

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

April 7, 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 - NONE

III. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

IV. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

1. St. Margarets Girls Basketball CAL State Champions. Council Vice President Rego

V. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote

A. COUNCIL JOURNALS:

1. Regular meeting minutes March 3, 2026; March 17, 2026

| Member | Aye | Nay |
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B. LETTERS

1. New Address: 1050 S. Broadway, East Providence, RI 02914, Map 207, Block 11, Parcel 001.00

VI. LICENSES - For discussion and possible vote

A. MOTION TO BUNDLE NON-PUBLIC HEARING LICENSES

| Member | Aye | Nay |
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B. NON-PUBLIC HEARING

1. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License (4th July)
 Applicant: Rebecca Chace
 Business Name: City of East Providence
 Address: 201 Mercer Street, East Providence
 Date & Time: 7/3/2026; 6pm – 11pm
2. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License
 Applicant: Alyssa Cadoret
 Business Name: Food Trucks, DJ, Photographer, Inflatables
 Address: 640 Bullocks Point
 Date & Time: 5/2/2026; 8am – 12pm
3. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License (Annual Feast)
 Applicant: Sandra Mello
 Business Name: Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity
 Address: 59 Bightridge Avenue, East Providence
 Date & Time: 7/19/2026; 11am – 12pm
4. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License (Relay/DJ)
 Applicant: Sandra Morgan
 Business Name: American Cancer Society
 Address: 201 Mercer Street
 Date & Time: 5/30/2026; 3pm – 9pm
5. Special Event – One Day Alcoholic License (Annual Feast)

Applicant: Sandra Mello
 Business Name: Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity
 Address: 59 Brightridge Avenue, East Providence
 Date & Time: 7/19/2026; 11am – 12pm

6. Special Event – Block Party

Applicant: Alyssa Cadoret
 Business Name: Riverside Little League
 Address: 640 Bullocks Point Ave, East Providence
 Date & Time: 5/2/2026; 8am – 2pm

7. Special Event – Block Party

Applicant: Chris Cunha
 Business Name: Jenks Lodge 24
 Address: Crescent Park - Bay Side
 Date & Time: 7/25/2026; 9am-5pm

8. Special Event – Block Party

Applicant: Rebecca Chace
 Business Name: city of East Providence
 Address: 201 Mercer Street
 Date & Time: 7/3/2026; 6pm – 11pm

9. Special Event – Road Race

Applicant: Claire Akin
 Business Name: UOI Kettle Point, LLC dba Gray Matter Marketing
 Address: 1 Kettle Point, East Providence
 Date & Time: 9/12/2026; ?

10. Type of License: New Mobile Food Truck

Applicant: Thomas Havey
 Business Name: Bitter Sweet, LLC
 Owner’s Location: 23 Aldrich Ave, Cranston, RI

11. Type of License: New Mobile Food Truck

Applicant: Kevin Palumbo
 Business Name: Mummy’s Ice Cream Delights
 Owner’s Location: 6 Grove Avenue, North Providence

C. MOTION TO APPROVE NON-PUBLIC HEARING LICENSES

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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.

1. Nancy Hale - Historic Oldham Property on Bullocks Point

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. Appointment of Grant Webber Wosencroft to the City Council Crescent Park Carousel Commission. Seat term ends 1/5/2027. Councilman Lawson

| Member | Aye | Nay |
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X. COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Oldham building on Bullocks Point Ave. Councilman Lawson
2. Update on community choice electric. Council Vice President Rego
3. Update on trash and debris on railroad tracks in Ward 1 . Council Vice President Rego

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

1. An ordinance in amendment of chapter 16 of the Revised ordinances of the city of east providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “taxation” SECTION I. Subsection (b)(1) of Section 16-16 entitled “Authority of city assessor” of Article II entitled “Property Exemption for Veterans and Persons 65 Years of Age and

Older” is amended to update the following property tax exemptions based on the most recent revaluation as follows:

| Exemption Category | Assessment Amount |
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| Veteran/Widow | \$8,250.00 14,340.00 |
| Disabled 100% Service Connected | \$16,460.00 28,600.00 |
| 1% to 30% Veteran's Administration Disability Rating | \$10,725.00 18,635.00 |
| 31% to 60% Veteran's Administration Disability Rating | \$13,200.00 22,935.00 |
| 61% to 99% Veteran's Administration Disability Rating | \$15,675.00 27,235.00 |
| Veteran's Modified Housing | \$16,460.00 28,600.00 |
| Prisoner of War | \$15,000.00 17,590.00 |

XII. CONTINUED BUSINESS – Show cause hearing

Dune Brothers - 684 Bullocks Point, East Providence, RI (Victualling)

Needed Information: RI Dept of Health, Building and Fire, Tangible Taxes, License Fee.

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
3. Items for announcement/discussion
 - Update on the results of the recent Oldham School RFQ
https://eastprovidenceri.gov/sites/default/files/field/files-docs/oldham_school_small_business_incubator_feasibility_study_final_report.pdf
 - Presentation on East Providence Safe Streets and Roads for All Safety Action Plan
 - Proclamation honoring Battalion Chief Charles E. Carr upon his retirement after 32 years of dedicated service to the East Providence Fire Department.
 - Proclamation declaring April 2 as “National Walking Day” in the City of East Providence.
 - Proclamation commemorating April 24 as “Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day” in the City of East Providence.
 - Proclamation recognizing April 19 through April 25 as “National Library Week” and April 21 as “National Library Workers Day” in the City of East Providence.

B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

C. REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE LIAISON – Councilman Lawson

D. RESOLUTIONS - For discussion and possible vote

1. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Purchase a New Rescue for the Fire Department (Council President Rodericks, Council Vice President Rego)

| Member | Aye | Nay |
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2. Resolution in Support of Rhode Island House Bill H7389 Relating to Bilingual Education (Councilwoman Sousa)

| Member | Aye | Nay |
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3. Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Proposal from Fuss & O'Neill for Preliminary Stormwater Infrastructure Design and Flood Mitigation Analysis (Council President Rodericks & Council Vice President Rego)

| Member | Aye | Nay |
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4. Resolution requesting the Department of Public Works conduct an assessment of the Oldham School (Councilman Lawson)

| Member | Aye | Nay |
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5. Resolution of the East Providence City Council in support of Rhode Island House Bill H8038 authorizing the City of East Providence to license and regulate hotels and motels (Council Vice President Rego)

| Member | Aye | Nay |
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6. Resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a change order with TRC for the Sabin Point stormwater treatment system installation. (Council President Rodericks)

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E. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - 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" adding Sec. 18-318 entitled "parking of unregistered vehicles" (Council President Rodericks, Council Vice President Rego)

| Member | Aye | Nay |
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2. An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 10 of the revised ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled nuisances" amending subsection (C) of Section 10-29 entitled "removal; notice to owner" (Council President Rodericks, Council Vice President Rego)

| Member | Aye | Nay |
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XVII. ADJOURNMENT

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