

# \*AMENDED DOCKET CRANSTON CITY COUNCIL

All matters listed are subject to a vote and/or final action unless otherwise noted)

# THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2020 at 6:30 PM

#### COUNCIL PRESIDENT MICHAEL J FARINA, PRESIDING

#### Virtual Zoom Webinar Meeting

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: Dec 17, 2020 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

**Topic: City Council Meeting** 

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Those participating by telephone who wish to speak during the public hearing are asked to press \*9 to "raise hand" to be recognized by the Council President. Those participating via the web may utilize the "raise hand" button.

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## I. PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND COMMENDATIONS

Congratulating the following for their years of dedication and service:
Steven A. Stycos Councilmember Ward 1; City Wide Councilmember
Michael W. Favicchio, Councilmember Ward 6; Council Vice President
Kenneth J. Hopkins, City Wide Councilmember
Michael J Farina, City Wide Councilmember, Council Vice President, Council President

#### II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

(limited to docketed matters does not include new business for introduction)

Written public comment to be read into the record must be submitted via email to <a href="https://www.cranstonri.gov/city-council-contact-form/">https://www.cranstonri.gov/city-council-contact-form/</a> no later than 4:00 PM on Tuesday, December 15, 2020. Live public comment will only be allowed by calling in to (888) 788 0099.

Audit Presentation for Fiscal Year ending 6/30/2020

#### III. RESOLUTIONS

### IV. REPORT OF COMMITTEES

# FINANCE COMMITTEE (Council Vice-President Michael W. Favicchio, Chair)

- 5-20-03 Ordinance in amendment of Title 3 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Revenue and Finance" (Bid Discounts for Local Businesses, Minority Business Enterprises and Women Business Enterprises). Sponsored by Councilmember Donegan. [click to view] Failed in Committee 12/7/2020. Informational Only. No action needed.
- 9-20-07 Ordinance in amendment of Title 3.16 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Property Tax Classification" (Change of Tax Value for Commercial Renewable Energy Systems). Sponsored by Councilmember Stycos. [click to view] Failed in Committee 12/7/2020. Informational Only. No action needed.
- 11-20-02 Ordinance ratifying School Committee's collective bargaining agreement with the Rhode Island Laborers District Council 1322, Tradespeople Unit (July 1, 2020 June 30, 2021). Introduced pursuant to Charter Section 11.02.1. [click to view]
- 11-20-03 Ordinance ratifying School Committee's collective bargaining agreement with the Rhode Island Laborers District Council 1322, Bus Drivers Unit (July 1, 2020 June 30, 2021). Introduced pursuant to Charter Section 11.02.1. [click to view]

Resolution authorizing Real Estate Tax Abatements. [click to view]

Resolution authorizing Motor Vehicle Tax Abatements. [click to view]

Resolution authorizing Tangible Tax Abatements. [click to view]

Tax Interest Waiver Approvals [click to view]

#### ORDINANCE COMMITTEE (Council Vice-President Michael W. Favicchio, Chair)

7-20-01 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 10.32 of Title 10 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Motor Vehicles and Traffic" (New Hampshire St. and Southern St.). As amended in Committee 12/10/2020. [click to view] 7-20-04 Ordinance in amendment of Ch.17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Zoning" (Change of Zone – New London Ave.). Petition filed by Coastal Partners LLC, Mulligan's Island LLC, and State of Rhode Island. *Pending passage at* the Ordinance Committee 12/14/2020. [click to view Ordinance] [click to view application, staff memo and supplemental documents] [click to view Planning Commission recommendation WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT. [click to view Withdrawal Letter] 9-20-05 Ordinance in amendment of Title 6 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005. Entitled "Health and Safety" (Fair Housing Practices) Sponsored by Councilmembers Donegan, Germain, Stycos and Vargas. *Pending passage at the Ordinance Committee* 12/14/2020. [click to view] 9-20-06 Ordinance in amendment of Title 2 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Committees, Commissions and Councils" (Affordable Housing Commission). Sponsored by Councilmember Donegan. Co-sponsored by Councilmembers Germain and Vargas. Pending passage at the Ordinance Committee 12/14/2020. [click to view] 11-20-01 Ordinance in amendment of Title 10.32 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, Entitled "Motor Vehicles and Traffic" (Scaralia & Fox Ridge Drive- 4 way stop) Sponsored by Councilmember Brady. *Pending passage at the Ordinance Committee* 12/14/2020. [click to view] 11-20-04 Ordinance in amendment of Title 10.32 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Motor Vehicles & Traffic" (Park Ave. and Grace St. – 4 Way Stop). Sponsored by Councilmember Germain. *Pending passage at the Ordinance Committee 12/14/2020*. [click to view] 11-20-05 Ordinance in amendment of Title 10.32 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Motor Vehicles & Traffic" (Newell Rd. at Bedford Rd. Stop). Sponsored by Councilmember Germain. Pending passage at the Ordinance Committee 12/14/2020. [click to view]

# CLAIMS COMMITTEE (Councilmember John P. Donegan, Chair)

**Report of settled claims** (*Informational purposes*): Shane Gravel \$816.00 Property Damage; Steven DiBiasio \$1,500.00 Property Damage; Rosny Dorival \$1,636.93 Vehicle Damage.

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#### VI. ELECTION OF CITY OFFICIALS

Probate Judge Advisory Commission:

- Appointment of Joseph Agresti for term ending December 31, 2021
- Appointment of Henry Palazzo for term ending December 31, 2022
- Appointment of Anne Marie Maccarone, Esq. for term ending December 31, 2022
- Appointment of Erica Laros, Esq. for term ending December 31, 2023
- Appointment of John Grasso, Esq. for term ending December 31, 2023

#### Juvenile Hearing Board:

• Re-Appointment of Vincent Turchetta for term ending December 1, 2023 (Councilmember Brady)

#### Library Board of Trustees:

• Appointment of Larry Orlando Warner filling the un-expired term of Roberta Costa for term ending July 29, 2021.

## VII. <u>REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS</u>

# VIII. EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

Report on hiring of special counsel, consultants, etc., pursuant to Charter Section 15.05.

Advice and Consent of appointment of Adam Aquilante as a member of the Conservation Commission for term to expire on December 17, 2023.

# IX. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS

# X. <u>COUNCIL MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS</u>

Councilmember Brady

- Shop Local and Support Our Small Business Community in Cranston
- Condolences to family and friends of Army Veteran and Advocate Cranston's Adam Deciccio. A fund has been established by the family for his son Gunner.
- Happy Holidays to our Cranston community. Stay Safe, Stay Strong, Spread Love, and Be Kind during these difficult times.

#### Councilmember Donegan

• Discussion of whether the Declaration of State of Local Emergency ceases with the Mayor's term, or are the powers granted at the present to the Mayor transferred to the incoming Mayor as they are sworn in? [click to view Mayor's Declaration]

#### XI. OLD BUSINESS

Review of Online Records Project (Council Vice-President Favicchio)

#### XII. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS

\*(for informational purposes. All new business is referred to Committee for public hearing)

Request from National Grid for pole location at Pontiac Ave. *Referred to Public Works Committee* 1/14/2021. [click to view]

#### CLAIMS COMMITTEE – Thursday, January 14, 2021

- Property Damage Claim:
  - O Keisy Martinez from alleged incident on September 30, 2020.

# XII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ON CLERK'S DESK

Notification of Zoning Map Correction December 4, 2020 [click to view memo]

The City Council's next regular monthly meeting will be held on January 25, 2021.

Leanne Zarrella JD, City Clerk