

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
JOURNAL/MINUTES DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 P.M.

145 TAUNTON AVENUE-CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

EAST PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

EXECUTIVE SESSION: CONFERENCE ROOM A

OPEN SESSION WILL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW EXECUTIVE SESSION

Notice: The meeting will also be viewable live at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0YEW6s1RpjckR47VMil1LA>

City Council:

Council President, Robert Britto - Ward 1

Council Vice-President: Bob Rodericks - At Large

Councilwoman Anna Sousa - Ward 2

Councilman Nate Cahoon - Ward 3

Councilman Ricardo Mourato - Ward 4

City Solicitor, Michael J. Marcello

Deputy City Clerk, Leah Stoddard

I. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

Cahoon ___ Mourato X Rodericks X Sousa X Britto X

- *Councilman Cahoon scheduled to arrive around 7pm*

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

- *Salute to the flag led by Council President Britto*

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council of East Providence may meet in Executive Session, pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5 (a)(2)

- *Motion made by Councilwoman Sousa to enter into executive session. Motion seconded by Councilman Mourato. Motion passes 4-0*

- A. New Claims
 - 1. Candace Scola
 - 2. Jenny Dickinson
 - 3. Angela Rossi
 - 4. Nicole Barrows
 - 5. Domingos Domingues

- B. Sewer Abatement
 - 1. George Russo
 - 2. Antonio Amaral
 - 3. Lincoln Business Center
 - 4. Lincoln Business Center
 - 5. Manuel Gomes
 - 6. Elizabeth Pereira
 - 7. Cindy Johnson

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

IV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Cahoon ___ Mourato X Rodericks X Sousa X Britto X

V. MOTION TO SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

- *Motion made by Councilwoman Sousa to seal executive session minutes. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes 4-0.*

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote

A. COUNCIL JOURNALS:

1. Executive session minutes October 18, 2022
2. Regular meeting minutes October 18, 2022

B. PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PERMITS/LICENSES (READ IN)

1. Mobile Food Establishment License/Permit
 Applicant: Matthew Lyons
 Business Name: Cluck Truck, LLC
 Business Address: 256 Maple Avenue, Newport, RI 02840

- Motion made by Councilwoman Sousa to approve the consent calendar. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes 4-0.

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

VII. LICENSES - For discussion and possible vote

A. NON-PUBLIC HEARING – None

B. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Annual renewal of miscellaneous licenses authorization granting to renew subject licenses, excluding alcoholic beverage licenses, for year commencing December 1, 2021 upon application by licensee and approval by Chief of Police and, as required, by health inspector and other city officials.

- Candy Seel speaks to the renewal of Metacomet liquor license

- Motion made by Councilman Cahoon to table and place item on the November 15, 2022 docket. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes 5-0.

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

VIII. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

1. Anthony Teixeira

- *Council President Britto presented the proclamation to Mike, Anthony Teixeira's son*

2. Emily Rendine

- *Council Vice President Rodericks presented the proclamation to Emily Rendine*

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

- *None*

Any person who submits a communication to the Council and wishes to speak on it must indicate this in writing no later than 4:00 p.m. the Thursday prior to the next regularly scheduled Council meeting. A person who lists more than one topic on their communication will be allowed to speak on the first one listed.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

All persons wishing to make public comment shall sign a public comment sheet stating their name, address and the subject of their comments. Each speaker will be limited to three (3) minutes. The order of speakers will be on a first come, first serve basis and the maximum time for public comment shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes per meeting.

XI. APPOINTMENTS – None

- *Councilman Cahoon arrives 7:15pm*

XII. COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Update of the Squantum Pond cleanup effort – Discussion – Councilman Cahoon

- *Councilman Cahoon requests DPW Director to give an update on the pond and the timeline for the plan to clean the Squantum Pond.*
- *DPW Director states CRMC assent has been received and treatment will begin in the spring into the early summer. The same contractor for Willett Pond will be addressing the issues at Squantum Pond*

XIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Ordinance for second passage - For discussion and possible vote

1. An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 18 of the revised ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic"
Summary: Stop sign Lakeside Street (northbound traffic) at the intersection of Catalpa Avenue
Sponsor: Councilman Mourato

- *Motion to approve made by Councilman Mourato. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes 4-0.*

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

XIV. CONTINUED BUSINESS – None

XV. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAYOR COMMUNICATIONS

1. Appointment not requiring Council Confirmation

a. Appointment of Acting Director of Planning & Economic Development, James Moran – Director of Administration Napoleon Gonsalves

- *Director of Administration Napoleon Gonsalves reads letter*

2. Items for announcement/discussion

a. Red Ribbon Week Proclamation - Director of Administration Napoleon Gonsalves

- *Director of Administration Napoleon Gonsalves reads Proclamation*

b. Veterans Day Event will be held on November 11, 2022 at 11AM/ Veterans Memorial Parkway near the Garden of Flags. All are welcome to celebrate our current veterans and memorialize those veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation - Director of Administration Napoleon Gonsalves

- *Director of Administration Napoleon Gonsalves reads announcement*

c. Point of Correction regarding the October 18, 2022 Council Meeting Discussion - Director of Administration Napoleon Gonsalves

- *Director of Administration Napoleon Gonsalves states the administration finds it important to respond to inaccurate statements and issue a correction for the record*

B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

1. Report of the City Solicitor

a. Claims Committee Report

- ***Solicitor Marcello read approved claims***

A. New Claims

- 1. Candace Scola – denied*
- 2. Jenny Dickinson – referred to Pawtucket Hot Mix Asphalt*
- 3. Angela Rossi – referred to RI Energy*
- 4. Nicole Barrows – approved in the amount of \$300*
- 5. Domingos Domingues – approved in the amount of \$568*

B. Sewer Abatement

- 1. George Russo – approved in the amount of \$609.92*
- 2. Antonio Amaral – approved in the amount of \$1,345.29*
- 3. Lincoln Business Center – approved in the amount of \$1,461.07*
- 4. Lincoln Business Center – approved in the amount of \$4,779.62*
- 5. Manuel Gomes – approved in the amount of \$902.16*
- 6. Elizabeth Pereira – approved in the amount of \$673.08*
- 7. Cindy Johnson – approved in the amount of \$747.40*

2. DPW Director, Daniel Borges

a. Vote to approve handicapped parking request – 85 Hazelwood Avenue

- ***Motion to approve made by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion seconded by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion passes 5-0.***

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon	X	
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

b. Vote to approve handicapped parking request – 39 Summit Street

- *Motion to approve made by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes 5-0.*

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon	X	
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

C. RESOLUTIONS - For discussion and possible vote

1. A Resolution in support of Ballot Question 3 – Green Economy Bonds

Sponsor: Council President Britto

- *Motion to approve made by Councilman Cahoon. Motion seconded by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion passes 5-0.*

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon	X	
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

2. Resolution approving the submission of an application to the Clean Water state Revolving Fund Program

Sponsor: Council Vice President Rodericks

- *Motion to approve made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes 5-0.*

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon	X	
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

3. Resolution approving the submission of an application to the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program

Sponsor: Council Vice President Rodericks

- *Motion to approve made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes 5-0.*

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon	X	
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

D. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - For discussion and possible vote

1. An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 18 of the revised ordinances of the City of East Providence, 1998, as amended, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic”

Summary: Sec. 18-307 no parking Dover Avenue (both sides) from Warren Avenue southerly for 50 feet

Sponsor: Councilman Cahoon

- *Motion to approve made by Councilman Cahoon. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes 5-0.*

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon	X	
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

- *Council Vice President Rodericks announces the memorial service for former East Providence School Superintendent that will take place on November 5, 2022, 12:30pm-3:330pm at the Coast Guard House in Narragansett*

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

- *Motion to approve made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes 5-0.*

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon	X	
Mourato	X	
Rodericks	X	
Sousa	X	
Britto	X	

If communication assistance is needed or any other accommodations to ensure equal participation, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 401.435.7596 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting date.

Approved by Council: November 15, 2022

Attest: Leah Goddard
City Clerk