

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the East Providence City Council at East Providence City Hall, 145 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, RI, on **Tuesday, March 17, 2026 at 6:30PM** to amend the City Code of Ordinances – Chapter 2 Administration and Chapter 19 Zoning Ordinance. These changes are being made in order to conform to amendments to RIGL 45-53-3 and 45-53-4 as approved RI General Assembly in 2025.

Major changes to Chapter 19 Zoning Ordinance include the following:

Consideration of proposed amendments to the City of East Providence Zoning Ordinance. These changes are proposed to adopt a Citywide Inclusionary Zoning requirement. The ordinance would require that residential developments of 10 or more dwelling units set aside a minimum of 15% of units as affordable per the definition in RI General Law, with the exception of developments utilizing Tax Increment Financing (TIF) with the City which shall provide a minimum of 20% affordable units. A density bonus of 1.5 market rate units per each affordable unit required would be granted.

Specifically, the following sections will be amended, altered, changed, or created in Chapter 19 Zoning:

- Article IX, Section 19-485 – Eliminates details in existing Waterfront Special Development Inclusionary Housing regulations in favor of a Citywide regulation
- Article XI, Section 19-499 – Addition of Citywide Inclusionary Zoning regulation

Anyone wishing to be heard on the proposed matter should be present at the aforementioned date and time. At the public hearing, opportunity shall be given to all persons interested to be heard upon the matter of the proposed amendments. The amendments in their entirety are available on the City's website at <https://eastprovidenceri.gov/departments/planning-economic-development>.

Amendments can also be requested by contacting the East Providence Planning Department at planning@eastprovidenceri.gov or (401) 654-4288 or at City Hall, 145 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, RI 02914 room 309. The proposed amendments may be altered or amended prior to the close of the public hearing without further advertising as a result of further study or because of the views expressed at the public hearing. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired or needing other special services must call (401) 435-7500 or (401) 431-1633 (v/tdd) forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting date.