 68, Lot 86 (219 Douglas Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Two Thousand Forty One Dollars and Sixty Six (\$2,041.66) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 68, Lot 87 (223 Douglas Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Two Thousand Forty One Dollars and Sixty Six (\$2,041.66) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

COUNCILMAN APONTE (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the transfer of tax title and to cause the abatement of real estate taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 332 (76 Ocean Street), in the amount of Thirteen Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Dollars and Forty One (\$13,880.41) Cents.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Several Resolutions to the Committee on Finance.

COUNCILMAN DE LUCA:

[Resolution Requesting Mayor David N. Cicilline to appoint a Budget Review Task Force that shall identify budget reductions and consolidation of departments and work force.](#)

[Resolution Requesting the Internal Auditor and the Personnel Director to review the Classification Ordinance and identify those employees who are members of a collective bargaining unit but do not qualify for membership.](#) (Specific exclusions and definition of a municipal employee, Rhode Island General Laws 1956, Chapter 9.4 of Title 28)

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters and moves for Passage for the Several Resolutions, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN HASSETT, COUNCILMAN BUTLER and COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI:

Resolution Establishing a moratorium for a period of six (6) months commencing on April 3, 2003, on any and all action by any city department, board, commission, agency or other recognized city entity, associated with approvals required for all building construction and expansion upon any tax exempt institution within the City of Providence, except where otherwise provided.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Public Works.

COUNCILMAN SEGAL (By Request):

Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate all taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 13, Lot 179 (159 Waterman Street - Nature Conservancy), in the amount of Twenty Two Thousand One Hundred Thirteen Dollars and Eighty Eight (\$22,113.88) Cents.

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

COUNCILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILMAN LUNA and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:

Resolution To Defend the Bill of Rights.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Ordinances.

COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a "Stop" Sign on Orchard Avenue and Wayland Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "No Parking" Signs on the north side of Elton Street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “No Parking” Signs from the driveway of 429 Lloyd Avenue to the corner of 127 Elmgrove Avenue and cause the curb to be painted yellow.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the foregoing Resolutions to the Committee on Public Works.

[Resolution Requesting the Narragansett Electric Company to cause the light to be lowered on Pole No. 3 in front of 16 Pratt Street and Pole No. 6 in front of 44 Pratt Street and also cause the elimination of the light on Pole No. 7 in front of 44 Pratt Street.](#)

Read and Passed on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS:

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of Senate Bill 2003-S 0401, Relative to An Act Authorizing the City of Providence to Convey Certain Property dedicated for park purposes.

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of Senate Bill 2003-S 0408, Relative to An Act Relating to the City of Providence.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the foregoing Resolutions to the Committee on State Legislation.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

COUNCILMAN TERRENCE M. HASSETT, Chairman

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved, As Amended:

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “Four-Way Stop” Signs at the intersection of Sycamore Street and Hudson Street.](#)

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Yield” Sign on Justice Street where it meets Fallon Avenue and Pleasant Valley Parkway.](#)

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to review a Pavement Preservation Program utilizing the Micro-surfacing Process.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved:

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “No Parking 6:00 o’clock p.m. to 7:00 o’clock a.m.” Signs in front of 203 Cole Avenue between the “No Parking to Corner” Sign and the driveway.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “No Parking until 7:30 o’clock A.M.” Signs on Lloyd Avenue between Weymouth Street and the main gate of Moses Brown School on Lloyd Avenue on both sides of the street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “No Parking Stripes” on the curb at the new Lloyd Avenue entrance to Moses Brown property.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “No Overnight Parking” Signs on the dead end portion of Hooker Street between Basswood Avenue and Rhode Island College.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the replacement of the “No Parking” Sign located at 542 River Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “No Parking to Corner” Signs at the intersection of Jenks Street and Pratt Street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “No Bus Parking Allowed on this street” Sign on Alumni Avenue between Hope Street and Morris Avenue and Morris Avenue between Alumni Avenue and Olney Street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “No Parking School Days between 7:30 A.M. to 8:15 A.M. and 2:15 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.” Sign on Sessions Street between Taft Avenue and the Handicapped Parking Sign in front of Temple Emmanuel.

Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “Four-Way Stop” Signs at the intersection of Pleasant Valley Parkway and River Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Four-Way Stop” Sign at the intersection of Wayland Avenue and President Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Stop” Sign at Moorland Avenue and Wyndham Avenue on the Moorland Avenue side.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “Four-Way Stop” Signs at Halsey Street and Prospect Street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Stop” Sign on Yale Avenue and Lynch Street.

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Stop” Sign on Beaufort Street and Lynch Street.](#)

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation a “Stop” Sign at the corner of Dodge and Bridgham Streets.](#)

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “Four-Way Stop” Signs at Pearl Street and Providence Street.](#)

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “Four-Way Stop” Signs at the intersection of Pleasant Valley Parkway, Nelson Street and Moorland Avenue.](#)

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “Four-Way Stop” Signs at the intersection of Prospect Street and Bowen Street.](#)

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Stop” Sign at the intersection of Sunbury Street and Durham Street in Providence’s Ward 14.](#)

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Stop” Sign on Jenks Street in a westerly direction where it meets Pratt Street.](#)

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause Wayland Avenue at Pitman Street to be designated a “Two-Way” Street.](#)

[Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause East George Street at Gano Street to be designated a “Two-Way” Street.](#)

COUNCILMAN ALLEN Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters and moves for Passage of the Several Resolutions, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

[Resolution Granting the abandonment of a portion of Manchester Place.](#)

[Resolution Granting the abandonment, for nominal consideration, a portion of Manchester Place.](#)

[Resolution Granting the abandonment, for nominal consideration, a portion of Traverse Street.](#)

[Resolution Granting the abandonment, for nominal consideration, a portion of Clay Street.](#)

[Resolution Granting the abandonment, for nominal consideration, a portion of Crary Street. \(westerly of interstate I-95 and northerly of Clay Street\)](#)

[Resolution Granting the abandonment, for nominal consideration, a portion of Goff Street.](#)

[Resolution Granting the abandonment, for nominal consideration, a portion of Brook Street.](#)

[Resolution Granting the abandonment, for nominal consideration, a portion of India Street.](#)

[Resolution Granting the abandonment, for nominal consideration, a portion of Tockwotten Street.](#)

[Resolution Granting the abandonment, for nominal consideration, a portion of Crary Street. \(westerly of Eddy Street\)](#)

[Resolution Granting the abandonment, for nominal consideration, a portion of Blanding Street.](#)

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters and Moves Passage of the Several Resolutions, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the Following Roll Call Vote:

AYES: COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMEN APONTE, BUTLER, COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILMEN HASSETT, JACKSON, LUNA, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILMEN WILLIAMS and YOUNG – 11.

NAYS: COUNCILMAN ALLEN and DELUCA – 2.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN IGLIOZZI and MANCINI – 2.

The Motion for Passage of the Several Resolution is Sustained.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Denied:

[Resolution requesting the Traffic Engineer to post the appropriate Street Signs to allow Parking for the Staff Members of the Carl G. Lauro School located on the DePasquale Avenue side of the building.](#)

Read and Denied on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Denial is Sustained.

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
COUNCILMAN KEVIN JACKSON, Chairman**

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Approved, As Amended:

[Resolution Granting an Extension of the Residency Requirement for John Paul Landroche](#), Providence Firefighter for a period of six months to begin upon his return to work after completing his deployment of the 115th Military Police Unit.

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Read and Passed on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same Be Severally Approved:

[Resolution Requesting to Amend Resolution #75, Approved February 13, 2002 for the abatement of the taxes for Assessor's Plat 6, Lot 141 \(140 Cypress Street\)](#) for the Mount Hope Learning Center, to include the taxes for the year 2002 in the amount of Five Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars and Eleven (\$5,452.11) Cents.

Read and Passed on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS by the following Roll Call Vote:

AYES: COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMEN APONTE, BUTLER, DELUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILMEN HASSETT, IGLIOZZI, JACKSON, LUNA, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILWOMEN WILLIAMS and YOUNG – 13.

NAYES: NONE.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN ALLEN and MANCINI – 2.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

[Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Refunding Certificates and additional Certificates of the Port of Providence.](#)

Read and Passed on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS by the following Roll Call Vote:

AYES: COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMEN ALLEN, APONTE, BUTLER, COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILMEN HASSETT, IGLIOZZI, JACKSON, LUNA, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILWOMEN WILLIAMS and YOUNG – 13.

NAYES: NONE.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN DELUCA and MANCINI – 2.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN DELUCA Refers the foregoing Resolution Back to the Committee on Finance.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from Councilwoman Balbina A. Young, dated March 7, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that she is this day [appointing Mary Kay Harris of 44 Superior Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02907 to the Providence External Review Authority](#). (PERA)

Communication from Councilman David A. Segal, dated March 12, 2003, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that he is this day [appointing Luz Bravo-Gleicher of 143 Williams Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906 to the Providence External Review Authority](#). (PERA)

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dispense with the Reading of the foregoing matters.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Receives the Communications.

Communication from Makram H. Megalli, P.E., Director of Public Works, dated March 11, 2003, requesting an extension of the Residency Requirement for the City of Providence.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Receives and Refers the Communication Back to the Committee on Finance.

Communication from Alex Prignano, Director of Finance, dated February 28, 2003, submitting the [2002 Fiscal Audit prepared by KPMG](#).

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Receives the Communication.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition from Timothy J. Robenhymer, requesting to abandon Enterprise Row.

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

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

Maureen DeLoreto
Karl Vucich
Maryann D'Elena
Lorraine Lisi
Jan M. Weiner

Mercedes M. Inoa
(Dennis H. Ricci, Esquire)
Pedro Matos
(Dennis H. Ricci, Esquire)
Kevan Lewis

Jessica Lescarbeau, Thomas Morales & Jose Ortega
(Thomas E. Sparks, Esquire)
Roberto Castellanos
(Christopher E. Fay, Esquire)
Frank Aracena
(Christopher E. Fay, Esquire)

Robert F. & Lois B. Pickard
John Moccia
Julie Armada
Marvin Mitchell
Robert Singer
Ann L. Lombardo

Marie-Paule Gonon

Thomas E. Evans

Paul Aoun
John D. & Barbara B. Deacon
Richard Keen
Mary C. Lombardo
(Thomas R. DeSimone, Esquire)
Mary Granieri
Joseph H. Fonseca
Laurie Phillips
Michael Richardson
Daniel Duclos
Carmen Castro p.p.a. Luis Hernandez
(Tanya J. Garrian, Esquire)

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Several Resolutions to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN CONGRATULATIONS"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

[Resolutions Extending Congratulations.](#)

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN MEMORIAM"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:

[Resolutions Extending Sympathy.](#)

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

MATTERS NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

On Motion of **COUNCILMAN APONTE**, seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS**, it is voted to Suspend Rule 16 of the City Council in order to allow the introduction of the following Matters Not Appearing on the Printed Docket.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and
COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI (By Request):**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of 2003-H 5956 An Act Relating to Education – Alternative Education Programs.

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of 2003-S 0458 An Act Relating to State Affairs and Government – The Rhode Island Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission.

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of 2003-S 0478 An Act Relating to State Affairs and Government – Law Enforcement Standards and Training.

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of 2003-H 5886 An Act Relating to Education.

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of 2003-H 5887 An Act Relating to the Rhode Island Student Investment Initiative.

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of 2003-H 5919 An Act Relating to Education – Health and Safety of Pupils.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the foregoing Resolutions to the
Committee on State Legislation.**

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, it is voted to adjourn at 8:20 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.), to meet again on THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2003 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.).

**MICHAEL R. CLEMENT
CITY CLERK**