

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE  
**MINUTES COUNCIL MEETING**

TUESDAY, July 18, 2023

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:

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City Council:

Council President, Bob Rodericks – At Large  
Council Vice-President: Frank Rego – Ward 1  
Councilwoman Anna Sousa - Ward 2  
Councilman Frank Fogarty - Ward 3  
Councilman Rick Lawson - Ward 4

City Solicitor, Michael J. Marcello  
City Clerk, Jill Seppa

**I. CALL TO ORDER**  
Roll Call

Fogarty X Lawson X Rego X Sousa X Rodericks X

**II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**III. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS**

1. Acknowledgement of Amy Barbosa Corrections Officer of the Year– *Sponsor: Vice President Rego*  
*Vice President Rego presented an acknowledgment to Amy Barbosa for corrections officer of the year.*
2. Acknowledgment of Rumford Little League for hosting the State Little League Championship – *Sponsor: Vice President Rego*  
*Vice President Rego announced acknowledgement of Rumford Little League for hosting the state little league championship.*

**III. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council of East Providence may meet in Executive Session,

pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5 (a)(2)

- A. Claims
  - 1. Mynor Osorio
  - 2. Manuel & Gilda Pereira
- B. Sewer Abatements
  - 1. Alda Cordeiro
  - 2. Industrial Heights Condo (Steve Gentile)
  - 3. Kristine Carlson Dreyer
- C. Samantha N. Burnett vs. City of East Providence  
 R.I. Commission for Human Rights  
 RICHR No. 22 ERA 019  
 Update based on finding of no probable cause

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

**IV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

*Councilman Lawson made a motion to reconvene to open session, Councilman Fogarty seconded, and the motion passed (5-0)*

Fogarty \_\_\_\_\_ Lawson \_\_\_\_\_ Rego \_\_\_\_\_ Sousa \_\_\_\_\_ Rodericks \_\_\_\_\_

**V. MOTION TO SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

**VI. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote**

*Councilwoman Sousa made a motion to approve the Consent Council with the exception of meeting dates, seconded by Councilman Lawson, the motion carried 5-0.*

**A. COUNCIL JOURNALS:**

- 1. Regular Meeting Minutes June 20, 2023
- 2. Executive Meeting Minutes June 20, 2023

**B. MEETING DATES**

*Councilwoman Sousa suggested rescheduling meetings to Tuesday September 12, 2023 and November 14, 2023. Council Vice President Rego expressed concern about having meetings back-to-back.*

*Councilwoman Sousa made a motion to move the September 5, 2023 to September 12, 2023 and November 7, 2023 to November 14, 2023. Councilman Lawson seconded the motion and the motion carried (5-0)*

- a. Move City Council Meeting from September 5, 2023 to September 6, 2023 - Discussion and Vote- Council Vice President Rego
- b. Move City Council Meeting from November 7, 2023 to November 8, 2023 – Discussion and Vote – Council Vice President Rego

**C. TAX ABATEMENTS-Council accepting correspondence.**

Year	Amount
2022	\$276.04
2023	\$8861.08
Total	\$9137.12

**D. LETTERS**

- 1. Notice of New Property Number, Richard Palumbo, 36 Miles Avenue (02914), Map 305 Block 08 Parcel 007. 10
- 2. Notice of New Property Number, CT Properties LLC, 72 Burnside Avenue (02915), Map 411, Block 17, Parcel 005.30
- 3. Notice of New Property Number, Madhavan Rackappan & Narayanan Chidambaram, 70 Burnside Avenue (02915), Map 411, Block 17, Parcel 005.20
- 4. Notice of New Property, William Lino Campos, 68 Burnside Avenue (02915), Map 411, Block 17, Parcel 005.10
- 5. Notice of New Property, J & E Holdings LLC, 66 Burnside Avenue (02915), Map 411, Block 17, Parcel 005.00
- 6. Notice of New Property, Bharat Gadiraju & Clairmont Properties LLC, 53 Hoppin Avenue (02915), Map 411, Block 17, Parcel 005.80
- 7. Notice of New Property, Narayanan Chidambaram, 49 Hoppin Avenue (02915), Map 411, Block 17, Parcel 005.70
- 8. Notice of New Property, 57B Rodman LLC, 45 Hoppin Avenue (02915), Map 411, Block 17, Parcel 005.60

- 9. Notice of New Property, Richard Palumbo, 41 Hoppin Avenue (02915), Map 411, Block 17, Parcel 005.50
- 10. Notice of New Property, John J Flatley, 1279 Wampanoag Trail, AKA 101 Countryside Lane (02915) Map 711, Block 03, Parcel 015.00

**E. READ IN**

1. Block Party

Applicant: St. Francis Xavier Feast (Adelino & Maria Rosa)

Applicant Location: 15 Purchase St

Time and Date: June 18, 2023 1:30-3:00pm

Street to be closed: Warren Ave, Purchase Ave, School St

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

**VII. LICENSES - For discussion and possible vote**

**A. Motion to bundle licenses C1-C7**

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	Seconded, X	
Councilman Lawson	X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	Motion, X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

**B. Motion to approve licenses C1-C7**

*Councilwoman Sousa to approve C1, C2, C3, C4, C6 and C7, Seconded by Councilman Fogarty the motion carries (4-0)*

*Councilwoman Sousa made a motion to approve C5, Seconded by Councilman Fogarty the motion carries (4-0)*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	SecondX	
Councilman Lawson	recused	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	Motion, X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

**C. NON-PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Road Race

Applicant: Ocean State MultiSport (Gary Menissian)

Applicant Location: Pierce Field

Date and Time of Function: June 2, 2024 8am-noon

Street to be closed: N/A

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

2. Road Race

Applicant: Ocean State MultiSport (Gary Menissian)

Applicant Location: Pierce Field

Date and Time of Function: September 8, 2024 8am-noon

Street to be closed: N/A

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

3. Block Party

Applicant: Sacred Cow (Rob Armstrong)

Applicant Location: 187 and 151 N Brow

Date and Time of Function: August 20, 2023 3:00-6:00 pm

Street to be closed: Cross Street from N Brow to Summit

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

4. Block Party

Applicant: Lindsey Oldham

Applicant Location: 22 Ferncrest Dr

Date and Time of Function: August 12, 2023 4:00-11:00pm

Street to be closed: Ferncrest Drive

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

5. Block Party

Applicant: Rick Lawson

Applicant Location: (Riverside Square) 3730 Pawtucket Ave

Date and time of Function: July 28, 2023 August 11, 2023, August 25, 2023, September 8, 2023 5:00-8:00pm

Street to be closed: Pawtucket Ave between Burnside and Turner

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

6. Block Party

Applicant: Diane Pacheco

Applicant Location: 39 Richfield Ave

Date and Time of Function: August 12, 2023 2:00-8:00pm

Street to be closed: Section of Richfield Ave; corner of Clyde Avenue to the corner of Townhouse Street

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

7. Special Events One Day Entertainment License

Applicant: Rob Armstrong

Event: Munroe Dairy Cruise Night

Location: 187-151 N Brow St

Date and Time of Event: August 20, 2023 3-6pm

Type of Entertainment: DJ

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

**D. PUBLIC HEARING –**

*Council Vice President Rego recused on this item.*

*Kristen Johnson appeared for the application and reviewed the business and application.*

*Councilwoman Sousa made a motion to approve, Councilman Lawson seconded and the motion carried (4-0)*

1. Class B- Full Privilege- New

Applicant: Kristin Smith

Business name: Scentique

Location: 136 Taunton Avenue

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	X	
Council Vice President Rego	<i>recused</i>	
Councilwoman Sousa	X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

**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. Nancy Hale – Public Safety*

*Nancy Hale spoke on Public Safety.*

*Candy Seal spoke on concerns of land disturbance at Metacomet.*

*Heather Andrade spoke on concerns of land disturbance at Metacomet.*

*Napoleon Gonsalves read a letter into the record on behalf of the Mayor regarding revenue from Speed Citation Camera program.*

**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**

Motion to bundle re-appointments XI1-XI8

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	Motion 1-8 X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	Second X	
Council President Rodericks	X	



Motion to Approve Re-Appointments XI1-XI8

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	Motion 1-8 X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	Seconded, X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

1. Re-Appointment to the Crescent Park Advisory Commission – Paulo Salgueiro Jr. – Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

2. Re-Appointment to the Crescent Park Advisory Commission – Bruce Rogers – Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

3. Re-Appointment to the Crescent Park Advisory Commission – Joan Hanrahan-Miller – Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

4. Re-Appointment to the Crescent Park Advisory Commission – Joanne Perella–  
Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

5. Re-Appointment to the Crescent Park Advisory Commission – Lumena Rodrigues –  
Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

6. Re-Appointment to the Crescent Park Advisory Commission – Izilda Fernandes –  
Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

- 7. Re-Appointment to the Crescent Park Advisory Commission – Donna McMahon – Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

- 8. Re-Appointment to the Crescent Park Advisory Commission – Stephen Costa – Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

- 9. Re-Appointment to the Crescent Park Advisory Commission – Rick Lawson as Council Liason– Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

**XII. COUNCIL MEMBERS**

- 1. City infrastructure drainage issues and plan development throughout East Providence; to include but not limited to the Dewey Avenue neighborhood- *Discussion only- Council President Rodericks & Vice President Rego*  
*Item moved without objection following Consent Calendar.*

*Dan Borges reported that significant cleaning happened on Dewey Avenue and has not found issues. He reported that the department CC camera inspected 18 miles and found the system in good condition. They identified 26 low lying locations and mobilized crews to install additional catch basins.*

*Council Vice President Rego expressed concern that Ferris Ave is not on the list.*

2. Discussion and act on allocation of ARPA funding - possible vote

*Councilwoman rescinded motion for item d*

*Councilwoman Sousa made a motion to allocation of APRA funds to A-I with the caveat that ordinances to follow to each project, Councilman Lawson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.*

- a. \$250,000 to update, road (ground surface) landscape and public access to the boat ramps, lighting, and parking for trailers at Bold Point Park and John Lewis Waterfront Park.-*Councilwoman Sousa*

*Councilwoman Sousa gave an overview of her intent to improve the waterfront area to be enjoyable and accessible. Councilman Lawson spoke that the Council is requesting 3.5 million out of 28 million available ARPA funding and would like to get the funds moving and bring the projects forward. He noted that he is going to add Business Incubator at the former Oldham School.*

*The mayor spoke on updates of various projects such as Bold Point.*

*Councilwoman Sousa made a motion to approve funds allocated from APRA funding for Bold Point Project and John Lewis Waterfront Park with a dollar amount to be determined. Councilman Lawson seconded and the motion carries, 5-0.*

*Vice President Rego recommended bundling all items. Councilwoman Sousa highlighted that there is a typo on the docket for item c. the dollar amount is \$500,000 not \$50,000.*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

- b. Utility Box Art Project- Citywide \$50,000- *Councilwoman Sousa*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

c. Pierce Field Football stadium \$500,000 – replaces walking track ADA compliance- *Councilwoman Sousa*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

d. Townie Pride Park \$250,000 (secure parameter, fixed benches, cobblestone or brick walking path around pond, define parking lot) – *Councilwoman Sousa*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

e. Placemaking throughout the City- \$550,000- *Councilman Lawson*

- f. Funding of Crescent Park Concession/Event Tent Project- \$1,000,000-  
*Councilman Lawson*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

- g. Adaptive playground equipment for our special needs' population \$500,000-  
*Councilman Lawson*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

- h. Discussion of amount to be allocated to a Community Center – *Councilman  
 Lawson*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

- i. Discussion and vote on allocating \$200,000 towards a splash pad in Riverside-  
*Councilman Lawson*

3. Update on restriping of traffic lines at the end of Waterman Ave and Massasoit Ave.-  
*Discussion Only-Councilwoman Sousa*  
*Councilwoman Sousa combined item 3 and 8 without objection and shared photos of the areas of concerns. She spoke about safety concerns since the lines are unclear and expressed frustration about the ongoing lack of activity in these areas. Councilman Lawson asked if this area is part of the DOT project. Dan Borges, director DPW reported that the area is a State DOT area. Dan Borges offered to contact them to alert them to the lines needing to be stripe the lines.*
  
4. Update on the hiring of Arborist as required by the Charter. Overgrowth of Tree branches at trunk of tree in the center city-*Councilwoman Sousa*  
  
*Councilwoman Sousa expressed concern about overgrowth in some areas.*
  
5. Council Rules -(Mayor Communication)- Provide updated guidelines on appropriate communication for council meetings -*Discussion only-Councilwoman Sousa*  
*Councilwoman Sousa clarified that she believes that Mayor Communications should be a quick update and summary on city business and budget items. She would like items are of more informative substance regarding city business. Councilman Lawson agreed to streamline these communications. Councilman Lawson said the proclamations can be on consent agenda.*
  
6. Update from Solicitor regarding House and Senate Bill about Short term rentals, Airbnb –  
*Discussion- Councilwoman Sousa*  
  
*Councilwoman Sousa reviewed the two bills.*
  
7. Crook's Point - City to seek leasing property from the State to create public access (emergencies) to waterfront and pond for residents. - *Discussion only- Councilwoman Sousa*  
*Councilwoman Sousa expressed the importance of Crooks Point safety access. She is exploring the options of leasing the space for waterfront access to the public. Dan Borges learned from DOT is that the parcel is owned by them and is in the process of ownership to Providence and East Providence. Councilwoman Sousa asked for ongoing updates.*
  
8. An update on the construction on the Henderson Bridge project and road striping. –  
*Discussion Only-Councilwoman Sousa*  
*Dan Borges said this is slated to be complete by 2025, RIDOT is targeting opening the bridge by the end of the year.*
  
9. Install 4 way stop sign at intersection of Barney and Bishop Ave.-*Discussion only- Council Vice President Rego and Councilman Fogarty*  
*Council Vice President said speeding is an issue at Barney and Bishop Ave and requested a stop sign. Dan Borges inquired if the intent to install stop signs to slow down traffic. Director of Public Works said there is no evidence that stop signs do not offer speed control. He recommended a traffic study.*

10. Update on Radar Speed Sign placements, receive list of locations and projected timeline, including Don Ave and Kelly Ave-*discussion only-Council Vice President Rego and Councilwoman Sousa*

*Council Vice President Rego reported that Dan Borges already notified him that they were delivered and that his crew that would normally install these is working on catch basins. Councilwoman Sousa clarified that the signs have not been assigned. Dan Borges reported that there are some determined but he's open to ideas. Councilwoman Sousa inquired as to cost and Dan Borges estimated the 18 cost about \$40,000.*

11. Update of city paving program for 2023 from Department of Public Works – *Discussion only - Council Vice President Rego*  
*Dan Borges reported that the hope is to be able to pave this year.*

12. Discussion on trash collection in East Providence public parks from Department of public Works- *Discussion only- Councilman Lawson*

*Councilman Lawson shared he wants to open a conversation to address improving trash pick up at the parks. Director Dan Borges reported that implementing carry in and carry out in lighter use parks and trash removal for more popular parks. He expressed that even though his staff picks up everyday in the summer they can not keep up with the demand. He is hoping to use trash compacter barrels with a higher capacity, and they notify the crew with alerts when they are full. He also shared that tipping fees are going to increase 35% this year. Councilman Lawson suggested signs to promote Carry In Carry Out. Director Dan Borges reported that they are in the works.*

13. City Council response to Charter Commission inquiry- *Discussion only -Council President Roderick and Council Vice President Rego*

*Council President, Council Vice President and Councilwoman Sousa all spoke on the Charter Commissions charge. Council President Rodericks said that the council was taking aback at the chairs comments that the council is incompetent. Council President clarified that the Charter Commission is asked to review the Charter how they would like and present recommendations to the Council. The Council will review the current charter and come up with their own suggestions. The City Administration will send in recommendations for the Charter Commission to consider.*

*Councilman Lawson read the charter guidance.*

*Council Vice President shared clarification for the Charter Commission endorsing a collaborative effort. He clarified that reviewing Charter Commission recommendations will be reviewed as a whole as in pieces is not productive.*



*Councilwoman Sousa expressed that watching the recent Charter Commission meeting was disheartened. She suggested focusing on the task at hand and the mission.*

14. Request for RFP to build a concession building at Crescent Park and a concrete pad to hold an event tent. – *Vote- Councilman Lawson*

*Councilman Lawson gave an overview of history of Crescent Park projects. He said that there is already 100,000 for a previous project and has been redefined to a clamshack building, covered seating area and couple public gender-neutral bathrooms and a concrete pad for an event tent.*

*Napoleon Gonsalves, Director of Administration, clarified with Councilman Lawson on the request. Council President confirmed with Dan Borges that there is already an architect. Napoleon Gonsalves said that there is a meeting in the next couple of weeks.*

*Councilman Lawson makes a motion to move the funding that was allocated for the ice rink over to the clam shack, seconded by Councilman Fogarty, the motion carries 5-0.*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	Second, X	
Councilman Lawson	Motion, X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

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

1. An ordinance of the Council of the City of East Providence appropriating \$100,000 for the support of the Crescent Park Concession Project  
*Sponsor: Councilman Lawson*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	Second, X	
Councilman Lawson	Motion, X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

2. An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 8 of the revised ordinances of the city of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as Amended, entitled “Licenses and Business Regulations”

*Summary: Section 8-6 Authority to Issue One Day License*

*Sponsor: Council Vice President Frank Rego*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	X	
Council Vice President Rego	Motion, X	
Councilwoman Sousa	Second, X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

3. An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 16 of the revised ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “taxation”.

*Summary: Section 16-94 Ratable Property Classification*

*Sponsor: Council President Rodericks*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	Motion, X	
Councilman Lawson	Second, X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

4. An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 16 of the revised ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “taxation”.

*Summary: Section 16-56 One Time Tax Amnesty Period-Real Property Tax Payments*

*Sponsor: Council President Rodericks*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	Second, X	
Councilman Lawson	Motion, X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

- 5. An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 16 of the revised ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “taxation”.

*Summary: Section 16-57 One Time Tax Amnesty Period-Tangible and motor vehicle taxes*

*Sponsor: Council President Rodericks*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	Motion, X	
Council Vice President Rego	Second, X	
Councilwoman Sousa	X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

**XIV. CONTINUED BUSINESS –**

Receive reports and act on possible audit- *Discuss and vote- Full City Council*

*Councilman Fogarty tabled this item until the next meeting.*

- a. Number of citations were paid from post warning period inception to June 30, 2023
- b. Number of events from Sensys Gatso issued from inception to June 30, 2023
- c. Number of citations were generated from these events from inception to June 30, 2023
- d. Number of citations are unpaid from inception to June 30, 2023?
- e. How many were adjudicated/dismissal from inception to June 30,2023?
- f. What is the total revenue from inception to June 30, 2023?-
- g. A report by zip code of total tickets from inception to June 30, 2023?
- h. Contract revisions permissions related to times, locations and hours of operation of School Zone and Red Light Cameras.
- i. What are the total hours and number of a police officer spent on the ticket reviewing process?
- j. Time frame of issuance for violation for previous school year.

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

**XV. NEW BUSINESS**

*Councilman Lawson made a motion to bundle appointments, Councilwoman Sousa seconded and the motion carries 5-0.*

*Councilman Lawson made a motion to approve of bundled appointments, Councilwoman Sousa seconded and the motion carries 5-0.*

**6. MAYOR COMMUNICATIONS-Dir. of Administration Napoleon Gonsalves**

**a. Appointment /Reappointment requiring Council Confirmation**

- i. Appointment – Mr. Bazl Taliaferreow-Mosleh Appointment 8 – Economic Development Commission. Five-year Term: 10/18/2022 – 10/17/2027

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	Motion, X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	Second, X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

- ii. Reappointment – Dominic Leonardo, Appointment 6 – Economic Development Commission. Five-year Term: 2/22/22 - 2/21/2027

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

- iii. Reappointment – Michelle Martins-Botehlo, Appointment 9 – Economic Development Commission. Five-year Term: 5/16/23-5/15/28

- iv. Reappointment-Daniel Corria, Appointment 7 – Economic Development Commission. Five-year Term 7/27/22-7/26/27

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty		
Councilman Lawson		
Council Vice President Rego		
Councilwoman Sousa		
Council President Rodericks		

b. Items for discussion or announcement

Director of administration, Napoleon Gonsalves, reported on the following matters.

- i. Allocation of funds from the sale of Platt Watters property to Economic Development Urban Development Action Grant (UDAG) account
- ii. Finance Update: June Revenues and Capital Expense – Dir of Finance Malcolm Moore
- iii. Crescent Park Carousel Summerfest; Thursday July 20,2023 6-10pm, Friday July 21, 2023 6-10pm, Saturday July 22, 2023 1-10pm & Sunday July 23, 2023 1-5pm
- iv. Holy Ghost Brotherhood/Santa Maria Club feast July 28 and 29 from 6pm-midnight and July 30 10:30am to 10 pm
- v. National Night Out: August 1, 2023 5-8pm East Providence Senior Center
- vi. Loof Arts Festival: Saturday, August 12, 2023; RAIN DATE Sunday August 13, 2023

7. **REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS**

- a. Report of City Solicitor
  - i. Claims Committee Report

*City Solicitor reported the Claims Committee met and approved the claim by Mynor Osorio in the amount of \$1895.20, and they approved the claim of Manuel & Gilda Pereira in the amount of \$467.00. For sewer abatements, Alda Cordeiro’s claim was approved in the amount of \$283. 97. Industrial Heights Condo (Steve Gentile) denied in the amount of \$1347.47 and Kristine Carlson Dreyer approved in the amount of \$490.43.*

*In the matter of Samantha N. Burnett vs. City of East Providence, the previous city council had received an allegation of discrimination of the previous city clerk. The Rhode Island Human Rights board investigated and found no wrong doing, they closed the case.*

**8. REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE LIAISON**

*Councilman Lawson reported that he and the mayor attended the most recent budget meeting. He reported that the school is increasing their request for the budget. Councilwoman Sousa requested that the budget that the Council is presented from the school be itemized.*

**9. RESOLUTIONS - For discussion and possible vote.**

a. Resolution establishing the East Providence Small Business Advisory Committee.

*Sponsor: Councilwoman Sousa*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	Second, X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	Motion, X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

b. Resolution re-naming Rose Larisa Memorial Park to Crescent Park.

*Sponsor: Councilman Lawson*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	Motion, X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	Second, X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

c. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for the City Hall ceiling tile replacement project.

*Sponsor: Council President Rodericks*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	X	
Council Vice President Rego	Second, X	
Councilwoman Sousa	X	
Council President Rodericks	Motion, X	

- d. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for the City Hall VAV boxes replacement project.

*Sponsor: Council President Rodericks*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	X	
Council Vice President Rego	Seconded, X	
Councilwoman Sousa	X	
Council President Rodericks	Motion, X	

- e. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for the Weaver House porch exterior repairs.

*Sponsor: Council President Rodericks*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	Seconded, X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	X	
Council President Rodericks	Motion, X	

- f. Resolution supporting the increased funding of the small business revolving loan fund.

*Sponsor: Council President Rodericks, Councilman Lawson*

Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	X	
Councilman Lawson	Motion, X	
Council Vice President Rego	Second, X	
Councilwoman Sousa	X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

**10. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - For discussion and possible vote**

- a. 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: Section 18-307 entitled "Parking prohibited at all times" Troughton Place*

Sponsor: Council President Rodericks and Councilwoman Sousa

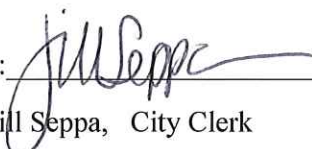
Member	Aye	Nay
Councilman Fogarty	Second, X	
Councilman Lawson	X	
Council Vice President Rego	X	
Councilwoman Sousa	Motion, X	
Council President Rodericks	X	

**XVII. ADJOURNMENT**

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty	X	
Lawson	Second, X	
Rego	X	
Sousa	Motion, X	
Rodericks	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: August 15, 2023

Attest:   
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 Jill Seppa, City Clerk



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