

## PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Regular meeting of the Public Works Committee was held on Monday, April 14, 2008 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 P.M. by the Chair.

Present: Councilman Richard D. Santamaria, Jr., Vice-Chair  
Councilman John E. Lanni, Jr.  
Councilman Jeffrey P. Barone  
Council President Aram G. Garabedian

Absent: Council Member Maria A. Bucci, Chair  
Councilman Emilio L. Navarro

Also Present: Aubrey Lombardo, Assistant City Solicitor  
Frank Migliorelli, Deputy Director of Administration  
Anthony Sylvia, Director of Public Works  
Maria Medeiros Wall, City Clerk  
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees  
Heather Finger, Stenographer

Vice-Chair Santamaria conducted the meeting in the absence of the Chair.

### **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**

On motion by Councilman Lanni, seconded by Councilman Barone, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and they stand approved as recorded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Status update on installation of traffic lights at Scituate Ave. and Pippin Orchard Rd. and Phenix Ave. and Furnace Hill Rd.** (Cont. from 12/6/2007).

On motion by Council President Garabedian, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to remove this item from the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Providence Water – Discussion on repair of City roads** (Cont. 3/13/2008).

**Mr. Sylvia** appeared to speak and stated that he met with Providence Water approximately one and a half weeks ago and have been successful in terms of what the City has been looking for, such as Providence Water reimbursing the City for the asphalt to repair the work that they do on the roads. At this point, we are waiting for written confirmation from Providence Water regarding this. Also discussed at that meeting was the issue of the pending bill, which has been continued for further studies.

Councilman Lanni stated that if the City is paying the workers to do the work and Providence Water is giving us the asphalt, what will be our saving. He thinks we are still picking up the bulk of the cost. He wants to make sure this is not costing the taxpayers additional money.

Councilman Lupino stated that he would like to see what it costs Providence Water to repair the road for labor and materials and possibly a Police detail, if there is a detail.

On motion by Council President Garabedian, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted that the City go as far as it can with the negotiations and report back to the Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Barone, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to place on the Council Docket a Resolution supporting the bill regarding Providence Water. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Status of Ordinance draft for revised Western Cranston Water Impact Fees.**  
(Cont. 3/13/2008).

Mr. Sylvia stated that work is still being done on this with Providence Water and the proposed Ordinance change should be ready within a month or two.

On motion by Councilman Barone, seconded by Council President Garabedian, it was voted to continue this item. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Capuano Land Donation**

No discussion took place.

- **Naming of athletic Field for Michael Varrato** (Requested by Parks & Rec. Dir.)

On motion by Council President Garabedian, seconded by Councilman Barone, it was voted that the Public Works Committee supports this renaming of this field. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Petition from National Grid** for pole location at Cardi St.

Chair stated that he has been advised that this street is not in Cranston.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees