



City of Woonsocket

Agenda

City Council Regular Meeting
City Council President Daniel M. Gendron Presiding
Monday, April 21, 2025 @ 7:00 PM
Harris Hall – Third Floor
169 Main Street, Woonsocket, RI 02895

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1. **ROLL CALL.**

2. **PRAYER.**

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

4. **AGENDA FOR BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS.**

[25.LC.16](#) Application of licenses and renewal of licenses.

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5. **PUBLIC COMMENT.**

(Please limit comments to five minutes)

6. **APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD
APRIL 3RD & REGULAR MEETING HELD APRIL 7TH, 2025.**

[SMin.04.03.25](#)

[Min.04.07.25](#)

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7. **CONSENT AGENDA.**

All items on the consent agenda are indicated with an asterisk (*).

MONTHLY PAID BILLS, ALL ACCOUNTS:

None.

OTHER MATTERS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

8. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR.**

None.

9. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY SOLICITOR.**

CLAIMS:

None.

OTHER MATTERS:

None.

10. **COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.**

10.1. Finance Director.

State mandated financial reports:

None.

Revenue collections:

None.

Fund financial activity:

[25.CO.60*](#) Capital Fund Report - March 2025.

[25.CO.61*](#) AP Report - March 2025.

[25.CO.62*](#) Monthly Grant Report - March 2025.

[25.CO.63*](#) Opioid Report - Q3 - FY 2025.

[25.CO.64*](#) Finance Monthly Report - March 2025.

[25.CO.65*](#) American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") funds status report (March, 2025).

Bid posting and award activity:

[25.CO.66*](#) City of Woonsocket Bids - March 2025 report.

10.2. Public Works.

Highway department activity/status:

None.

Permit activity/revenue:

None.

Other matters:

[25.CO.67*](#) Monthly odor report from Jacobs Engineering Group.

[25.CO.72*](#) Enterprise Fund monthly report – March, 2025.

10.3. Public Safety.

Activities/Statistics:

None.

10.4. Planning Department.

Ongoing/New activities:

None.

CDBG program and financial status:

None.

Other matters:

[25.CO.68*](#) From Planning Director regarding The Narragansett Electric Company Gas Main Replacement, Woonsocket, RI.

10.5. Personnel.

Employment activity - New hire/vacated/vacant positions:

[25.CO.69*](#) Monthly Report - March, 2025.

10.6. Human Services.

Ongoing and upcoming programs:

[25.CO.70*](#) Monthly Report - March, 2025.

10.7. City Clerk.

Office permits issued and revenues:

None.

10.8. Library

Circulation and other activity:

[25.CO.71*](#) March Monthly Report.

11. RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

None.

12. PRESENTATION TO SPEAK BY THE PUBLIC AND ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS.

[25.P.21](#) A request of Kathy Goodwin to address the City Council regarding the following item: 181
1)The role of animal control and health & welfare of cats in Woonsocket.

[25.P.22](#) Request of Councilwoman Fox to address the Council regarding the following item: 183
1)Earth Day event on April 22, 2025 from 6:00PM to 7:30PM at the Woonsocket Harris Public Library, 303 Clinton Street.

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS - ORDINANCES.

[25.O.16](#) In amendment of the City Code of Ordinances Appendix C, entitled "Zoning" regarding compliance with previously enacted State Legislation.-Gendron 185 - 207

[25.O.18](#) An Ordinance codifying personal exemptions by amending City Code Section 2-11 and 2-11.1 as well as creating City Code Section 2-11.4, 2-11.5, and 2-11.6.-Gendron 209 - 213

[25.O.20](#) An Ordinance amending the late fee for failing to obtain a necessary permit from the Woonsocket Division of Building Services.-Gendron 215 - 216

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS - RESOLUTIONS.

None.

15. NEW BUSINESS - ORDINANCES.

<u>25.O.21</u>	Prohibiting camping on Public Property.-Cournoyer, Dubois & Gendron	217 - 219
<u>25.O.22</u>	An Ordinance granting a petition for a new pole location for Rhode Island Energy for AMF radio network on Crawford Street.-Gendron	221 - 230
<u>25.O.23</u>	Transferring Funds from Engineering to Public Works.-Gendron	231
<u>25.O.24</u>	An Ordinance authorizing a lease of City owned real property with Open Doors to operate a Homeless shelter at 181 Cumberland Street.-Gendron	233 - 249

16. NEW BUSINESS - RESOLUTIONS.

<u>25.R.65</u>	Enforcement of Litter Laws.-Cournoyer, Dubois & Gendron	251 - 252
<u>25.R.66</u>	A Resolution authorizing the Public Works Director to enter into contracts with Gentes Excavating, Inc. and Narragansett Improvement Co. for the use and operation of miscellaneous construction equipment.-Gendron	253 - 257
<u>25.R.67</u>	Authorizing the City to extend the Vehicle Lease Agreement with Community Care Alliance ("CCA") for CCA to operate a homeless shelter on the Dignity Bus up to and including August 31, 2025.-Gendron	259 - 260
<u>25.R.68</u>	Re-appointing Steven R. Laramée as a member of the Zoning Board of Review.-Gendron & Harmon	261
<u>25.R.69</u>	A Resolution urging the Rhode Island General Assembly to support joint Resolutions H-5323 and S-262 authorizing an appropriation to Sojourner House for the provision of safe and secure housing for people fleeing from dangerous situations.-Fox	263 - 264
<u>25.R.70</u>	Authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes.-Gendron	265 - 267
<u>25.R.71</u>	A Resolution in support of House Bill 2025 – H5634 Defending Affordable Prescription Drug Costs Act.-Sierra	269 - 276

17. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

<u>25.RC.10</u>	Update from Vice President Sierra regarding the Homelessness Committee.	277
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18. ADJOURNMENT.

For additional information or to request interpreter services, or other special services for the hearing impaired, please contact City Clerk Christina Harmon three (3) days prior to the meeting at (401) 762-6400, or by the Thursday prior to the meeting.

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