

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

September 2, 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. Discussion and possible vote on Tentative Agreement with Council 94, AFSCME, Local 3223 EPPMTEA 11/01/24 to 10/31/27
2. Update on negotiations:
 1. East Providence Fire Fighters IAFF Local 850
 2. International Brotherhood of Police Officers Local 569

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. Rumford Little League RI District 2 Champions

V. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote

A. COUNCIL JOURNALS:

1. Regular meeting minutes August 19, 2025

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 INFO PENDING

1. Special Event – Road Race
Applicant: Gary Menissian
Business Name: Ocean State Multisport
Address: Seekonk High School
Date & Time: 1/1/2026; 6am – 9am
2. Type of Business: Solicitor – Exterior Home Remodeling
Applicant: Scott Kaeller
Owner’s Name: Raymond St. Laurent
Owner’s Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd, Cranston, RI
3. Type of Business: Solicitor – Exterior Home Remodeling
Applicant: Boden Neale
Owner’s Name: Raymond St. Laurent
Owner’s Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd, Cranston, RI
4. Type of Business: Solicitor – Exterior Home Remodeling
Applicant: Aiden Searle
Owner’s Name: Raymond St. Laurent
Owner’s Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd, Cranston, RI

5. Type of Business: Solicitor – Exterior Home Remodeling
Applicant: Brendan O’Brien
Owner’s Name: Raymond St. Laurent
Owner’s Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd, Cranston, RI
6. Type of Business: Solicitor – Exterior Home Remodeling
Applicant: Randy Dantuono
Owner’s Name: Raymond St. Laurent
Owner’s Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd, Cranston, RI
7. Type of Business: Solicitor – Exterior Home Remodeling
Applicant: Matthew Maguire
Owner’s Name: Raymond St. Laurent
Owner’s Address: 2000 Chapel View Blvd, Cranston, RI
8. Special Event One- Day Alcoholic License
Applicant: Jahdae Thomas
Name of Event: Alumni Beer Garden
Address of Event: Providence Country Day School
Date & Time: 10/17/2025; 5:30pm – 6:30pm
9. Type of Business New Mobile Food Truck
Applicant: Kevin Palumbo
Business Name: Mumsy’s Ice cream
Primary Location: 684 & 700 Bullocks Point Ave, E. Providence
Owner Address: 6 Grove Avenue, North Providence

READ IN ONLY

1. Block Party Application Food Truck Event
Applicant: Diego Contreras
Location: 701 Bullocks Point Avenue
Date & Time: 8/24/25; 12pm – 6pm
2. Block Party Application Food Truck Event
Applicant: Kevin Palumbo
Location: 700 Bullocks Point Avenue
Date & Time: 8/24/25; 12pm – 6pm
3. Special Event one-Day Alcoholic License
Applicant: John Fuzek
Location: 701 Bullocks Point Avenue
Date & Time: 8/24/25; 12pm – 6pm

XVII. 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. Nicole Grant - "Discussion and Possible Action on Backyard Hen Ordinance."

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. Request for update from administration on Willett Pond upgrades. Councilman Lawson
2. Discussion on cameras in public spaces. Councilman Lawson
3. Request for accurate update on when the field behind Riverside Middle School can be used. Councilman Lawson
4. Sabin Point Cleanup. Councilman Lawson
5. Cell service at Crescent Park area. Councilman Lawson
6. Update on Solar project at police station. Councilwoman Sousa
7. Update on Peirce field walking track, Martello Park picnic tables, Hull Street Park upgrades. Councilwoman Sousa
8. Update and recommend from consultant on pedestrian crossings and lights throughout the city. Councilwoman Sousa
9. Request for City Administration to address and support Neighbors on Fort St regarding continued damage to property. 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" These changes are being made in order to conform to approved RI General Assembly bills. (see attached)
 - a. Specifically, the following will be amended, altered, changed or created in Chapter 2 Administration: Division 7, Section 2-172
 - b. Specifically, the following will be amended, altered, changed, or created in Chapter 19 Zoning:

Article I, Sections 19-1
Article II, Sections 19-5 to 19-74
Article III, Section 19-98
Article IV, Section 19-132 to 19-360.11
Article V, Section 19-361 to 19-364
Article VIII, Section 19-449 to 19-450
Article IX, Section 19-477 to 19-481

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
 - 9/11 Ceremony – Time to Be Determined.
 - Letter to Council Re: EPPTMA Contract
 - Vincent Spremulli Dedication/Unveiling Sept. 6, 2025 12-2PM Rain Date Sept. 7, 2025 12-2PM
 - July capital and finance expenses – Glenda Dir. Delgado
 - 2025 Hispanic Heritage Month
 - 2025 Brazilian Independence Day
 - 2025 Alzheimer's Awareness Month
 - Suicide Prevention & Awareness Month
 - Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

1. Request to approve residential handicap parking sign for 95 Ivy 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

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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”. is amended by adding thereto the following: Sec. 18-307 No Parking Providence Ave (both sides) from Sunset Avenue north for 50 feet, Providence Ave (east side) from Sunset Avenue south for 50 feet. Introduced by Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
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2. 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” **SECTION I.** Subsection (b) of Sec. 18-269 entitled “Stop and yield intersections designated; when stops required” is amended by adding thereto the following: Providence Avenue (northbound traffic) at Sunset Avenue; Providence Avenue (southbound traffic) at Sunset Avenue. Sponsored by Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
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Rego		
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Rodericks		

3. An ordinance in amendment of chapter 18 of the revised ordinances of the City of East, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “vehicles and traffic”. is amended by adding thereto the following: Sec. 18-307 No Parking Lincoln Avenue (north side), from Crescent Ave westerly 175 feet. Sponsored by Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
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Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

4. An ordinance in amendment of chapter 2 of the Revised ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “administration” is amended by adding thereto the following: Article xi. East Providence school bus violation detection monitoring system funds. Sponsored by Councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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