

***CITY OF PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND***



DOCKET OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

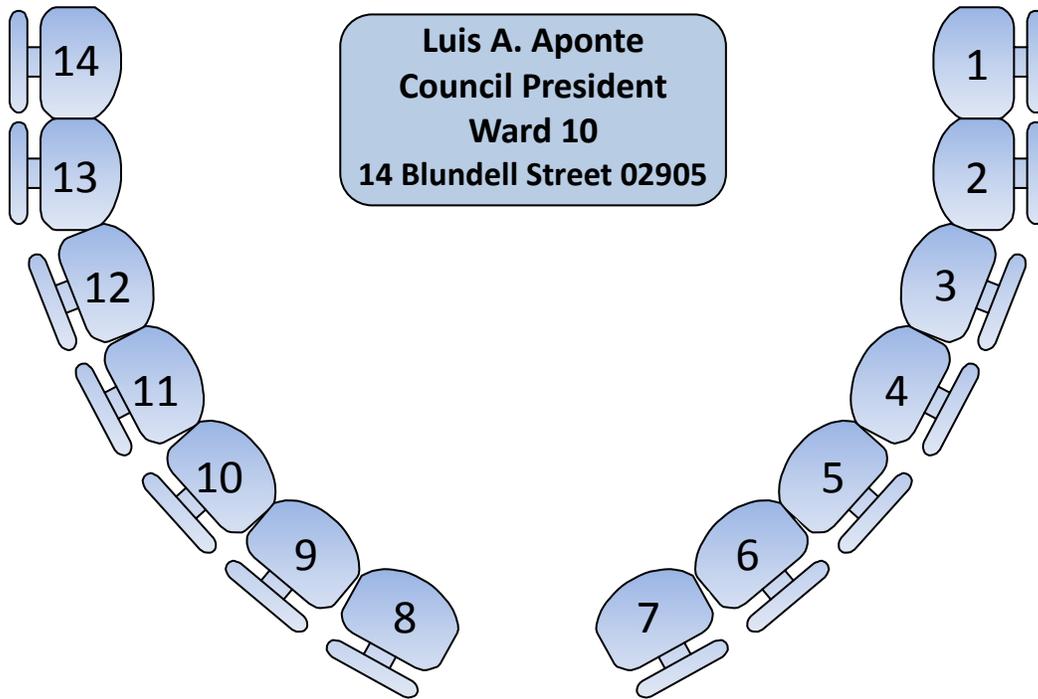
OF THE CITY COUNCIL

ON

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2015

***COUNCIL PRESIDENT
LUIS A. APONTE***

PRESIDING



1. **Sabina Matos**
Council President Pro Tempore
Councilwoman Ward 15
55 Pocasset Avenue 02909
2. **Bryan Principe**
Councilman Ward 13
89 Hudson Street 02909
3. **Nicholas J. Narducci, Jr.**
Councilman Ward 4
36 Langdon Street 02904
4. **Wilbur W. Jennings, Jr.**
Councilman Ward 8
115 Sinclair Avenue 02907
5. **Michael J. Correia**
Deputy Majority Leader
Councilman Ward 6
195 Sisson Street 02909
6. **Seth Yurdin**
Councilman Ward 1
148 Governor Street 02906
7. **Terrence M. Hassett**
Senior Deputy Majority Leader
Councilman Ward 12
15 Higgins Avenue 02908

8. **Kevin E. Jackson**
Majority Leader
Councilman Ward 3
91 Jenkins Street 02906
9. **Jo-Ann Ryan**
Councilwoman Ward 5
590 Pleasant Valley Parkway 02908
10. **Carmen Castillo**
Councilwoman Ward 9
381 Potters Avenue 02907
11. **Mary Kay Harris**
Councilwoman Ward 11
304 Pearl Street 02907
12. **Samuel D. Zurier**
Councilman Ward 2
330 Grotto Avenue 02906
13. **David Salvatore**
Councilman Ward 14
250 Nelson Street 02908
14. **John J. Igliazzi**
Councilman Ward 7
19 Legion Memorial Drive 02909

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION

1. The Invocation will be given by Councilman John J. Igliazzi.
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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America Led by Councilman Kevin Jackson.
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. Journal of Proceedings No. 5 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held March 5, 2015 and Journal of Proceedings No. 6 of the Special Meeting of the City Council held March 5, 2015.
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APPOINTMENT BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

4. Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated March 25, 2015, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1002 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 appointing Capt. Russell P. Knight, USN (ret.), of 163 Peirce Street, East Greenwich, Rhode Island 02818, to the position of Director of Public Works, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

ORDINANCE(S) SECOND READING

The Following Ordinances were in City Council March 19, 2015, Read and Passed the First Time and are Severally Returned for Passage the Second Time:

5. An Ordinance in Amendment of Article I, Chapter 23, "Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places, Section 23-26, "Special Event Permits." (*Sponsored by Councilman Correia*)
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6. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 15, Article VII of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence "Snowmobiles and Recreation Vehicles." (*Sponsored by Councilman Correia*)
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PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

7. **COUNCIL PRESIDENT APONTE, (By Request):**

An Ordinance Relating to Article IV, Chapter 17, Section 17-189(6) of the Code of Ordinances. (Disability Waiver Request).

8. **COUNCILMAN ZURIER**

An Ordinance adding Section 14-311 to the Code of Ordinances (Board of Licenses).

9. An Ordinance Amending Section 8-13 of the Code of Ordinances (Housing Court).
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10. An Ordinance Enacting a new Section 8-10 of the Code of Ordinances (Municipal Court).

11. An Ordinance Adding a new Section 8-10 to the Code of Ordinances (Probate Court).

12. An Ordinance Adding a new Section 25-84 to the Code of Ordinances (Water Supply Board).

13. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 27, Article IX of the Code of Ordinances (Zoning Board of Review).

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

14. **COUNCIL PRESIDENT APONTE, (By Request):**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2015 H-5819 and Senate Bill 2015 S-0269, An Acting Relating to Motor and Other Vehicles - Comprehensive Community - Police Relationship Act of 2015.

15. Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2015 H-5047 Sub A and Senate Bill 2015 S-0154, An Act Relating to Education - Health and Safety of Pupils.

16. Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2015 H-5074 and Senate Bill 2015 S-0194, An Act Relating to Labor and Labor Relations - Minimum Wage.

17. Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2015 H-5140, An Act Relating to Public Finance - State Funds.

18. Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2015 H-5349 and Senate Bill 2015 S-0195, An Act Relating to Highways - Sidewalks.

19. Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2015 H-5394 and Senate Bill 2015 S-0648, An Act Relating to Education - The Education Equity and Property Tax Relief Act.

20. Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2015 H-5434 and Senate Bill 2015 S-0100, An Act Relating to Towns and Cities - Health and Educational Building Corporation.

21. **COUNCIL PRESIDENT APONTE, COUNCILMAN HASSETT**

Resolution Proclaiming April 24, 2015 as “Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day” to Commemorate the Armenian Genocide of 1915 to 1923 and to Honor Armenian-Americans.

22. **COUNCILMAN CORREIA, (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the removal of Four (4) Parking Meters and to cause the installation of "Loading Zone Only" Signs at 3 Regency Plaza.

23. **COUNCILMAN CORREIA**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "No Thru Trucks" Signs on Linton Street between Academy Avenue and Canton Street.

24. Resolution Requesting the Acting Director of Public Works and the Director of Operations to appear before the Committee on Public Works to update and explain the Street Sweeping Schedule.

25. Resolution Requesting the Acting Director of Public Works and the Director of Operations to appear before the Committee on Public Works to give an update on the number of pending Clean & Lien properties by Ward and a schedule to complete the requests.

26. Resolution Requesting the Acting Director of Public Works and the Director of Operations to appear before the Committee on Public Works for discussion on implementing a Citywide Cleanup by Ward.

27. Resolution Requesting the Acting Director of Public Works and the Director of Operations to hire Fifteen (15) Seasonal Laborers for the Department of Public Works.

28. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the replacement of the faded "No Parking" Signs located on Amity Street (Dead End Portion).

29. Resolution Requesting the Director of Operations purchase through the Master Lease Two (2) Chevy 2500 HD Ex-Cab Short Bed Pickup Trucks.

30. Resolution Requesting the Recreational Advisory Board to look into the use of Camp Cronin for the 2015 Season and thereafter.

31. Resolution Requesting the Director of Operations to prepare written estimates of the repairs needed at Camp Cronin.

32. Resolution Requesting the City Building Official raze 35 Erastus Street (two structures) due to its hazardous condition and blight to surrounding homes.

33. Resolution Requesting the City Building Official raze 29 Stuben Street due to its hazardous condition and blight to surrounding homes.

34. **COUNCILMAN JENNINGS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT APONTE**

Resolution Establishing Sister City Relationships with Santo Domingo and Santiago de los Caballeros.

35. **COUNCILWOMAN MATOS**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause Parking on One Side of the Street Only on Progress Avenue from Whitehall Street to Webster Avenue.

36. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a "15 Minute Parking" Sign located at 113 Valley Street.

37. **COUNCILMAN YURDIN**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2015 H-5872, An Act Relating to Criminal Offenses - Weapons.

38. Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of Senate Bill 2015 S-0520, An Act Relating to Criminal Offenses - Weapons.
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39. **COUNCILMAN ZURIER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2015 H-5819, An Act Relating to Motor and Other Vehicles - Comprehensive Community - Police Relationship Act of 2015.

REPORT(S) FROM COMMITTEES

**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL J. CORREIA, Chairman**

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved:

40. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the feasibility of a traffic study for Priscilla Avenue and Dora Street due to excessive speeding.
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41. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause Thayer Street to become a "One-Way" in a southerly direction from Waterman Street to George Street.
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42. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of speed bumps along Ayrault Street. (*Sponsored by Councilman Hassett*)
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43. Resolution Authorizing the City of Providence to enter into a Construction and Maintenance Agreement with the State of Rhode Island for Providence Station Surface Improvements. (*Sponsored by Councilman Hassett*)
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44. Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause San Souci Drive to be established as "One-Way" westbound between Valley Street and Manton Avenue. (*Sponsored by Councilwoman Matos*)
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COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
COUNCILMAN JOHN J. IGLIOZZI, Chairman

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Adopted:

45. An Ordinance Relating to Article IV, Chapter 17, Section 17-189(6) of the Code of Ordinances. (Disability Waiver Request). (*Sponsored by Councilman Jennings, By Request*)
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Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved:

46. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate, in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 68, Lot 838 (233 Douglas Avenue), in the amount of Eight Thousand One Hundred Eighty Six Dollars and Six (\$8,186.06) Cents, or any taxes accrued, on behalf of the Smith Hill Community Development Corporation. (*Sponsored by Councilman Hassett*)
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47. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate, in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 68, Lot 838 (231 Douglas Avenue), in the amount of Forty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Six Dollars and Eighty Two (\$48,786.82) Cents, or any taxes accrued, on behalf of the Smith Hill Community Development Corporation. *(Sponsored by Councilman Hassett)*

48. Resolution Requesting to cancel or abate, in whole, the taxes assessed upon Assessor's Plat 68, Lot 838 (231 Douglas Avenue, C3), in the amount of Thirty One Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Seven Dollars and Thirty Six (\$31,947.36) Cents, or any taxes accrued, on behalf of the Smith Hill Community Development Corporation. *(Sponsored by Councilman Hassett)*

49. Certificates from City Assessor (3C and 4C), recommending the same be severally cancelled pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 and 15 of Title 44, Chapter 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, As Amended.

50. Certificates from City Assessor (5D and 6D), recommending the same be severally cancelled pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 and 15 of Title 44, Chapter 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, As Amended.

51. Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 23, 2015, 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 and Public Law Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day re-appointing Bruce Bartel of 114 Jastram Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a civil engineer member of the Building Board of Review for a term to end January 1, 2020, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

52. Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 23, 2015, 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 and Public Law Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing Steve Wilkinson of 18 Napsah Road, Warwick, Rhode Island 02818, as a mechanical engineer member of the Building Board of Review for a term to end January 31, 2018, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. Wilkinson fills a vacant position on the Board.)

53. Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 23, 2015, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1009 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing James McLoughlin of 150 Dexterdale Road, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the Providence Public Building Authority for a term ending on January 31, 2020, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. McLoughlin fills a vacant position on the Board.)

54. Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 24, 2015, 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 and Public Law Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing Maria Monteiro of 218 Home Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to end on January 31, 2018, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Ms. Monteiro will replace Praxedis Rodriguez whose term expired.)

55. Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 5, 2015, 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 appointing Kathryn M. Sabatini of 163 8th Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as the Municipal Integrity Officer for the Ethics Commission, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

56. Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated March 5, 2015, 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 appointing Dennis Dolan Crook of 255 Promenade Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a member of the Providence Harbor Management Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2016, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. Crook will replace Jason Pezullo who has resigned.)

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Withdrawn:

57. Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated February 23, 2015, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1009 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Vincent Kilbridge of 88 Lorimer Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the Providence Public Building Authority for a term ending on January 31, 2020, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. Kilbridge will replace Wascar Montilla.)

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

58. Petition from Providence Piers, LLC, requesting an abatement of the Public Nuisance located at 242 Allens Avenue.
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59. Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages.
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PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN CONGRATULATIONS"

60. **COUNCIL PRESIDENT APONTE AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Resolution Extending Congratulations.

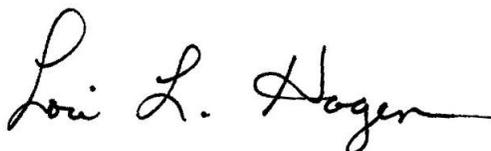
PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN MEMORIAM"

61. **COUNCIL PRESIDENT APONTE AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Resolution Extending Sympathy.

CONVENTION

The City Council will Convene in the Chamber of the City Council, City Hall on **Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 7:00 o'clock PM.**



**LORI L. HAGEN
CITY CLERK**