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CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 20, 2021
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

City Council:
Council President, Robert Britto - Ward 1
Council Vice-President: Bob Rodericks - At Large
Councilwoman Anna Sousa - Ward 2
Councilman Nate Cahoon - Ward 3
Councilman Ricardo Mourato - Ward 4

City Solicitor, Michael J. Marcello
City Clerk, Samantha N. Burnett

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be both in person and virtually, on an application called, "Zoom".

1. TO PARTICIPATE BY PHONE (audio only)
Call the toll free number: 1-877-853-5247 MEETING ID: 993-0796-0324 (No meeting passcode)

2. BY COMPUTER OR SMART PHONE (video with audio option)
Visit the following website: www.zoom.us

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The meeting will also be available live on our city website, located at:
<http://www.clerkbase.com/RI EastProvidence Live CityCouncil.html>

At the appropriate time the moderator will announce the time to participate in the public hearing and public comment portions of the meeting.

IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT VIA ZOOM, YOU MUST USE THE "RAISE HAND" FUNCTION VIA ZOOM NO LATER THAN 6:45 P.M. TO BE RECOGNIZED BY THE MODERATOR OF THE MEETING.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council may meet in Executive Session, pursuant to RIGL 46-45 (a) 2 relating to collective bargaining and claims.

Member	Aye	Nay
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III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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- 1. New Claims
 - A) Brian Bennett
 - B) Elizabeth Gomes
 - C) Deborah Tupaj

2. Review, discussion and potential vote to ratify the collective bargaining agreement between the East Providence Paraprofessionals Association and the City of East Providence - Effective 11/01/2020 to 10/31/2022

- IV. OPEN SESSION**
- V. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- VI. MOTION TO SEAL THE MINUTES FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Member	Aye	Nay
Sousa		
Cahoon		
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VII. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. COUNCIL JOURNALS
 - EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 2021
 - REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 2021

2. TAX ABATEMENTS

YEAR	AMOUNT
2020	\$1,383.99
2021	\$8,941.74
TOTALS	\$10,325.73

Member	Aye	Nay
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VIII. LICENSES

A) LICENSES NOT REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. Application for Hawker License – 60 Day, General Merchandise
 - A) Applicant: Nashawn Carter-Business: Carter’s K creations- 24 Goldsmith Avenue, 02915

Member	Aye	Nay
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2. Mobile Food Establishment License

A) Applicant: Chris A. Gizzarelli

Business: All American Hot Dogs (Hot Dog Cart, Individual/Sole Proprietorship)

Member	Aye	Nay
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B) Applicant: Joseph Dourado

Business: Joe's Snack Shack (Hot Dog Cart, Theme Park Food Court, Individual/Sole Proprietorship)

Member	Aye	Nay
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3. License to Solicit

A) Applicants: Ryan Sheehan, Megan Venuto, Jace Pena

Business: Power Home Remodeling

License Time Period: 7/1/2021 - 12/31/2021

Member	Aye	Nay
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B) Applicant: Ashley Wittenstein

Solicited Business: Verizon Fios

Business: Silverline Visionary – 120 Amaral Street, 02915

License Time Period: 6/17/2021-12/31/2021

Member	Aye	Nay
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4. Application – Tattoo Shop

Applicant: Alicia Lefebvre

Business: 662 Bullocks Point Avenue, 02915

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5. Application – Kennel License
 Applicant: Matthew Gerema
 Business: Salty Dog Daycare
 Address: 290 Bullocks Point Avenue, 02915
 License Period Requested: May 1, 2021-April 30, 2021

Member	Aye	Nay
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6. Application – Holiday Sales
 Applicant: Jayson McVeigh
 Business: JRM Holding LLC dba Pazi’s Place
 Address: 350 Taunton Avenue, 02914

Member	Aye	Nay
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7. Application for Victualing License – Class 3
 Applicant: Nicole Nix
 Business: Feast and Fettle
 Business Address: 881 Waterman Avenue, 02914

Member	Aye	Nay
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B) LICENSES FOR PUBLIC HEARING
 1. BV – Application for Full Privilege Alcohol License
 Applicant: Ruarri Miller
 Business: Proud Mary’s LLC dba Union Burrito
 Address: 332 Bullocks Point Avenue, 02915

Member	Aye	Nay
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IX. COMMUNICATIONS

1. University Orthopedics 5k Race – Sunday, September 19, 2021

Representative: Claire Akin, Gray Matter Marketing

Member	Aye	Nay
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X. PUBLIC COMMENT

Each speaker will be limited to three (3) minutes. The order of the 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. Public comments must pertain to a docket item, not otherwise designated on this agenda as a public hearing.

Residents wishing to comment on any matters designated as a public hearing can do so when that agenda item is reached.

XI. APPOINTMENTS

1. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS WITH COUNCIL APPROVAL

A) Joan Elizabeth Daft – Juvenile Hearing Board -Reappointment. Term: 11/02/2020-11/01/2023

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XII. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

1. Discussion Only: 7/12/2021 Planning Board Item Regarding “An Ordinance of Chapter 19 Of The Revised Ordinances Of The City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, As Amended, Entitled, “Zoning” (Section 19-453) - Councilwoman Sousa
2. Discussion Only: 2021-2022 Budget Schedule – Councilman Mourato

XIII. PUBLIC HEARING

REZONE AND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

OWNER/PETITIONER: Metacomel Property, LLC.

STREET ADDRESS: 500 VETERANS MEMORIAL PARKWAY, EAST PROVIDENCE, RI 02914

PROPERTY LOCATION: MAP 107, BLOCK 15, PARCEL 1

Summary: Public Hearing for the East Providence City Council to consider an AMENDMENT to the Generalized Land Use Map of the City’s Comprehensive Plan for parcel 1, of map 107, block 15 from,

“Open Space” to a new sub-district of the East Providence Waterfront Special Development District be given the designation “Metacomet”. In addition, the petitioner is proposing to rezone the subject property (map 107, block 15, parcel 1) from “Open Space” to a new sub-district of the East Providence Waterfront Special Development District to be designated “Metacomet” with allowed uses that include but not limited to a mix of commercial, office, retail, mixed density residential (single-family, townhouses and multi-family condominiums), continuing care, fast food, conference centers, hotel and pharmacies. In addition, approximately 9.6 acres is proposed to be conveyed to the City for open space uses and approximately 48.1 acres is to be restricted to only those uses allowed in the Open Space zoning district to serve as a golf course.

Advertised in the July 1, July 8, and July 15, 2021 editions of The East Providence Post.

A) CONSIDERATION OF ZONING ORDINANCES AND COMP PLAN AMENDMENTS

1. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST AND FINAL PASSAGE AFTER PUBLIC HEARING, AS NOTED ABOVE

- i. AN AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 19-472 ENTITLED SUBDISTRICTS DEFINED OF ARTICLE IX “WATERFRONT SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS” AND USE TABLE OF CHAPTER 9 OF “ZONING’ AS SUBMITTED BY THE PETITIONER AS OF MAY 11, 2021

Member	Aye	Nay
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- ii. AN AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 19-472 ENTITLED SUBDISTRICTS DEFINED OF ARTICLE IX “WATERFRONT SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS” AND USE TABLE OF CHAPTER 9 OF “ZONING’ (SUBSTITUTE A OF NUMBER “1.i” WHICH REFLECTS PROPOSED CHANGES RECOMMENDED BY THE EAST PROVIDENCE PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND PETITIONER ACCEPTANCE

Member	Aye	Nay
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- iii. AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF THE EAST PROVIDENCE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2010-2015 TO IDENTIFY THE PROPERTY DESIGNATED AS ASSESSOR’S MAP 107, BLOCK 15, PARCEL 1, AS A NEW SUBDISTRICT OF THE EAST PROVIDENCE WATERFRONT SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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The proposed Comprehensive Plan and Zone amendment may be altered or amended prior to the close of the public hearing without further advertising, as a result of further study or because of the views expressed during the public hearing.

B. FIRST AND FINAL PASSAGE – ZONING ORDINANCE WITH PUBLIC HEARING

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 19 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 1998, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED “ZONING” Sec. 19-103. Sponsored by: Councilman Cahoon

Summary: Temporary use permit process and regulations regarding short term rentals.

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XIV. NEW BUSINESS

A) OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION

1. Capital/Expense Report – June 2021
2. Pierce Field Splash Pad - Update
3. East Providence Arts District Designation
4. Blackstone Valley Tourism Council Membership
5. Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management Recreation Trail Grants Awarded to East Providence
6. East Providence Recreation Program Summer Meal Program for Children
7. Collaboration with East Bay Community Action Program and East Providence Fire Department Related to Safe Stations Where Patients with Substance Abuse Disorders Can Safely Enter East Providence Fire Stations for Help

B) REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

1. City Solicitor Claims Report – Solicitor Michael J. Marcello
2. East Providence School Department

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C. ORDINANCE FOR FIRST AND FINAL PASSAGE WITH PUBLIC HEARING

- iv. AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE APPROPRIATING \$40,000 FOR THE REPAIR OF THE TREE TRUCK

Sponsored by: Council Vice President Rodericks

Summary: The purpose of this ordinance is to allocate \$40,000 of the remaining unencumbered and unallocated Capital Budget to the Department of Public Works for the repair of the City tree truck.

Member	Aye	Nay
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D. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST PASSAGE

- i. 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 18-12 and 18-76)

Sponsored by: Councilwoman Sousa

Summary: Changes to traffic patterns will require City Council consent for the exception of what may be expressly authorized by the Code of Ordinances.

Member	Aye	Nay
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E. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND AND FINAL PASSAGE WITH PUBLIC HEARING

- i. AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 3 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND, 1998, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED, "ANIMALS" (Section 3.1) Sponsored by: Councilman Cahoon

Summary: The proposed ordinance seeks to mitigate inappropriate food sources for coyotes and non-domesticated animals.

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- ii. AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 12 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND, 1998, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED "POLICE" Council Vice President Rodericks

Summary: Amending Section 12-18(6) related to eliminating the 60 hour college credit requirement for police applicants to be replaced with a high school diploma or equivalent.

Member	Aye	Nay
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F) RESOLUTIONS

Full resolutions on ClerkBase, under 07/20//2021 agenda: <https://www.clerkshq.com/eastprovidence-ri>

- i. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH FR ENGINEERING GROUP, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL WORK RELATED TO THE REPAIR OF THE SEAWALL LOCATED AT ROSE LARISA PARK
 Sponsored by: Councilman Cahoon and Councilman Mourato

Member	Aye	Nay
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- ii. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH GZA GEOENVIRONMENTAL, INC. FOR CONTINUED ENGINEERING AND CONSULTING SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES RELATED TO THE RUNNINS RIVER TRIBUTARY RESTORATION PROJECT
 Sponsored by: Councilman Cahoon and Councilwoman Sousa

Member	Aye	Nay
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- iii. RESOLUTION REVOKING THE PRECEEDING RESOLUTION WHICH HAD ALLOWED FOR TEMPORARY TRAFFIC PATTERN CHANGES ON FIRST STREET Sponsored by: Councilwoman Sousa

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- iv. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A RIGHT-OF-ENTRY AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY FOR REMEDIAL ACTION FOR THE MILITARY MUNITIONS RESPONSE PROGRAM (Assessor Parcel Number: 502-5-33.1 and 502-5-65)
 Sponsored by: Council President Britto

XV. RECONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION (if necessary)

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Member	Aye	Nay
Sousa		
Cahoon		
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If communication assistance is needed or any other accommodations to ensure equal participation, please contact the City Clerk, Samantha Burnett at 401.435.7596 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting date.