

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE  
**DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 P.M.

145 TAUNTON AVENUE-CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
EAST PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND  
EXECUTIVE SESSION: CONFERENCE ROOM A

OPEN SESSION WILL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Notice:** The meeting will also be viewable live at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0YEW6s1RpicKR47VMil1LA>

City Council:

Council President, 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 & Assistant City Solicitor Dylan Conley  
City Clerk, Jill Seppa

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Roll Call

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

**II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**CITY COUNCIL TO CONVENE AS BOARD OF LICENSES**

1. SHOW CAUSE HEARING & Potential Vote Related to Amendments, Restrictions, or Revocation of Hotel License issue November 11, 2023 to Rumford Motor Inn, 400 Newport Avenue, East Providence, RI 02916

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

**III. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

1. R.I.G.L. 42-46-5(a)(2) Discussion and review of proposed collective bargaining agreement related to the East Providence Educational Secretaries Association Contract pursuant to section 10-4 of the East Providence Home Rule Charter
2. R.I.G.L. 42-46-5(a)(2) session pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation related to a modification of section 18.01 of the current collective bargaining agreement related to Detail Pay with East Providence International Brotherhood of Police Officers Local 569

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

**IV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

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

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

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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

**A. COUNCIL JOURNALS: None**

**B. TAX ABATEMENTS:**

Year	Amount
2012	\$443.84
2023	\$271.96
Total	\$715.80

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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

**A. Motion to bundle licenses**

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

**B. Motion to approve licenses**

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

**C. NON-PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Special Event License – One Day Entertainment  
 Applicant: The Crescent Park Carousel Preservation Association  
 Event: Movies in the Park  
 Location: 700 Bullocks Point Avenue  
 Date & Time: June 28, 2024 6:30pm-10:00pm

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Special Event License – One Day Entertainment  
 Applicant: The Crescent Park Carousel Preservation Association  
 Event: Summerfest 2024  
 Location: 700 + 701 Bullocks Point Avenue  
 Date & Time: July 18 2024 – July 21, 2024, 11:00am – 10:00pm

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. Special Event License –One Day Entertainment  
 Applicant: The Crescent Park Carousel Preservation Association  
 Event: Movies in the Park  
 Location: 700 Bullocks Point Avenue  
 Date & Time: October 11, 2024 5:30pn-9:30pm

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

4. Special Event License – One Day Entertainment  
 Applicant: The Crescent Park Carousel Preservation Association  
 Event: The Great Townie Pumpkin Festival  
 Location: 700 & 701 Bullocks Point Avenue  
 Date & Time: October 5, 2024 11:00am-4:00pn

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

5. Special Event License – One Day Entertainment  
 Applicant: Jennifer Terceira  
 Event: Third Annual Fall Fair and Classic Car Show  
 Location: 58 Bightridge Avenue  
 Date & Time: September 28, 2024 2:00pm-7:00pm  
 Type of Entertainment: Band and DJ

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

6. Application for Victualing – Class 1- New  
 Applicant: Robert Baptista III  
 Business Name: A Positive Atmosphere LLC dba Atmosphere Café  
 Business Address: 63 Valley St, 02914

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

**D. PUBLIC HEARING**

1. . **Dance/Entertainment License – New**  
 Applicant: Robert Baptista III  
 Business Name: A Positive Atmosphere LLC dba Atmosphere Café  
 Business Address: 65 Valley Street, 02914

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

**VIII. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS – None**

**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.*

- A. Parking issues at Waddington School on Glenrose Drive and Lantern Lane – Karen DePasquale

**X. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

**XI. APPOINTMENTS – None**

**XII. COUNCIL MEMBERS**

1. Potential Ratification and Vote on Proposed Agreement with the East Providence Secretaries Association as presented by the East Providence School Department pursuant to Section 10-4 of the East Providence Home Rule Charter- Vote - City Council.

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Review, discussion and final ratification of the collective bargaining or litigation related to a modification of section 18.01 of the current collective bargaining agreement related to Detail Pay with East Providence International Brotherhood of Police Officers Local 569 – Vote – City Council

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. Review Read-in process for One Day Entertainment and Special Event licenses issued through the Clerks office of the City of East Providence – discussion – Council Vice President Rego
4. Update on police station renovation – discussion – Councilman Lawson
5. Update on status of the FY22 Audit and FY23 Audit – discussion – Councilman Lawson
6. Handicap parking designation sign at 90 Orchard Street – discussion and possible vote – Councilwoman Sousa

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

7. The Rumford Easter Egg Hunt at Freedom Green March 23, 2024 from 1-3 pm – announcement – Council Vice President Rego

**XIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Ordinance for first and final passage and second passage - For discussion and possible vote – None**

**XIV. CONTINUED BUSINESS – None**

**XV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. MAYOR COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Appointment/reappointment requiring Council confirmation
  - a. Keith Gonsalves, reappointment to the Conservation Commission, appointment #1, term 01/02/2023-01/01/2026

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

- b. Patrick Hanner, appointment to the Conservation Commission, appointment #9 & Planning representative, term 01/02/2024-01/01/2027

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

- c. Wayne Barnes, reappointment to the Conservation Commission, vacant seat, appointment #5, term 01/02/2023-01/01/2026

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Appointment/reappointment not requiring Council confirmation
  - a. Ron Nawrocki, reappointment to serve as Tree Warden of the City of East Providence, term 01/01/2024-12/31/2024
3. Items for announcement/discussion
  - a. December capital expenses, finances – Finance Director, Malcolm Moore

**B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS - None**

**C. REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE LIAISON**

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

1. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Expend Additional Funds for the Storm Drain CCTV Inspection & Cleaning Project *Sponsor: Council President Rodericks*

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into a Proposal With CDM Smith, Inc. for Professional Services for Enterprise GIS Data Development – *Sponsor: Councilman Fogarty, Councilman Lawson*

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into an Agreement with Safeware, Inc. for the Purchase of a Detection Meter for the Fire Department – *Sponsor: Councilman Lawson*



Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

4. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement for the purchase of a fully built Expedition K9 vehicle for the Police Department

*Sponsor: Council President Rodericks, Councilman Lawson*

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

5. Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Rhode Island Pandemic Recovery Office's Municipal Public Safety Infrastructure grant program

*Sponsor: Council President Rodericks, Councilman Lawson*

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

**E. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - For discussion and possible vote - None**

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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