



FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

Meeting of the Finance 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 October 7, 2024 regular meeting* (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

B. *Approval of the sealed minutes of the October 7, 2024 Executive Session* (Vote may be taken)
Council President Marino prepared the minutes and delivered them in sealed envelopes to the Council members present in the executive session. (Cont. from 8/15/2024).

IV. COMMITTEE BUSINESS MATTERS CARRIED OVER

12-23-01 *ORDINANCE In Amendment of Title 3 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Revenue and Finance”, Chapter 3.110 – Ten (10) Year Tax Stabilization for Property Located at Oaklawn Avenue (Plat 17-3, Lot 670) (Oaklawn Avenue Tax Stabilization). Sponsored by Council President Marino. (Cont. from 1/8/2024, 2/5/2024, 3/4/2024, 4/1/2024, 5/6/2024, 7/1/2024, 9/9/2024 & 10/7/2024) [\[click to view\]](#) (Vote may be taken)*

12-23-02 *ORDINANCE In Amendment of Title 3 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Revenue and Finance”, Chapter 3.111 – Ten (10) Year Tax Stabilization for Property Located at 320 Scituate Avenue (Scituate Avenue Tax Stabilization). Sponsored by Council President Marino. (Cont. from 1/8/2024, 2/5/2024, 3/4/2024, 5/6/2024, 7/1/2024, 9/9/2024 & 10/7/2024) [\[click to view\]](#) (Vote may be taken)*

6-24-01 *ORDINANCE Allocating \$2,500,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds for the Purpose of Supporting School Projects, Upgrading City of Cranston and CLCF Properties and Providing Finance Assistance to Small Businesses. Sponsored by Mayor Kenneth J. Hopkins. (Cont. from 7/1/2024, 9/9/2024 & 10/7/2024) (vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)*

RESOLUTION Calling for an Independent Investigation relative to Complaint PC 2024-4766, David Broccoli, et al v. Kenneth Hopkins, The City of Cranston, Anthony Moretti, Paul McCauley, David Rodio and Christopher Millea, et al. Sponsored by Council President Marino. (vote may be taken). (Cont. from 10/7/2024 [\[click to view\]](#)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon open call by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members present, the Committee will convene in a closed session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2) for pending litigation.

Executive or closed session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2) for pending litigation re:

- *RESOLUTION Calling for an Independent Investigation relative to Complaint PC 2024-4766, David Broccoli, et al v. Kenneth Hopkins, The City of Cranston, Anthony Moretti, Paul McCauley, David Rodio and Christopher Millea, et al. Sponsored by Council President Jessica Marino.*

RETURN OPEN SESSION (vote may be taken)

**Upon return to open session, the Committee Chair will report out any motions made in Executive Session, and may call for a motion to seal the minutes of the Executive Session*

V. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

- *CliftonLarsonAllen LLP* (No votes will be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

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

None.

B. Resolutions

RESOLUTION Designating the entire available, unexpended and unencumbered balance of the American Rescue Act (“ARPA”) Restricted Receipt Account for expenditure. Sponsored by Council President Marino and Mayor Hopkins. (vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#) [\[click to view Fiscal Note\]](#)

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

D. ***Motor Vehicle Tax Abatements*** (Vote may be taken)

None.

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

F. ***Tax Assessment Board of Review assessed December 31, 2023.***
(Informational Only – No Vote will be taken)

None.

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

H. *Tax Interest Waiver Denials* (Vote may be taken)

None.

VIII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

None.

IX. 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 November 7, 2024.