

CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 33 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, February 15, 1996, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.)

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

EVELYN V. FARGNOLI

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Pro Tempore Fagnoli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Iglizzi, Jackson, Lombardi, Councilwomen Nolan, Williams and Young—11.

Absent: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Allen, Mancini and Rollins—4.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by COUNCIL-
WOMAN RITA M. WILLIAMS.

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

COUNCILMAN ROBERT M. CLARKIN
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 RECORDS

The Journal of Proceedings No. 30 of the
Regular Meeting of the City Council held
January 4, 1996, and Posted February 1,
1996, on that Bulletin Board located on the
Ground Floor Level of City Hall, is Approved
as Printed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IG-
LIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOM-
BARDI.

APPOINTMENTS BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated January 31, 1996, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302 (b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Mr. Mark Feinstein of 400 Laurel Hill Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Providence Economic Development Corporation for a term expiring in November, 1997.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI Receives the Communication and Refers the Appointment to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Receive and Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated February 1, 1996, Informing the Honorable Evelyn V. Fagnoli, Council President Pro Tempore that pursuant to the Study Commission on City Tax Revenues created by Resolution No. 717, approved December 28, 1995, he is this day appointing William Collins, Director of Policy to serve as a Member of the Commission effective this date.

Layed on the Clerk's Desk, on motion of **COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI**, seconded by **COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI**.

The motion to Lay the Communication on the Clerk's Desk is Unanimously Sustained.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Communication dated February 7, 1996, Informing the City Clerk of her appointments to the various Special Committees of the City Council for 1996.

February 7, 1996

Michael R. Clement, City Clerk
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Mr. Clement:

In accordance with the authority granted me under the provisions of Resolutions of the City Council Nos. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 approved January 24, 1996, I hereby make the following appointments to the Special Committees of the City Council for 1996:

Special Committee for the Purpose of Observing Saint Patrick's Day, March 17, 1996:

Councilman Robert M. Clarkin

Councilman Thomas M. Glavin

Councilwoman Patricia K. Nolan

Councilman John H. Rollins, and

Councilman Kevin Jackson.

Special Committee for the Purpose of Observing the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker, 1996:

Councilwoman Josephine DiRuzzo

Councilman David V. Iglizzi

Councilman Peter S. Mancini

Councilman John J. Lombardi, and

Councilwoman Rita M. Williams.

Special Committee for the Purpose of the 220th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1996:

Councilman Peter S. Mancini

Councilwoman Balbina A. Young

Councilman Ronald W. Allen

Councilwoman Patricia K. Nolan, and

Councilman John H. Rollins.

Special Committee for the Purpose of Observing the 504th Anniversary of the Discovery of America by the Italian Navigator Cristofaro Colombo, October 12, 1996:

Councilman John J. Lombardi

Councilwoman Josephine DiRuzzo

Councilman David V. Iglizzi

Councilman Peter S. Mancini, and

Councilman Joseph DeLuca.

Special Committee for the Purpose of Observing the Municipal Observance of Armistice Day, November 11, 1996:

Councilman Peter S. Mancini

Councilman Thomas M. Glavin

Councilman Robert M. Clarkin

Councilman Kevin Jackson, and

Councilwoman Balbina A. Young.

Special Committee for the Purpose of Observing Christmas Day, December 25, 1996:

Councilwoman Evelyn V. Fagnoli

Councilman Robert M. Clarkin

Councilwoman Balbina A. Young

Councilman John H. Rollins, and

Councilman Ronald W. Allen.

The first named member of each Committee shall have authority to call the first meeting for the purpose of organization.

Very truly yours,

EVELYN V. FARGNOLI
Council President Pro Tempore

Received.

ORDINANCES SECOND READING

The following Ordinance was in City Council February 1, 1996, Read and Passed the First Time, as Amended and is returned for Passage the Second Time, as Amended:

An Ordinance amending Section 17-197 of the Code of Ordinances entitled: "Cost of Living Adjustment", as amended.

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. Section 17-197 of the Code of Ordinances entitled: "Cost of living adjustment" is hereby amended to read as follows:

Any retired class B employee and any beneficiary of such employee who receives any service or any ordinary disability retirement allowance or any accidental disability retirement allowance pursuant to the provisions of this article, shall, on the first day of January next following the third anniversary date of his/her retirement, receive a cost-of-living adjustment, in addition to the retirement allowance, in an amount equal to three (3) per cent of said retirement allowance, not compounded, on upto the first Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars of said retirement allowance. For the purpose of said computation, credit shall be given for a full calendar year, regardless of the effective date of said retirement allowance. In each succeeding year thereafter, on the first day of January, the original retirement allowance shall be increased by three (3) per cent, not

compounded on upto the first Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars of the original retirement allowance, to be continued during the lifetime of said retired employee or beneficiary.

Any cost-of-living retirement adjustment granted to a retired employee or any beneficiary of said employee under this section shall be considered voluntary gratuities. The payment of such voluntary gratuities may be reduced or suspended by Ordinance at any time upon a finding by the City Council that due to the existence of a depressed economy affecting the fiscal condition of the City becomes expedient to reduce expenses in order to avoid or minimize tax increase.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall become effective retroactively to January 1, 1996.

Read and Passed the Second Time, as Amended, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fargnoli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Ig-

liozi, Jackson, Councilwomen Nolan and Williams—7.

Absent: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Allen, Mancini and Rollins—4.

Noes: Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin and Lombardi—3

The motion for Passage the Second Time, as Amended is Sustained.

Not Voting: Councilwoman Young—1.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI (By Request):

Power Plant Tax Increment Project Plan, as amended.

An Ordinance in amendment of Section 17-184 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence regarding Employees' Retirement System.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Finance.

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The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

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COUNCILMAN GLAVIN:

An Ordinance Authorizing the issuance of bonds to finance the Community Facilities Project.

An Ordinance approving and adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan and the Attached Restriction for the Douglas Avenue Revitalization Project.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Finance.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

An Ordinance to Adopt the Manchester Street

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI and COUNCILMAN MANCINI (By Request):

An Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 1995-28 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence making an Appropriation of Three Hundred Ten Million, Two Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand, Six Hundred Ninety-One Dollars (\$310,262,691.00) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, as amended.

Read and Passed the First Time and Referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fagnoli, Councilman Clarkin, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Igliazzi, Lombardi and Councilwoman Williams—7.

Noes: Councilmen DeLuca, Jackson, Councilwomen Nolan and Young—4.

Absent: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Allen, Mancini and Rollins—4.

The motion for Passage the First Time and Referral to the Committee on Finance is Sustained.

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI:

An Ordinance amending the City of Providence Zoning Ordinance Chapter 1994-24, No. 365, approved June 27, 1994, as amended May 26, 1995.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Ordinances.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

An Ordinance amending the Classes of Position, the Maximum Number of Employees and the Number of Employees in certain classes in the City Departments and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 1995-30, approved December 28, 1995, as Amended.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

An Ordinance amending the Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and Repealing Ordinance Chapter 1995-29, approved December 29, 1995, as Amended.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI, COUNCILMAN ALLEN, COUNCILMAN CLARKIN, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO, COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI, COUNCILMAN GLAVIN, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN MANCINI, COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN, COUNCILMAN ROLLINS, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS and COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:

Resolution Extending the sincere best wishes of the Members of the City Council to Lieutenant John McKenna, a Providence Firefighter who was injured in the line of duty when helping fellow firefighters and became trapped in an inferno.

Whereas, On January 29, 1996, at about 11:30 o'clock P.M. the Providence Fire Department was summoned to a house fire at 79 Detroit Avenue, and

Whereas, Upon arriving at the scene the firefighters noticed smoke and flames coming from the basement of a three story house which overlooks Route 95, and

Whereas, Lieutenant John E. McKenna a seventeen year veteran firefighter, and a member of Engine Company 10 directed his men to the rear of the building to fight the fire in the basement, and

Whereas, When entering the building a portion of the stairs leading to the basement suddenly collapsed sending members of Engine Company 10 into the basement, and

Whereas, Lieutenant McKenna through his quick thinking and reaction hoisted the men through a hole to safety but was unable to escape

himself, because his feet apparently got tangled in a hose, and

Whereas, His fellow firefighters noticing that Lieutenant McKenna was having trouble getting out himself began their rescue attempts to save him. After several failed efforts to reach McKenna through the hole, firefighters finally freed him by tying ropes around their waists wriggling through a basement window and carrying him out the way they went in, and

Whereas, Lieutenant McKenna suffered burns to his face, ears and neck, and his lungs were severely damaged from smoke inhalation. He was listed in satisfactory condition, and

Whereas, Those firefighters who rescued McKenna were also injured and they should be commended along with McKenna for putting their lives on the line for their fellow firefighter.

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Members of the Providence City Council do hereby congratulate Lieutenant John E. McKenna for his heroic efforts in the line of duty with disregard for his own life. The City Council would also like to recognize Captain William Charella, Inspector Roger Laurendeau, Firefighters Alan Sousa, Michael Krasnowtecki, William Wass, Peter Cugini and Paul Rossiter for rescuing McKenna when he became trapped in the burning basement and wishing all the firefighters God speed and full recovery from their injuries.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI
(By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to cause the Street Lighting along Donelson Street to be increased to a higher lumen, especially on Pole No. 20.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to cause the Street Lighting along Donelson Street to be increased to a higher lumen, especially on Pole No. 20.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN and COUNCILMAN ROLLINS (By Request):

Resolution Requesting His Honor, the Mayor to authorize and execute a deed of conveyance on that property located at 25 Farragut Street on Assessor's Plat 59, Lot 80, to the Providence Redevelopment Agency for development purposes.

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

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN:

Resolution Requesting the Finance Committee to rescind the Parking Passes of the Members of

the City Council and replace them with "Front Wheel to Curb on Street Parking".

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

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution Authorizing the transfer of a portion of the Gorham Site to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

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

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution Extending the Study Commission on Residency to September 1, 1996.

Whereas, The Providence City Council does hereby extend the study commission of the City Council for the enforcement of the Residency Requirements as set forth by the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980 and the voters of the City of Providence, and

Whereas, The purpose of said commission is to track and monitor that Section 1210 of the Home Rule Charter which states Residence requirement; exemptions; and,

Whereas, The City Council believes that tracking and monitoring the residency rule would be in the best interest of the City, and

Whereas, The Commission shall consist of

seven (7) members, three of whom shall be City Council Members, appointed by the City Council President, one (1) of which shall be the Director of Personnel or his or her designee, one (1) of whom shall be the City Solicitor or his or her designee, one (1) of whom shall be a member of a bargaining unit within the City of Providence, appointed by the City Council President and one (1) of whom shall be the Chairperson of the Providence Review Commission or his or her designee to be appointed by the City Council President.

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Study Commission on Residency shall be extended and shall respond to the City Council no later than September 1, 1996.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILMAN CLARKIN, COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN, COUNCILMAN ROLLINS and COUNCILWOMAN DIRUZZO:

Resolution Requesting the Department of Elderly Affairs to fully fund the Senior Center in the City of Providence.

Resolved, That the Department of Elderly Affairs is requested to fully fund the Senior Center in the City of Providence.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing the City Treasurer and the Director of Finance to execute and deliver continuing disclosure certificates in connection with the bonds or notes issued by the Providence Public Building Authority, in such form as shall be deemed advisable by the City Treasurer and the Director of Finance.

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

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

COUNCILWOMAN FARGNOLI:

Resolution Creating a Commission to Restructure Providence Finances and repeal Resolution No. 717, approved December 28, 1995.

Whereas, The City of Providence faces a persistent structural deficit because the cost of government is rising much more rapidly than revenues;

Whereas, The property tax burden in the City of Providence, especially the tax on business property, is among the highest in the state;

Whereas, The value of taxable property has declined significantly during the 1990s while the value of tax-exempt property has increased significantly;

Whereas, Continued immigration is causing our school costs to rise at a rate far beyond what our local revenues can support, and state aid is insufficient to overcome the gap in school funding;

Whereas, There is an ever-growing need for additional State aid to support City government,

but the prospect of such aid is uncertain because of the recessionary conditions that exist in Rhode Island;

Whereas, The bond rating of the City of Providence has been lowered in recent months because of these financial constraints;

Whereas, The major interests of the City and State must unite in order to fashion bold, innovative and lasting solutions to the fundamental problems enumerated herein;

Whereas, Rule 27 of the Rules of the City Council provides for the creation of a Study Commission;

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That Resolution No. 717 dated December 28, 1995 is hereby repealed;

Be it further Resolved, That the Commission to Restructure Providence City Finances is hereby created; the Commission shall consist of Nine (9) members: Two (2) members of the City Council appointed by the President of the City Council; One (1) appointee of the Mayor; One (1) State Representative appointed by the Providence Delegation; One (1) State Senator appointed by the Providence Delegation; the Chairman of the Providence Plan; the Executive Director of the R.I. Public Expenditure Council; One (1) Citizen of the General Public appointed by the Council President; and a Chairman, who shall be appointed by the Council President. The chairman of the Finance Committee shall be a nonvoting member of the Commission.

The Staff of the Commission shall consist of the Finance Director of the City; the Internal Auditor of the City Council; the Director of Business Operations of the School Department; the City Assessor; the executive director of The Providence Plan; loaned staff from the R.I. Public Expenditure Council; and such other individuals from within or without the City government as the Chairman may appoint. Should the Commission seek to expend City monies for purposes

related to its mission, the Commission shall present such requests to the City Council.

The Commission shall make detailed written proposals to the Mayor and the City Council to address the following questions, among others:

* How can the City government increase revenues, restrain expenditures, and fulfill its service obligations as the principal city in Southeastern New England?

* Does the existing system of City and State funding for public education meet the needs of students, parents and taxpayers, or should the funding system be amended or replaced?

* Should any existing City services be reduced, eliminated, transferred to another level of government, or privatized?

* Is the existing property tax adequate to meet the needs of our City, or should this tax be supplemented or replaced with other sources of revenue?

* What is the proper role of the tax-exempt institutions of our City in promoting the financial stability and service capability of the City government?

* Considering the pending revaluation of City property, how can the tax burdens of the City be distributed among different classes of property in order to promote home ownership and the expansion of taxable businesses in our City?

The Commission shall present its findings and recommendations in periodic reports to the Mayor and the City Council, with the first interim report due no later than one year from the passage of this resolution. The Commission shall remain in existence, and provide guidance and assistance at least until the completion of the property revaluation in 1998 or thereafter.

COUNCILMAN GLAVIN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Francis Street, from Smith Street to American Express Plaza and Gaspee Street, from Smith Street to Francis Street on Saturday, June 15, 1996, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock Noon to 12:00 o'clock Midnight for the Olympic Torch Relay sponsored by the United Way of Southeastern New England.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Francis Street, from Smith Street to American Express Plaza and Gaspee Street, from Smith Street to Francis Street on Saturday, June 15, 1996, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock Noon to 12:00 o'clock Midnight for the Olympic Torch Relay sponsored by the United Way of Southeastern New England.

COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI and COUNCILMAN ROLLINS (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Union Street, from Washington Street to Worcester Street from 6:00 o'clock A.M. on Thursday, March 14, 1996, through 12:00 o'clock Midnight on Saturday, March 16, 1996, to accommodate the NCAA Basketball Regional Tournament.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Union Street, from Washington Street to Worcester Street from 6:00 o'clock A.M. on Thursday, March 14, 1996, through 12:00 o'clock Midnight on

Saturday, March 16, 1996, to accommodate the NCAA Basketball Regional Tournament.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Aborn Street from Fountain Street to Washington Street on March 14, 1996 to March 17, 1996 between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. to 10:00 o'clock P.M. for the NCAA Playoffs.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Aborn Street from Fountain Street to Washington Street on March 14, 1996 to March 17, 1996 between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. to 10:00 o'clock P.M. for the NCAA Playoffs.

COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to upgrade the street lighting on Pole Nos. 1 and 2 located along Snow Street.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to upgrade the street lighting on Pole Nos. 1 and 2 located along Snow Street.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COUNCILMAN ROBERT M. CLARKIN, Chairman COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

Transmits the following with recommendation the Same be Severally Approved:

Resolution Requesting the City of Providence to accept and authorize the Recorder of Deeds to accept for recording, a certain conveyance from the Providence Redevelopment Agency to the City of Providence for highway purposes, a certain parcel of land depicted on the attached map and known as AP 8, Lot 244, 7 Proctor Place.

Resolved, That the City of Providence does hereby accept and authorize the Recorder of Deeds to accept for recording, a certain conveyance from the Providence Redevelopment Agency to the City of Providence for highway purposes, a certain parcel of land depicted on the attached map and known as AP 8, Lot 244, 7 Proctor Place.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "No Parking to Corner" Signs along Atlantic Avenue, at its intersection with Elmwood Avenue, opposite the Alternate Learning Project, as it is impossible for two way traffic with parking on both sides of the street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of "No Parking to Corner" Signs along Atlantic Avenue, at its intersection with Elmwood Avenue, opposite the Alternate Learning Project, as it is impossible for two way traffic with parking on both sides of the street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to study the feasibility of establishing Glossup Street as a One-Way Street from Woonasquacket Avenue to Fruit Hill Avenue.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to study the feasibility of establishing Glossup Street as a One-Way Street from Woonasquacket Avenue to Fruit Hill Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "No Parking" Signs along Evergreen Street on the even side of the Street, from North Main Street to Camp Street.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of "No Parking" Signs along Evergreen Street on the even side of the Street, from North Main Street to Camp Street.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of Four-Way "Stop" Signs at the intersection of Daniel Avenue and Dorchester Avenue.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of Four-Way "Stop" Signs at the intersection of Daniel Avenue and Dorchester Avenue.

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of Four-Way "Stop" Signs at the intersection of Pitman Street and Butler Avenue.

Resolved, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of Four-Way "Stop" Signs at the intersection of Pitman Street and Butler Avenue.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

Resolution Granting Permission to the Bank of Boston for the installation of a Handicapped Ramp at 280 Atwells Avenue.

Whereas, Lamborghini/Feibelman AIA on behalf of Bank of Boston (hereinafter "Petitioner") has sought to construct a handicap pedestrian ramp at the entrance to its premises located at 280 Atwells Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island; and

Whereas, Said ramp as proposed will encroach upon the public walkway; and

Whereas, After study of Petitioner's request, the City, acting through its appropriate authorities, has determined that the proposed encroachment is not adverse to the public interest,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Petitioner is granted permission to construct and maintain a handicap pedestrian ramp at the entrance to 280 Atwells Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island. Provided, however, that said grant is specifically conditioned upon:

1. All construction with relation to the said

ramp is completed in accordance with plans and specifications submitted by the Petitioner to the City Department of Inspection & Standards as those plans may have been modified and/or approved by said Department.

2. The Petitioner shall supply and retain in effect a certificate of insurance in an amount of not less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) listing the City of Providence and its assigns and successors, agents, officers, servants and employees as additional named insureds.

3. The Petitioner shall execute an indemnification and hold harmless agreement satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

4. The Petitioner shall grant to the appropriate public utility(ies) and/or governmental agency-(ies), by pertinent document, any easements, licenses, or the like, so as to maintain public services.

5. A certified copy of the within Resolution shall be recorded in the Office of Land Evidence of the City of Providence.

6. Any rights or obligations granted hereunder shall be deemed to run with the land and shall operate against any and all successors in interest and/or title.

7. Any rights or obligations granted hereunder shall remain in full force and effect for so long as the encroachment permitted hereby does cease to be utilized for the purposes specified earlier.

8. Such other reasonable conditions as the Mayor and/or the Department of Law may impose hereunder.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

**COUNCILWOMAN JOSEPHINE DiRUZZO, Chairwoman
COMMITTEE ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT,
RENEWAL AND PLANNING**

**Transmits the following with recommen-
dation the Same be Adopted:**

An Ordinance in amendment of and in addition to Chapter 1977-15 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence approved April 28, 1977, entitled: "An Ordinance approving and adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for Federal Hill East" for the deletion of property.

Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fagnoli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen

Glavin, Iglizzo, Jackson, Lombardi, Councilwomen Nolan, Williams and Young—11.

Noes: None

Absent: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Allen, Mancini and Rollins—4.

The motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

**Transmits with recommendation the Same
be Severally Approved:**

Resolution Requesting the intersection of Camp Street and Doyle Avenue be named in honor of B. Albert Ford.

Whereas, Mr. Ford was affiliated with many civic organizations and held many positions in fraternal organizations, and

Whereas, Mr. Ford was a communicant of the Cathedral of Saint John and past Warden of the Church of Our Savior, and

Whereas, He was a 33rd degree mason, and

Whereas, He was a Member of the Corporation of Blue Cross and Blue Shield, a Director of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Board and Chairman of the Rhode Island State Personnel Appeal Board, and

Whereas, Mr. Ford was a Past President of the Irreproachable Beneficial Association, Vice-Chairman of the Providence Financial Review

Commission and a Member of the Democratic State Executive Committee, and

Whereas, Mr. Ford was a Past President of the Urban League of Rhode Island, a Member of the Mayor's Committee on Housing and Relocation in Providence and a Member of the Board of Bannister House, and

Whereas, He received the Urban League of Rhode Island Award for Outstanding Community Service in 1983 and the Providence Branch NAACP Outstanding Service Award in 1982, the Bronze Brotherhood Award of the National Conference of Christians and Jews was posthumously awarded to him on May 3, 1984,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the intersection of Camp Street and Doyle Avenue be named in honor of B. Albert Ford.

Resolution Requesting the intersection of Camp Street and Cypress Street be named in honor of William H. "Dixie" Matthews, former Deputy City Clerk.

Whereas, Mr. Matthews was a leader in political, social, civic and athletic activities, and

Whereas, A student at Providence Technical High School "Dixie" earned All-State Honors in baseball and football for three (3) consecutive years, and unprecedented feat. In furtherance of his education, he matriculated at Providence College and while there, continued to display his football and baseball playing ability, and

Whereas, "Dixie" later continued his prowess in sports as Field Captain and Leader of "Dixie" Matthews All-Stars, a semi pro baseball team and in football, as a member of the Providence Steam Rollers, the Providence Huskies and later, the New York Brown Bombers, who were under the direction of Fritz Pollard, a famous Brown Alumnus of yesteryear, and

Whereas, Mr. Matthews was always busy; solicitous of the welfare of his people, he found time to enter politics and was elected to the Third Ward Democratic Committee, of which, the membership elected him as Secretary, a position held for 28 years. During this same period, he has given valuable service to the Democratic City Committee and twice has been a delegate to the Democratic Party National Conventions, and

Whereas, He was first appointed as Second Deputy Clerk by Mayor Reynolds on February 17, 1963, and he was elevated to First Deputy City Clerk by Mayor Reynolds in September, 1963 when a vacancy occurred in that office,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the intersection of Camp Street and Cypress Street be named in honor of William H. "Dixie" Matthews, former Deputy City Clerk.

Resolution Requesting that Washington Park Square be renamed "The William R. Abrahamson Memorial Square" in honor of the deceased Ranger shot while patrolling Roger Williams Park.

Whereas, The Washington Park Citizens Association has applied for a special grant from Keep Providence Beautiful and are soliciting donations from the businesses in the area to beautify Washington Park Square, and

Whereas, William R. Abrahamson was born in Providence and lived in Washington Park for 25 years, and

Whereas, William R. Abrahamson was married with three sons and two daughters, and

Whereas, Mr. Abrahamson was a Park Ranger and a Union Steward for Local 1033, City of Providence, representing many Parks Department workers, and

Whereas, Bill Abrahamson was brutally shot while patrolling Roger Williams Park on October 12, 1995 and died soon thereafter on October 18, 1995 in Rhode Island Hospital,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That henceforth, Washington Park Square be known as "The William R. Abrahamson Memorial Square" in recognition of his dedication and commitment to the Washington Park neighborhood and to the Parks Department of the City of Providence.

Resolution Requesting that the field located adjacent to Classical High School be adopted by the Alumni and a Plaque be erected in honor of Alfred V. Morro, longtime teacher and coach.

Resolved, That the field located adjacent to Classical High School be adopted by the Alumni

and a Plaque be erected in honor of Alfred V. Morro, longtime teacher and coach.

The motion for Passage is Unanimously Sustained.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

COUNCILWOMAN EVELYN V. FARGNOLI, Chairwoman COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

**Transmits with recommendation the Same
be Approved:**

Resolution Reporting Receipt of certain gifts of moneys by the Board of Park Commissioners for the preservation and care of specified burial lots in North Burial Ground.

Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Mr. Henry W. Markoff of 44 Faunce Drive, Providence, Rhode Island, as a member of the Building Board of Review for a term to expire in January, 2001, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council President Pro Tempore Fagnoli, Councilmen Clarkin, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Glavin, Igliazzi, Jackson, Lombardi, Councilwomen Nolan, Williams and Young—11.

Communication dated January 12, 1996, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1013 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Mr. Miguel Luna of 146 Warrington Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the City Plan Commission for a term to expire in January, 2001 and respectfully submits the same for approval.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council President Petrosinelli, Councilmen Allen, Mancini and Rollins—4.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

Communication dated January 4, 1996, informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 1011 of the

Communication dated January 19, 1996, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 815 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day reappointing Mr. Karl F. Ericson of 196 President Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island,

as a Member of the Board of Investment Commissioners for a term to expire in January, 1999.

The motion for Approval is Unanimously Sustained.

Communication dated January 19, 1996, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302 (b) and 701 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, he is this day appointing Aisha Abdullah-Odiase of 48 Gladstone Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Providence School Board for a term to expire in January, 1999 and respectfully submits the same for approval. Ms. Aisha Abdullah-Odiase will be replacing Mr. Pao Robert Kue whose term has expired.

Communication from Michael R. Clement, City Clerk, dated December 18, 1995, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council of appointments and reappointments to the Juvenile Hearing Board: Kenneth Brown, Ruth Abreau Rosales, Robert J. DiMaio, Fred A. Trappassi, Carlos Pia, Kai Cameron.

Communication Received and Appointments Approved, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

Communications Severally Received and Appointments Collectively Approved, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion for Approval is Sustained.

PERSONAL EXPRESSION

COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN at this time requests to speak on a point of personal privilege and states:

"Every evening this past week I have been afraid to go home into my neighborhood because lately, every night there has been some type of activity and I have been hearing the same from the people of Elmwood. Just to mention a few tragedies, the fire at 79 Detroit Avenue, where Lieutenant McKenna helped other firefighters out of the basement and was critically injured himself; the two Castro children 1 and 3 years old who died in a fire, Joel Olivera who lost his

life after hitching a ride on a snow plow. I have people in my area listening to scanners and then phoning me.

I pray for Lieutenant McKenna and his family and for the Castro Children and the Public Works Driver who has been devastated by this accident, who I understand has a child the same age at home. You can never replace a child.

We need to let these people know that we care and we will support them."

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

FROM LAURENCE K. FLYNN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARD OF CANVASSERS:

Received.

Annual Report dated January 31, 1996 for the year January 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995.

Received.

FROM NANCY L. DERRIG, SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS:

Annual Report for 1995.

Received.

FROM DEBORAH MELINO-WENDER, OPERATIONS, CAPITAL CENTER COMMISSION:

Annual Report of Operations, from the Capital Center Commission dated January 30, 1996 beginning July 1, 1994 — June 30, 1995.

Received.

FROM THE CITY ASSESSOR:

Certificates (Nos. 18z through 19z) 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.

Severally Referred to Committee on Claims and Pending Suits, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI.

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

FROM RICHARD O. RAFANOVIC, GENERAL MANAGER AND CHIEF ENGINEER:

Annual Report from the Water Supply Board dated January 30, 1996 for fiscal year 1994-1995.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition from Robert and Karen Rice for permission to abandon a portion of Hebron Street and Gainer Street (paper street).

FARGNOLI Refers the Petition to the Committee on Public Works.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The motion to Refer is Unanimously Sustained.

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

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| Robert Bielawaski | Jennet D. Kirshenbaum and Blossom Kirshenbaum |
| Travelers' Insurance Co., a/s/o Jason H. Cohen | Minerva M. Makhlouf |
| Barbara A. Lakeberg-Dridi | Sandra L. Sherman |
| Jill Pipher | Northland Insurance Co., a/s/o James and Mary Watson |
| Metropolitan Insurance Co., a/s/o Jessica Martin | Insurance Company of North America a/s/o Commonwealth Metal Corp. |
| Jennifer Bailey p.p.a. Melissa Bailey | Muyibet Alesh p.p.a. Olawale Alesh |
| George Wolfenden | Estate of Anna Letizia |
| Erik W. Johansen | Phyllis Proia |
| Joseph W. Frank | Kevin Thoma |
| Victoria Saritelli | Chris McNamara |
| Carol Nicoletti | Maria M. Garganese |
| Kevin Andrew Carney | Richard A. Reynolds |
| Alan J. Heaton | Janice M. Ruggieri |
| Carols Villavicencio | COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FARGNOLI Severally Refers the Petitions to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits. |
| Louis J. Tromba | The motion to Refer, is Unanimously Sustained. |
| Frances diBiasio | |
| Dana R. Simmons | |
| Thomas E. Nary | |
| Dyrall Chapman | |

PRESENTATION OF CITATIONS

"In Congratulations"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL: of the celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Citations Extending Congratulations.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Mancini, in recognition

Read and Passed, on motion of **COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI**, seconded by **COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI**.

The motion for Passage, is Unanimously Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSINELLI 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:

Alfred "Fred" Petrucci

Louis Paolucci

Thomas J. Howell

Anna Santangelo

Hubert Maloney

Armando O. Lonardo

Jean J. Bonanno

Anna Calitri

Joseph E. Silva

Jean M. Azar

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, by a **Unanimous Rising Vote**, on motion of **COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI**, seconded by **COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI**.

The motion for Passage, Unanimously is Sustained.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, seconded by COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI, it is voted to adjourn at 8:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.).

Michael R. Clement

City Clerk



