

Municipality of Princeton, NJ

*400 Witherspoon St
Princeton, NJ 08540*



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

1:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Mayor and Council Closed Session

I. STATEMENT CONCERNING NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act and State regulations governing public meetings, including the time, date and location of the meeting and clear and concise instructions to the public for accessing the meeting and making comments. In addition, the agenda and all related materials were posted electronically and made available to the public on Princeton's meeting portal in advance of the meeting.

II. ROLL CALL

Also Present: Bernard Hvozdovic, Administrator; Jeff Grosser, Deputy Administrator/Director of Health; Deanna Stockton, Deputy Administrator/Municipal Engineer; Trishka W. Cecil, Municipal Attorney; Patrick Carrigg, Esq., Lenox Law Firm; and Robert Merryman, Esq., Apruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy

Present	David Cohen, Leticia Fraga, Mark Freda, Brian McDonald, Leighton Newlin, Michelle Pirone Lambros (arrived 1:05 p.m., and Mia Sacks
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III. CLOSED SESSION

1. Resolution of the Mayor and Council of Princeton to Enter Closed Session (Open Public Meetings Act Sec.3)

RESULT:	ADOPTED
MOVER:	Leticia Fraga
SECONDER:	David Cohen

Aye:	Cohen, Fraga, McDonald, Newlin, and Sacks
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Absent:	Pirone Lambros
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- A Matter of Litigation - Estate of Jodi Marcou

Patrick Carrigg, Esq. of Lenox Law Firm, provided Council with an update on the status of the litigation concerning the Estate of Jodi Marcou. Council members asked questions and engaged in a discussion.

Mr. Carrigg left the meeting at 1:42 p.m., and Mayor Mark Freda joined the meeting 1:43 p.m.

- Princeton Mobile Food Pantry Lease

Councilwoman Leticia Fraga led a discussion regarding the status of the Princeton Mobile Food Pantry's lease and sought direction from Council on how they wanted to proceed. Council discussed the available options.

- Matters Falling under Attorney - Client Privilege - Professional Appointments for 2026

Bernard Hvozdovic, Administrator, advised Council of several professional appointments that will need to be made for the upcoming year and sought guidance on how they wished to proceed. Council discussed its options.

- Matters Falling under Attorney - Client Privilege - Boards, Commissions, & Committees (BCC's)

Councilman Brian McDonald presented potential candidates to fill vacancies on the Flood and Stormwater Committee. Council reviewed and discussed the candidates.

Councilwoman Michelle Pirone Lambros, Jeff Grosser, Deputy Administrator/Director of Health, and Deanna Stockton, Deputy Administrator/Municipal Engineer, left the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Robert Merryman, Esq., of Apruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy, joined the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

- Contract Negotiations - PBA

Mr. Merryman provided Council with an update on the status of the PBA negotiations and reviewed outstanding issues still requiring resolution. He requested guidance on how they wanted to move forward, and Council engaged in discussion.

Mr. Merryman left the meeting at 2:49 p.m.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to close the Closed Session portion to return to Open Session was made by Councilman David Cohen, seconded by Councilman Leighton Newlin, and carried unanimously by all members present. Then a motion to adjourn at 2:49 p.m. was made by Councilman David Cohen, seconded by Councilman Leighton Newlin, and carried unanimously by all members present.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn M. Mount
Municipal Clerk