

DEPARTMENT OF CITY CLERK  
CITY HALL  
OCTOBER 22, 1997

The Committee on Claims and Pending Suits meets this day at 5:00 o'clock p.m., Committee Room "A", City Clerk's Department, City Hall.

PRESENT: Chairman Lombardi, Councilman Allen and Councilman Hassett.

ABSENT: Vice-Chairman Mancini and Councilwoman Romano.

Also present are William McGair, Senior Assistant City Solicitor; Irene Testa, Director, Department of Traffic Engineering; Ernest Rowe, Providence Water Supply Board; David Salvatore, Assistant City Solicitor; Alan Kronstein, Assistant City Solicitor; Gordon Fox, Assistant City Solicitor; Cathy Graziano, Assistant City Solicitor; Barbara A. Poirier, Second Deputy City Clerk and Lesley M. Skeffington, Assistant Clerk.

BRENDA L. FERRO, (Steven D. DiLibero, Esq.), 128 Dorrance Street, Providence, RI. 97-256 Compensation for damages sustained on December 9, 1996 whereby petitioner was involved in an accident on Atwells Avenue with a plow driven by David J. Cavalloro.

ANNE and GRACE KO, 234 Bowen Street, Apt. 4, Providence, RI 97-111 Compensation for damages sustained on December 1, 1996 while petitioner was traveling along Doyle Street whereby at the intersection of Camp Street, petitioner drove over a crater where there was a wide metal pipe or rod extending out of the road surface.

Auto Show Volvo	- \$ 201.96
Sears Auto Center	- \$ 222.55

IRENEUSZ THOMAS WOLEJKO, 28 Madison Street, Pawtucket, RI. 97-272 Compensation for damages sustained on June 8, 1997 whereby petitioner struck a pothole located on Service Road No. 8.

Coastal Towing	- \$ 75.00
Town Fair Tire	- \$170.26

TRAVELERS INS. CO. a/s/o CHOQUETTE & CO., 50 Holden Street, Providence, RI. 97-56 Compensation for damages sustained on October 9, 1996 whereby petitioner struck a pothole located at the end of the ramp onto Route 95.

STEPHEN KEUROGHLIAN, 74 Pinehurst Avenue, Providence, RI 97-274 Compensation for damages sustained on October 16, 1996 whereby petitioner's vehicle was towed by the Providence Police Department due to the petitioner's license being expired. Petitioner later learned that through the D.M.V. that his license did not expire until his birthday.

Branch Towing	- \$80.00
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JESSE J. SANDERS, III, 185 Baker Street, Providence, RI. 97-299  
Compensation for damages sustained on September 27, 1995 whereby petitioner was involved in an accident at the intersection of Prairie Avenue and Oxford Street with a Providence Police vehicle.

HERTZ CORPORATION, PO Box 721, Park Ridge, NJ. 97-281  
Compensation for damages sustained on March 11, 1997 whereby a tree branch fell onto petitioner's vehicle while parked at 57 Rome Avenue. Allegedly, a Brown & Ferris truck caused the tree branch to fall.

On motion of Councilman Allen, seconded by Councilman Hassett, it is voted to deny the foregoing claims upon the recommendation of the Law Department.

CHAIRMAN LOMBARDI: Those in favor signify by saying "aye".

COMMITTEE: Aye.

CHAIRMAN LOMBARDI: Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

LEONA JOHNSON, (Brian R. Cunha, Esq.), 311 Pine Street, Fall River, MA. 95-368 Compensation for injuries sustained on November 9, 1995 while petitioner was walking along Angel Street whereby petitioner crossed the street and fell due to the sidewalk being lifted very high.

BRENDA BLIGH, 29 Knollwood Avenue, Cranston, RI. 97-170  
Compensation for damages sustained on April 5, 1997 whereby petitioner struck a pothole located on Greenwood Avenue and Manton Avenue.

PAUL S. PERFETTO, PO Box 23097, Providence, RI. 97-109  
Compensation for damages sustained on February 26, 1997 while petitioner was turning off of Elmwood Avenue onto Spooner Street whereby petitioner struck a rut in the road which had a sign post sticking out of the road.

INTOWN LAUNDRY & DRY CLEANERS, INC., (Roy Fonseca, Pres.), 385 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 97-291 Compensation for damages whereby water service had been shut-off to petitioner's business without notice on three occasions.

Claim - \$240.00

FIRST BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, 180 Washington Street, Providence, RI. 97-257 Compensation for damages sustained on April 24, 1997 whereby water service was shut off to most of Washington Street and when the water was restored, it continuously ran from the toilets of the petitioner's building which was located on the second floor which then leaked into the basement causing damage to the petitioner's telephone system.

Nortel Systems, Inc. - \$664.00

Gem Plumbing - \$145.00

PROVIDENCE GAS COMPANY, 100 Weybosset Street, Providence, RI.  
97-337 Compensation for damages sustained on December 27, 1995  
whereby the Water Supply Board while repairing a water main break  
allegedly did not compact the soil properly causing a settlement, thereby  
breaking the tap service running across Northup Street at or near 369  
Northup Street.

PROVIDENCE GAS COMPANY, 100 Weybosset Street, Providence, RI.  
97-338 Compensation for damages sustained on December 4, 1995 while  
the Water Supply Board repaired a water main break whereby causing a gas  
main break.

Claim - \$3,053.59

On motion of Councilman Hassett, seconded by Councilman Allen, it is  
voted to continue the foregoing claims upon the recommendation of the Law  
Department and the Water Supply Board.

CHAIRMAN LOMBARDI: Those in favor signify by saying "aye".

COMMITTEE: Aye.

CHAIRMAN LOMBARDI: Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

On motion of Councilman Hassett, seconded by Councilman Allen, it is  
voted to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Section 42-46-5 A-2 of the Rhode  
Island General Laws.

Roll Call:

Chairman Lombardi:	Aye.
Vice-Chairman Mancini:	Absent.
Councilman Allen:	Aye.
Councilman Hassett:	Aye.
Councilwoman Romano:	Absent.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### RECONVENTION

On motion of Councilman Hassett, seconded by Councilman Allen, it is  
voted to reconvene into open session.

Roll Call:

Chairman Lombardi:	Aye.
Vice-Chairman Mancini:	Absent.
Councilman Allen:	Aye.
Councilman Hassett:	Aye.
Councilwoman Romano:	Absent.

On motion of Councilman Allen, seconded by Councilman Hassett, it is  
voted to close and seal the minutes of Executive Session.

CHAIRMAN LOMBARDI: Those in favor signify by saying "aye".

COMMITTEE: Aye.

CHAIRMAN LOMBARDI: Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

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Certificates from the City Assessor (Nos. 25A and 26A, 1B through 4B, 5C and 6C) recommending the same be Severally Cancelled pursuant to the provisions of Sections 14 and 15 of Title 44, Chapter 7 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 1956, As Amended.

On motion of Councilman Allen, seconded by Councilman Hassett, it is voted to transmit the subject certificates to the City Council with recommendation the same be severally approved for cancellation.

CHAIRMAN LOMBARDI: Those in favor signify by saying "aye".

COMMITTEE: Aye.

CHAIRMAN LOMBARDI: Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion of Councilman Allen, seconded by Councilman Hassett, it is voted to adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

*Barbara A. Sorensen*  
CLERK

*Lesley M. Sheffington*  
Assistant Clerk