

**CITY OF NEWPORT  
DOCKET FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING  
OCTOBER 8, 2025**

The following items of business, filed with the City Clerk under the Rules of the Council will come before the Council at a meeting to be held at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 43 Broadway, Newport, RI 02840

***Citizens' Forum: (Speakers must sign in with the City Clerk) The Citizens' Forum period shall be no longer than fifteen minutes, and citizens may address the Council on one subject only and for no longer than three minutes. Issues to be discussed shall not include matters to be considered or discussed as part of the regular Council agenda and must be related to substantive city business. No comments regarding personnel or job performance are allowed.***

1. **CONSENT CALENDAR** (THE CONSENT CALENDAR IS APPROVED IN ITS ENTIRETY UNLESS THE COUNCIL REMOVES AN ITEM FOR DISCUSSION. ALL LICENSES ARE GRANTED SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH ORDINANCES (#31-80 AND #98-40).)

- a. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held September 15, 2025.
- b. Special Events:
  1. Belmont Chapel, d/b/a Friend of Belmont Chapel Music Series, Belmont Chapel; October 10, 2025 from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
  2. Newport Elks, d/b/a Special Needs Fundraiser, 141 Pelham St.; October 11, 2025 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
  3. Casey Stamouli, d/b/a Glitter Ball, Provence Sur Mer; October 23, 2025 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
  4. Puddingstone Events, d/b/a Romantic Entwined: Brahms, Schubert and Schumann, Rough Point; November 1, 2025 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
  5. Newport Elks, d/b/a Christmas Craft Fair, 141 Pelham St.; December 6, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
  6. Lucy's Hearth, d/b/a Lucy's Hearth Wreath Sale, Easton's Beach Rotunda; December 6, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to noon

The Council will meet at 6:20 p.m. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room at City Hall. The public is invited to attend. City Hall is accessible and meets ADA requirements. **INDIVIDUALS REQUIRING AN INTERPRETER OR OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS MUST NOTIFY THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE (845-5351) OR CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE (845-5429) ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING.**

7. The Preservation Society of Newport County, d/b/a:
  - a. Newport Symposium, Rosecliff & Marble House; November 6 & 7, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
  - b. Fall Music Program, Rosecliff; November 13, 2025 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
  - c. Member Holiday Open House, The Elms; December 16, 2025 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
  - d. Skylark's Christmas Carol Concert, The Breakers; December 19, 2025 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- c. Communication from Ferass Sammoura, re: Request to add vendors to the previously approved special event license for Cardines Classic Grass Tournament on October 12, 2025 (Approve subject to details being worked out with city administration)
- d. Private Detective License, Renewal, David Bruce, d/b/a TBK Investigations, 181 Bellevue Ave., #203, Newport, RI
- e. Communication from Federico Santi, Chair, Newport Sculpture Commission, re: Funding for Publicly Owned Sculpture Evaluation (Receive)
- f. Communication from Jeff Brooks, re: Resignation from the Planning Board (Receive with regret)
- g. Communication from Carmela Geer, re: Resignation from the Sister City Commission (Receive with regret)
- h. Communication from Maureen Cronin, re: Request to light the dome of City Hall in purple during the month of October to recognize Domestic Violence Awareness Month and for a proclamation (Approve subject to details being worked out with city administration)

## **LICENSES AND PERMITS**

2. Special Event License, Fireworks, Anne Donohue, Castle Hill Inn, October 12, 2025 at 4:49 p.m. (less than one minute)  
~ Request to waive the filing requirement of 90 days prior to the event
3. Daily Entertainment License, Class B (outdoor), Caleb Opco, LLC, d/b/a Caleb & Broad, 162 Broadway, rooftop; October 11, 2025 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

4. Victualing License, New Owner, Market Newport, LLC, d/b/a Market on Broadway, 95 Broadway
5. Entertainment License, Expansion, Vanderbilt Opco, LLC, d/b/a The Vanderbilt, 41 Mary St., to expand the entertainment by adding the roof deck daily from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. from June 1 through September 30 and the Garden Terrace daily from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. (*Current entertainment: indoors from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and the Garden Terrace from Thursday through Saturday from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.*) (Second Hearing)

***ADJOURN AS COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS***

**BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS**

**LICENSES AND PERMITS**

1. Application of Shiv Wine Corp., d/b/a Thames Wine & Spirits, 433 Thames St., holder of a Class A alcoholic beverage license, to transfer 20 shares of stock from Shiv Patel and 20 shares from Prutha Patel to Jayesh D. Patel, assuming 40 shares as the sole stock holder (Hearing)

***ADJOURN AS BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS  
AND RECONVENE AS COUNCIL***

6. **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

***Sister City Commission***

Amy Ironmonger –two-year unexpired term, expires 4/24/2026

***Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission***

Gail Ruscetta –four-year unexpired term, expires 5/10/2027

**COMMUNICATIONS**

7. Memorandum from Patricia Reynolds, Director, Planning and Development, re: 2027 Comprehensive Plan Update Consultant (Interface) Introduction

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

8. Action Item #6516/25 – RE: Update to the City’s Fund Balance Policy (w/accompanying resolution)

9. Action Item #6517/25 – RE: Award of Contract – Cooperative Purchasing Agreement- Wheeled Coach 2026 Ford F550 Gas 4X4 Type 1 Rescue (w/accompanying resolution)
10. Action Item #6518/25 – RE: Authorizing the Extension of the Contract for the Electricity Supplier for the Community Electricity Program (w/accompanying resolution)
11. Action Item #6519/25 – RE: Funding Source for Commitment to Rogers High School Construction Project (w/accompanying resolution)
12. Memorandum from the City Manager RE: Update on the Ongoing Utilities Rate Study

### **ORDINANCES**

13. Amending 2.112.010, 2.112.020 & 2.112.030 (Second Reading)
14. Amending Section 12.28.020 of the Codified Ordinances, entitled, “*Definitions*” (Second Reading)
15. Amending Sections of the Codified Ordinances, 12.28.071, entitled, “*Mooring permit classification and quotas*” & Section 12.28.072, entitled “*Requests for mooring permit and permit changes*” (Second Reading)
16. Amending Section 12.28.200 of the Codified Ordinances, entitled, “*Fees and fines*” (Second Reading)

### **RESOLUTIONS**

17. Miantonomi Memorial Park Advisory Commission – C. Holder, J. Napolitano, E. Pinnoch, L. Ceglie
18. Signage- D. Carlin

Laura C. Swistak, CMC  
City Clerk

Adjourn- October 1, 2025