



FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

Councilman John P. Donegan, Chair
Council Vice-President Lammis J. Vargas, Vice-Chair
Councilman Robert J. Ferri
Council President Jessica M. Marino, Ex-Officio

Councilwoman Aniece Germain
Councilman Richard D. Campopiano
Councilman Christopher G. Paplauskas

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

Meeting of the Public Works Committee 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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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Vote may be taken)

- A. Minutes of the September 11, 2023 regular meeting [\[click to view\]](#)

IV. COMMITTEE BUSINESS MATTERS CARRIED OVER

Councilman Donegan: (Cont. from 6/5/2023 & 9/11/2023) (No Votes will be taken)

- *School Building Construction Update*

Councilman Donegan: (Cont. from 8/7/2023 & 9/11/2023) (No Votes will be taken)

- *Exploration of Liability Policy for the City (Cont. from 8/7/2023)*

Councilman Donegan: (Cont. from 9/11/2023) (No Votes will be taken)

- *Update from Administration on status of hiring for Planning Department position starting January 1, 2024.*

V. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment is limited to the subject matter of docketed matters only. Written comment is accepted and may be submitted via email to this sub-committee of Council before the meeting at <https://www.cranstonri.gov/city-council-contact-form/> no later than forty-eight hours before the committee meeting. All such written comment shall include the name of the person or entity offering comment, their home address, and it shall be signed and dated. All submissions shall be provided to committee members by the City Clerk before the meeting and the record shall be so noted. (Vote will be taken to accept written testimony 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 who wish to testify are invited to do so by calling in to the meeting at 1-888-788-0099 or by appearing on screen.

VII. NEW MATTERS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

A. Ordinances

- 9-23-04** *Ordinance allocating \$600,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds for the Purpose of Upgrading City of Cranston Playgrounds in All Six Wards.* Sponsored by Mayor Kenneth J. Hopkins. (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

B. Resolutions

Resolution proposing Recognition of the Community Builders Grant Program Funded by the OneCranston Health Equity Zone of Comprehensive Community Action, Inc. (CCAP) within each City Ward. Sponsored by Councilman Ferri and Council President Marino; co-sponsored by Councilman Donegan, Councilwoman Renzulli, and Councilwoman Germain. (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

Resolution relative to Playgrounds Upgrade & Maintenance. Sponsored by Council Vice-President Vargas. (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

C. ***Real Estate Tax Abatements*** (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

D. ***Tangible Tax Abatements*** (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

E. ***Tax Interest Waiver Approvals*** (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

Councilman Donegan: (No Votes will be taken)

- ***Remaining ARPA Funds***
- ***Update from Mark Mariano of Weston & Sampson on plans for Budlong Pool.***
- ***Presentation from RIDE on school construction” to the docket***

Council President Marino: (No Votes will be taken)

- ***The current remaining funds available on grants received by the City versus the total amount of grant funds awarded/received by the City.***
- ***Status of Community Learning Center Grant/ RI municipal Education Compact/Learn 365 RI grant***

City Council Grant Writer’s Report (No vote to be taken)

VII. **ADJOURNMENT** (Vote will be taken)

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-6(c) Notice of this meeting was posted on the Secretary of State’s website, on the city’s website, at Cranston City Hall and at the Cranston Library on September 27, 2023