

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

April 15, 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/UC0YEW6s1RpjckR47VMil1LA>

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 - NONE

III. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

IV. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

V. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote

A. COUNCIL JOURNALS:

1. Regular meeting minutes 4-1-2025

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: One Day Block Party Application
Applicant: Alyssa Cadoret
Business Name: Multiple Food Trucks
Address: 640 Bullocks Point
Date & Time: 5/3/2025; 9am – 3pm
2. Type of Business: One Day Block Party Application
Applicant: Tracy Johnson
Business Name: Multiple Food Trucks
Address: 145 Taunton Avenue
Date & Time: 5/3/25; 12 - 3pm
3. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Alyssa Cadoret
Business Name: DJ
Address: 640 Bullocks Point
Date & Time: 5/3/2025; 9am – 11am
4. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Tracy Johnson
Business Name: Live Entertainment
Address: 700 Bullocks Point

Date & Time: 5/3/2025; 12pm – 3pm

5. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Tracy Johnson
Business Name: Live Entertainment
Address: 700 Bullocks Point
Date & Time: 5/3/2025; 3pm – 8pm
6. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Tracy Johnson
Business Name: Live Entertainment
Address: 700 Bullocks Point
Date & Time: 5/10/2025; 3pm – 8pm
7. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Tracy Johnson
Business Name: Live Entertainment
Address: 700 Bullocks Point
Date & Time: 5/17/2025; - 3pm – 8pm
8. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Tracy Johnson
Business Name: Live Entertainment
Address: 700 Bullocks Point
Date & Time: 5/24/2025; 3pm – 8pm
9. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Tracy Johnson
Business Name: Live Entertainment
Address: 700 Bullocks Point
Date & Time: 5/31/2025; 3pm – 8pm
10. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Tristan Davies
Business Name: Live Entertainment
Address: 120 Pavilion Avenue
Date & Time: 6/21/2025; 3pm – 11pm
11. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
Applicant: Tracy Johnson
Business Name: Live Entertainment
Address: 700 Bullocks Point
Date & Time: 7/26/2025; 3pm – 8pm

12. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License (live Music)
Applicant: Alba Curti
Business Name: East Providence Heritage Arts, Inc
Address: 201 Mercer Street
Date & Time: 8/2/2025; 8am – 10pm
13. Special Event – One Day Liquor License
Applicant: Alexandra Kavanagh
Business Name: St. Mary Academy-Bayview
Address: 3070 Pawtucket Avenue
Date & Time: 4/24-25/25 7pm – 9pm; 4/26-27/25 11am-5pm
14. Special Event – One Day Liquor License
Applicant: Jodi Hall
Business Name: Sons of Liberty Spirit
Address: 201 Mercer Street
Date & Time: 5/18/2025; 7:30am – 1pm
15. Type of Business: Carnival
Applicant: John Fanelli
Business Name: Fanelli Amusement Co.
Address: 45 Maxfield Avenue
Date & Time: 5/3/2025; 10am – 3pm
16. Type of Business: MFV – Renewal Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Raymond Thimas
Business Name: The Lobster Lover
Owner's Location: 560 Mineral Spring
17. Type of Business: MFV – Renewal Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Mark Bryson
Business Name: Binge BBQ
Owner's Location: 333 Main Street
18. Type of Business: MFV – Renewal Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Joseph C. Reis
Business Name: Bem Bom LLC
Owner's Location: 212 Cleveland St, New Bedford
19. Type of Business: MFV – New Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Claudia Cornejo
Business Name: Davies School (Patriot Plates)
Owner's Location: 50 Jenckes Hill Road, Lincoln

20. Type of Business: MFV – New Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Lori Ferguson
Business Name: Regional Career & Technical Center (Oaker Eats Food)
Owner's Location: 40 Reservoir Road, Coventry
21. Type of Business: MFV – New Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Ricardo Pimental
Business Name: Shea High Get Right Food Truck
Owner's Location: 286 Main Street, Pawtucket
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Applicant: Ricardo Pimental
Business Name: Shea High Get Right Food Truck
Owner's Location: 286 Main Street, Pawtucket
23. Type of Business: MFV – New Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Jamie Finkelstein
Business Name: Westerly High (Highland Grille)
Owner's Location: 233 Highland Avenue, Westerly
24. Type of Business: MFV – New Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Frank Decaro
Business Name: Lincoln Public Schools
Owner's Location: 135 Old River Road, Lincoln
25. Type of Business: MFV – New Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Steven Versacci
Business Name: Cranston Public Schools (Falcons on the Fly)
Owner's Location: 4400 Cedar Ford Blvd, Cranston
26. Type of Business: MFV – New Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Robert Hanlon
Business Name: Est Providence School District (Townie Pride Café)
Owner's Location: 2000 Pawtucket Ave, East Providence
27. Type of Business: MFV – New Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Brian Bordieri
Business Name: Providence Career & Technical Academy (Good Eats & Treats)
Owner's Location: 41 Fricker Street, Providence

D. PUBLIC HEARING

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.

1. Julia Dempsey – Termination of lease in a city owned home by one person
2. Lucia Rodrigues – Parking – 43 Anthony Street

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 - NONE

X. COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Update on East Providence Restaurant Week – June 15 – 21, 2025. Council Vice President Rego
2. Request for update from the administration on DEM sign off on the Gazebo at Willett Pond. Councilman Lawson
3. Formal request for the administration to look into the following projects. Councilman Lawson
 - Bleachers for the softball field at the Big Al Complex
 - Bench seating in front of the mural at Crescent Park
4. Request for update from administration on kayak launch being put back in timeline. Councilman Lawson
5. Request for update from administration on anticipated start/end time for the Sabin Point playground upgrade. Councilman Lawson
6. Request for update from the administration on plan to store the train for this summer until the new concession/storage building is complete. Councilman Lawson
7. Request for update from administration on request to move forward with the event tent at Crescent Park. Councilman Lawson
8. Request for update from the administration on the concession/storage building at Crescent Park. Councilman Lawson

9. Request for update from the administration on the Oldham Feasibility Study.
Councilman Lawson
10. Request for update from administration on sewer plant odor mitigation efforts.
Councilman Lawson

**XI. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Ordinance for second and final passage
For discussion and possible vote - NONE**

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
 - Appointment of East Providence Police Deputy Chief Michael Rapoza
 - Appointment of East Providence Police Acting Deputy Chief Andy Benoit
3. Items for announcement/discussion
 - National Walking Day - April 2, 2025
 - National Library Week and Library Workers Day – April 6 thru April 12, 2025
 - 2025 Small Business Week – May 4 thru May 10, 2025
 - National Autism Awareness Month – April 2025
 - Arbor Day – April 25, 2025

B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS – City Solicitor Michael J. Marcello

C. REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE LIAISON

D. RESOLUTIONS - For discussion and possible vote

1. Resolution requesting the general assembly enact 2025-H 5420 and 2025-S 0636 to increase allowable pupil passenger limit from eight (8) to ten (10). Introduced by Councilwoman Sousa

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Resolution in support of senate bill S-57 and house bill H-5393 regarding the maintenance of sidewalks along state highways. Introduced by Council Vice President Rego, Councilwoman Sousa, Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Woodard & curran for upgrades to the City's supervisory control and data acquisition (Scada) system. Introduced by Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

E. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - For discussion and possible vote
- NONE

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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