

2. **Cancer Control Task Force** (by Councilman DiTraglia)
Mary Ann DeSousa (reappointment for a term expiring 12/1/08)
236 Burnside Ave. (02915)

Motion_____By_____2nd_____
Cusack_____DiTraglia_____Perry_____Silva_____Ramos_____

3. **Cancer Control Task Force** (by Councilman Silva)
Jennifer Medeiros (reappointment for a term expiring 12/1/08)
26 Carlton Ave. (02914)

Motion_____By_____2nd_____
Cusack_____DiTraglia_____Perry_____Silva_____Ramos_____

4. **Cancer Control Task Force** (by Councilman Silva)
Wendy Michalski (reappointment for a term expiring 12/1/08)
88 Fenmoor St. (02914)

Motion_____By_____2nd_____
Cusack_____DiTraglia_____Perry_____Silva_____Ramos_____

5. **Cancer Control Task Force** (by Councilman DiTraglia)
Phillip Tirrell (reappointment for a term expiring 12/1/08)
168 Becker Ave. (02915)

Motion_____By_____2nd_____
Cusack_____DiTraglia_____Perry_____Silva_____Ramos_____

6. **Cancer Control Task Force** (by Councilman Silva)
Mark Dauphinee (reappointment for a term expiring 12/1/08)
46 Bliss Street (02914)

Motion_____By_____2nd_____
Cusack_____DiTraglia_____Perry_____Silva_____Ramos_____

7. **Harbor Management Commission** (by Councilman DiTraglia)
Michael J. Damiani (to replace Capt. E. Howard McVay, Jr. for a term expiring 09/21/07)
887 Willett Avenue (02915)

Motion_____By_____2nd_____
Cusack_____DiTraglia_____Perry_____Silva_____Ramos_____

VI. LICENSES NOT REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARING

1. **Holiday Sales Transfer** (Subject to approvals from the Chief of Police, Building Inspector, and Fire Marshall)

From: Ghazi Salim d/b/a Ghazi'Exxon

To: Roula Karam, RRK Enterprises, LLC, d/b/a Sunoco Food Mart, 1345 Wampanoag Trail (02915)

Motion_____By_____2nd_____

2. **2. Vict/Not Over 25 Transfer** (Subject to approvals from the Chief of Police, Building Inspector, Health Inspector, and Fire Marshall)

From: Ghazi Salim d/b/a Ghazi'Exxon

To: Roula Karam, RRK Enterprises, LLC, d/b/a Sunoco Food Mart, 1345 Wampanoag Trail (02915)

Motion_____By_____2nd_____

3. **Peddler-Seafood** (Subject to approvals from the Chief of Police, Health Inspector, and City Manager)

Ricardo M. Couto, d/b/a Couto's Seafood 41 Pearl Street, North Providence (02904)

Motion_____By_____2nd_____

LICENSING COMMISSIONERS RESUME SITTING AS CITY COUNCIL

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDINANCES – FINAL PASSAGE (Given First Passage March 6, 2007. Advertised – Prov. Journal –March 9, 2007.)

1. *The following is an ordinance regarding sewer use rate.*

SECTION I. Subsection (c) of Sec. 17-183 entitled “Charges to be based upon water consumption; rate” of Chapter 17 of the ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “Utilities” is amended to read as follows:

(c) The water consumption portion of the sewer charge shall be at a rate of ~~\$3.05~~ **4.00** per hundred cubic feet of water used based upon the actual quarterly or monthly meter reading of water consumption less an annual exemption of 3,500 cubic feet. Such exemption shall be prorated quarterly or monthly for users of city water who are billed on a quarterly or monthly basis.

SECTION II. This ordinance shall take effect November 1, 2006 and all ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. (Requested by Director of Finance)

Public Comments

Motion_____By_____2nd_____

Cusack_____DiTraglia_____Perry_____Silva_____Ramos_____

2) *The following is a Zoning Ordinance regarding Electronic Reader Board Signs.*

(Advertised Providence Journal March 9, 14, & 19, 2007)

SECTION I. Article VII entitled “Signs” of Chapter 19 entitled “Zoning” of the Revised Ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, is amended by adding thereto the following:

Sec. 19-438. Purpose and intent.

The purpose and intent of this article is to regulate signs in order to provide for the orderly and harmonious display of signs within the City; ensure that signs are an effective means of communication which adequately identify uses, activities and enterprises for the convenience of the public; avoid the erection of signs which produce deleterious and injurious effects to adjacent properties and to the natural beauty of the environment; provide for the safety of the traveling public by limiting distractions, hazards, and obstructions; minimize visual clutter and encourage a positive visual environment; improve and maintain the visual quality of commercial areas, which promotes the economic interests of the City; and promote the mental and physical health, safety, and welfare of the public.

Sec. 19-439. General provisions.

(a) Obsolete or defunct signs. Any sign advertising or identifying a business or organization which is either defunct or no longer located on the premises must be physically removed, not just covered over, within thirty (30) days of the business or organization closing or moving.

(b) Any sign authorized by this article may contain a non-commercial message constituting a form of expression in lieu of other copy.

(c) Severability. This ordinance and its various parts are hereby declared to be severable. If any section, clause, provision or portion of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of either this ordinance as a whole or any parts not declared invalid or unconstitutional.

(d) Conflict. If any part of this ordinance is found to be in conflict with any other ordinance of the City, the most restrictive or highest standard shall prevail.

Sec. 19-440. Prohibited signs.

All signs that are not specifically permitted in this article, including but not limited to the following types of signs, are prohibited:

(a) Captive balloon and inflatable signs. This includes signs, or portions thereof, that hold their shape by receiving a one-time or continuous supply of air or gas.

(b) Electronic signs. This type of sign includes, but is not limited to, electronic message boards; television screens; plasma screens; digital screens; flat screens; light emitting diode screens; video boards; other types of electric and electronic display boards and screens; and holographic displays. This is not intended to prohibit the use of light bulbs, neon tubes, or other such light sources only for the purpose of internal or external illumination.

(c) Projected signs. This includes signs that are formed by projecting the sign copy, image, text, and/or message into the sky or onto a surface, including but not limited to the ground or the side of a building. This includes signs are created using projectors, light beams, lasers, holograms or holographic displays, or other such technologies.

(d) Animated signs. This includes signs, or portions thereof, that blink, flash, or emit a varying intensity of color or light.

(e) Moving, revolving or rotating sign. This includes signs, or portions thereof, having visible moving, revolving, or rotating parts, or visible movement of any kind, or giving the illusion of movement. Such movement can be achieved by wind, electrical, electronic, or any other means. This is not intended to prohibit

the manual changing of channel letters or numbers when the changing is part of an approved sign or movable hands on analog clocks.

(f) Any sign that constitutes a hazard to public safety, health or that impedes vision or access to or from public streets, sidewalks or other places of ingress or egress. This includes signs which, because of size, location, or manner of illumination, obstruct the vision of a driver or detract from the effectiveness of traffic control devices. With the exception of traffic, regulatory, or informational signs, signs shall not use the words “stop”, “caution”, or “danger”, and shall not incorporate red, amber, green, or blue lights resembling traffic signals or emergency vehicles, and/or shall not resemble “stop” or “yield” signs in shape or color.

(g) Signs affixed to utility poles. Except for official notices posted by a public agency or officer, no signs shall be affixed to utility poles.

(h) Roof signs.

SECTION II. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage. *(Requested by Councilman Cusack)*

Public Comments

Motion_____By_____2nd_____
Cusack_____DiTraglia_____Perry_____Silva_____Ramos_____

VIII. CONTINUED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

1. Memorandum of Understanding *(City of East Providence/Gilbane Development Company)*

Motion_____By_____2nd_____
Cusack_____DiTraglia_____Perry_____Silva_____Ramos_____

B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

CLAIMS COMMITTEE *(by William J. Conley, Jr. – City Solicitor)*

Motion_____By_____2nd_____
Cusack_____DiTraglia_____Perry_____Silva_____Ramos_____

X. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Keith Gonsalves, 2 Ramsay Street (02915) Requesting to address the Council regarding Menhaden Management area H5713, S0311, & H5165.
2. Received a letter from Steven Brown, Executive Director of the Rhode Island Affiliate, American Civil Liberties Union.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion_____By_____2nd_____