# CRANSTON CITY COUNCIL
## Regular Monthly Meeting

**Daniel R. Wall, President, Ward 6**
**Kristen E. Haroian, Vice President, Ward 2**
**Emilia Vaziri, City-Wide**
**Richard D. Campopiano, City-Wide**
**Christopher E. Buonanno, City-Wide**

**Bridget R. Graziano, Ward 1**
**Andy M. Andujar, Ward 3**
**Frank J. Ritz, Jr., Ward 4**
**Michael A. Traficante, Ward 5**

# AGENDA

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.

The regular monthly meeting of the Cranston City Council will be held on **Tuesday, September 22, 2026 at 7:00 PM. in the Cranston City Council Chambers, Cranston City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, RI 02910** for the purpose of conducting the items of business appearing on the docket. Remote participation is offered using the login information provided below, as posted on the City's website at www.cranstonri.gov and the Secretary of State's website at www.sos.ri.gov

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## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. ROLL CALL

## III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, COMMENDATIONS AND CITATIONS

*A. Citations honoring the 15/16 Cranston East Little League District Champions*
*B. Citations honoring the 13/14 Cranston East Little League State Champions*

## V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*June 15, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting Draft Minutes (Vote may be taken)*

## VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENT – DOCKETED ITEMS

Public hearings under this section are limited to DOCKETED subject matters only. Public comment may be permitted and may be subject to time limitations.

Written public comment may be submitted via email to https://www.cranstonri.gov/city-council-contact-form/ **or nrenzulli@cranstonri.gov** in order to be provided to the City Council before the meeting. All such written comments shall include your name and address. (*Vote may be taken to accept written comment and to place it on record).* Members of the public may also participate in public comment by accessing the zoom link referenced on the first page and using the "raise your hand" feature. For those without access to video observation platforms, you may also call in to the meeting and press *9 to raise your hand during public comment.

## VII. RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION** Authorizing the Permanent Flying and Display of the Official Flag of the Republic of Italy at Itri Park in the Neighborhood of Knightsville; Sponsored by Councilman Christopher E. Buonanno, Councilman Michael A. Traficante, Councilwoman Emilia Vaziri and Councilwoman Kristen Haroian *(votes may be taken)* *[Resolution]*

***RESOLUTION*** *Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month; Sponsored by Councilman Andujar, Council President Wall, Councilwoman Emilia Vaziri and Councilwoman Kristen Haroian (votes may be taken)* *[Resolution]*

## VIII. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

**A.** *Report from the Chair, Councilwoman Vaziri, on the* ***CLAIMS COMMITTEE*** *meeting of September 14, 2026* [Claims Paid] *(no votes to be taken)*

**B.** *Report from the Chair, Council Vice-President Haroian, on the* ***SAFETY SERVICES & LICENSES COMMITTEE*** *meeting held September 14, 2026 (no votes to be taken)*

**C.** *Report from the Chair, Councilman Andujar, on the* ***FINANCE COMMITTEE*** *meeting held September 14, 2026 (votes may be taken)*

1. ***Real Estate Tax Abatements*** *(Votes may be taken)*

   ***[click to view]***

2. ***Tangible Tax Abatements*** *(Vote may be taken)*

   ***[click to view]***

**D.** *Report from the Chair, Councilwoman Graziano, on the* ***PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE*** *meeting held September 2, 2026 (no votes to be taken)*

**E.** *Report from the Chair, Councilman Andujar, on the* ***ORDINANCE COMMITTEE*** *meeting held September 2, 2026* (*votes may be taken*)

***08-17-01*** ***Ordinance IN AMENDMENT OF Chapter 08.24.031, OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, 2005, ENTITLED 'Short term rentals of outdoor pools and spaces'*** Sponsored by Councilman Wall and Councilman Ritz *(votes may be taken)* *[click to view]*

***08-17-03*** ***ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 10, CHAPTER 32, SECTION 020, OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, 2005, ENTITLED 'STOP INTERSECTIONS—ENUMERATED'*** Sponsored by Councilman Traficante *(votes may be taken)* [click to view]

***08-17-04*** ***Ordinance IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 10, CHAPTER 32, SECTION 520, OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, 2005, ENTITLED 'ONE HOUR PARKING—BETWEEN 8:00 A.M. AND 5:00 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.'*** Sponsored by Councilman Traficante *(votes may be taken)* [click to view]

***08-17-05*** ***ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 10, CHAPTER 32, SECTION 040 AND SECTION 660, OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, 2005, ENTITLED 'NO PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS – GENERALLY' AND 'TWO HOUR PARKING—BETWEEN 9:00 A.M. AND 5:00 P.M. MONDAY***

***THROUGH FRIDAY.'*** Sponsored by Councilman *(votes may be taken)* [click to view]

## IX. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR UNDOCKETED ITEMS (*no votes*)

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## X. ELECTION/APPOINTMENT OF CITY OFFICIALS

*(none)*

## XI. REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS

*(none)*

## XII. EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

Legal Expense Analysis Report for the period July 1, 2026 through September 15, 2026 *(no votes to be taken)* [Legal Report]

## XIII. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS (*no votes*)

*(none)*

## XIV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS (*no votes*)

***Councilman Ritz***

- Update from the Administration regarding the Oaklawn Ave. flooding
- Update from the Administration regarding their meeting with Waste Management

## XV. COUNCIL BUSINESS MATTERS CARRIED OVER

*(none)*

## XVI. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS *(votes may be taken)*

*The following items of new business are listed for reference and for a vote to be referred to the appropriate Council sub-committee for a public hearing. The Council President may call for a motion to consider one or more of the new business items as a block:*

***09-22-01 ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 13, OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, 2005, ENTITLED "PUBLIC SERVICES" (CHAPTER 13.08, ENTITLED "SEWER SERVICE SYSTEM")***
*Sponsored by Mayor Kenneth J Hopkins (to be referred to Ordinance Committee October 7, 2026 (votes may be taken) [click to view]*

***09-22-02 IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 2, "ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL", OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, 2005, TO ADD CHAPTER 90 ENTITLED "BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL EMPLOYEES"*** *Sponsored by Councilman Ritz (to be referred to Ordinance Committee October 7, 2026 (votes may be taken)* ***[click to view]***

***09-22-03 ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 10, CHAPTER 12, SECTION 280, OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, 2005, ENTITLED LOCAL ACCESS ONLY TO INCLUDE SUSAN DR BETWEEN GARDEN CITY DR. AND CYPRESS DR.*** *Sponsored by Council President Wall (to be referred to Ordinance Committee October 7, 2026 (votes may be taken)* ***[click to view]***

**RESOLUTION** URGING THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, THE RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CEASE THE ENACTMENT OF UNFUNDED MANDATES AND FULLY REIMBURSE CITIES, TOWNS, AND SCHOOL DEPARTMENTS FOR MANDATED COSTS *Sponsored by Councilman Campopiano (to be referred to Finance Committee October 5, 2026 (votes may be taken)* ***[click to view]***

**CLAIMS** to be referred to the Claims Committee meeting of October 5, 2026 as follows: (*vote may be taken)*

| ***CLAIMANT*** | ***DATE OF INCIDENT*** | ***TYPE OF CLAIM*** |
|---|---|---|
| Progressive/Christopher Conn | 2/24/2026 | Vehicle Damage |
| Nationwide/Geraldine Fraga | 4/4/2026 | Vehicle Damage |
| Lilly Welchman | 5/21/2026 | Vehicle Damage |
| Maria Sousa | 5/26/2026 | Vehicle Damage |
| Ann Caito | 6/11/2026 | Personal Injury |

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|---|---|---|
| Christopher Carter | 7/25/2026 | Vehicle Damage |
| Avery DeFusco* | 7/26/2026 | Vehicle Damage |
| Matt Muse | 8/11/2026 | Vehicle Damage |
| Travis King | 8/23/2026 | Vehicle Damage |
| Michael O'Brien | 9/2/2026 | Vehicle Damage |
| Jacqueline Blanco | 9/3/2026 | Vehicle Damage |

* Indicates a claim previously reviewed by the Claims Committee.

**XVIIII. <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – NO ACTION REQUIRED</u>** (*no votes*)

*(none)*

**XX. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>** *(vote may 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 18, 2026.***