

## **REGULAR MEETING – CITY COUNCIL**

**-SEPTEMBER 22, 2008-**

Regular meeting of the City Council was held on Monday, September 22, 2008 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, Rhode Island.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 P.M. by the Council President.

Roll Call showed the following members present: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Council Member Bucci (left the meeting at 8:25 P.M.), Councilman Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -8.

Absent: Councilman Santamaria -1.

Also Present: Mayor Michael Napolitano; Vito Sciolto, City Solicitor; Patrick Quinlan, City Council Legal Counsel; Corsino Delgado, Director of Finance; Anthony Sylvia, Director of Public Works; Steve Woerner, City Council Internal Auditor.

Minutes of the last meeting were dispensed with and stand approved as recorded.

### **I. PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND COMMENDATIONS**

#### **“CITATIONS FOR CRANSTON NATIONAL BUDLONG LITTLE LEAGUE GIRLS FAST PITCH 9/10 YR. OLD DIVISION STATE CHAMPIONS”**

Citations were presented by Councilman Navarro and Council President Garabedian.

#### **“CITATIONS FOR CRANSTON BABE RUTH 14 YR. OLD DIVISION 2008 RI STATE CHAMPIONS”**

Citations were presented by Councilman Navarro and Council President Garabedian.

#### **“CITATIONS FOR CRANSTON BABE RUTH 13 YR. OLD DIVISION 2008 RI STATE CHAMPIONS”**

Citations were presented by Councilman Navarro and Council President Garabedian.

#### **“CITATION FOR JOHN DEMAULA, RECYCLING COORDINATOR”**

Citation was presented by Councilman Barone.

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## **II. EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS**

### **“REPORT FROM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR ANTHONY SYLVIA:”**

#### **Sewer Tie-In Loans Fund (STILF) Policy and Procedures**

**Mr. Sylvia** stated that he met with RI Clean Water Finance Agency and RI DEM and they shared with him an existing program that would help residents in the sanitary sewers. This program should be ready for implementation in a few months or so and it is a low-interest loan program.

#### **Capuano Land Donation-Status of Environmental Impact Study**

**Mr. Sylvia** stated that Phase II plans were submitted to him and he is prepared to present to the Administration his approval to accept the land donation.

### **“REPORT FROM PLANNING DIRECTOR PETER LAPOLLA – PROPOSED HARBOR MANAGEMENT PLAN”**

**Mr. LaPolla** stated that that status of the plan is in its final draft form. It needs to be reviewed by the staff of CRMC and by the Planning Department. Once this is done, a final plan will be presented to the Council for adoption. This needs to be adopted by CRMC first and then the Council needs to adopt it, after a public hearing.

**Councilman Livingston** asked how long this process will take. **Mr. LaPolla** stated that what he has been told is that the best is thirty days. This evening, the Council needs to vote to authorize him to send this plan to the CRMC. Fees are not presently included in the draft but will be by the end of the week. **Mr. Lapolla** stated that he was waiting for all the clubs to respond to the proposed fees.

On motion by Councilman Livingston, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to approve the draft of the plan and authorize the Planning Director to forward it to CRMC.

#### **Under Discussion:**

**Councilman Navarro** stated that what everyone needs to realize is there was a draft of this plan in the 1980's. We also need to realize that the entire City will benefit from this plan. This is a way of finding extra revenues for our City.

**Councilman Lupino** asked that a public hearing be held on this item prior to a vote being taken.

#### **Public Hearing:**

**William Plum**, Warwick Harbor Master and member of the Harbor Management Commission, appeared to speak in support of the acceptance of the proposed plan as a lot of work has gone into this.

Roll call was taken and motion passed on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7. Council Member Bucci was not present for roll call vote.

Council Member Bucci left the meeting at 8:25 P.M.

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### **“REVISED/AMENDED RFP FOR 275 ATWOOD AVE. (former Police Station property)”**

**Council Vice-President McFarland** questioned why the minimum bid has been deleted from the RFP, because our budget was balanced upon receipt of these proceeds. **Council President Garabedian** stated that the minimum bid was deleted because of the market condition. She also questioned who reviewed the RFP for the Council. Mayor Napolitano stated that the Finance Director, the Director of Administration, the Purchasing Agent and the City Planner reviewed it. Council Vice-President McFarland asked if the Solicitor has reviewed it.

**Councilman Navarro** asked if we can add to the RFP “or equivalent in land value”. He also questioned if a land swap could be added to the bid proposal. He requested that the Solicitor and Administration look into whether adding this to the RFP is feasible.

**Mayor Napolitano** stated that there have been people that approached him and were interested in bidding for this property, but they did not because they felt that the bid specs were too strict. He also stated that adding a land swap in the bid proposal should not be done. Mr. Sciolto agreed with the Mayor’s statement and also addressed Section 7.08(g)(7) of the Charter.

**Councilman Lupino** stated that during the 2007-2008 budget, the Council had indicated that any proceeds from the sale of this property, a portion would go to the Schools. He asked that since this has not occurred, is this not the case anymore. Council President Garabedian stated, yes.

**Councilman Lupino** asked if the sale of the Abandonment of portion of property next to the former Police Station behind Dunkin Donuts, gone through yet. Mr. Sciolto stated that this has not gone through yet. There is a proposed Purchase and Sales and it is being reviewed at this time.

**Councilman Lanni** stated that if a land swap is done, we will not be getting the \$2 million we were seeking for this property. He questioned where this money would come from. We need to look at a cash sale first.

**Council Vice-President McFarland** asked again if the Solicitor has reviewed the RFP. Mr. Sciolto stated that he has not had an opportunity to review it, but he does not have any concerns, based on his discussions with the Finance Director. Council Vice-President McFarland asked Mr. Sciolto to look into if there are any State, Federal or local bond referendum that the city would receive as an offset.

### **Public Hearings:**

**Dale Saccoccio**, 1389 Hope Rd., Vice-President of West Bay Land Trust, appeared to speak in favor of land swap.

**Eleanor Sasso**, 60 Glenmere Dr., appeared to speak in favor of land swap. She stated that this would be a once in a lifetime chance to preserve 70 acres.

**Steve Stycos**, 37 Ferncrest Dr., appeared to speak in favor of land swap.

**Marie Sweet**, 174 Gladstone St., appeared to speak in favor of land swap.

**Suzanne Arena**, 62 Glen View Dr., member of CCRZD, appeared to speak in favor of land swap.

**Katie King**, President of West Bay Land Trust, appeared to speak in favor of land swap.

**Resident of 81 Sweet Briar Dr.**, appeared to speak and stated that he is not in favor of selling City assets in order to meet obligations.

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**Councilman Lupino** indicated that the swap is not part of the RFP and Mr. Paolino does not own the property, he has a Purchase and Sales on the property.

On motion by Councilman Navarro, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to authorize the Administration to go forward with the RFP. Motion passed on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

### **"REPORT ON HIRING OF SPECIAL COUNSEL, CONSULTANTS, ETC. PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 15.05."**

No discussion.

**Council President** indicated that the Mayor has asked that the Council Rules be suspended in order to discuss and vote on the Advice and Consent of the Mayor's appointment of Kyle Bridgefarmer as the Building Official. No one objected.

### **COMMITTEE ON FINANCE (Terence Livingston, Chair)**

### **"ADVICE AND CONSENT OF MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF KYLE L. BRIDGEFARMER AS BUILDING OFFICIAL" (Referred without Recommendation)"**

**Mayor Napolitano** stated that he received a fax from Jack Leyden stating that Mr. Bridgefarmer has qualifications required by law and is certified by the City of Cranston.

On motion by Councilman Livingston, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to approve the Advice and Consent of the Mayor's appointment of Kyle Bridgefarmer as the Building Official.

#### Under Discussion:

**Councilman Navarro** congratulated Mr. Bridgefarmer and indicated to him that he hopes he is aware that with a new Administration coming in in January, he may not be re-appointed. Mr. Bridgefarmer appeared to speak and thanked the Council members for their approval of his appointment and stated that he will work hard for the City of Cranston.

Roll call was taken and motion passed on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**III. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS**

**Councilman Lupino**

***Financial Exposure***

He commended Mr. Delgado for providing information to the Council and explaining the City's lack of exposure to the current financial situation. Discussion took place on the fallout of Lehman Brothers and AIG and the effects on the pension funds of the City. Mayor Napolitano stated that the City took all the necessary steps in finding out what our exposure would be. Mr. Delgado stated that the investment consultant is well aware of our concern. We are very happy to find out last week that we have minimal exposure. Councilman Lupino asked that Mr. Delgado keep the Council informed and updated monthly as to what our exposure would be.

***Sockanosset Crossroad and New London Ave. Traffic Study***

He still has had no communication from Kelly Coates of Carpionato. The Traffic Engineer is stating to him that there is no traffic study. He is looking for some direction. Mr. Sylvia stated that, per the Traffic Engineer, Garofalo & Associates is nearly completed with this study. It is scheduled for completion at the end of this month. Councilman Lupino asked that for next month's meeting, a report of number of accidents in this area for the last year be provided by the Cranston Police Dept.

***Natick Ave. Engineering Study Report***

**Mr. Sylvia** stated that he is almost done with the RFP and he should have a recommendation within the next month or so. Councilman Lupino requested that this be ready in one month.

**Councilman Livingston**

***Rolfe Square Cannons***

He asked the solicitor for his report from Solicitor on Preservation of Rolfe Square Cannons

**Council President Garabedian** stated that he and Councilman Livingston will sponsor a Resolution regarding this.

**Councilman Barone**

***Request for Road Paving Project List of Streets***

He spoke to Mr. Sylvia and was advised that he is in the process of getting the list to the Council.

***Council Chambers***

He stated that a large number of people come into the Chambers and the meetings are also televised on Cox Cable. The curtains are deplorable. He asked that the Building Superintendent take down the curtains and have them repaired and cleaned or possibly the windows would look better without the curtains.

***Highway Department***

During Hurricane Hanna a few weeks ago, he visited the Highway Department and was very impressed with the Highway Superintendent, Ernie DePari and how he handled the situation and how organized the process was and also the number of employees who showed up to work was very impressive.

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**Council Vice-President McFarland**

She thanked the public, and her colleagues for the tremendous out pour of support

***DelBonis Property***

She stated that the DelBonis property is applying for alteration permit and would like to make sure insignificant alteration permit meets the requirement because we all know what happened with Cullion Concrete.

***Council Chambers***

This issue was addressed the repair and upkeep of the Council Chambers. She stated that there is water damage, paint is peeling and the curtains are deplorable. This was requested nine months ago and nothing has been done.

***Rodent Problem***

She stated she is still getting minor complaints of rodent problems in the Stadium area and asked for update from the Public Works Director.

**Councilman Navarro**

He indicated that the Council has received a letter from the School Department stating that they are complying with RIGL regarding their deficits.

**V. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**Proposed Harbor Management Plan**

This item was discussed under "Executive Communications".

**Address from Comprehensive Community Action regarding Cranston Substance Abuse Task Force**

No one appeared to speak. This item was continued.

**Address West Bay Land Trust regarding proposed Paolino Properties land swap for Atwood Ave. (former Police Station property)**

This item was discussed under "Executive Communications".

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## **VI. DOCKETED RESOLUTIONS**

### **“RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION”**

On motion by Council Vice-President McFarland, seconded by Councilman Lupino, it was voted to approve this Resolution.

#### Under Discussion:

**Councilman Navarro** asked if there have been any changes to this Resolution since the last meeting. Mr. Sciolto stated that Sections 3.09, 6.17 and 6.19 of the Charter spells out 2/3. There should really be “a majority vote” instead of 2/3 in the Resolution.

On motion by Councilman Navarro, seconded by Councilman Lupino, it was voted to amend the above Resolution as follows: page 3, last paragraph, third line and last line, amend “2/3” to “majority vote”. Motion passed on a vote of 6-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone and Council President Garabedian -6. Council Vice-President McFarland was not present for roll call vote.

On motion by Councilman Navarro, seconded by Councilman Lupino, the above Resolution was adopted as amended on a vote of 6-1. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -6. The following being recorded as voting “nay”: Councilman Barone -1.

## **VII. REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

### **COMMITTEE ON FINANCE (Terence Livingston, Chair)**

#### **“ADVICE AND CONSENT OF MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF KYLE L. BRIDGEMAN AS BUILDING OFFICIAL” (Referred without Recommendation)”**

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting.

#### **“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REAL ESTATE TAX ABATEMENTS”**

On motion by Councilman Livingston, seconded by Councilman Navarro, the above Resolution was adopted on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

#### **“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ABATEMENTS”**

On motion by Councilman Livingston, seconded by Councilman Barone, the above Resolution was adopted on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

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### **“AGREEMENT FOR TAX INTEREST WAIVER BETWEEN BLUE EYES LLC AND THE CITY OF CRANSTON”**

On motion by Councilman Livingston, seconded by Councilman Navarro, it was voted to approve this agreement. Motion passed on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

### **“TAX INTEREST WAIVER - OFFER MADE BY WILLIAM MYERS. DENIED IN COMMITTEE”**

On motion by Councilman Livingston, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to deny this offer. Motion passed on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian

### **“TAX INTEREST WAIVER APPROVALS – AS RECOMMENDED BY CITY TREASURER”**

On motion by Councilman Livingston, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to approve this list of Tax Interest Waiver Approvals. Motion passed on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

### **SAFETY SERVICES & LICENSES COMMITTEE (John E. Lanni, Jr., Chair)**

#### **8-08-7 “ORDINANCE IN AMENDMNET OF CHAPTER 10.32 OF TITLE 10 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED ‘MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC’ (Arthur St., Orchard St. and Hodsell St.)”**

On motion by Councilman Lanni, seconded by Councilman Livingston, the above Ordinance was adopted on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

#### **8-08-8 “ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 10.32 OF TITLE 10 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED ‘MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC’ (Garden St. Hodsell St. and Arthur St.)”**

On motion by Councilman Lanni, seconded by Councilman Navarro, the above Ordinance was adopted on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

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**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE  
(Paula B. McFarland, Chair)**

**“CIVIL SERVICES RULES PROPOSED AMENDMENTS FOR VETERANS:  
RULE II, SEC. 18 DEFINITIONS ‘VETERAN’  
RULE V, SEC. 6 EXAMINATIONS – VETERANS PREFERENCE”**

On motion by Council Vice-President McFarland, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to approve the above amendments to the Civil Service Rules. Motion passed on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

**8S-08-6 “ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 15.12 OF THE  
CODE OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED  
‘BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION’ (Housing Standards  
Violations)”**

On motion by Council Vice-President McFarland, seconded by Councilman Navarro, the above Ordinance was adopted on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

Council Vice-President McFarland commended the efforts of Councilman Santamaria, who is not present this evening, for his efforts in drafting such an Ordinance addressing the properties who are foreclosed or abandoned and the City would clean up the properties at their cost plus 10% charge and this would help the people who live near those properties. Councilman Lupino also commended Councilman Santamaria and Council Member Bucci in drafting this Ordinance.

**7-08-1 “ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 17 OF THE CODE  
OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED ‘ZONING’  
(Halfway Housing)”**

On motion by Council Vice-President McFarland, seconded by Councilman Barone, the above Ordinance was referred to the October Ordinance Committee meeting for further amendments. Motion passed on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

**8-08-2 “ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 12.20 OF THE CODE  
OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED ‘PARKS AND  
RECREATIONAL FACILITIES’ (Still House Cove Park)”**

On motion by Council Vice-President McFarland, seconded by Councilman Lanni, the above Ordinance was adopted on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

**8-08-5 “ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 2.32 OF THE CODE  
OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED ‘HARBOR  
MASTER’ (Harbor Management Plan)”**

On motion by Councilman Livingston, seconded by Councilman Barone, the above Ordinance was continued on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

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### **COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS (Anthony J. Lupino, Chair)**

#### **“RATIFICATION OF SETTLED CLAIMS FOR: Jacqueline, William & Jae Pezzullo \$775.00.**

On motion by Councilman Lupino, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to approve the above-listed claim. Motion passed on a vote of 7-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Lupino, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -7.

### **VIII. ELECTION OF CITY OFFICIALS**

No business.

### **IX. REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS**

No business.

### **X. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **XI. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS**

**City Clerk** read the following introduced items and the Committees and the date referred for public hearing:

**Council Vice-President McFarland** questioned why there is no sponsor on proposed Ordinances 9-08-3 and 9-08-4. Mr. Quinlan stated that the applicant of a Zone Change has a right to petition the Council on those matters.

#### **Safety Services and Licenses Committee – September 6, 2008**

- 9-08-5 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 10.32 of Title 10 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Motor Vehicles and Traffic” (East View Ave. and Hyde St.).**
- 9-08-6 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 10.40 of Title 10 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Motor Vehicles and Traffic” (Trailer Parking – Prohibited).**
- 9-08-7 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 10.32 of Title 10 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Motor Vehicles and Traffic” (Ocean Ave. – No Parking).**

#### **Ordinance Committee – October 16, 2008**

- 9-08-1 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Zoning” (Change of Zone – 870 Oaklawn Ave.).**
- 9-08-2 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Zoning” (Change of Zone – Glen Hills Section).**

#### **Public Works Committee – October 16, 2008**

**Petition from National Grid for Pole Location at Plymouth St.**

#### **Ordinance Committee – November 13, 2008**

- 9-08-3 Ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan of 1992 (47 Natick Ave.).**
- 9-08-4 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Zoning” (Change of Zone – 47 Natick Ave.).**

#### **City Plan Commission – October 7, 2008**

- 9-08-1 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Zoning” (Change of Zone – 870 Oaklawn Ave.).**
- 9-08-2 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Zoning” (Change of Zone – Glen Hills Section).**

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### **City Plan Commission – November 5, 2008**

**9-08-3 Ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan of 1992 (47 Natick Ave.).**

**9-08-4 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Zoning” (Change of Zone – 47 Natick Ave.).**

### **Claims Committee**

\*Anthony Lanzi

\*Joseph Montecalvo

\*David & Jennifer Montefusco

On motion by Councilman Barone, seconded by Council Vice-President McFarland, the above items were referred to the respective Committees. Motion passed on a vote of 6-1. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Lanni, Livingston, Navarro, Barone, Council Vice-President McFarland and Council President Garabedian -6. The following being recorded as voting “nay”: Councilman Lupino 1.

## **XII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ON CLERK’S DESK**

**“FILING NOTIFICATION SEPTEMBER 9, 2008: NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC CO., D/B/A NATIONAL GRID’S APPLICATION FOR EFSB (Energy Facility Siting Board) LICENSE – RHODE ISLAND RELIABILITY PROJECT”**

**Maria Wall, City Clerk** stated that this was an official filing notification and that the documents are on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

## **XIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS ON UNDOCKETED ITEMS**

**Ed Greco, Esq.**, appeared to represent Thomas Sacco. He stated that Mr. Sacco had filed for a variance before the Zoning Board and was denied. He has subsequently, filed a petition for a Change of Zone, which is scheduled to be heard at the October Ordinance Committee meeting. He stated that a few of the good reasons for approving this Zone Change are: 1) there are already restaurants in the area with beer and wine and this use would be the same; 2) opening of new business in the City would help the City financially.

**Valerie Chiulli** appeared to speak and stated that Mr. Sacco sponsored her son’s hockey team three years in a row. Mr. Sacco has already been helping the City.

**A speaker** appeared to speak and stated that Tommy’s Pizza has already been a contributor to the City.

**Robert Smith**, 35 Sweetbriar Dr., appeared to speak and stated questioned what message are we sending the taxpayers and residents of the City and businesses who want to do business in the City when someone is denied because, as he was told, there are too many restaurants with liquor license in the City.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

Maria Medeiros Wall, JD  
City Clerk

Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees

(See Stenographic Notes of Ron Ronzio, Stenotypist).