

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 4, 2025

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. Claims & Litigation Docket
 - a. Drew Tasca – RM No. 24-099, Claim No. 25-002
 - b. Briana Miceli – RM No. 24-093, Claim No. 24-039
 - c. Mickeda Barnes – RM No. 19-153, Claim No. 25-005
 - d. Laura Francis - Sewer Abatement

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

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

Janine Cooney, Principal – St. Margaret School

V. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote

A. COUNCIL JOURNALS:

1. February 4, 2025, Regular Meeting
2. February 4, 2025, Executive Session

B. LETTERS

1. Notice of new property number – 300 Massasoit Map 204, Block 02, Parcel 003.00
2. Notice of new property number - 1075 Bullocks Point Avenue, Riverside Map 414, Block 04, Parcel 016.00
3. Notice of new property number - 100 Hospital Road, Riverside, Map 711, Block 03, Parcel 018.10
4. Notice of new property number – 28 Mayflower St., Map 407, Bloc 06, Parcel 008.10
5. Notice of new property number – 27 Hoppin Ave, Map 312, Block 10, Parcel 011.10
6. Notice of new property number – 3 Colwell St., Map 307, Block 36, Parcel 016.00

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

VI. 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. Type of Business: R-1 Road Race
Applicant: Frazier Bell
Business Name: Family Service of RI
Address: Pierce Field Stadium
Date & Time: 5/3/25; 9am – 1pm

2. Type of Business: Fast Food License Renewal
Applicant: Aderito Lopes
Business Name: I-Mel Pizza, LLC
Location: 68 Taunton Ave

3. Type of Business: New License - Clothing Store
Applicant: Robert Soccio
Business Name: JL3 Enterprise, LLC
Location: 412-414-420 Taunton Avenue

4. Type of Business: One Day Block Party Application
Applicant: Jennifer Champlin
Business Name: UOI Kettle Point LLC
Address: 1 Kettle Point Avenue
Date & Time: 9/27/25; 11am – 2pm

5. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Jennifer Champlin
Business Name: UOI Kettle Pint LLC
Address: 1 Kettle Point Avenue
Date & Time: 9/27/25; 11am – 2pm

6. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
 Applicant: Nina Guidaboni
 Business Name: Nina Guidaboni/Igus, Inc.
 Address: 257 Ferris Avenue
 Date & Time: 6/14/25; 2pm – 7pm

7. Special Event – One Day Liquor License
 Applicant: Karen Zyons
 Business Name: Rhode Races & Event, Inc.
 Address: Bold Point Park
 Date & Time: 5/4/2025; 9am – 2pm

8. Special Event – One Day Liquor License
 Applicant: Armando Medeiros
 Business Name: Sacred Heart Church
 Address: 116-118 Taunton Ave
 Date & Time: 2/8/2025; 7pm – 12am 1:30pm – 6pm
 (Approved – Read Only)

9. Special Event – One Day Entertainment
 Applicant: Armando Medeiros
 Business Name: Sacred Heart Church
 Address: 116-118 Taunton Ave
 Date & Time: 2/8/2025; 7pm – 12am 1:30pm – 6pm
 (Approved – Read Only)

D. PUBLIC HEARING - NONE

VII. 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.

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

1. Reappointment of Chris LaRoux to the East Providence Public Library Trustees Board. This is a 3-year appointment 4/3/2025 – 4/4/2025. Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

X. COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Request for plan to use remaining ARPA funds allocated to former Oldham building. Councilman Lawson
2. Information from the City Assessor related to the publishing of the 2025 property tax rate. Councilman Lawson
3. Request to know if the city can assist with a Hometown Heroes Initiative and if they can produce the banners in house. Councilman Lawson
4. Request administration into replacing the dock at Bold Point with a floating dock. Councilman Lawson
5. Narragansett Bay Commission treatment plant on Campbell Avenue odor complaints. Council Vice President Rego
6. Railroad update. Council Vice President Rego
7. Update of fire department’s rescue mutual aid call in 2025 to date. Council Vice President Rego
8. Discussion and review of property encroachment on Grassy Plains Park and Tanglewood Drive (City of East Providence v. Steven & Constance Donahue PC2022-06687). Councilman Lawson
9. East Providence Restaurant Week June 15th – June 21st. Council Vice President Rego
10. Discussion relating to citizen’s complaints about rising gas and electricity rates from RI Energy. Council President Rodericks

**XI. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Ordinance for second and 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” Article X entitled “Stopping, Standing and Parking” is amended by adding thereto the following: Sec. 18-317. Resident Parking Only. (a) The following streets shall be

designated as Resident Parking Only: Ivy Street from Waterman Avenue to Blanding Street, both sides, from 5 p.m. to 6 a.m. weekdays and Saturday and Sunday, all day. Introduced by: Council President Bob Rodericks, Councilwoman Anna Sousa

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

XII. CONTINUED BUSINESS

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAYOR COMMUNICATIONS

Chief of Staff Patricia Resende

1. Appointment/Reappointment requiring Council Confirmation - NONE
2. Appointment/Reappointment not requiring Council Confirmation - NONE
3. Items for announcement/discussion
 - December Finances and Expenses – Glenda Delgado
 - 2025 Remarkable Women Nominations Open March 1-March 22nd.
 - International Women’s Day/Women’s History Month Proclamation
 - Greek Independence Day Proclamation
 - Irish American Heritage Month Proclamation – Event – March 17, 2025 @ 11:30 AM
 - City Road Improvement Presentation
 - Cleaning and Lining update on East Providence water distribution system
 - Rhode Island Energy Pavement Projects

B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

1. Claims & Litigation Docket

C. REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE LIAISON

- 1. Recap of Martin Middle School building tour
- 2. Upcoming school funding statement

D. RESOLUTIONS - For discussion and possible vote

- 1. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an extension of the agreement for red light enforcement services and school zone speed enforcement services. Sponsored by Council President Rodericks, Council Vice President Rego, Councilman Fogarty

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

- 2. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract extension with Pawtucket Hot Mix Asphalt, Inc. for City Roadway Improvements. Sponsored by Council President Rodericks & Council Vice President Rego

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

- 3. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Fuss & O'Neill for Engineering Services to Conduct a Citywide Stormwater Hydraulic Analysis. Sponsored by Council President Rodericks & Council Vice President Rego

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

- 4. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Arcadis U.S., Inc. to Conduct an Assessment and Structural Rehabilitation of the Final Clarifiers at the East Providence Water Pollution Control Facility. Sponsored by Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

- Resolution authorizing the Mayor to replace flooring and purchase furnishings for the final upgrades to the East Providence animal control facility. Sponsored by Council Vice President Rego

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

E. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - For discussion and possible vote

- An ordinance in amendment Section 18-307 entitled “Parking prohibited at all times” of Article X entitled “Stopping, Standing and Parking” of Chapter 18 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” is amended by adding thereto the following: Washington Avenue (east side), from a point 260 feet north of Bullocks Point Ave northerly 30 feet. Introduced by Councilman Fogarty

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.

Posted: 2/28/25