



***AMENDED**

CRANSTON CITY COUNCIL - DOCKET

Council President Jessica M. Marino, Presiding

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Meeting of the City Council will be held **in the City of Cranston Council Chambers, Cranston City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, RI 02910**, for the purpose of considering the following items listed on the agenda. Remote participation is also available by using the logon information provided below as posted on the City's website at www.cranstonri.gov and Secretary of State's website at www.sos.ri.gov

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Agenda and Docketed Matters before the Council

- **Call to order** by the Council President; council member attendance taken (*No votes taken*)
- **Pledge of Allegiance** (*No votes taken*)
- Meeting **minutes** of the last meeting (*Vote will be taken*)

I. PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND COMMENDATIONS

None.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Public hearings are limited to the subject matter of docketed matters only. Public comment may be permitted and will be subject to time limitations. Such hearings and comment do not include the introduction of new matters before the Council (see Section XII herein).

Written public comment is accepted and may be submitted via email to the Council before the meeting at <https://www.cranstonri.gov/city-council-contact-form/> no later than 4:00 PM on the Friday before the Council meeting (Friday, January 20, 2023). All such written comments will be identified by name, address, date, shall be provided to council members before the meeting and the record shall be so noted. (*Vote to be taken to accept written comment and to place it on record*)

For meetings occurring via a collaboration platform (i.e., Zoom), those members of the public then present in the audience may be allowed to comment by calling in to the meeting at 1-888-788-0099 or by appearing on screen.

III. RESOLUTIONS

**Resolution declaring the first week in February to be National Gun Violence Survivors Week. Sponsored by Councilwoman Germain, Councilman Donegan, Council Vice-President Vargas and Council President Marino. (Vote to be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)*

IV. REPORT OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Councilman John P. Donegan, Chair)

Resolution authorizing Real Estate Tax Abatements (Vote to be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

Resolution authorizing Motor Vehicle Tax Abatements (Vote to be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

Tax Interest Waiver Denials (Vote to be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (Council Vice-President Lammis J. Vargas, Chair)

Request from Carpionato Group, LLC – Permit for Alteration near Historic Cemetery CR030 King-Randall Lot. (Vote will be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE
(Council Vice-President Lammis J. Vargas, Chair)

12-22-02 *Ordinance in amendment of Ch. 10, Title 32, Sect. 020 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Motor Vehicles and Traffic – Stop Intersections-Enumerated” (Rangeley Rd. and Carver Rd.). Sponsored by Mayor Hopkins and Councilwoman Renzulli. (Vote will be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)*

AUDIT COMMITTEE
(Councilman *John P. Donegan, Chair)

Audit Report from Marcum LLP for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022 (Cont. from 12/19/2022). (Vote will be taken)

V. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR UN-DOCKETED ITEMS

Public Comment may be permitted subject to time limitations for UN-DOCKETED items only.

VI. ELECTION AND/OR APPOINTMENT OF CITY OFFICIALS

Affordable Housing Commission:

- *Re-appointment of Derik A. Tutt for term to expire on 1/23/2025 (Councilman Paplauskas). (Vote will be taken)*

Juvenile Hearing Board:

- *Re-appointment of Bernard Kevin O’Connor as an Alternate Member for term to expire on 12/1/2023 (Councilman Paplauskas). (Vote will be taken)*
- **Appointment of Stephen Quartino to fill un-expired term of Vincent Turchetta to expire on 12/1/2023). (Vote will be taken)*

Board of Contract and Purchase:

- *Re-appointment of Anthony Mastantuono (Minority Leader Appointment) for term to expire on 1/1/2024. (Minority Leader Appointment). (No Votes will be taken)*

Board of Contract and Purchase:

- *Appointment of Ann Marie Maccarone for term to expire 1/1/2024. (Council President Marino Appointment). (No Votes will be taken)*
- *Re-appointment of Doris Blanchard for term to expire 1/1/2024. (Majority Leader Appointment). (No Votes will be taken)*
- *Appointment of Robert Wilson for term to expire 1/1/2024. (Majority Leader Appointment). (No Votes will be taken)*

City Council Grant Writer:

- *Re-appointment of Lisa Andoscia as the City Council Grant Writer for term to expire 1/6/2025. (Council President Marino, Council Vice-President Vargas and Councilwoman Renzulli). (Vote will be taken)*

Municipal Court Clerk:

- *Re-appointment of Elisabeth Bettis as Municipal Court Clerk for term to expire 1/6/2025. (Council President Marino and Council Vice-President Vargas). (Vote will be taken)*

Emergency Management Liaison: *(Informational Only - No Votes will be taken)*

- *Council Vice-President Vargas for term to expire 1/6/2025.*

School Buildings Committee:

- *Councilman Donegan for term to expire 1/6/2025. (Votes will be taken)*
- **Councilman Campopiano for term to expire 1/6/2025. (Votes will be taken)*

~~***Parks and Recreation Advisory Board:** *(Informational Only - No Votes will be taken)*~~

- ~~• *Councilman Donegan for term to expire on 1/6/2025.*~~

***Affordable Housing Commission:**

- *Re-appointment of Derik A. Tutt for term to expire 2/22/2025. (Minority Leader Appointment). (No Votes will be taken).*
- *Appointment of Amy Rainone for term to expire 2/22/2025. (Majority Leader Appointment). (No Votes will be taken).*
- *Appointment of Kristina Brown for term to expire 2/22/2025. (Votes will be taken).*

VII. REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS

Cranston Historical Cemeteries Commission – Annual Report by John Hill, Chair of Historical Cemeteries Commission. (Vote will be taken to accept report) [\[click to view\]](#)

VIII. EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

Request to be continued in service for one year Deputy Fire Chief Robert Ryan, Cranston Fire Department. (Vote will be taken)

**Legal Expense Analysis from July 1, 2022 – January 23, 2023. (No Votes Taken) [\[click to view\]](#)*

IX. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS

None.

X. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Council Vice-President Vargas: *(No votes taken)*

- *Edgewood Laundry*

Councilwoman Renzulli: *(No votes taken)*

- *Waste Management Issues*
- *Emergency Management Liaisons*
- *Overnight Parking Permit Update*

Councilwoman Germain: *(No votes taken)*

- *Discussion about sidewalk safety in Ward 2. Who is liable?*
- *Update on Budlong Pool Project*

XI. COUNCIL BUSINESS MATTERS CARRIED OVER

**Adoption of the Council Rules – deferred to the regularly schedule Council meeting in February 2023 (No Votes will be taken).*

XII. INTRODUCTION OF NEW MATTERS BEFORE THE COUNCIL*

* These new matters are referred for public hearing to the appropriate sub-committee of the Council. They are listed here for referral and vote to a committee and for informational purposes.

1-23-01 *Ordinance in amendment of the 2010 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Cranston (Oaklawn Ave.). Sponsored by Council President Marino and *Councilman Paplauskas. Referred to Ordinance Committee March 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)*

1-23-02 *Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Zoning” (Change of Zone – Oaklawn Ave. Plat 17 Lot 670). Sponsored by Council President Marino and *Councilman Paplauskas. Referred to Ordinance Committee March 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)*

1-23-03 *Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Zoning” (Change of Zone – 2110 Plainfield Pike; Plat 35 Lot 9). Sponsored by Councilman Campopiano. Referred to Ordinance Committee March 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)*

1-23-04 *Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, Entitled “Zoning” (Change of Zone – 1381 Cranston St. and 767 Dyer Ave. – Cranston Print Works Project). Sponsored by Councilman Paplauskas. Referred to Ordinance Committee March 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)*

Request from Rhode Island Energy for pole location at Budlong Rd. Referred to Public Works Committee February 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)

Request from Rhode Island Energy for pole location at Farrar St. Referred to Public Works Committee February 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)

Request from Rhode Island Energy for pole location at Randolph St. Referred to Public Works Committee February 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)

Request from Rhode Island Energy for pole location at Rose St. Referred to Public Works Committee February 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)

Request from Rhode Island Energy for pole location at Cadillac Ave. Referred to Public Works Committee February 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)

Request from Rhode Island Energy for pole location at Sutton Place. Referred to Public Works Committee February 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)

Request from Rhode Island Energy for pole location at Park Ave. Referred to Public Works Committee February 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)

Request from Rhode Island Energy for pole location at Conley Ave. Referred to Public Works Committee February 16, 2023. [\[click to view\]](#)

CLAIMS REFERRED TO CLAIMS COMMITTEE – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023.

- **Property Damage Claim:**
 - *Mary Ruggieri from alleged incident on November 1, 2022.*
 - *A to Z International LLC from an alleged incident on December 16, 2022.*
 - *Diane L. Gentile from alleged incident on December 16, 2022.*
 - *Yvonne Dobelle from alleged incident on December 16, 2022.*
 - *Jeff Drury from alleged incident on December 16, 2022.*
 - *Jennifer Karmon from alleged incident on December 16, 2022.*
 - *Luiz Noronha from alleged incident on December 16, 2022.*
 - *Bruno J. Costa from alleged incident on December 16, 2022.*
 - *Hector Viruet from alleged incident on December 16, 2022.*

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ON CLERK'S DESK

2023 City Council and Committee meeting schedule (For Informational Purposes) (No votes taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

2023 Municipal Court Schedule (For Informational Purposes) (No votes taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

Re-appointment of John Skorupski as Tree Warden (For Informational Purposes) (No votes taken)

Report on hiring Council Attorney Stephen Angell. (For Informational Purposes) (No votes taken)

Interview of two finalist candidates for the position of City Clerk (No votes taken)

- **Adjournment** *(Vote will be taken)*

The City Council's next regular monthly meeting will be held on February 27, 2023.

Rosalba Zanni
Acting City Clerk