

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
 JOURNAL/MINUTES-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
 TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021
 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

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
 City Clerk, Samantha N. Burnett

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be both in person and virtually, on an application called, "Zoom".

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MEETING ID: 993-0796-0324

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MEETING ID: 993-0796-0324

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http://www.clerkbase.com/RI_EastProvidence_Live_CityCouncil.html

REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENT

Written public comment on any agenda item can be submitted by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 1, 2021 in the following delivery methods:

Email the City Clerk at: sburnett@eastprovidenceri.gov Deliver your written comment in person to the City Clerk

Location: City Hall 145 Taunton Avenue East Providence, Rhode Island 02914

IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT VIA ZOOM, YOU MUST USE THE "RAISE HAND" FUNCTION VIA ZOOM NO LATER THAN 6:45 P.M. TO BE RECOGNIZED BY THE MODERATOR OF THE MEETING.

I. CALL TO ORDER – Council President Britto called the meeting to order and Samantha Burnett provided a roll call. All Council members were present. 

II. INVOCATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council may meet in Executive Session, pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5 (a)(2)

Councilman Cahoon made the motion to invoke Executive Session. Motion seconded by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0. Council exits to meet in Executive Session.

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

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Sewer Charge Abatements

a. 945 Warren Avenue

IV. OPEN SESSION 

Council reconvenes in Open Session. Council President Britto requests a roll call by the City Clerk, Samantha Burnett. All member of the Council are present.

V. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Britto leads the Pledge of Allegiance.

VI. MOTION TO SEAL THE MINUTES FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to seal the minutes from Executive Session made by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

VII. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR 

1. COUNCIL JOURNALS:

a. EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2021

Motion to approve the items a and b together made by Councilman Cahoon. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

b. REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2021

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

PUBLIC COMMENT 

Each speaker will be limited to three (3) minutes. The order of the 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. Public comments must pertain to a docket item.

No one exercised Public Comment.

VIII. LICENSES NOT REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARING 

1. Application for Hawker's License

Applicant: Keith Lambert

Business: New England Novelty

Address of Business: 141 Newport Avenue, 02916

Applicant not present at the time item presented. Motion to approve made by Councilman Cahoon. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

2. Application for Holiday Sales License

Applicant: Keith Lambert

Business: New England Novelty

Address of Business: 141 Newport Avenue, 02916

Applicant not present at the time item was presented. Motion to approve made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

3. Application for Victualing License – Class 3

Applicant: Tracy Johnson

Business: Crescent Park Carousel

Address of Business: 700 Bullocks Point Avenue, 02915

Applicant present. Motion to approve made by Councilman Mourato. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

4. Application for One Day Entertainment License

Applicant: Leanne Aldrich

Business/Organization: Elks Lodge

Address: 60 Berkeley Street

Event Information: June 26, 2021, 4-8:00 p.m.

Applicant was not present. Motion to approve made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

Member	Aye	Nay
Sousa		
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Britto		

5. One Day Entertainment License

Applicant: Nancy Garcia

Business/Organization: Neither

Address: 34 Puritan Avenue

Event Information: June 5, 2021, 5 p.m.-12:00 a.m.

Applicant was not present. Motion to approve made by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion seconded by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

6. Mobile Food Establishment

Applicant: David Waycott

Business: Blount Fine Foods dba: Blount Clam Shack Food Truck

Applicant was present. Motion to approve made by Councilman Cahoon. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

7. Application for Victualing License – Class 3

Applicant: Joao Moniz

Business: Mercado Do Peixe

Business Address: 220 Warren Avenue, 02914

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

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

8. Application for Holiday Sales

Applicant: Joao Moniz

Business: Mercado Do Peixe

Business Address: 220 Warren Avenue, 02914

Applicant was present. Motion to approve made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

9. License to Solicit

Applicant: Jeremy Hernandez

Business Name: Power Home Remodeling

Business Address: 201 Jones Road, Waltham, MA 02451

Motion to approve items 9-12 made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

10. License to Solicit

Applicant: Anthony Saster

Business Name: Power Home Remodeling

Business Address: 201 Jones Road, Waltham, MA 02451

Motion to approve items 9-12 made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

11. License to Solicit

Applicant: Ryan Stanton

Business Name: Power Home Remodeling

Business Address: 201 Jones Road, Waltham, MA 02451

Motion to approve items 9-12 made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

Member	Aye	Nay
Sousa	x	

Cahoon	x	
Mourato	x	
Rodericks	x	
Britto	x	

12. License to Solicit

Applicant: Thomas Janicki

Business Name: Power Home Remodeling

Business Address: 201 Jones Road, Waltham, MA 02451

Motion to approve items 9-12 made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

13. Transfer of Victualing License – Class 2

Transfer from: Pamela Leite and Daniel Leite

Transfer to: Jayson McVeigh and Susan Rinebolt

Business: Pazi’s Place, LLC dba Pazi’s Place transfer to 380 Diner, LLC dba Pazi’s Place

Business Address: 380 Taunton Ave., 02914

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

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

IX. LICENSING APPROVALS 

a) Class - BV – Limited Liquor

1. Request for Transfer

Pazi’s Place, LLC dba Pazi’s Place transfer to 380 Diner, LLC dba Pazi’s Place

Public Hearing offered. No participants engaged. Public Hearing was closed. Motion to approve by Councilman Cahoon. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

X. NEW BUSINESS 

A) COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

1. Presentation - Attorney Amy Goins regarding how the Waterfront Commission Operates and the Commission’s role in governance – Council President Robert Britto

Chris Martin (of the Waterfront Commission), Amy Goins (Counsel for Waterfront Commission) and Bill Fazioli (Planning Director) were present for this item.

2. Clarification on Boat Storage Ordinance that was tabled from previous council meeting - Council President Robert Britto
Council President was present to address this topic.

3. Discussion: Rhode Island DEM complaint regarding odors effecting East Providence – Council Vice President Rodericks
Council Vice President Rodericks was present to address this topic.

4. Discussion: Police Officer Recruitment Issues – Vice President Rodericks
Council Vice President Rodericks was present to address this topic.

5. Discussion: Memorial Day Parade Update – Councilman Mourato
Councilman Mourato was present to address this topic.

6. Discussion: Housing Aid/Funding Opportunities for East Providence Residents – Councilman Cahoon
Councilman Cahoon was present to address this topic.

7. Discussion: Noise/Music from Providence Update – Councilman Cahoon
Councilman Cahoon was present to address this topic.

8. Discussion: Trash Collection/Littering on State Maintained Properties in the City-Councilman Cahoon
Councilman Cahoon was present for this topic.

B) COMMUNICATIONS – OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Items for discussion

1. Housing Improvement Program/Housing Assistance [Program](#) (Dave Bachrach) *Mr. Bacrach was available and presented this program to the public.*

2. Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month [Proclamation](#) (Dir. Gonsalves)
Director Gonsalves was present to address this item.

3. National Public Works Week [Proclamation](#) (Dir. Gonsalves) *Director Gonsalves was present to address this item.*

4. National EMS Week [Proclamation](#) (Dir. Gonsalves) *Director Gonsalves was present to address this item.*

5. Azorean Day [Proclamation](#) (Dir. Gonsalves) *Director Gonsalves was present to address this item.*

6. Pride Month [Celebration](#) (Dir. Gonsalves) *Director Gonsalves was present to address this item.*

7. Senior Center Welcome (Senior Center Dir. Laura Jones) *Director Jones was present to address this item.*

8. **DISCUSSION ONLY** – *Day of Portugal Announcement* – *Motion to amend the agend to include this item was made by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.*

9. **DISCUSSION ONLY** – *1st Street Pilot Pattern Project.* *Motion to amend the agenda to include this item was made by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes unanimously. Safety concerns were discussed by Councilwoman Sousa with the project submitted by Planning and the administration and how this option was not welcomed by businesses in the area.*

C) REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

1. City Solicitor Claims Report – Assistant Solicitor Dylan B. Conley
Solicitor Conley provided the Claims Report results from Executive Session.

D) ORDINANCES FOR FIRST PASSAGE

Full ordinances on ClerkBase, under 06/01/2021 agenda: <https://www.clerkshq.com/eastprovidence-ri>

1. AN [ORDINANCE](#) IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND, 1998, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION"

Section 2-283 Building Code Violation Fines, Zoning Code Violation Fines, Minimum Housing Code Violation Fines. - Council President Britto
Council President Britto introduced the ordinance to the public and Council. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Cahoon. Motion to second the motion was made by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

E) ORDINANCES FOR SECOND PASSAGE AND PUBLIC HEARING

Full ordinances on ClerkBase, under 06/01/2021 agenda: <https://www.clerkshq.com/eastprovidence-ri>

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" Section 18-269 (Catlin Avenue and Lewis Street) (Standish Avenue and Merrill Street)

Sponsored by: Council President Britto

Motion to approve the ordinance made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

F) RESOLUTIONS

Full resolutions on ClerkBase, under 06/01/2021 agenda: <https://www.clerkshq.com/eastprovidence-ri>

1. [RESOLUTION](#) ESTABLISHING THE DAY OF PORTUGAL COMMITTEE

Sponsored by: Councilwoman Sousa

This item was not voted on as it was not the correct item to be presented.

Member	Aye	Nay
Sousa		
Cahoon		
Mourato		
Rodericks		
Britto		

2. [RESOLUTION](#) AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A THIRD AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH TV US DEVELOPMENT SITES I, LLC FOR THE CELL TOWER AT PIERCE FIELD

Sponsored by: Council Vice President Rodericks

Motion to approve the resolution was made by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion seconded by Councilman Cahoon. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

3. [RESOLUTION](#) SEEKING AN AMENDMENT OF R.I.G.L. § 45-24-46.1 AS IT

RELATES TO A PAYMENT OF A FEE BY A DEVELOPER IN LIEU OF THE CONSTRUCTION OR PROVISION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Sponsored by: Council President Britto

Motion to approve the resolution was made by Councilman Cahoon. Motion seconded by Council Vice President Rodericks. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

4. [RESOLUTION](#) IN SUPPORT OF 2021-H6353 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF LICENSES OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE TO CONSIDER THE GRANTING OF A CLASS B LIQUOR LICENSE FOR 130 TAUNTON AVENUE

Sponsored by: Council President Britto

Noted on the record by the City Clerk that this was for Café Zara. Motion to approve the resolution was made by Councilman Cahoon. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.

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

F) APPOINTMENTS

1. Ryan Queenan – Nomination to the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Board by Council President Britto

Noted on the record.

XI. RECONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION (if necessary)

The Council did not see it necessary to reconvene in Executive Session.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Cahoon. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Sousa. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0. Meeting adjourns.

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

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

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City of East Providence Community Development Office

ROBERTO L. DASILVA
MAYOR

DAVID BACHRACH
DIRECTOR

HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Home Improvement Program offers grants, no-interest deferred payment loans, and low interest loans to owner-occupied and qualifying rental properties in East Providence. Eligibility is based on income and other factors.

WHAT KIND OF WORK CAN BE DONE THROUGH THIS PROGRAM?

The Home Improvement Program will provide assistance to homeowners in need of emergency repairs, building/health code violation repairs, and/or other repairs in order to improve the safety, accessibility, and energy-efficiency of their home.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

You may qualify for the Home Improvement Program if you are a homeowner:

- ▶ WHO owns a single or multi-family rental property in East Providence
- ▶ WHOSE household income is less than 80% of the area median income, adjusted by household size, or
- ▶ WHOSE tenant's household income is less than 80% of the area median income, adjusted by household size (see Program Terms & Conditions for more Rental Property requirements)

HOW IS HOUSEHOLD INCOME DEFINED?

1. Household income consists of current gross income from all sources including Social Security, pension, salaries, wages, interest income, rent, etc.
2. A household is defined as all persons who occupy a housing unit. Occupants may be a single family, one person living alone, or any other group of related and/or unrelated persons who live in the same house or apartment.

DETERMINING HOUSEHOLD INCOME								
Persons in Household	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
80% Median Area Income	\$45,850	\$52,400	\$58,950	\$65,500	\$70,750	\$76,000	\$81,250	\$86,500
60% Median Area Income	\$34,400	\$39,300	\$44,250	\$49,125	\$53,100	\$57,000	\$61,000	\$65,000

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO APPLY

1. Call the Community Development Office at (401)435-7536, or email efox@cityofeastprov.com or dbachrach@cityofeastprov.com
2. Visit us on-line at www.eastprovidenceri.net under City Departments and Community Development.

Home Improvement Program Financing Products

1. For Homeowners over 60% of area median income (or you can choose #2 below)
 - **3% Interest Loan**- 60% of the total amount borrowed will be paid back over monthly installments over a 10-year term.
 - **0% Interest Deferred Payment 10-Year Loan** - The balance of the total amount borrowed may convert to a grant after the 10-yr term.
2. Homeowners under 60% area median income (and homeowners over 60% of area median income)
 - **0% Interest Nonrecourse Deferred Payment Loan** - The total amount borrowed will remain as a lien on your property as long as you own the house and it remains your primary residence. No monthly payments are due and the original amount borrowed remains the same.
3. For Investor Owner Landlords (You are the owner but do not live in the property that you rent)
 - **3% Interest Loan** - the total amount borrowed is paid back in monthly installments over a 10-yr. term.
4. For Owner Occupied Landlords (You are the owner and live in the property and you rent to others.)
 - **3% Interest Loan** - 60% of the total amount borrowed will be paid back in monthly installments over a 10-year term.
 - **0% Interest Deferred Payment 10-Year Loan** - The balance of the total amount borrowed may convert to a grant after the 10-yr term.

The following would cause you to default on your loan depending on what financing product you have chosen:

- **3% loan over a 10-Year Term**

1. The borrower fails to pay the monthly loan payments due including late fees
2. Title or ownership interests is no longer that of the borrower, i.e. foreclosure, bankruptcy, etc.
3. The borrower passes away
4. The borrower has knowingly provided fraudulent information to the Community Development Office

- **0% Interest Deferred Payment 10-Year Loan**

1. The home is no longer the primary residence of the borrower
2. Title or ownership interests is no longer that of the borrower including foreclosure, bankruptcy, and similar proceedings
3. The borrower passes away
4. The borrower has knowingly provided fraudulent information to the Community Development Office
5. The borrower has defaulted on or has not paid in full the 3% loan.

- **0% Interest Nonrecourse Deferred Payment Loan**

1. The home is no longer the primary residence of the borrower
2. Title or ownership interests is no longer that of the borrower, i.e. foreclosure, bankruptcy, etc.
3. The borrower passes away
4. The borrower has knowingly provided fraudulent information to the Community Development Office

PROGRAM TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. Qualified applicants will receive financing for the home improvements.
2. Applicants must have paid all property taxes, water bills or other assessments due to the City before they are qualified for the program.
3. The homeowner must have homeowner's insurance on the property to be assisted, and must maintain coverage throughout the period of the loan. Evidence of flood insurance coverage will be required if the property is determined to be located in the FEMA-designated Floodplain.
4. **Rental Property:** For 2-family homes, at least 1 unit must be income eligible. For 3-or-4-family homes, at least 51% of all units must be income eligible. All units must submit a Tenant Information Form. The program only covers the costs of general improvements for eligible units and all common areas including roofs and siding. Lead paint hazards will be addressed for all units and be covered by the program. The owner must enter into a Rent Regulatory Agreement, limiting rents of assisted income eligible tenants not to exceed Fair Market Rent Limits, for a period of 1 year from the time the improvements have been completed. This requirement ceases to apply after the 1 year period is over as does the income eligibility of the tenant.

Fair Market Rent Limits						
Efficiency	1 BR	2 BR	3 BR	4 BR	5 BR	6 BR
\$748	\$849	\$1,014	\$1,271	\$1,508	\$1,734	\$1,960

5. Funding caps and financing terms may be adjusted on a case by case basis only when one of the following consequences of not making the adjustment can be documented: Loss of property, imminent homelessness or significant safety or health threat.

Funding Caps		
Single-Family Home	2-Family Multi-Unit Home	3+Family Multi-Unit Home
Up to \$35,000	Up to \$40,000	Up to \$50,000

6. A comprehensive lead inspection is required for all homes built prior to 1978. All the lead hazards sighted in the lead report will need to be addressed by the program, for all projects requiring rehab assistance of \$5,000 or more. Upon completion of the project, a final lead clearance inspection is conducted, as to achieve Lead-Safe status. The cost of the lead inspections are rolled into the HIP loan.
7. In some cases, lead hazard reduction activities require the household to temporarily relocate while the work is being completed. Occupants are encouraged to seek out free temporary relocation options. The costs of relocation of single-family and owner-occupied multi-unit homes is not charged to the home owner. For non-occupied multi-unit homes, relocation costs are rolled into the HIP loan.
8. A mortgage will be recorded on the property for all financing provided.
9. Technical Assistance, such as determining issues that may need to be addressed, writing work specifications, bidding and contractor selection assistance, and construction management, is provided at no cost to the homeowner.
10. Required permits will be obtained by the contractor before work is started.

PROGRAM PROCEDURES

1. Interested homeowners are to fill out the application and submit the necessary paperwork mentioned in the Application Checklist. If the funds will be used on a rental property, tenant income verification is needed for all the units that will undergo any improvements. (The Community Development staff are available to help landlords in obtaining this type of personal information.)
2. If a homeowner is eligible, the City Rehabilitation Specialist will make an appointment to visit your home and determine all eligible improvements to prepare the scope of work. Any "Lead Hazard" work will also be identified. If required, a lead inspection is ordered. The homeowner will be contacted by an independent lead inspector, contracted by the city, to schedule the inspection.
3. Once the scope of work is completed, the rehab specialist and homeowner meet to go over the work specifications. At this time, changes can be made accordingly.
4. Once the scope of work is finalized, a walk-through of your property is scheduled by the Rehab specialist for pre-qualified contractors to review the work specifications.
5. The contractors are allowed one week to return bids. The Rehab Specialist presents the homeowner with the bid results. The homeowner then selects a contractor to move forward with the project. The Program will finance the lowest bidder. If the homeowner decides to choose a different contractor other than the lowest bidder, it's the homeowner's responsibility to pay the difference.
6. The Community Development Office creates a Work Contract for rehabilitation work, to be reviewed and signed by the homeowner and the contractor.
7. A Loan Closing for the cost of the home improvements is scheduled with the homeowner, by the Community Development Coordinator. A Loan Agreement with the City, Promissory Note and Mortgage Deed are issued and signed by the homeowner. If there is rental property involved, the homeowner will also sign a Rent Regulatory Agreement, in which the homeowner agrees to limit rents to below fair market rent limits published by HUD.
8. If the home improvements require the household to temporarily relocate, the Community Development staff will help arrange temporary housing, if there aren't any family or friends they can stay with for that period of time.
9. While the work is in progress, the Rehabilitation Specialist will inspect to insure the work is being done properly and accordingly to the Work Contract.
10. Partial payments are made to contractor for portions of the work completed, following the Rehabilitation Specialist's inspections and homeowner's approval.
11. If any lead hazard reduction work was required, the contractor schedules a final lead clearance inspection. Upon successful passage, the lead inspector issues a Lead-Safe Certificate to the property. Should the property fail the Clearance Test, the Contractor must address the lead paint issues still existing at his/her own expense until it passes.
12. After the rehab work is completed, the Rehabilitation Specialist inspects the property to verify that the contractors completed all the work listed on the Work Specifications and that the homeowner is satisfied with the workmanship performed. Any additional required City inspections are scheduled by the contractor and confirmed by the Rehab Specialist.
13. The contractor submits a final invoice and a final payment is processed.

City of East Providence
**HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
 APPLICATION**

App Rec: _____

The information requested in this form is to be used by the City in the accounting of your loan and grant, and in the monitoring of program funds. It will not be disclosed outside of our requirements to determine creditworthiness purposes and factuality of income.

Certain information (i.e. marital status, race, sex, etc.) is requested solely for the purpose of determining compliance with federal Civil Rights Law. Your response will not affect consideration of your application. The personal information is used for statistical purposes only.

APPLICATION SHOULD BE SIGNED AND DATED ON PAGE 3.

PROPERTY ADDRESS:		Year:	#UNITS:
APPLICANT:		Email:	
Street:		City:	Zip:
Phone:		Alt. Phone:	
Marital Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Married	<input type="checkbox"/> Divorced	<input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Single
Race/Ethnicity:	<input type="checkbox"/> White	<input type="checkbox"/> Black	<input type="checkbox"/> Portuguese <input type="checkbox"/> Cape Verdean
<i>Check all that apply</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian	<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Female-Headed Household? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
CO-APPLICANT:		Email:	
Street:		City:	Zip:
Phone:		Alt. Phone:	
Number of people in household:		Number of children under 6 yrs. of age visiting regularly (at least 14 times per year):	
Single Family Household Members (list all additional non-applicant members)			
Name:	Age:	Name:	Age:
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Multi-Family/Rental Property Information (a <i>Tenant Information Form</i> must be completed for each unit)		
Is the property rented? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Owner-Occupied? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Total # of units:
Unit #:	Resident Name:	Phone:
Unit #:	Resident Name:	Phone:
Unit #:	Resident Name:	Phone:

HOUSEHOLD INCOME INFORMATION

Household Member Name:	
Currently Employed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If Yes, Employer:
Employer Address:	
Employer Phone:	Position:
Years Employed:	Gross Monthly Income:
Average Overtime Earnings:	Part Time/Seasonal Employment:
Other Monthly Income	
Social Security Benefits:	Retirement/Pension Income:
Child Support/Alimony:	Other:

HOUSEHOLD INCOME INFORMATION, cont.

Household Member Name:	
Currently Employed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, Employer:	
Employer Address:	
Employer Phone:	Position:
Years Employed:	Gross Monthly Income:
Average Overtime Earnings:	Part Time/Seasonal Employment:
Other Monthly Income	
Social Security Benefits:	Retirement/Pension Income:
Child Support/Alimony:	Other:

Household Member Name:	
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Employer Address:	
Employer Phone:	Position:
Years Employed:	Gross Monthly Income:
Average Overtime Earnings:	Part Time/Seasonal Employment:
Other Monthly Income	
Social Security Benefits:	Retirement/Pension Income:
Child Support/Alimony:	Other:

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Currently Employed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, Employer:	
Employer Address:	
Employer Phone:	Position:
Years Employed:	Gross Monthly Income:
Average Overtime Earnings:	Part Time/Seasonal Employment:
Other Monthly Income	
Social Security Benefits:	Retirement/Pension Income:
Child Support/Alimony:	Other:

BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION

Type of Account	Balance	Institution
Savings	\$	
Checking	\$	
Other:	\$	

DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS

HOME MORTGAGE: Current residence	
Balance Owed:	Monthly Payment:
Yearly Taxes:	Yearly Insurance:
Mortgage Company/Bank:	

If you own other properties, please list on a separate sheet of paper the above mortgage information for each.

CREDIT CARDS OR OTHER INSTALLMENT ACCOUNTS	
Description	Monthly Payment

ADDITIONAL ASSETS

Please list any additional assets owed, i.e. 2nd house, an investment, gems, jewelry, coin collections, antique cars, etc.

DESCRIPTION OF IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED

INSURANCE CLAIMS

Have you had any Homeowner's Insurance claims filed in the past? If yes, please explain and submit copies of paperwork (ex. Letter stating the amount that was reimbursed by Insurance Company and claim.)

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

IMPORTANT: Applicant please read before signing.

The selection of a contractor, acceptance of materials used and work performed is the applicant's responsibility. The City of East Providence does not guarantee the material and workmanship performed. The Contractor will guarantee all material and workmanship for one year. Inspections are performed, however, by the City to ensure work performance and completion.

I/We understand that if any statement contained in this application is intentionally not true or correct, I/We may be subject to criminal prosecution or, as applicable, my/our application may be denied or the property acquired with the proceeds of the loan and/or grant may be foreclosed upon.

I/We **HEREBY** certify under penalty of perjury that all information in this application is true and accurate to the best of my/our knowledge and belief.

Applicant's Signature

Co-Applicant Signature

Date

Office Use Only:		
1. HH with child under the age of 6 with elevated blood level and living in target area		YES _____
2. Rental property in target area		YES _____
3. Property built before 1940		YES _____
4. Property with moderate-severe interior or exterior deterioration		YES _____
Family Size _____	Total Income _____	HUD Income Limit _____
Rental Property:		
Tenant 1: Family Size _____	Total Income _____	HUD Income Limit _____
Tenant 2: Family Size _____	Total Income _____	HUD Income Limit _____
Tenant 3: Family Size _____	Total Income _____	HUD Income Limit _____
INCOME ELIGIBLE: YES _____ NO _____		



City of East Providence
**HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

Property Documents:

- Copy of deed to the property and legal description (Exhibit A)
(You can get a copy of your deed at City Hall on 1st Fl. in City Clerk) _____
- Copy of current property insurance policy _____
- Copy of current flood insurance policy (if applicable) _____
- Copy of current property tax and water bill _____
- Copy of most recent mortgage statement with original and current balances _____

Documents for each adult (excludes full-time students) living in the Owner's apartment or house:

- Proof of Income – 2 recent pay stubs, self-employment income statement, and/or statements of gross income received (all that apply: Unemployment, Social Security, Pension, Veteran's Administration, Worker's Compensation, Child Support/Alimony, Foster Care, etc.) _____
- Signed copy of the most recent tax returns, with all schedules & W-2 forms _____
- Copy of most recent checking and savings account statements _____
- Copy of driver's license or photo ID _____

Additional Documents Provided by the Borrower (if applicable):

- Copy of rent receipts for each rental unit _____
- Blood Lead Testing Form, completed and signed _____
(for children under 6 that live or that visit at least 14 days out of the year.) _____

Rental Property: Documents Completed by Tenants (One set for each rental unit):

- Tenant Information/Agreement Form, signed, dated, and returned by tenant _____

**Please submit this application along with
copies of the above documents to:
City of East Providence
Community Development
145 Taunton Avenue
East Providence, RI 02914
and/or call (401) 435-7536 for further assistance**



Housing Assistance Program Information Packet

The Housing Assistance Program is designed for eligible tenants/homeowners who are experiencing financial hardship due to COVID-19, and are at risk of eviction or foreclosure that might result in becoming homeless. Owner occupied landlords are eligible for this program and may also initiate on behalf of their tenants.

Type of Assistance

Tenants:

- The Housing Assistance Program will provide up to three (3) months in rent to stay in current unit.
- Approved assistance payments will be issued directly to landlords.

Homeowners:

- The Housing Assistance Program will provide up to three (3) months for mortgage payments to avoid foreclosure.
- Payments will be made to the provider of such services on behalf of an individual or family, and not directly to an individual or family.

Eligibility

Tenants:

- Rent an apartment in East Providence
- Be or have been unemployed or underemployed beginning March 1, 2020 or after due to the pandemic (retirees exempt)
- Have been current on rent payments as of March 1, 2020
- Have less than \$5,000 in nonretirement, liquid assets. Nonretirement, liquid assets include bank accounts, stocks, bonds, investments and cash value of life insurance
- Meet household income limits

Homeowners:

- Own a one-to four family property or condominium in East Providence

- Be or have been unemployed, underemployed, or not receiving rent beginning March 1, 2020 or after due to the pandemic (retirees exempt)
- Have been current on mortgage payments as of March 1, 2020
- Have less than \$5,000 in nonretirement, liquid assets. Nonretirement, liquid assets include bank accounts, stocks, bonds, investments and cash value of life insurance
- Meet household income limits

Total Gross Household Income Must Be Under the Limits Below

1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
\$48,750	\$55,700	\$62,650	\$69,600	\$75,200	\$80,750	\$86,350	\$91,900

How is Household Income defined?

- Household income consists of current gross income from all sources including social security, pension, salaries, wages, interest income, rent, unemployment benefits, etc.
- Household size is the number of people who live in the home or housing unit regardless of relationship.

Examples of Financial Hardship:

- Household members may have been laid off, terminated, loss of hours, lost wages or business income, or been unable to work due to quarantine or a lack of childcare, or had an extraordinary unreimbursed medical expense exceeding 7.5% of one's adjusted gross income for the year.
- Applicants should prepare a short explanation of how COVID-19 has caused a financial hardship that has put them at risk of eviction or foreclosure.

For more information or to apply:

Call the Community Development office at (401) 435-7536, visit us on-line at www.eastprovidenceri.gov under Departments/Community Development, or email jcollins@eastprovidenceri.gov or dbachrach@eastprovidenceri.gov



City of East Providence

App rec: _____

**HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
APPLICATION**

The information requested in this form is used by the Community Development Office to document your eligibility to participate in the Housing Assistance Program, and in the monitoring of program funds. It will not be disclosed outside of our requirements to determine your eligibility.

Certain information (i.e. marital status, race, sex, etc.) is requested solely for the purpose of determining compliance with federal Civil Rights Law. Your response will not affect consideration of your application. The personal information is used for statistical purposes only.

APPLICATION SHOULD BE SIGNED AND DATED ON PAGE 4.

PROPERTY ADDRESS:		Year:	#UNITS:
APPLICANT:		Email:	
Street:		City:	Zip:
Phone:		Alt. Phone:	
Marital Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Married	<input type="checkbox"/> Divorced	<input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Single
Race/Ethnicity:	<input type="checkbox"/> White	<input type="checkbox"/> Black	<input type="checkbox"/> Portuguese <input type="checkbox"/> Cape Verdean
<i>Check all that apply</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian	<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Female-Headed Household	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Elderly (over 62)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
CO-APPLICANT:		Email:	
Street:		City:	Zip:
Phone:		Alt. Phone:	
Number of people in household:	Number of children under 6 yrs. of age or visiting regularly (at least 14 times per year):		
Single Family Household Members (list all additional non-applicant members)			
Name:	Age:	Name:	Age:
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Unit #:	Resident Name:	Phone:
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DESCRIPTION OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP DIRECTLY DUE TO COVID-19

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

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2. Property built before 1940 YES _____

3. Property with moderate-severe interior or exterior deterioration YES _____

Household Size _____ Total Income _____ HUD Income Limit _____

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Tenant 1: Family Size _____ Total Income _____ HUD Income Limit _____

Tenant 2: Family Size _____ Total Income _____ HUD Income Limit _____

Tenant 3: Family Size _____ Total Income _____ HUD Income Limit _____

INCOME ELIGIBLE: YES _____ NO _____

City of East Providence
**HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

Tenants

Required Documents as applicable for each adult (excludes full-time students)

- Proof of Income – 2 recent pay stubs, self-employment income statement, and/or statements of gross income received such as: Unemployment, Social Security, Pension, Veteran’s Administration, Worker’s Compensation, Child Support/Alimony, Foster Care, etc. _____
- A current lease agreement or other documentation of rent payment amount _____
- Proof of residency, such as a recent utility bill _____
- Copy of most recent checking and savings account statements _____
- Copy of driver’s license or photo ID _____
- Copy of eviction complaint/notice and/or summons _____
- Certification of Need Form signed and dated _____

Landlords/Owners

Required Documents as applicable for each adult (excludes full-time students)

- Proof of Income- 2 recent pay stubs, self-employment income statement, and/or statements of gross income received such as: Unemployment, Social Security, Pension, Veteran’s Administration, Worker’s Compensation, Child Support/Alimony, Foster Care, etc. _____
- Completed W-9 form or 2019 Federal Tax Return _____
- Evidence of rent owed, such as demand notices, bank statements, property management reports, or other written correspondence _____
- Copy of most recent mortgage statement _____
- Copy of driver’s license or photo ID _____
- Copy of current lease agreement _____
- Copy of foreclosure notice and/or summons _____
- Tenant Information/Agreement Form, signed, dated, and returned by each tenant _____
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Proclamation



For the City of East Providence by his honor

Mayor Roberto L. DaSilva

“Asian American and Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander Heritage Month”

WHEREAS, on October 5, 1978, President Jimmy Carter signed a Joint Resolution that designated an annual celebration during the first 10 days of May in honor of Asian-Pacific American Heritage; and

WHEREAS, in 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed a bill to extend this celebration to encompass the entire month of May, ultimately culminating in a 1992 official statutory designation of May as Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month under Public Law 101-283; and

WHEREAS, the month of May is historically significant to Americans of Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islanders Heritage, as it commemorates the arrival of the first Japanese immigrants to the United States in May of 1843; and

WHEREAS, the month of May also marks the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad in May of 1869, an accomplishment made possible by way of the labor and ingenuity of Chinese immigrants; and

WHEREAS, the term “Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander” broadly encompasses ancestries derived from the Asian Continent, Southeast Asia and the Pacific Islands of Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia; and

WHEREAS, East Providence is home to a vibrant and active Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander American population; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Providence wishes to honor the substantial contributions of our Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islanders to our safety, defense, education and governance.

THEREFORE, I, Mayor Roberto L. DaSilva, on behalf of the city of East Providence, proclaim May 2021 as Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month in the city of East Providence.

In recognition whereof I have hereby set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of East Providence to be hereunto affixed this 1st day of May 2021.

Roberto L. DaSilva
Mayor

Proclamation



For the City of East Providence by His Honor
Mayor Roberto L. DaSilva
"National Public Works Week"

WHEREAS, Public Works services provided in our community are an integral part of our citizens everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, The support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as water, sewers, drains, streets, and highways, public buildings, solid waste disposal, recycling, park, and snow removal; and

WHEREAS, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to the public health, high quality of life and well-being of the people of the city of East Providence; and

WHEREAS, these infrastructure, facilities and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, who are engineers, managers and employees at all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible for rebuilding, improving and protecting our nation's transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for our citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders and children in the city of East Providence to gain knowledge of and to maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff public works departments is materially influenced by the people's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform; and

WHEREAS, the year 2021 marks the 61st annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association/Canadian Public Works Association; and

WHEREAS, residents of East Providence see the difference that you make each day on our roads, in our parks and all of our public infrastructure and express their gratitude.

THEREFORE, I, Mayor Roberto L. DaSilva, on behalf of the city of East Providence, do hereby proclaim the week May 16 – 22, 2021 as National Public Works Week; I urge all citizens to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association/Canadian Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers and employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and quality of life.

In recognition whereof I have hereby set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of East Providence to be hereunto affixed this 16th day of May, 2021


Roberto L. DaSilva
Mayor

Proclamation



For the City of East Providence by His Honor
Mayor Roberto L. DaSilva

"AZOREAN DAY"

WHEREAS, the Azores are a group of nine (9) volcanic islands which spread over 370 miles in the North Atlantic Ocean; and

WHEREAS, the Azores has a rich and varied history and the islands are home to approximately 250,000 Portuguese citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Azores gained its status as an autonomous region of Portugal in 1976 following the Carnation Revolution and the establishment of the Portuguese Constitution; and

WHEREAS, this event was officially commemorated as Dia da Região Autónoma dos Açores in 1980; and

WHEREAS, this day is a movable holiday that coincides with the beginning of the traditional Holy Ghost festivities cycle; and


WHEREAS, East Providence is home to a large population of Portuguese immigrants and Portuguese American descendants; and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the Portuguese Americans living in East Providence are either from the Azores or of Azorean heritage; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Providence seeks to join in celebration with the Azores and other Luso-American communities in the commemoration of Azorean Day.

THEREFORE, I, Mayor Roberto L. DaSilva, on behalf of the city of East Providence, proclaim Monday May 24, 2021, as "Azorean Day" in the city of East Providence.

In recognition whereof I have hereby set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of East Providence to be hereunto affixed this 24th day of May 2021.


Roberto L. DaSilva
Mayor

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

CHAPTER

AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE
REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE,
RHODE ISLAND, 1998, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED
"ADMINISTRATION"

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. Article VI entitled "Municipal Court" of Chapter 2 entitled "Administration" of the Revised Ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, is amended by adding thereto the following:

Sec. 2-283. Building Code Violation Fines, Zoning Code Violation Fines, Minimum Housing Code Violation Fines.

- a) There is hereby created a reserve fund account whereby all revenues generated by fines resulting from Building Code Violations, Zoning Code Violations, and/or Minimum Housing Code Violations shall be deposited. Such funds shall only be used in the manner prescribed as follows:
 - a. Low-income homeowner loans. The Director of Finance shall create a loan program for the benefit of persons appearing before municipal court related to Building Code Violations, Zoning Code Violations, and/or Minimum Housing Code Violations. Such program will require the following:
 - i. The applicant must be before the Municipal Court for Building Code Violations, Zoning Code Violations, and/or Minimum Housing Code Violations; and
 - ii. The applicant must be an individual person, and not a corporation of any form; and
 - iii. The property to benefit must be owned by an individual person, and not a corporation of any form; and
 - iv. The property to benefit must be the primary residence of the owner; and
 - v. The property owner must qualify for the loan by way of a means test whereby applicants shall only qualify if they fall below income thresholds to be annually established by the Director of Finance; and
 - vi. The loan shall be a low interest loan; and
 - vii. The loan shall be secured by a lien against the property; and
 - viii. The loan may only be used to cure any and all Building Code Violations, Zoning Code Violations, and/or Minimum Housing Code Violations; and
 - ix. The loan must effectively cure all Building Code Violations, Zoning Code Violations, and Minimum Housing Code Violations at the property.
 - b. Capital Improvements Budget. The Director of Finance may, annually at the time

of budget, take funds from this reserve fund and transfer them to the Capital Budget whenever such funds are not needed to support the Low-income homeowner loan program.

SECTION II. This ordinance shall take effect upon its second passage and all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Given first passage _____ and referred to _____ at 6:30 p.m. for a hearing and consideration of final passage; and adopted _____

Attest:

City Clerk of East Providence, Rhode Island

Introduced by: Council President Britto

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

CHAPTER

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 2. Capital Improvements Budget. ~~The Director of Finance~~ City Council may, annually at the time of budget, take funds from this reserve fund and transfer them to the Capital Budget ~~whenever such funds are not needed to support the Low income~~

homeowner loan program.

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Attest:

City Clerk of East Providence, Rhode Island

Introduced by: Council President Britto

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

CHAPTER

**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”**

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. Subsection (b) of Sec. 18-269 entitled “Stop and yield intersections designated; when stops required” is amended by adding thereto the following:

Standish Avenue (northbound & southbound traffic) at Merrill Street

Catlin Avenue (northbound & southbound traffic) at Lewis Street

SECTION II. This ordinance shall take effect upon second passage and all ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Given first passage _____ and referred to _____ at 6:30 p.m. for a hearing and consideration of final passage; and adopted _____.

Attest:

City Clerk of the City of East Providence, RI

Introduced by: Council President Britto

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE DAY OF PORTUGAL COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the **Day of Portugal** is a national holiday celebrated by the Portuguese nation every year on June 10th and is officially known as "Dia de Portugal; and

WHEREAS, the date of June 10th also celebrates the life of Luis Vaz de Camões, Portugal's national poet, who wrote 'Os Lusíadas,' Portugal's national epic poem celebrating the memorable 15th century Portuguese historic achievements; and

WHEREAS, the **Day of Portugal** for the Portuguese people living abroad is the time to celebrate their heritage and ethnic pride; and

WHEREAS, the first **Day of Portugal** was proclaimed in Rhode Island in 1958 by R.I. Governor Dennis J. Roberts in testimony of the importance of Portugal and its discoveries; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Providence wishes to continue to celebrate the contribution of the Portuguese people to the United States, the State of Rhode Island, and the City of East Providence.

WHEREAS, there are many residents of the City of East Providence of Portuguese decent who are willing to volunteer their time, energy and funds to assist in continuing the tradition in the city of East Providence in celebrating the **Day of Portugal**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of East Providence hereby establishes a **Day of Portugal** Committee to be chaired by Anna Sousa, presently the Ward II City Council member and consisting of ten (10) volunteers. The annual event will be done partnership with the Rhode Island **Day of Portugal** non-profit organization. The East Providence **Day of Portugal** Committee shall seek private and corporate sponsorship/donations to be used in a manner approved by the City Council each year to continue the tradition of this celebration in the City of East Providence.

This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.

Adopted by the City Council: _____

Attest:

City Clerk of East Providence, Rhode Island

Requested by: Councilwoman Sousa

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

RESOLUTION NO.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A
THIRD AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH
TV US DEVELOPMENT SITES I, LLC FOR THE CELL TOWER AT PIERCE FIELD**

WHEREAS, the City and Omnipoint Communications MB Operations, LLC entered into a Lease Agreement dated December 7, 1997 as amended by a First Amendment to Lease Agreement dated December 7, 1999 and further amended by a Second Amendment to Lease Agreement dated March 6, 2001 for the cell tower at Pierce Field; and

WHEREAS, the City and TV US Development Sites I, LLC have negotiated a Third Amendment to the Lease Agreement to include payment of a monthly rent to the City in the amount of \$1,750.00 as well as the City's share of 50% of any rent from any new tenants whose equipment is installed on the cell tower.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of East Providence hereby authorizes the Mayor of the City of East Providence to enter into a Third Amendment to Lease Agreement with TV US Development Sites I, LLC for the cell tower at Pierce Field.

This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.

Adopted by the City Council: _____

Attest:

City Clerk of East Providence, Rhode Island

Introduced by: Council Vice President Rodericks

After recording return to:
TV US DEVELOPMENT SITES I, LLC
Attn: Site Management
495 Tennessee Street, Suite 152
Memphis, TN 38103

Property Address: Pierce Memorial Park, City of East Providence, County of Providence, State of Rhode Island

THIRD AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT

This **THIRD AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT** (the "Amendment") is made and entered into this _____ day of May 2021, by and between **CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE**, whose address is 145 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, RI 02914, hereinafter called "Landlord", and **TV US DEVELOPMENT SITES I, LLC**, a Delaware limited liability company, whose address is 495 Tennessee Street, Suite 152, Memphis, TN 38103, hereinafter called "Tenant."

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Landlord and Omnipoint Communications MB Operations, L.L.C. (predecessor-in-interest to Tenant) entered into that certain **LEASE AGREEMENT** dated December 1, 1997, as amended by that **First Amendment to Lease Agreement** dated December 7, 1999, and further amended by that **Second Amendment to Lease Agreement** dated March 6, 2001 (collectively, the "Lease");

WHEREAS, the Lease relates to certain real property know as Pierce Memorial Park, City of East Providence, County of Providence, State of Rhode Island, more particularly described in Exhibit A to the Lease (the "Premises"); and

WHEREAS, Landlord and Tenant deem it appropriate to amend the Lease as of the date first above written.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, Landlord and Tenant do hereby agree as follows:

1. The Lease is hereby changed to reflect the name of the Tenant as **TV US DEVELOPMENT SITES I, LLC**, a Delaware limited liability company, with a principal place of business at 495 Tennessee Street, Suite 152, Memphis, Tennessee 38103.
2. Section 5(a) of the Lease – The Basic Rent is amended to reduce the current monthly installments of Rent beginning June 1, 2021 from \$3,110.00 to \$1,750.00 per month ("Rent"). The Lease is hereby amended accordingly.
3. Section 5(c) of the Lease – Renewal Options, is amended to replace the four (4) Renewal Periods with nine (9) Renewal Periods. The intent of the parties is to add five (5) additional five-year Renewal Periods, increasing the number of Renewal Periods from four (4) to nine (9) with the last Renewal Period, if exercised, expiring November 30, 2047. The Lease is hereby amended accordingly.

4. Section 5(c) of the Lease – Renewal Options is amended to reduce the escalation per term from 20% to 10%. The parties amend the Rent escalations as follows: “the annual rent for any exercised renewal periods shall be the greater of (i) the rental rate existing on the date immediately prior to the commencement of such period increased by the percent (10%) or (ii) the annual rate calculated by the formula set forth below:”. The Lease is hereby amended accordingly.

5. After the date of this Amendment, in addition to Rent, Tenant shall pay Landlord, as additional rent, Fifty Percent (50%) of the rent Tenant receives from each wireless broadband telecommunications carrier (each referred to as a “Carrier”), whose equipment is installed on the Premises after the first Carrier (i.e., the second and third Carriers attaching equipment) (“Additional Rent”). Such Additional Rent shall be paid to Landlord on the first business day of the month following the month Lease has received rent from such Carrier and such carrier has installed its equipment on the tower. Partial monthly periods to be prorated. Tenant shall have no obligation for payment to Landlord of such share of rental, license or similar payments if not actually received by Tenant. Tenant shall have sole discretion as to whether, and on what terms, to Lease, lease or otherwise allow occupancy of the Premises and there shall be no expressed or implied obligation for Tenant to do so. If any such Carrier’s right of use expires or terminates for any reason and payment to Tenant of rental, lease or similar payments ceases, Tenant shall no longer be obligated to pay the Additional Rent for such Carrier. Tenant may elect to pay Additional Rent, as well as Rent, electronically or by direct deposit methods (i.e. ACH). If such method is elected by Tenant, then Landlord shall provide Tenant, at Tenant’s request, the necessary account information to facilitate such direct deposit or electronic payment to Landlord. Tenant shall put forth reasonable efforts to market this telecommunications site to all Carriers.

6. Except as amended hereby, all the other terms, agreements and provisions of the Lease are hereby ratified and confirmed by Landlord and Tenant. This Amendment or a short-form memorandum of this Amendment may be recorded at Landlord or Tenant’s option the office of the recorder of deeds for the county in which the Property is located. To the extent the Lease or a memorandum thereof has not previously been recorded, this Amendment shall constitute a “memorandum of lease” under applicable state law and may be recorded in the applicable public records. In the event of any inconsistencies between the Lease and this Amendment, the terms of this Amendment shall control. The Lease, as amended, shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns. Except as amended hereby, all of the capitalized terms used herein shall have the same meaning as contained in the Lease.

[Signature Pages to Follow.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment has been executed as of the day and year first above written.

TENANT:
TV US DEVELOPMENT SITES I,
LLC,
a Delaware limited liability company

By: _____
William Orgel
Its: President

STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF SHELBY

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, duly commissioned and qualified, personally appeared William Orgel, with whom I am personally acquainted, and who, upon oath, acknowledged himself to be the President of TV US DEVELOPMENT SITES I, LLC, a limited liability company, and that he executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing the name of the company by himself as such officer.

Witness my hand, at office, this . day of _____, 2021.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment has been executed as of the day and year first above written.

LANDLORD:

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

Approved as to Legal Form

By: _____

City Attorney

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

State of Rhode Island)
County of Providence)

On _____ before me, _____, Notary Public,
personally appeared _____ who
proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the
within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they -executed the same in his/her/their authorized
capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf
of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing
paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature: _____

**“A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the
identity of the individual who signed the document, to which this certificate is
attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.”**

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION SEEKING AN AMENDMENT OF R.I.G.L. § 45-24-46.1 AS IT RELATES TO A PAYMENT OF A FEE BY A DEVELOPER IN LIEU OF THE CONSTRUCTION OR PROVISION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING

WHEREAS, the lack of affordable housing in our state and city is a chronic problem; and

WHEREAS, providing incentives for affordable housing benefits the community and helps foster stable families in a vibrant economic climate; and

WHEREAS, R.I.G.L. § 45-24-46.1 permits a developer to choose not to develop affordable housing but pay a fee in lieu thereof to a municipality; and

WHEREAS, municipalities like East Providence need the statutory authority and flexibility to mandate a certain percentage of a development be designated as affordable housing in lieu of payment of a fee; and

WHEREAS, a change in the law is necessary to give the City of East Providence that power.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of East Providence respectfully requests that R.I.G.L. § 45-24-46.1(c) be amended in that the choice of whether a developer or builder pay a fee in lieu of construction or provision of affordable housing be left not at the discretion of the developer but at the discretion of the City in which the development occurs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of Rhode Island, the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Rhode Island, the President of the Rhode Island Senate, the Speaker of the Rhode Island House of Representatives and the Senators and Representatives from the City of East Providence.

This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.

Adopted by the City Council: _____

Attest:

City Clerk of East Providence, Rhode Island

Introduced by: Council President Britto

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 2021-H6353 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF LICENSES OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE TO CONSIDER THE GRANTING OF A CLASS B LIQUOR LICENSE FOR 130 TAUNTON AVENUE

WHEREAS, an application for a liquor license has previously been submitted to the City Council on or about March 16, 2021 for the property located at 130 Taunton Avenue more commonly referred to as Café Zara; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island General Law § 3-7-19 prohibits the issuance of a liquor license by a city or town to any establishment within 200 feet of a public, private, or parochial school or a place of public worship; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has granted many specific exemptions to the laws and provisions as contained in R.I.G.L. § 3-7-19; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 2021-H6353 has been introduced to grant such an exemption through R.I.G.L. § 3-7-19 in the City of East Providence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of East Providence supports and urges the passage of 2021-H6353 and respectfully requests that the Rhode Island General Assembly enact the bill into law to allow the City Council to consider the granting of the appropriate liquor license for 130 Taunton Avenue more commonly referred to as Café Zara.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of Rhode Island, the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Rhode Island, the President of the Rhode Island Senate, the Speaker of the Rhode Island House of Representatives and the Senators and Representatives from the City of East Providence.

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City Clerk of East Providence, Rhode Island

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