

## SPECIAL MEETING – CITY COUNCIL

-JANUARY 17, 2008-

Special meeting of the City Council was held on Thursday, January 17, 2008, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 P.M. by Council President Garabedian.

Roll Call showed the following members present: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Navarro, Santamaria, Barone and Council President Garabedian -6.

Absent: Councilman Livingston, Council Member Bucci and Council Vice-President McFarland -3.

Also Present: Ernest Carlucci, Director of Administration; Frank Migliorelli, Deputy Director of Administration; Vito Sciolto, City Solicitor; Patrick Quinlan, City Council Legal Counsel; Corsino Delgado, Director of Finance; Steve Woerner, City Council Internal Auditor.

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Clerk read Call of the Meeting:

## NOTICE

### SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

In Accordance with Section 3.07 of the Home Rule Charter and Section 2.04.060 of the City Code thereof, I hereby call a special meeting of the City Council to be held on **Thursday, January 17, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.** in Council Chambers, , 869 Park Avenue, Cranston, RI, at which meeting the following items of business shall be transacted:

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**Ordinance No. 1S-08-1 loan order authorizing the issue of \$2,500,000 judgment bonds of the City for the settlement of “Valley vs. City of Cranston” authorizing the issue of \$2,500,000 temporary notes for that purposes and authorizing advances from the General Treasury for that purpose. (Judgment Bond Valley vs. City of Cranston).**

And I hereby request the City Clerk to notify all Council members of the Call of the special meeting.

Executed at Cranston, Rhode Island, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January 2008.

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/s/ Aram G. Garabedian, Council President

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing-impaired must notify the Office of the City Clerk at 461-1000 Ext. 3197 seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the hearing date.”

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**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that a true copy of the attached Amended Notice of a special meeting of the City Council to be held on Thursday, January 17, 2008 at 8:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers, third floor, City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, R.I. was delivered via electronic mail on the 11th day of January 2008 and regular mail, postage prepaid to the addresses listed below.

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/s/ Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk

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**1S-08-1 ORDINANCE LOAN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$2,500,000 JUDGMENT BONDS OF THE CITY FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF 'VALLEY VS. CITY OF CRANSTON'; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$2,500,000 TEMPORARY NOTES FOR THAT PURPOSE AND AUTHORIZING ADVANCES FROM THE GENERAL TREASURY FOR THAT PURPOSE (JUDGMENT BOND VALLEY VS. CITY OF CRANSTON)**

No one appeared to speak from the public.

**Council President Garabedian** asked if the Council can make a motion to go into Executive Session without being advertised. Solicitor Sciolto stated, yes.

On motion by Councilman Santamaria, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to go into Executive Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2). Motion passed on a vote of 6-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Navarro, Santamaria, Barone and Council President Garabedian -6.

The meeting went into Executive Session at 8:10 P.M.

Present in Executive Session: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Navarro, Santamaria, Barone and Council President Garabedian; Ernest Carlucci, Director of Administration; Frank Migliorelli, Deputy Director of Administration; Corsino Delgado, Director of Finance; Vito Sciolto, City Solicitor; Patrick Quinlan, City Council Legal Counsel (appeared at 8:15 P.M.).

On motion by Councilman Lanni, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to come out of Executive Session. Motion passed on a vote of 6-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Navarro, Santamaria, Barone and Council President Garabedian -6.

The meeting came out of Executive Session at 8:55 P.M.

On motion by Councilman Barone, seconded by Councilman Lupino, it was voted to seal the minutes of Executive Session. Motion passed on a vote of 6-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Navarro, Santamaria, Barone and Council President Garabedian -6.

**Council President Garabedian** stated that upon learning in Executive Session that there is a probability of a tenant of his being involved in this case, he will be recusing himself like he did in Executive Session.

**Councilman Lanni** conducted the meeting.

On motion by Councilman Lupino, seconded by Councilman Santamaria, it was voted to approve the above Ordinance.

Under Discussion:

Councilman Barone acknowledged the Administration and the due diligence with the legal counsel and Finance team in this settlement, which saved the City millions of dollars if it went to Court. He also indicated that any future settlements, part of the settlement, should read "contingent upon financing of that" and we should be bonding money, part of that, instead of taking it out of the General Fund.

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On motion by Councilman Santamaria, seconded by Councilman Barone, it was voted to move the question. Motion passed on a vote of 5-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Navarro, Santamaria and Barone - 5. Council President Garabedian abstained.

Roll call was taken on motion to approve the above Ordinance and motion passed on a vote of 5-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Navarro, Santamaria and Barone -5. Council President Garabedian abstained.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Maria Medeiros Wall, JD  
City Clerk

Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committee

(See Stenographic Notes of Meredith Mahoney, Stenotypist)