

**CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND**

**DOCKET OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
ON**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2004

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT
JOHN J. LOMBARDI**

PRESIDING

**Council
President**

13 John J. Lombardi 2

Councilman Ward 13 (D)

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1. Kevin Jackson 8. Luis A. Aponte
Councilman Ward 3 (D) Councilman Ward 10 (D)
91 Jenkins Street 02906 Majority Leader
208 Washington Avenue 02905

2. Ronald W. Allen 9. Rita M. Williams
Councilman Ward 8 (D) Councilwoman Ward 2 (D)
328 Bucklin Street 02907 Deputy Majority Leader
76 Savoy Street 02906

3. Carol A. Romano 10. Patrick K. Butler
Councilwoman Ward 4 (D) Councilman Ward 5 (D)
31 Manhattan Street 02904 63 Hilltop Avenue 02908

4. Terrence M. Hassett 11. David A. Segal
Councilman Ward 12 (D) Councilman Ward 1
15 Higgins Avenue 02908 Minority Leader (G)
335 Ives Street 02906

5. Joseph DeLuca 12. Miguel C. Luna
Councilman Ward 6 (D) Councilman Ward 9 (D)
Deputy Majority Leader 146 Warrington Street 02907
191 Carleton Street 02908

6. Peter S. Mancini 13. Balbina A. Young
Councilman Ward 14 (D) Councilwoman Ward 11 (D)
104 Meridian Street 02908 Council President Pro
Tempore 489 Public Street 02907

7. Josephine DiRuzzo 14. John J. Igliazzi
Councilwoman Ward 15 (D) Councilman Ward 7 (D)
141 Roosevelt Street 02909 19 Legion Memorial Drive 02909

1. ROLL CALL

INVOCATION

2. The Invocation will be given by Councilman Miguel C. Luna.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America led by Councilman Luis A. Aponte.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

The Following Ordinance was in City Council July 1, 2004, Read and Passed the First Time and Referred to the Committee on Ordinances and is Returned for Passage the Second Time, As Amended:

4. An Ordinance in Amendment of Article IX, Chapter 14 of the Code

of Ordinances Entitled: “Peddlers and Hawkers.”

The Following Ordinance was in City Council October 7, 2004, Read and Passed the First Time and is Returned for Passage the Second Time:

5. An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence Entitled: “The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance”, Approved June 27, 1994, As Amended, to expand the Armory Local Historic District.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI:

6. Resolution Requesting the State Board of Elections to hire and train State Inspectors for all polling places within the City of Providence.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN:

7. Resolution Requesting the Providence Public Building Authority to transfer ownership of Plat 43, Lot 483 (147-149 Burnett Street) to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

COUNCILMAN APONTE and COUNCILMAN HASSETT

(By Request):

8. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate, in whole the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 49, Lot 519 (348 Bucklin Street), along with any associated interest, penalties and intervening taxes, in accordance with Rhode Island General Law 44-7-23 and that the property is declared exempt in accordance with Rhode Island General Law 45-32-40, in the amount of Four Hundred Forty Seven Dollars and Forty Two (\$447.42) Cents.

9. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate, in whole the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 43, Lot 653 (5-7 Homestead Avenue), along with any associated interest, penalties and intervening taxes, in accordance with Rhode Island General Law 44-7-23 and that the property is declared exempt in accordance with Rhode Island General Law 45-32-40, in the amount of One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Two Dollars and Seventy Six (\$1,282.76) Cents.

10. Resolution Requesting the City Council to authorize the transfer of the Sloop Providence to the Providence Redevelopment Agency for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00).

COUNCILMAN BUTLER:

11. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Stop” Sign on both sides of Enfield Avenue at Walton Street.

COUNCILMAN MANCINI (By Request):

12. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Yield” Sign on Mink Road at the intersection of Academy Avenue.

COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG:

13. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “No-Thru Trucking” Sign along Comstock Avenue.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

COUNCILMAN TERRENCE M. HASSETT, Chairman

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved:

14. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the removal of the “Tree Bump Outs” and “Road Work in Progress” Signs at the intersection of Thayer Street and Arnold Street.

15. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of 2 “Handicapped Parking” Signs in front of Saint Sebastian’s Church.

16. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the replacement of the missing Blinking Sign on Douglas Avenue before

the Veazie Street School.

17. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Handicap Reserved” Sign, designating one space, at 684-686 Chalkstone Avenue.

18. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “No Trucks” Signs along Berkley Street.

19. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of plates on stop signs at Four-Way stops, indicating that stops at said intersections are Four-Way. (such that signs would read “STOP ALL-WAY”, or “STOP FOUR-WAY”).

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

21. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the removal of the signs on the west side of Gano Street, between Power Street and Williams Street, which read “No Parking from 9:00 o’clock P.M. to 7:00 o’clock A.M.” and “Tow Zone.”

22. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “No Parking” Signs on the east side of Pratt Street between Olney Street and Halsey Street.

23. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Loading Zone” Sign at the entrance of 425 Atwells Avenue.

24. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “No Parking” Signs on the odd numbered side of Unit Street from Manton Avenue to Chalkstone Avenue and at 180 Unit Street.

25. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Handicapped Only” Parking Sign in front of 12 Olive Street.

26. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a “Four-Way Stop” Sign at the intersection of Brown Street and Keene Street.

27. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the

replacement of the “Do Not Enter” Sign on the north west corner of Jenckes Street and Pratt Street.

28. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to change Parnell Street back to Two-Way Traffic.

29. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of “Three-Way Stop” Signs at the intersection of Enfield Avenue and Isabella Avenue.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

COUNCILMAN KEVIN JACKSON, Chairman

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

30. An Ordinance in Accordance with Chapter 21, Section 19 of the

Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence Entitled: “Capital Equipment Budget”, As Amended.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Adopted:

31. An Ordinance in Amendment of Ordinance 2002-1, Approved January 8, 2002, Entitled: “An Ordinance in Accordance with Chapter 21, Section 19 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence Entitled: “Capital Equipment Budget”, As Amended.

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

32. Resolution Ratifying a Waiver of customer credits from Narragansett Electric Company.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved:

33. Resolution Authorizing Short Term Borrowing.

34. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 37, Lot 350 (174 Hudson Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars and Sixty Two (\$1,478.62) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

35. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 32, Lot 450 (180 Bridgham Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Five Thousand Twenty Dollars and Eighty Four (\$5,020.84) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

36. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 36, Lot 308 (182 Ford Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of One Thousand Ninety Five Dollars and Seventy Four (\$1,095.74) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

37. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 108, Lot 449 (36 Pocasset Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Four Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Four Dollars and Forty Four (\$4,724.44) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

38. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 291 (98 Potters Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Four Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and Forty (\$477.40) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

39. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 45, Lot 388 (33 Milk Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of One Thousand One Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars and Fifty Eight (\$1,139.58) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

40. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 63, Lot 553 (14 Pelham Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Four Thousand Thirty Four Dollars and One (\$4,034.01) Cent, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership and also transfer said property to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

41. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes

assessed upon Assessor's Plat 62, Lot 378 (47 Capron Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Twenty Three Thousand Eighty One Dollars and Thirty One (\$23,081.31) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership and also transfer said property to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

42. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 62, Lot 590 (103 Putnam Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Three Dollars and Four (\$2,933.04) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

43. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 63, Lot 135 (17 Handy Street), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Three Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars and Ten (\$3,900.10) Cents, or any taxes accrued while in PRA ownership.

44. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to execute a deed and transfer the lot known as Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 488 (91 Burnside Street), to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

45. Resolution Requesting to abate the taxes on Assessor's Plat 29, Lot 374 (28 Haskins Street), in the amount of Seven Hundred Three Dollars and Seventy Six (\$703.76.) Cents.

46. Resolution Requesting to abate the taxes on Assessor's Plat 29, Lot 314 (26 Wickham Street), in the amount of One Thousand Thirty Seven Dollars and Eighty Six (\$1,037.86) Cents.

47. Resolution Requesting the Tax Assessor to apply the Homestead Exemption to the property at 175 Ontario Street for the 2003 tax roll.

48. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate, in whole the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 71, Lot 0004 (612 Charles Street), along with any associated interest, penalties and intervening taxes, in accordance with Rhode Island General Law 44-7-23, and that the property is declared exempt in accordance with Rhode Island General Law 45-32-40, in the amount of Six Thousand Forty Three Dollars and Thirteen (\$6,043.13) Cents.

49. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate, in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 109, Lot 65 (624 Union Avenue), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law Section 44-7-23, in the amount of Two Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Four Dollars and Seventy Two (\$2,674.72) Cents, or any taxes accrued including 2003 taxes, plus any interest accrued, at the request of the Beloved Tabernacle of God, Inc.

COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

COUNCILWOMAN RITA M. WILLIAMS, Chairwoman

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted:

50. An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance", Approved June 27, 1994, As Amended.

51. Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Ordinances of the

City of Providence Entitled: “The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance”, Approved June 27, 1994, As Amended. (498 Washington Street)

52. An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence Entitled: “The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance” Approved June 27, 1994, As Amended. (254 Plainfield Street)

**COMMITTEE ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT,
RENEWAL AND PLANNING
COUNCILWOMAN BALBINA A. YOUNG, Chairwoman**

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved:

53. Resolution Transferring the portion of the property located on Assessor’s Plat 63, Lot 326 (50 Aleppo Street), commonly known as the Riverside Mill Building from the City of Providence to the Providence Redevelopment Agency with authorization to hold the

property over the long-term and negotiate a lease with a non-profit organization.

54. Resolution Requesting the City Council to cause the transfer of the property located on Assessor's Plat 71, Lot 173, 591 Charles Street (24 Marietta Street) from the City of Providence to the Providence Redevelopment Agency, as stated in RIGL 45-32-26. Said property shall remain tax-exempt until said property is sold.

55. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor of the City of Providence to execute a deed and transfer the lot known as Assessor's Plat 47, Lot 715 (267 Swan Street) to the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

56. Resolution Requesting that the playground on Dudley Street be

named the “Betty Ruth Williams Park.”

57. Resolution Naming the Park located between Pleasant Valley Parkway and Rosebank Avenue situated next to Roger Williams Medical Center the; “Norman E. Fitton, Jr. Memorial Park”.

COMMUNICATION

58. Communication from William T. Smitherman, Senior Assistant City Solicitor, dated October 8, 2004, requesting an extension of the Residency Requirement for the City of Providence.

FROM THE CLERK’S DESK

59. Certificates from the City Assessor (Nos. 1J and 2J), 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, As Amended.

60. Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

“IN CONGRATULATIONS”

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and the MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

61. Resolution Extending Congratulations.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

“IN MEMORIAM”

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and the MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

62. Resolution Extending Sympathy.

CONVENTION

The City Council will Convene in the Chamber of the City Council, City Hall on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2004 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.)

**MICHAEL R. CLEMENT
CITY CLERK**