

CHAPTER 6  
**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

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**1-6-1: FORM OF GOVERNMENT:**

- A. Providence City operates under the six-member form of government.
- B. The powers of municipal government are vested in a council consisting of six members, one of which is a mayor.

**1-6-2: ELIGIBILITY AND RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS:** Members of the City Council must meet the eligibility and residency requirements pursuant to Utah Code Title 10 Chapter 3 and Title 20A.

**1-6-3: MEMBERSHIP; TERMS:**

- A. The offices of mayor and two council members shall be filled in municipal elections held in 1977. The terms shall be for four years. These offices shall be filled every four years in municipal elections.
- B. The office of the remaining council members shall be filled in a municipal election held in 1979. The terms shall be for four years. These offices shall be filled every four years in municipal elections. (UCA 10-3-205(2))
- C. Mayoral or council vacancies shall be filled as provided in UCA 20A-1-510.

**1-6-4: MAYOR IN SIX-MEMBER COUNCIL:**

- A. The mayor in a six-member council is a nonvoting member of the council, except as follows:
  - 1. On each matter for which there is a tie vote of the other council members present at a council meeting; or
  - 2. When the council is voting on:
    - i. Whether to appoint or dismiss a municipal manager; or
    - ii. An ordinance that enlarges or restricts the mayor's powers, duties, or functions.
- B. The Mayor:
  - 1. Is the chair of the council and presides at all council meetings;
  - 2. Exercises ceremonial functions for the city;
  - 3. May not veto an ordinance, tax levy, or appropriation passed by the council;
  - 4. Except as modified by ordinance under UCA 10-3b-303(2), has the powers and duties described in UCA 10-3b-104; and
  - 5. May, within budget constraints, appoint one or more administrative assistants to the mayor.

1 1-6-5: **MAYOR PRO TEMPORE:** If the mayor is absent or unable or refuses to act, the council  
2 may elect a member of the council as mayor pro tempore, to preside as a council meeting and  
3 perform, during the mayor’s absence, disability or refusal to act, the duties of mayor. The city  
4 recorder shall enter in the minutes of the council meeting the election of a council member as  
5 mayor pro tempore.  
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7 1-6-6: **COUNCIL IN SIX-MEMBER COUNCIL:** The council is the legislative body of the  
8 municipality. The council exercises the legislative powers and performs the legislative duties and  
9 function of the municipality; and other duties in accordance with UCA 10-3b-105.  
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11 1-6-7: **MEETINGS; PROCEDURE AND CONDUCT:**

12 A. Regular Meetings:

- 13 1. The City Council may hold two (2) regular meetings which shall be held on the second or  
14 fourth Tuesday of each month at the Providence City Office.
- 15 2. At a minimum, the City Council shall hold one (1) meeting each month.
- 16 3. Meetings shall begin at 6:00 P.M.
- 17 4. The City Council may by vote provide for a different time and place for holding a  
18 meeting, if a majority of those voting deem it to be in the best interest of the citizens.

19 B. Special Meetings: The mayor or two council members may order the convening of a special  
20 meeting of the council pursuant to Utah Code.

21 C. Open Meetings: Every meeting is open to the public unless closed pursuant to Utah Code  
22 Title 52.

23 D. Quorum Defined: The number of council members necessary to constitute a quorum is  
24 three, excluding the mayor.

25 E. Meetings using Electronic Connection:

- 26 1. Member(s) of the Providence City Council may attend meetings through a  
27 teleconference connection.
- 28 2. Meetings using an electronic connection shall meet the requirements listed in Utah  
29 Code 52-4-207(3).

30 F. Providence City Council Bylaws: The Providence City Council shall adopt rules of order and  
31 procedure to govern a public meeting of the City Council. These rules of order shall be  
32 known as the Providence City Council Bylaws.  
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34 1-6-8: **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS; PROCEDURES:** Providence City Council adopts  
35 ordinances and resolutions in accordance with UCA 10-3-7. In accordance with UCA 10-8-84, the  
36 Providence City Council may pass all ordinances and rules, and make all regulations, not  
37 repugnant to law, necessary for carrying into effect or discharging all powers and duties  
38 conferred by UCA Title 10 Chapter 8, and as are necessary and proper to provide for the safety  
39 and preserve the health, and promote the prosperity, improve the morals, peace and good  
40 order, comfort, and convenience of the City and its inhabitants, and for the protection of  
41 property in the City. The Providence City Council may enforce obedience to the ordinances with  
42 fines or penalties in accordance with UCA 10-3-703  
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