

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 17, 2026

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:
<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
City Clerk, Andreza (Andy) Skipworth

I. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

Fogarty _____ Lawson _____ Rego _____ Sousa _____ Rodericks _____

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

1. Final ratification I.B.P.O Local 569 collective bargaining agreement for the period of 11/1/2025 – 10/31/2029 incorporating all previously approved tentative agreements January 27, 2026.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

MOTION RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

MOTION TO SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

III. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

IV. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

1. Paul “P-Funk” Morse – Inducted into the RI Hip Hop Hall of Fame
2. Scottie “DJ Finesse” Santos – Inducted into the RI Hip Hop Hall of Fame
3. Donnie “Donnie Battle” Senna – Created the RI Hip Hop Hall of Fame

V. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote

A. COUNCIL JOURNALS:

1. Regular meeting minutes 3/3/2026, 3/6/2026

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

B. TAX ABATEMENTS: Cancellations/Abatements

YEAR		AMOUNT
2021		686.03
2022		18,663.56
TOTAL		\$19,349.59

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

C. LETTERS: New Addresses

1. 69 Locust Street, Riverside, RI 02915, Map 312, Block 56, Parcel 005.00
2. 73 Locust Street, Riverside, RI 02915, Map 312, Block 56, Parcel 004.00

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

VI. LICENSES - For discussion and possible vote

A. MOTION TO BUNDLE NON-PUBLIC HEARING LICENSES

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

B. NON-PUBLIC HEARING

1. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Anna Sousa
Business Name:
Event: Hennessey Color Run
Address: 75 Fort Street
Date & Time: 5/15/2026; 1pm – 2:30pm

2. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Rebecca Chaxe
Business Name: City of East Providence
Event: Summer Concert Series
Address: 640 Bullocks Point
Date & Time: 6/4,11,18,25; 7/2,9,16,23,30;8/6,13, 20, 9/12 Rain Dates 8/27, 9/3,10, 13

3. Special Event – One Day Alcohol License
Applicant: Father Peri Anandarayar
Business Name: Sacred Heart Church
Event: Annual Holy Ghost Dinner
Address: 118 Taunton Avenue, East Providence
Date & Time: 3/21/2026; 6:30pm – 11pm

4. Special Event – One Day Alcohol License
Applicant: Jodi Hall
Business Name: Liberty Production LLC
Event: RI Half Marathon & 5K
Address: Pierce Field
Date & Time: 5/17/2026; 6am – 2pm

5. Type of License: New Business
Applicant: Alicia Thomas
Business Type: Tattoo Parlor
Business Name: Carousel Tattoo Club
Business Location: 660 Bullocks Point Avenue, East Providence

6. Type of License: New Business (Victualling)
Applicant: Broderick Santilli
Business Type: Ice Cream Parlor
Business Name: Dari-Bee
Business Location: 240 Bullocks Point Avenue, E. Providence

C. MOTION TO APPROVE NON-PUBLIC HEARING LICENSES

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

D. PUBLIC HEARING - NONE

VII. 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.

XIII. 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.

IX. APPOINTMENTS

X. COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Update on consultant report and plans to address ongoing pedestrian crossing signal devices issues. Councilwoman Sousa
2. Request for update on the Crescent Park projects, bathrooms, storage building, and event tent. Councilman Lawson
3. Hometown Hero Banner update. Councilman Lawson
4. Request for update on adding Veterans and Conservation Commission pages to the city website. Councilman Lawson
5. Discussion of speeding and racing in Ward 1. Council Vice President Rego
6. Ward 2 Community Meeting March 21, 2026, at 12pm located at City Hall. Councilwoman Sousa

XI. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Ordinance for second and final passage for discussion and possible vote

1. An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 19 of the revised ordinances of the City of East Providence Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “zoning” the council of the City of East Providence amend Section 19-485 and adding a new article XI Section 499 related to a portable/inclusionary housing.

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

XII. CONTINUED BUSINESS

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAYOR COMMUNICATIONS – Director of Policy & Constituent Services, Andre Herrera

1. Appointment/Reappointment requiring Council Confirmation

- None

2. Appointment/Reappointment not requiring Council Confirmation

- None

2. 3. Items for announcement/discussion

- Proclamation honoring Detective Corporal Kevin Feeney upon his retirement after 37 years of dedicated service to the East Providence Police Department
- Proclamation honoring Stewart “Stu” Moran as the 2026 St. Patrick’s Day Celebration Honoree for his kindness, community spirit, and joyful Irish-American presence in East Providence
- Reminder that the deadline to submit nominations for ‘Remarkable Women’ is March 23rd
- Proclamation honoring April as “Autism Awareness Month” in the City of East Providence
- Letter of support for Blue Wave Bond for Coastal Preparedness - House Bill H8151

B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

C. REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE LIAISON – Councilman Lawson

1. Updates from the School committee meeting 3/10/2026

D. RESOLUTIONS - For discussion and possible vote

1. Resolution of the East Providence City Council supporting House Bill H8151- The Blue Wave bond for coastal preparedness. Introduced by Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

E. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - For discussion and possible vote

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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