

CITY OF PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND



The Credo of the Providence City Council is to be Industrious, to be Watchful and to Promote Peace. The bee, as a symbol of industry, is derived from the early colonial saying "Busy as a Bee"; the goose, as a symbol of watchfulness, is derived from the story of the goose whose cackling saved Rome; and the lamb, as a symbol of peace, is derived from the biblical use of the lamb as a symbol of peace.



IN CITY COUNCIL

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Jina J. Mastoianni

CLERK

CITY COUNCIL
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 17 City Council Regular Council Meeting, Thursday, July 24, 2025, 6:00 o'clock P.M.

PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT
RACHEL M. MILLER

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS, PETERSON, COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS – 14.

ABSENT: COUNCILOR PICHARDO – 1.

ALSO PRESENT: TINA L. MASTROIANNI, CITY CLERK, SHERI A. PETRONIO, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, LAUREN GUTIERREZ, SECOND DEPUTY CITY CLERK, NAPOLEON ASKIE, CITY SERGEANT AND JEFFREY DANA, CITY SOLICITOR.

INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by **COUNCILMAN OSCAR O. VARGAS**.

“Thank you very much Madam Chair. Everyone who can pray can pray at the same time for every single councilperson to make a decision tonight, hopefully it will be the best decision for our future. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen. God, please help everyone here to make the right decision tonight and bless everyone here who came and had the time to come to the City Hall. It’s your City Hall to enjoy and see the best way that we make decisions. Father, please open our minds, give us a great vision of how we can continue working with this great city to have a bright and great future for everyone. God Bless everyone here present and God Bless every single councilperson and God Bless the community. Amen”.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Leads the Members of the City Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Journal of Proceedings No. 14 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held June 26, 2025, Journal of Proceedings No. 15 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held July 7, 2025 and Journal of Proceedings No. 16 of the Special Meeting of the City Council held July 14, 2025.

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of item 3 and Move Approval, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

RESULT:	APPROVED (WITH VOTE) [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Espinal
SECONDER:	Councilor Sanchez
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilor Pichardo – 1.

APPOINTMENT BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated June 30, 2025, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, Ordinance 2017-4, and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **Jose Giusti** of 34 Midland Drive, Cranston, Rhode Island 02920, as **License Administrator**.

APPOINTMENT BY THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated July 18, 2025, submitting her appointment of **Dawn Sumner** of 368 Montgomery Avenue, Apartment 7L, Providence, Rhode Island 02905, as a member of the **Providence Sustainability Commission**, for a term to expire on April 6, 2029. (Ms. Sumner is replacing Mr. Essington who has resigned).

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of items 4 and 5, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Receives items 4 and 5.

RESULT: RECEIVED

LAID ON TABLE

The Following Ordinance was in City Council July 7, 2025 and Laid on the Table:

COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS AND COUNCILWOMAN RYAN

An Ordinance of the City of Providence Approving the Financing of the “Mile of History Project” by the Issuance of Appropriation obligations therefor in an Amount Not to Exceed \$6,200,000.00.

RESULT: REFERRED
TO: Committee on Finance

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of item 6, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers item 6 back to the Committee on Finance.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, (By Request):

An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance Chapter No. 2019-55, Number 54, Approved December 13, 2019, As Amended in Ordinance No. 2022-72 No. 429, having taken effect on December 21, 2022, Entitled: "An Ordinance Establishing a Tax Stabilization Agreement for E2000 Realty, LLC, located on Assessor's Plat 113, Lots 232, 233, 234 and 235 (541 Hartford Avenue)".

RESULT: REFERRED
TO: Committee on Finance

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND COUNCILOR ROIAS

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 18½, "Police," Section 2, "Providence External Review Authority (PERA)" of the Providence Code of Ordinances.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILWOMAN GRAVES AND COUNCILOR ROIAS

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 18 ½ "Police", Section 18½-4 "Providence Community-Police Relations Act" of the Providence Code of Ordinances.

RESULT: REFERRED
TO: Committee on Ordinances

COUNCILMAN TAYLOR AND COUNCILWOMAN GRAVES

An Ordinance Amending Article 15, “Motor Vehicles and Traffic”, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence.

**COUNCILMEN TAYLOR, VARGAS, COUNCILOR PICHARDO,
COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMAN GRAVES AND COUNCILOR
SANCHEZ**

An Ordinance of the City of Providence Approving the Financing of the Purchase, Assembly, and Distribution of (or Reimbursement for the Purchase of) Municipal Solid Waste and Recycling Carts for the City’s Residential Curbside Solid Waste and Recycling Programs by the Issuance of Appropriation Obligations therefor in an Amount Not to Exceed \$5,500,000.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Finance

COUNCILMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILWOMAN GRAVES

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12, “Health and Sanitation” Article III, “Garbage, Trash, and Refuse”, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Public Works

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of items 7 through 12, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers item 7 to the Committee on Finance, Refers items 8 and 9 to the Committee on Ordinances, Refers items 10 and 11 to the Committee on Finance and Refers item 12 to the Committee on Public Works.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ROIAS AND COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing the Ratification of the agreement made and entered into by the Rhode Island Department of Transportation and the City of Providence, and hereby authorizing the Mayor of Providence to execute said agreement on behalf of the city. (Washington Secondary Bike Path Extension Project)

WHEREAS, The City of Providence ("City") shall be the recipient of State Transportation Improvement Program Funding through the Rhode Island Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, The State of Rhode Island acting through its Department of Transportation (hereinafter the "State") has approved the City's application for the funding for improvements at Washington Secondary Bike Path Extension Project (hereinafter the Project), which is listed in the Transportation Improvement Program under ID# 5215 and for design engineering and construction beginning in 2025 through 2028; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 2-21 of the Providence Code of Ordinances, all contracts made and entered into by or on behalf of the City shall be signed and executed by the Mayor of Providence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence hereby RATIFIES the accompanying Agreement made and entered into by and among the State, the Rhode Island Department of Transportation and the City and hereby authorizes the Mayor of Providence to execute said Agreement on behalf of the City.

COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, PETERSON, COUNCILORS ROIAS AND SANCHEZ, (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing the Ratification of the agreement made and entered into by the Rhode Island Department of Transportation and the City of Providence, and hereby authorizing the Mayor of Providence to execute said agreement on behalf of the city. (North Main Street Revitalization)

WHEREAS, The City of Providence ("City") shall be the recipient of State Transportation Improvement Program Funding through the Rhode Island Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, The State of Rhode Island acting through its Department of Transportation (hereinafter the "State") has approved the City's application for the funding for improvements at North Main Street Revitalization (hereinafter the Project), which is listed in the Transportation Improvement Program under ID# 1 3 8 6 and for design engineering and construction beginning in 2025 through 2028; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 2-21 of the Providence Code of Ordinances, all contracts made and entered into by or on behalf of the City shall be signed and executed by the Mayor of Providence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence hereby RATIFIES the accompanying Agreement made and entered into by and among the State, the Rhode Island Department of Transportation and the City and hereby authorizes the Mayor of Providence to execute said Agreement on behalf of the City.

COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, PETERSON, COUNCILORS ROIAS AND SANCHEZ

Resolution Congratulating Fox Point Little League on their 2025 Season.

WHEREAS, Youth baseball provides an important outlet for children in Providence to learn teamwork, responsibility, and the value of community; and

WHEREAS, Fox Point Little League, one of the oldest continuously chartered Little League organizations in the country, has served the families of Fox Point for many years, offering a supportive environment for kids to enjoy and grow through the game of baseball; and

WHEREAS, The Fox Point Little League remains dedicated to helping players build skills, friendships, and sportsmanship on and off the field; and

WHEREAS, The Fox Point Little League had a strong 2025 season, bringing neighbors together and building camaraderie.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Providence City Council congratulates the Fox Point East Side Little League on a great season and appreciates all volunteers, coaches, families, and local businesses for their involvement.

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER,
COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON, COUNCILOR
ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN AND COUNCILOR SANCHEZ**

Resolution Supporting the Relocation of the WNBA's Connecticut Sun franchise to Providence.

WHEREAS, The WNBA's Connecticut Sun franchise, owned by the Mohegan Tribe since 2003, is currently exploring the sale and potential relocation of the team; and

WHEREAS, This past March, Providence demonstrated its capacity and enthusiasm for hosting high-profile basketball events by successfully hosting multiple rounds of the 2025 NCAA March Madness tournament, drawing in thousands of fans and national attention to the city; and

WHEREAS, Providence boasts a deep and successful basketball legacy, including the Providence Steamrollers (a founding BAA/NBA franchise), two Final Four appearances by the Providence College Friars and being home to the vibrant Amica Mutual Pavilion, a 12,410-seat, modern arena with a track record for hosting major basketball events; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island Governor Dan McKee recently toured the Amica Mutual Pavilion and met with a potential new owner of the team to discuss the possibility of relocating the team to Providence, and Providence Mayor Brett Smiley has publicly expressed his enthusiasm for bringing the franchise to the city; and

WHEREAS, Relocating the Connecticut Sun to Providence aligns with the WNBA's mission of expanding into large, engaged markets, offers opportunities for community outreach, youth clinics, and strengthened women's sports visibility and presents an economic and cultural benefit for Providence and the wider region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council supports the efforts to facilitate the relocation of the Connecticut Sun to Providence, encourages coordination between the City of Providence, the State of Rhode Island, and public and private partners to ensure The AMP and related facilities meet WNBA's operational requirements and extends its commendation to the Mohegan Tribe, potential investors, and the WNBA for considering Providence as a viable and enthusiastic host market for Women's basketball; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage of this resolution, copies be sent to the Office of Rhode Island Governor Dan McKee, Providence Mayor Brett Smiley, the Rhode Island Convention Center Authority, the Mohegan Tribal Council, and WNBA Commissioner Cathy Engelbert.

COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, PETERSON, COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN AND COUNCILOR SANCHEZ

Resolution Recognizing July 26, 2025 as Liberian Independence Day in the City of Providence.

WHEREAS, In the summer of 1847, on the West African coast, the Republic of Liberia was founded, born of struggle and aspiration and sustained ever since by the resolve of its people; and

WHEREAS, Over generations, Liberia has endured periods of great hardship and transition, yet its people have carried forward their story with strength, dignity, and faith, and many have found a new chapter of that story here in Providence; and

WHEREAS, Providence is home to one of the largest Liberian communities in the United States, and Rhode Island has, per capita, the highest Liberian population of any state in the country; and

WHEREAS, The people of Liberia, and their sons and daughters now living among us, have shaped the life of this city, building businesses, enriching our churches, enlivening our neighborhoods, and creating community; and

WHEREAS, This year's observance will include the raising of the Liberian flag and a program in the Council Chambers at City Hall on July 25, along with a weekend of celebration featuring a community field day, a parade, a concert, an after-party, and a festive brunch, all of which show the pride and energy of the Liberian community and bring real cultural and economic benefit to the life of the city; and

WHEREAS, These celebrations honor a proud national history and also speak to the lasting place the Liberian community holds in the life of our city; and

WHEREAS, This Council affirms that the story of Providence has always been shaped by those who arrive from elsewhere, and that honoring this day is part of honoring the city we are still becoming together.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby recognizes July 26, 2025 as Liberian Independence Day in the City of Providence and extends its sincere congratulations to all who mark this occasion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Council invites the people of Providence to take part in the commemorations and to join in honoring the history, culture, and presence of the Liberian community among us; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Brett Smiley, Mayor of the City of Providence, and to Bliss Gives, in recognition of their role in organizing and hosting this year's commemorative events.

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of items 13 through 17 and Pass on a Voice Vote, Seconded by COUNCILOR Sanchez.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Espinal
SECONDER:	Councilor Sanchez
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilor Pichardo – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

REPORT(S) FROM COMMITTEE

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
COUNCILWOMAN HELEN D. ANTHONY, Chairwoman**

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Adopted, As Amended:

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND COUNCILWOMAN GRAVES,
(By Request):**

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 2024-1, No. 1, Approved January 12, 2024 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, Approving the Capital Improvement Plan for the Fiscal Years 2025 through 2029.

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of item 18 and Pass for the First Time on a Roll Call Vote, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

RESULT:	READ/PASSED FOR THE FIRST TIME [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Espinal
SECONDER:	Councilor Sanchez
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilor Pichardo – 1.

The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

USI Insurance Services, LLC \$590,000.00
(Department of Total Rewards)

RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby Authorize Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

USI Insurance Services, LLC \$590,000.00
(Department of Total Rewards)

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

Rehrig Pacific Company \$7,689,450.00
(Department of Sustainability)

RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby Authorize Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

Rehrig Pacific Company \$7,689,450.00
(Department of Sustainability)

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

Martone Service Company \$1,326,836.00
(Department of Public Property)

RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby Authorize Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

Martone Service Company \$1,326,836.00
(Department of Public Property)

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of items 19 through 21, Pass on a Voice Vote and Refer Back to the Board of Contract and Supply, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Espinal
SECONDER:	Councilor Sanchez
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilor Pichardo – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Received and Approved:

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated June 10, 2025, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day re-appointing **Hamid Akinfolarin** of 616 Charles Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02904, as a member of the **Providence Human Relations Commission** for a term to expire on January 31, 2028, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated June 10, 2025, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day re-appointing **Cheryl Galloway** of 47 Rutherglen Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02907, as a member of the **Providence Human Relations Commission** for a term to expire on January 31, 2028, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated June 10, 2025, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day re-appointing **Kannyka Pouk** of 36 McKinley Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02907, as a member of the **Providence Human Relations Commission** for a term to expire on January 31, 2028, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of items 22 through 24 and Receive and Approve, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

RESULT:	RECEIVED AND APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Espinal
SECONDER:	Councilor Sanchez
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilor Pichardo – 1.

**COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES
COUNCILMAN PEDRO J. ESPINAL, Chairman**

Transmits the Following without Recommendation, As Amended:

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS, (By Request):

Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Lease Agreement with Excel Academy Rhode Island.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article IV, Sec. 416 of the City's Home Rule Charter, the Council must approve the lease of city-owned real property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mayor of the City of Providence is hereby authorized by this Council to enter into a lease agreement with Excel Academy Rhode Island, for an initial period not to exceed thirty-five years and total period not to exceed sixty-five years, for the property at the Carl G. Lauro Elementary School at 99 Kenyon Street, as presented in Exhibit A attached hereto.

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of item 25 and Approve on a Roll Call Vote, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

RESULT:	READ AND PASSED (FAILED) [4 TO 8]
MOVER:	Councilman Espinal
SECONDER:	Councilor Sanchez
AYES:	Councilmen Espinal, Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 4.
NAYS:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwomen Anthony, Graves, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan and Councilor Sanchez – 8.
ABSTAIN:	Councilman Goncalves and Councilwoman Harris – 2.
ABSENT:	Councilor Pichardo – 1 .

The motion Fails, the matter is not Approved and has Failed.

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition from Jeffrey Padwa, Esquire, One Park Row, 5th Floor, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, dated July 1, 2025, on behalf of 1 Charles (the "Applicant"), LLC, requesting to amend the Providence Zoning Ordinance to change the zoning district for the parcel located at 1 Charles Street (A.P. Plat 3, Lot 616) from R-4 to D-1-45, to allow the continued use of the property as "short-term rental" without an owner-occupancy requirement.

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Ordinances

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

Lanaa Wilcox (The Law Offices of Michael F. Campopiano)
James Colbert
Raymond McLennan
Elvis Diaz Pujols
Jennifer Follen
David J. Parenteau
Progressive Direct Insurance Company
a/s/o Lauren Plescia
Ronald Cabral
Utica National Insurance Group
a/s/o Freska Foods, LLC
Xavier Ruiz (Marasco & Nesselbush, LLP)
Michel Culla (Gemma Law Associates)
Shea Turner
Irene Twomey
Juan Madera

RESULT:	REFERRED
TO:	Committee on Claims and Pending Suits

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Communication from Maribel Almonte, submitting Raze Building Permit RAZE-25-42, for the property located at 5 Moy Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02904.

Communication from Patrick Burton, submitting Raze Building Permit RAZE-25-44, for the property located at 164 Summit Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906.

Communication from Tina L. Mastroianni, City Clerk, dated July 15, 2025, of all monies received, transmitted to and credited by the City Collector for fiscal quarter of April 1, 2025 to and including June 30, 2025, in a total amount of One Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Two Dollars. (\$1,562.00).

Communication from Tina L. Mastroianni, City Clerk, dated July 15, 2025, of all monies received, transmitted to and credited by the City Collector for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, in a total amount of Five Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Six Dollars. (\$5,486.00).

Communication from Tina L. Mastroianni, City Clerk, dated July 15, 2025, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that in accordance with the provisions of Section 1201(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, As Amended, Entitled: "Deputies, Appointments", she has this day appointed Lauren Gutierrez as Second Deputy City Clerk.

RESULT: RECEIVED

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of items 26 through 32, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers item 26 to the Committee on Ordinances, Refers item 27 to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits and Receives items 28 through 32.

**PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS
"IN CONGRATULATIONS"**

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Resolution Extending Congratulations.

RESOLVED, that the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere

Congratulations to the following:

Andrew Kennedy McDougal, Arson Investigator, Providence Fire Department, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement after 33 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Maria Magdalena Arias, in recognition of the celebration of your 60th Birthday on July 5, 2025!

Uriel Ortiz, in recognition of your outstanding dedication and commitment to keeping the City of Providence clean. At just 17 years old, your initiative in identifying and cleaning neglected areas-such as under the bridge on Elmwood Avenue-and coordinating the removal of collected waste with the Department of Public Works exemplifies true civic responsibility. Your efforts extend beyond a single neighborhood, positively impacting communities across the entire city.

Dr. Carlos Carmona Mateo y Dinorah Espinal, en reconocimiento de nuestro agradecimiento por sus aportes a la República Dominicana como Regidor, presidente de la Sala Capitular del Ayuntamiento de Bani, y secretario general de la Liga Municipal Dominicana.

Brianna Hutchins, Seasonal Programming Coordinator, North Burial Ground-City of Providence, in recognition of over two years of service to the City of Providence North Burial Ground, starting as an intern, your management of social media and planning of events have made the North Burial Ground a welcoming place for all people.

Shirly Castellanos, in recognition of successfully completing the Community Mental Health Worker Course, qualified to provide essential support in promoting community mental health.

Leonarda Jiménez, in recognition of successfully completing the Community Mental Health Worker Course, qualified to provide essential support in promoting community mental health.

Yaneishka Ortiz, in recognition of successfully completing the Community Mental Health Worker Course, qualified to provide essential support in promoting community mental health.

Jacqueline Colón, in recognition of successfully recertifying as a Community Mental Health Worker, reaffirming their commitment to providing vital support in promoting community mental health.

Martina Molina, in recognition of successfully recertifying as a Community Mental Health Worker, reaffirming their commitment to providing vital support in promoting community mental health.

Odethe Ola, in recognition of successfully recertifying as a Community Mental Health Worker, reaffirming their commitment to providing vital support in promoting community mental health.

Michael Nina, in recognition of successfully recertifying as a Community Mental Health Worker, reaffirming their commitment to providing vital support in promoting community mental health.

Synthia Rivas, in recognition of successfully recertifying as a Community Mental Health Worker, reaffirming their commitment to providing vital support in promoting community mental health.

Gloria Sánchez, in recognition of successfully recertifying as a Community Mental Health Worker, reaffirming their commitment to providing vital support in promoting community mental health.

Eulogia Colop, in recognition of successfully recertifying as a Community Mental Health Worker, reaffirming their commitment to providing vital support in promoting community mental health.

Manuel E. Mendéz, in recognition of successfully recertifying as a Community Mental Health Worker, reaffirming their commitment to providing vital support in promoting community mental health.

Alicia Pérez, in recognition of successfully recertifying as a Community Mental Health Worker, reaffirming their commitment to providing vital support in promoting community mental health.

Nilsa M. Pérez, in recognition of successfully recertifying as a Community Mental Health Worker, reaffirming their commitment to providing vital support in promoting community mental health.

Vincent Messina, in recognition of your outstanding leadership at Wingate Residences on the East Side. Your commitment to compassionate care, resident dignity, and community engagement has created a warm, supportive environment for seniors. Your dedication has strengthened Wingate's reputation as a premier provider of assisted living and memory care in Providence.

Wingate Residences, in recognition of the opening of your new pool. This exciting addition reflects your commitment to wellness, community, and quality of life for residents. The pool will serve as a vibrant space for relaxation, connection, and enrichment for all who call Wingate home.

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of item 33 and Pass on a Voice Vote, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Espinal
SECONDER:	Councilor Sanchez
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilor Pichardo – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

**PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS
"IN MEMORIAM"**

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Resolution Extending Sympathy.

RESOLVED, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere

Sympathy to the families of the following:

David A. Caldwell

Larry Rose

COUNCILMAN ESPINAL Moves to Waive the Reading of item 34 and Pass on a Unanimous Rising Vote, Seconded by COUNCILOR SANCHEZ.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilman Espinal
SECONDER:	Councilor Sanchez
AYES:	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 14.
ABSENT:	Councilor Pichardo – 1.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

CONVENTION

There being no further business, on Motion of **COUNCILMAN ESPINAL**, Seconded by **COUNCILOR SANCHEZ** it is voted to adjourn at 7:05 o'clock P.M., to meet again on **TUESDAY, JULY 29, 2025 at 5:00 o'clock P.M.**



TINA L. MASTROIANNI
CITY CLERK

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