CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
DOCKET-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
November 17, 2026
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. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION - NONE

IV. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS - NONE

V. CONSENT CALENDAR - For discussion and possible vote

A. COUNCIL JOURNALS:
1. Regular meeting minutes 10/20/26; 11/9/26

B. TAX ABATEMENTS

1. Kelsey Ainsworth – 6/8 David Street – Real Estate – Assessment Correction due to tax appeal

2. Joathan And Susan Pangborn – 38 Manning Drive – ADU Tax Stabilization adjustment

YEAR	AMOUNT
2025 Tax Roll	$1,076.00
TOTAL	**$1,076.00**

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

VI. LICENSES - For discussion and possible vote

A. NON-PUBLIC HEARING

1. Special Event – Block Party/Food Truck Event
   Applicant: Cameron Rancourt
   Business Name: Rhode Races US
   Event Address: 555 Waterfront Drive, East Providence
   Date & Time: 5/2/2027; 7:30am – 1:30pm

2. Special Event – One Day Entertainment License (Bingo)
   Applicant: Father Peri Anandarayar
   Business Name: Sacred Heart Church
   Event Address: 118 Taunton Avenue, East Providence
   Date & Time: 12/12/2026; 6:30pm – 11:00pm

3. New Business License
   Type of Business: Dance and Entertainment
   Applicant: Kevin Matos
   Business Name: Café Matos & Mercado dba Cafe Alma
   Business Location: 227 Warren Avenue, East Providence

4. New Business License
   Type of Business: Dance, Entertainment, Pool Table, Victualing
   Applicant: Anita Kolsoi
   Business Name: Anita Drink LLC dba Anita Drink
   Business Location: 99 Hicks Street, East Providence

5. New Business License (Change of Tenancy) Victualing
   Type of Business: Restaurant
   Applicant: William Johnson
   Present Business Name: Sun & Moon;
   Proposed Business Name: Frybread Fusion LLC dba Frybread Fusion
   Business Location: 95 Warren Avenue, East Providence

6. New Business License (Change of Tenancy)Victualing
   Type of Business: Coffee & Food
   Applicant: Florester Diaz
   Present Business Name: Riverside Food Mart
   Proposed Business Name: C & C Holdings Inc. dba Café Inka
   Business Location: 548 Willett Avenue, East Providence

7. New Business License: Victualing
   Type of Business: Pizza Restaurant
   Applicant: Ryan Pereira
   Business Name: Coastal Pizza
   Business Location: 68 Taunton Avenue, 1, East Providence

8. Special Event – Block Party/Food Truck Event **(READ IN ONLY)**
   Applicant: Lyndsey Oldham
   Business Name: Oldham John R
   Event Address: 22 Ferncrest Drive, East Providence
   Date & Time: 11/14/2026; 11am – 5pm

9. One Day Special Event – Fireworks **(READ IN ONLY)**
   Applicant: Narayanan Chidambaram
   Business: Diwali
   Event Address: Pierce Field, East Providence
   Date & Time: 11/14/2026; 5:00pm – 8:30pm

B. MOTION TO BUNDLE NON-PUBLIC HEARING LICENSES

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		

Sousa		
Rodericks		

C. MOTION TO APPROVE NON-PUBLIC HEARING LICENSES

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

D. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Type of License: Application for Liquor License
   Type of Business: Class B-Victualler
   Applicant: Anita Kolsoi
   Business Name: Anita Drink LLC dba Anita Drink
   Business Location: 99 Hicks Street. East Providence

Member	Aye	Nay
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Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Type of License: Application for Liquor License
   Type of Business: Class B-Victualing
   Applicant: William Johnson
   Business Name: Frybread Fusion LLC dba Frybread Fusion
   Business Location: 95 Warren Avenue, East Providence

Member	Aye	Nay
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Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. Type of License: Application for Liquor License Renewal
   Type of Business: Class A – Retailer, B - Full Privilege Victualing, C-Saloon, D – Club, B – limited Victualing **SEE EXHIBIT A**

Member	Aye	Nay

Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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.

1. Dave Carey – North Broadway School Zone Safety
2. John Renquinha – Flock Cameras

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

1. The reapportionment of Pat Armstrong to the Library Board of Trustees. This is a 3-year term and will expire 11/17/2029

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
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Rodericks		

X. COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Request to appropriate $750 from the Public Celebrations account to the East Providence Historical Society annual event for their horse drawn carriage rides to help offset the cost of the event. Council Vice President Rego

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Data Center Policy for East Providence. Council President Rodericks

3. Mega Trash pickup. Council Vice President Rego

4. Update on the condition of the trees on Windmill Drive and Brigham Farm Road. Council Vice President Rego

XI. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Ordinance for second and/or final passage for discussion and possible vote

1. Ordinance of the council of the City of East Providence appropriating an additional $100,411.92 for the support of Crescent Park Looff Carousel and facilities. Introduced by Council President Rodericks

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Ordinance of the council of the City of East Providence appropriating $350,000.00 for mold remediation in the Oldham building. Introduced by councilman Lawson

Member	Aye	Nay
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Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

XII. CONTINUED BUSINESS

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAYOR COMMUNICATIONS – Director of Policy & Constituent Services, Andre Herrera

1. Appointment/Reappointment requiring Council Confirmation
   - Appointment of Alicia L. Anthony as Acting Associate Probate Judge, effective immediately, pursuant to Article XIV, Section 14-1(4) of the City Charter, due to a medical emergency involving the Honorable Christine J. Engustian, Probate Judge.

Member	Aye	Nay

Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Appointment/Reappointment not requiring Council Confirmation
    - None
3. Items for announcement/discussion
    - Proclamation recognizing Jim Hibbert for his lifelong contributions to the East Providence community and more than 60 years of coaching on October 27, 2026.
    - Proclamation honoring Brenda Dutra upon her retirement after 36 years of dedicated service to the City of East Providence on October 28, 2026.
    - Proclamation recognizing November 1, 2026, as Extra Mile Day in the City of East Providence.
    - Proclamation recognizing November 6 through November 10, 2026, as the celebration of Diwali, Festival of Lights in the City of East Providence.
    - Proclamation honoring E4 Specialist Tony Ballirano for his military service and extensive volunteerism in the veteran and broader East Providence community on Veterans Day, November 11, 2026.
    - Proclamation recognizing November 2026 as Native American Heritage Month in the City of East Providence.
    - Proclamation recognizing November 28, 2026, as Small Business Saturday in the City of East Providence.

B. REPORTS OF OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

C. REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE LIAISON – Councilman Lawson

D. RESOLUTIONS - For discussion and possible vote

1. A resolution of the East Providence City Council respectfully requesting that the Rhode Island State Traffic Commission consider the placement of "no parking" signs for a distance of forty (40) feet at the corner of the intersection of Greene Street and Waterman Avenue. Introduced by Councilwoman Sousa

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		

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Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

2. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with the Rhode Island Department of Transportation for the ten-mile river greenway project. Introduced by Council Vice President Rego

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
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Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

3. Resolution requesting local legislation to preserve Class 1 property tax classification for residential property containing an accessory dwelling unit that exceeds three units. Introduced by Councilwoman Sousa

Member	Aye	Nay
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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", amending Section 18-217 "left turn prohibited by adding Orchard Street onto Broadway. Introduced by Councilwoman Sousa

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		
Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Member	Aye	Nay
Fogarty		
Lawson		

Rego		
Sousa		
Rodericks		

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