



FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

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Council President Jessica M. Marino, Ex-Officio

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 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 November 6, 2023 regular meeting [\[click to view\]](#)

IV. COMMITTEE BUSINESS MATTERS CARRIED OVER

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. (Cont. from 10/2/2023 & 11/6/2023) (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

Resolution relative to Playgrounds Upgrade & Maintenance. Sponsored by Council Vice-President Vargas. (Cont. from 10/2/2023 & 11/6/2023) (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

Councilman Donegan: (No Votes will be taken)

- ***Exploration of Liability Policy for the City*** (Cont. from 8/7/2023, 10/2/2023 & 11/6/2023)
- ***Audit Process*** (Cont. from 11/6/2023)
- ***School Construction Update & Potential Additional Bonding*** (Cont. from 11/6/2023)

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.*** (Cont. from 10/2/2023 & 11/6/2023)

Councilwoman Renzulli: (No Votes will be taken)

- ***Status of open grant applications*** (Cont. from 11/6/2023)

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

None.

B. Resolutions

RESOLUTION Transferring \$242,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds Allocated for the Purpose of Improving City of Cranston School Playgrounds; Sponsored by Council Vice-President Vargas and Councilwoman Renzulli. (*vote may be taken*) [\[click to view\]](#)

RESOLUTION Supporting a legislative act of the Rhode Island General Assembly that enables the City of Cranston to seek approval of its voters to issue bonds and notes for the construction, purchase, and/or acquisition of land and buildings, renovation, landscaping, rehabilitation, repair, improvements, furnishing, and equipping of and/or additions to Cranston Public School buildings; Sponsored by Council President Marino, Councilwoman Renzulli, and Councilman Donegan. (*vote may be taken*) [\[Click for Resolution\]](#) [\[Legislation\]](#)

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

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

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

F. ***Tax Assessment Board Of Review assessed December 31, 2022.*** [\[click to view\]](#)
(*Informational Only-No Vote will be taken*)

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

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

None.

Councilman Donegan: (*No Votes will be taken*)

- ***Discussion of possible City-owned property to build a community center facility with State/Federal Grant Funding***

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 November 30, 2023.