

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE  
**DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

August 19, 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**

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

1. In Re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation Case No. 1:17-MD-2804  
Review & discussion of proposed Purdue Direct Settlement - Authority of City Solicitor to execute any & all necessary settlement documents

**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**

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote**

**A. COUNCIL JOURNALS:**

1. Regular meeting minutes 7/15/2025

**B. TAX ABATEMENTS: Cancellations/Abatements**

YEAR	AMOUNT
2017 Tax Roll	\$217.11
2025 Tax Roll	\$26,630.60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$26,847.71</u></b>

C. LETTERS:

1. 2 - 6 Rounds Avenue, East Providence, RI, 02915, Map 512, block 11, Parcel 0038.0

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. MOTION TO APPROVE NON-PUBLIC HEARING LICENSES**

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

**C. NON-PUBLIC HEARING (1 through 11)**

1. Block Party Application/Food Truck Event (READ IN ONLY)  
Applicant: Michelle Perry  
Business Name: East Providence Arts Council  
Event Address: 684-700 Bullocks Pt. Avenue  
Date & Time: 8/9/25; 12pm – 6pm
2. Block Party Application/Food Truck Event  
Applicant: John Fuzek  
Business Name: Hear in Rhode Island Inc  
Event Address: Bullocks Point (Crescent Park)

Date & Time: 8/24/25; 12pm -6pm

3. Special Events One Day Entertainment License  
Applicant: Jennifer Terceira  
Business Name: Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity  
Event Address: 59 Brightridge Avenue  
Date & Time: 9/28/25; 1pm – 6pm
4. Special Events One Day Entertainment License  
Applicant: Tara Machado  
Business Name: Machado John J  
Event Address: 79 Narragansett Avenue  
Date & Time: 8/31/25; 4pm – 10:30pm
5. Special Events One Day Entertainment License  
Applicant: Pam Byrd  
Business Name: Trinity Tabernacle, Inc  
Event Address: 12 McCausland Avenue  
Date & Time: 9/14/25; 10am – 5pm
6. New License Transfer of Owner – Victualing; Sunday & Holidays  
From: Savalan Ashurov To: Bedri Acar  
Business Name: Wise Guys Riverside  
Business Address: 467 Willet Avenue, Riverside
7. New MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENT License  
Applicant: Savanna Gouveia  
Business Name: Pretty in Pink  
Owners' Address: 94 Potters Avenue, Providence
8. New MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENT License  
Applicant: Kristi Dukoff  
Business Name: Kristi's Krafftails  
Owners' Address: 691 Mian Street, Warren
9. New Business License Victualing, Sunday & Holidays; Change of Tenancy  
Applicant: Stephanie Lim  
Business Name: From Malys Bonsai Nails & Spa To: Cutiesie Nails & Spa  
Business Address: 71 Highland Avenue, E. Providence
10. New MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENT License  
Applicant: Tiffany Ting  
Business Name: Providence Poke LLC

Owners' Address: 185 Camp Street, Providence

11. License Renewal – Health & Fitness Center

Applicant: Jonathan Machado

Business Name: Best Self: Health & Fitness

Business Address: 1050 Willett Avenue, Riverside

**C. NON-PUBLIC HEARING (CONTINUED)**

1. Special Event One Day Alcoholic License

Applicant: John Fuzek

Business Name: Hear in Rhode Island, Inc

Event Address: Crescent Park, 701 Bullocks Point, Riverside

Date & time: 8/24/25; 12pm – 6pm

**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.*

**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. Breakdown by banking account the amount balance in each account as of July 31, 2025. Council Vice President Rego
2. Update on inspections of all nursing facilities, assisted living, high rise living , boarding houses, hotel and motels, by both the fire and building departments. Council Vice President Rego
3. Traffic patterns and issues on Anthony Street. Council President Rodericks
4. Request for items to be included in the capital budget. Councilman Lawson
5. City Hall outside flag display protocol. Councilman Lawson

6. Statement on Oldham school – incubator on behalf of residents. Councilman Lawson
7. Discuss of FY '25-26 budget hearing schedule. 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”  
Summary: Subsection (c) of Sec. 18-268. The purpose of this ordinance is to place a do not enter, local traffic only sign (Armington Avenue). Sponsor: Councilman Fogarty

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 2 of the revised ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “Administration”  
Summary: Adding Section 2-298, allocation 50% of speed and red-light camera revenue towards the East Providence School Department capital revolving fund. Introduced by Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. An Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 5 of the revised ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “Fire Prevention”  
Summary: Adding Section 5-57 Solicitation at Fire Scenes – Prohibited Conduct  
Introduced by Council Vice President Rego

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

4. An ordinance adopting the 2025-2035 East Providence Comprehensive Plan

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

5. Ordinance of the council of the City of East Providence appropriating \$275,000 for unanticipated costs associated with building renovations/improvements to the police station. Summary: The purpose of this Ordinance is to allocate two hundred seventy-five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$275,000) for unanticipated costs associated with building renovations/improvements to the police station from City Capital. Introduced by Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

**XII. CONTINUED BUSINESS - NONE**

**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
  - June finance and capital reports – Dir. Of Finance Glenda Delgado

- RFEOI - The City of East Providence is seeking Expressions of Interest from vendors (“applicants”) with expertise to lead the development of the former Oldham School, a prominent historic structure owned by the city, located at 640 Bullocks Point Avenue.

## **B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS**

1. Request to approve residential handicap parking sign for 34 West Street, East Providence, RI 02914. Dan Borges Director of Public Works

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

## **C. REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE LIAISON – Councilman Lawson**

## **D. RESOLUTIONS - For discussion and possible vote**

1. Resolution requesting to name the basketball court at Kent Heights park the “Vincent ‘Vinny’ Spremulli Memorial Basketball Court”. Introduced by Councilman Fogarty

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract extension with MTG Disposal, LLC for refuse/recycling collection. Introduced by Council Vice President Rego

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. Resolution Adopting Flag Protocols at East Providence City Hall. Introduced by Councilman Lawson



Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

4. Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for the East Providence Community Center by Bentley Companies LLC consistent with the guaranteed maximum price. Introduced by Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

#### **E. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - For discussion and possible vote**

1. An ordinance increasing the annual salary of the city council pursuant to Section 2-3 of Article II of the City Charter. Annual salary of each City Council member shall increase to \$9,000.00 and the Council President shall also be entitled to an additional payment of \$1,000 above the salary as set forth in Section 1 of this ordinance. Effective January 1, 2027. Introduced by Councilman Fogarty

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. An ordinance establishing the annual salary of the Mayor. The annual salary of the Mayor shall be \$120,000. The Mayor is entitled to all other ancillary benefits of employment enjoyed by department heads. With annual cost of living adjustment. Effective January 1, 2027. 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 accommodations to ensure equal participation, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 401.435.7596 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting date.

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