

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 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/UC0YEW6s1RpicKR47VMil1LA>

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_____ Rodericks_____ Sousa _____ Britto_____

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

A. RIGL §42-46-5 (a)(5) consideration regarding the disposition of publicly held
property, 0 Standish

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

IV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Cahoon_____ Mourato_____ Rodericks_____ Sousa _____ Britto_____

V. MOTION TO SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote

A. COUNCIL JOURNALS:

1. Regular meeting minutes November 15, 2022
2. Executive session minutes November 15, 2022

B. PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PERMITS/LICENSES (READ IN)

1. One Day Entertainment License – New
Applicant: Ellen Ordway
Location: 250 Bullocks Pt. Ave 02915
Date & Time of Function: December 2, 2022, 6:00pm – 8:00pm
Type of Entertainment: Music

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

VII. LICENSES - For discussion and possible vote
A. NON-PUBLIC HEARING

1. Block Party

Applicant: James DeFayette

Applicant Location: 69 Harlem Street 02916

Date & Time of Function: December 31, 2022, 12:00pm to 12:00am

Street to be closed: Small section of Harlem between Hood and Miller

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

2. Class F1 Application for Special Event – Alcoholic Beverage

Applicant: Anthony Prattico

Location: 2595 Pawtucket Avenue 02914, St. Martha’s Church

Date & Time of Function: December 10, 2022, 5:00PM-10:00PM

Type of Entertainment: 20 week club dinner

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

3. One Day Entertainment License – New

Applicant: Kenneth Brown

Location: 60 Berkeley Street 02914

Date & Time of Function: December 17, 2022, 7:00pm-11:00pm

Type of Entertainment: Music

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

4. Application for Holiday Sales - New

Applicant: Lane Milliken

Business Name: Core Fitness of Pawtucket, LLC dba Planet Fitness

Business Address: 52 Narragansett Park Drive 02916

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

B. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Annual Alcoholic Beverage Renewals

Please refer to attachment “A” for business listings

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

VIII. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

1. East Providence Junior Townies 3 State Champions; 10U Football, Division 12 Cheerleaders and Division 14 Cheerleaders – Councilwoman Sousa

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

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.

1. Stephen Costa – Announcement of the 7th annual Together for E.P. event to be held on December 25, 2022 from 12:00pm – 5:00pm at the Brightridge Club located at 59 Brightridge Avenue
2. William Lewis – Water Bill Issue

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

XII. COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. 2023 Council Appointments and Nominations – Councilwoman Sousa – Discussion Only
2. Council President’s farewell message

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: Sec. 18-269, stop sign at Seth Street (westbound traffic) at Fisher Street
Sponsor: Councilwoman Sousa

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

2. 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: Sec. 18-301(a)(1) and Sec. 18-307 no parking on Bayview Avenue (north side) from a point 90 feet west of Progress Avenue westerly 20 feet
Sponsor: Councilman Cahoon

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

XIV. CONTINUED BUSINESS - None

XV. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAYOR COMMUNICATIONS

1. Appointment requiring Council confirmation

- a. Domenic Pontarelli to Personnel Hearing Board, reappointment, term 01/02/2023-01/01/2026

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

- b. John Carney to Conservation Commission, reappointment, term 01/02/2023-01/01/2026

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

2. Items for announcement/discussion

- a. Update on monthly capital and general expenses and finances – Finance Director Malcolm Moore
- b. Authorization for Bond Ordinances (Water and Sewer) to receive principal forgiveness by RI Infrastructure (which will allow the city to seek reimbursement. Resolutions 239 and 240 (attached) were previously approved by the Council – DPW Director Daniel Borges

B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

1. City Council Regular Meeting Dates 2023 – Deputy City Clerk Leah Stoddard

a. January 3 & January 17

February 7 & February 21

March 7 & March 21

April 4 & April 18

May 2 & May 16

June 6 & June 20

July 18

August 15

September 5 & September 19

October 3 & October 17

November 7 & November 21

December 5 & December 19

B. RESOLUTIONS - For discussion and possible vote

1. Rules of procedure of the City Council

Summary: Adding new proposed rule related to council expenditures

Sponsor: Council President Britto

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

2. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for the purchase of fifty computers and monitors for the Police Department

Sponsor: Council Vice President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

3. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for the purchase of network switches and firewalls for the Police Department

Sponsor: Council Vice President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

C. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - For discussion and possible vote

1. An ordinance of the City of East Providence authorizing the City to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities in the City by the issuance of not more than \$148,000,000 bonds, notes and/or other evidences of indebtedness therefor, subject to approval of state housing aid at a reimbursement rate or state share ratio of not less than 48.5% for expenditures eligible for state aid and provided that the authorization shall be reduced by any grant received from the School Building Authority Capital Fund

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

2. Ordinance of the City of East Providence approving the financing of the construction, equipping, extension, replacement, repair and rehabilitation of the City’s sewer lines, sewage collection, and sewage treatment system and all preliminary and incidental expenses and approving the issuance of wastewater system revenue bonds and notes therefor in an amount not to exceed \$4,850,000

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

3. Ordinance of the City of East Providence approving the financing of completion of the construction of infrastructure improvements to the water system and all attendant expenses and approving the issuance of water revenue bonds and notes therefor in an amount not to exceed \$23,100,000

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

4. 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: No parking St. Michaels Court (north side) from a point 65 feet east of Pawtucket Avenue easterly 20 feet
Sponsor: Council President Britto

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Member	Aye	Nay
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Sousa		
Britto		

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.