

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
RHODE ISLAND**



**CITY COUNCIL**

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

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**No. 8 City Council Special Meeting, Monday, March 30, 2020, 5:30 o'clock P.M.**

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**PRESIDING**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
SABINA MATOS**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS, COUNCILWOMEN ANTHONY, CASTILLO, COUNCILMEN CORREIA, ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILWOMEN KERWIN, LAFORTUNE, MILLER, COUNCILMAN NARDUCCI, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILMEN SALVATORE AND TAYLOR – 14.**

**ALSO PRESENT: SHAWN SELLECK, CITY CLERK, TINA L. MASTROIANNI, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, SHERI A. PETRONIO, SECOND DEPUTY CITY CLERK AND JEFFREY DANA, CITY SOLICITOR**

**THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE**

## ROLL CALL

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### **JEFFREY DANA'S LETTER - EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-05**

Communication from Jeffrey Dana, City Solicitor, dated March 30, 2020, submitting his letter per Governor Gina Raimondo's Executive Order 20-5, issued March 30, 2020.

Per Governor Gina M. Raimondo's Executive Order 20-05, issued March 16, 2020, I advise the Council of the following:

The City Council is relieved from the prohibitions regarding the use of telephonic or electronic communication to conduct meetings, contained in RI General Laws 42-46-5(b), provided that it is meeting for an essential purpose and makes provisions to ensure public access to the meeting by adequate, alternative means. The Executive Order defines essential purpose as, "that which is necessary for continued government operations or to ensure compliance with the statutory or regulatory guidelines." This relief is in full force and effect until April 15, 2020.

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## INVOCATION

**COUNCILWOMAN RYAN** Moves to Dispense with the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance, Seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS**.

**COUNCILWOMAN RYAN** Withdraws her Motion and **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS** Withdraws her Second.

The Invocation is given by **COUNCILMAN JOHN J. IGLIOZZI**.

"During these trying times and difficult times, I ask all of us to reflect upon our loved ones, our friends, and families and everybody going through this horrific event. Give prayers and positive thoughts to people that we know that are fighting the illness, our families who may be exposed to it or who are being quarantined and of course the families that have lost loved ones in these past weeks, not just in America but across the world. It's an important time that we reflect as leaders to do everything we can to help our friends, families and our constituents that we represent. So, let's do a moment of silence at the end of the prayer for the folks that are praying for loved ones that are fighting this horrible disease and the ones that have lost their families and friends. Moment of silence if we could."

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## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT SABINA MATOS** Leads the Members of the City Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

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## CALL FOR SPECIAL MEETING

### COMMUNICATION FROM

### COUNCIL PRESIDENT SABINA MATOS

Request filed with the City Clerk March 26, 2020, Requesting a Special Meeting of the City Council to be called on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. via Remote Conference Call Dial In: +16465588656 with Pin: 678765455# and press # to join -- Or join with Zoom account: <https://zoom.us/j/678765455>

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS** Receives the foregoing Communication.

<b>RESULT:</b> <b>RECEIVED</b>
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## WARRANT FOR SPECIAL MEETING

Warrant of the City Clerk to David Tassoni, City Sergeant with Return Certification that he has notified each member of the City Council of the Special Meeting Called for the 30th day of March, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. via Remote Conference Call Dial In: +16465588656 with Pin: 678765455# and press # to join -- Or join with Zoom account: <https://zoom.us/j/678765455>

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS** Receives the foregoing Warrant.

<b>RESULT:</b> <b>RECEIVED</b>
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## EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Executive Order 2020-3, submitted by His Honor the Mayor, dated March 20, 2020, Supplemental Emergency Declaration.

### COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives Executive Order 2020-3.

**RESULT: RECEIVED**

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Executive Order 2020-4, submitted by His Honor the Mayor, dated March 26, 2020, Supplemental Emergency Declaration.

### COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS Receives Executive Order 2020-4.

**RESULT: RECEIVED**

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## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

### COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATOS

Resolution Requesting the Members of the City Council to consent to the Mayor's issuance of Executive Orders 2020-1, 2020-2, 2020-3 and 2020-4.

**RESOLVED**, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby consent to the Mayor's issuance of a declaration of a state of emergency in the City of Providence through April 17, 2020, for the reasons stated within Executive Order 2020-1, Executive Order 2020-2, Executive Order 2020-3, and Executive Order 2020-4. The Council will convene on April 16, 2020 to review any further extension, unless there has been a declaration that the need for a state of emergency has abated.

**Read and Passed, on Motion of COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, by the following Roll Call Vote:**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>READ AND PASSED [12 TO 2]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilwoman Ryan
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Council President Matos, Councilwomen Anthony, Castillo, Councilmen Correia, Espinal, Councilwomen Harris, Kerwin, LaFortune, Miller, Councilman Narducci, Councilwoman Ryan and Councilman Salvatore – 12.
<b>NAYS:</b>	Councilmen Igliazzi and Taylor – 2.

**The Motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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## CONVENTION

There being no further business, on Motion of **COUNCILWOMAN RYAN**, Seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS**, it is voted to adjourn at 5:51 o'clock P.M., to meet again **THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M.**



**SHAWN SELLECK  
CITY CLERK**