

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 P.M.

145 TAUNTON AVENUE-CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
EAST PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

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 Marcello

City Clerk, Jill Seppa

I. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

Fogarty_____ Lawson_____ Rego_____ Sousa _____ Rodericks_____

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS-

1. Christina Alves 2025 Rhode Island Education Support Professional of the Year – Council Vice President Rego
2. Alzheimer’s Awareness Month
3. Suicide Prevention & Awareness Month
4. Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote –

A. Council Meeting Minutes

1. July 9, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

B. LETTERS

1. Notice of New Property Number, 1 Pier Road (02914), Map 006 Block 1 Parcel 005.00

2. Notice of New Property Number, 777 Waterfront Drive (02914), Map 007 Block 01 Parcel 001.00
3. Notice of New Property Number, 600 Waterfront Drive (02914), Map 006 Block 01 Parcel 001.00
4. Notice of New Property Number, 700 Waterfront Drive (02914), Map 017 Block 01 Parcel 002.00
5. Notice of New Property Number, 93 Main Street (02915), Map 412 Block 20 Parcel 003.00
6. Notice of New Property Number, 32 Adams Ave (02915), Map 312 Block 07 Parcel 0013.00
7. Letter from William C. Maaia & Associates re: Comp Plan Amendment & Zone Change, 0 Wampanoag Trail: request to move from tabled to untabled

C. TAX ABATEMENTS

Year	Amount
2024	\$12,398.80
Total	\$12,398.80

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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

A. Motion to bundle licenses 1-17

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. Road Race

Applicant: Siobhan Breagy

Organization: Ground Control Events

Location: Pierce Field

Date & Time: May 18, 2025 7:30am-1:00pm

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Special Events – One Day Entertainment

Applicant: Jessica Mayette

Event: Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser

Location: 1336 Pawtucket Avenue (02916)

Date & Time: October 27, 2024 11:00am-6:30pm

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. Special Events - One Day Entertainment

Applicant: Debra Messinger

Event: Outdoor Wedding

Location: 54 Argyle Ave. (02915)

Date & Time: October 12, 2024, 12:00pm-6:00pm

Type of entertainment: DJ

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		

Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

4. Special Event – One Day Entertainment

Applicant: Lucy Fontaine

Event: 50th Anniversary Party

Location: 60 Berkley Street (02914)

Date & Time: September 7, 2024 6:00pm-11:00pm

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

5. Special Event- Liquor-Class F

Applicant: Tracy Johnson

Event: Annual Food and Wine Pairing

Address: 700 Bullocks Point Ave. (02915)

Date & Time: September 5, 2024 6:30pm-9:30pm

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

6. Sundays & Holidays

Applicant: Nirajan Adhikari

Business: Himalayan Spice

Location: 185-187 Willett Avenue (02915)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

7. Sundays & Holidays

Applicant: Anyeli Rivera
 Business: Pass the Tea
 Location: 7 Centre Street (02916)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

8. Sundays & Holidays
 Applicant: Xiaomei Yang
 Business: Relax Scalp Spa
 Location: 65-R Newport Avenue (02916)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

9. Victualing-Class 1 (under 25)
 Applicant: Nirajan Adhikari
 Business: Himalayan Spice
 Location: 185-187 Willett Avenue (02915)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

10. Victualing
 Applicant: Kristin Suther
 Business: Compass One dba Eurest Dining
 Location: 200 Narragansett Park Dr (02916)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		

Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

11. Victualing

Applicant: Sophia Weisman

Business: Wonder

Business Address: 125 Newport Avenue (02916)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

12. Mobile Food Establishment

Applicant: Rosadina Acosta

Business: Antojitos Mexicanos

Business Address: 895-899 Warren Ave (02914)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

13. Solicitor

Applicant: Kelsy Rhines

Business: Power Home Remodeling

Business Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd (02920)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

14. Solicitor

Applicant: Michael Flori

Business: Power Home Remodeling
Business Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd (02920)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

15. Solicitor

Applicant: Devin Ellinwood
Business: Power Home Remodeling
Business Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd (02920)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

16. Solicitor

Applicant: Michael Borrelli
Business: Power Home Remodeling
Business Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd (02920)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

17. Solicitor

Applicant: Robert O'Neill
Business: Power Home Remodeling
Business Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd (02920)

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		

Sousa		
Rodericks		

IX. COMMUNICATIONS-none

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

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

XI. APPOINTMENTS - none

XII. COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Request for dog bag dispensers and trash at City parks – Discuss – Councilwoman Sousa
2. Discussion and possible vote to hire temporary legal counsel for ordinances and resolutions – discuss and vote – Councilwoman Sousa

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. Discuss Second Annual Harvestfest – discuss – Councilwoman Sousa
4. East Providence City Council Veterans Advisory Committee update- discuss – Councilman Lawson
5. Request for information: each departments surplus or deficit, number of unfilled positions per department, list of all city owned vehicles, date of purchase and what city worker is assigned to each, department budget through the third quarter of FY24 – discuss- Councilman Lawson and Council Vice President Rego
6. Request for report of work performed and work planned for Glenlyon Field – discuss – Vice President Rego
7. Request for increased speed surveillance measures in Rumford between the hours of 4-6pm, Monday through Friday – discuss – Council Vice President Rego
8. Request for traffic study for Rumford – discuss – Council Vice President Rego
9. Discussion and vote to hire a special counsel to represent the Council in Rumford Motor Inn matter – vote – Council Vice President Rego

Member	Aye	Nay
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Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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

1. An Ordinance In Amendment Of Chapter 18 Of The Revised Ordinances Of The City Of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, As Amended, Entitled “Vehicles And Traffic”

Summary: Subsection (b) of Sec. 18-269 Stop Sign
Bishop Avenue (northbound & southbound) at Pavilion Avenue

Sponsor: Council Vice President Rego

XIV. CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Standing Item - Discuss impact of Washington Bridge closure in the City of East Providence – *City Council*

XV. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAYOR COMMUNICATIONS-

1. Appointment not requiring Council Confirmation
Jennifer Tierney – Tree Commission reappointment No. 1, Term 2/17/24 – 2/16/27
Carol Auer – Tree Commission reappointment No. 2, Term 2/17/24 – 2/16/27
2. Items for announcement/discussion
 - a. 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony – September 11, 2024 @ 10AM
 - b. July FY 24 Finance Reports – Dir. Malcolm Moore
 - c. Hispanic Heritage Month
 - d. Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
 - e. Suicide Prevention Awareness Month
 - f. Alzheimer’s Awareness Month
 - g. Brazilian Independence Day

REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS-none

B. REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE LIAISON-

1. City Council Discuss East Providence School Department FY 25 budget and capital needs-discussion- Councilman Rick Lawson

C. RESOLUTIONS - For discussion and possible vote

1. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into a Contract with Yiftee, Inc. to Administer a Community Gift Card Program Related to the Washington Bridge Closure

Sponsor: Council President Rodericks, Councilman Fogarty

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into a Contract Amendment with Pare Corporation for Construction Services and Contract Administration for the Water Main Cleaning and Lining Project and the Water Meter Replacement Project

Sponsor: Council President Rodericks, Councilman Fogarty

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. Resolution Authorizing The Expenditure Of Funds From The Live Nation Recreation Fund For The Tent Rental For The Carousel Food And Wine Pairing

Sponsor: Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

4. Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into A Contract With ADS Construction, Inc. For The Renovation Of The Police Station

Sponsor: Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

D. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - For discussion and possible vote-

1. Ordinance - Sec. 18-307 No Parking - Somerset Avenue, Arrowhead Avenue and Kingsford Avenue

Sponsor: Council President Rodericks, Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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