



CRANSTON CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 869 PARK AVE., CRANSTON, RI
DOCKET

All matters listed are subject to final action unless otherwise noted)

MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2016 @ 7:00 PM

COUNCIL PRESIDENT JOHN E. LANNI, JR., PRESIDING

I. PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND COMMENDATIONS

Citation for Lindsay Ratcliffe

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

(docketed matters only including

**Ord. 1-16-04 in Amendment of Title 2 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled
“Administration and Personnel” (Minimum Wage) amended in Committee 3/16/2016**

**Ord. 2-16-01 in Amendment of Title 10 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, Entitled
“Vehicles and Traffic” (Handicap and Disabled Parking Space Permit Amendment); amended in
Committee 3/16/2016**

**Ord. 2-16-02 in Amendment of Title 3 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, Entitled “Tax
Exemption Totally Disabled Veterans amended in Committee 3/16/2016.)**

III. RESOLUTIONS

**Resolution Memorializing the General Assembly to Allow Cranston to grant a further Veterans
Tax Exemption. Sponsored by Council President Lanni; Council Vice-President Santamaria
Councilmen Farina, Stycos, Botts, Archetto, Aceto, Favicchio and Paplauskas). [\[click to view\]](#)**

**Resolution in Support of H7243 and S2761 An Act Relating to Criminal Offenses – Weapons
And Urging Passage. Sponsored by Councilman Stycos. [\[click to view\]](#)**

Resolution Memorializing the General Assembly to Enact Legislation Authorizing the City of Cranston to Finance the Construction, Renovation, Rehabilitation, Repair, Improvement and Landscaping of Roads, Sidewalks and Drainage Facilities in the City and all Costs Incidental or Related Thereto Including, but not Limited to, Engineering Costs by the Issuance of not more than \$20,000,000 General Obligation Bonds and Notes Therefor. Sponsored by Councilman Favicchio. [\[click to view\]](#)

Resolution Memorializing the General Assembly to Enact Legislation Authorizing the City of Cranston to Finance the Acquisition, Improvement, Renovation and Repair of Fire and Public Safety Equipment by the Issuance of not more than \$4,000,000 General Obligation Bonds and Notes thereof. Sponsored by Councilman Favicchio. [\[click to view\]](#)

Resolution Memorializing the General Assembly to Enact Legislation Authorizing the City of Cranston to Finance the Construction, Improvement, Renovation, Repair, Alteration, Furnishing and Equipping of Public Buildings in the City by the Issuance of not more than \$1,000,000 General Obligation Bonds and Notes Therefor. Sponsored by Councilman Favicchio. [\[click to view\]](#)

IV. REPORT OF COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

(Council Majority Leader Paul H. Archetto, Chair)

2-16-01 Proposed Ordinance in Amendment of Title 10 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, Entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” (Handicap and Disabled Parking Space Permit Amendment). As amended in Committee 3/17/2016. [\[click to view\]](#)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

(Councilman Steven A. Stycos, Chair)

1-16-04 Ordinance in Amendment of Title 2 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Administration and Personnel” (Minimum Wage). Sponsored by Councilman Stycos. As amended in Committee 3/16/2016. [\[click to view\]](#)

2-16-02 Proposed Ordinance in Amendment of Title 3 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, Entitled “Tax Exemption Totally Disabled Veterans – Councilman Archetto, Co-Sponsors: Councilmen Botts, Paplauskas and Aceto. As amended in Committee 3/16/2016. [\[click to view\]](#)

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

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

Tax Interest Waiver Approvals [\[click to view\]](#)

- Discussion of need to update impact fees to reflect inflation since their establishment (Chairman Stycos). (Referred from Committee 3/16/2016).

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

(Councilman Mario Aceto, Chair)

Resolution authorizing the Abandonment of un-named right of way between 2398 and 2406 Cranston St. [\[click to view\]](#)

CLAIMS COMMITTEE

(Councilman Michael W. Favicchio, Chair)

Report of settled claims (*Informational purposes*: Amica Insurance for A. Marsella \$5,034.09 property damage.; Bethanie Picerno \$300.00 property damage; Michael Haralambides \$300.00 property damage; Kimberly Mansolillo \$99.43 property damage; Megan Melise \$50.00 property damage; Dolores Colapietro \$50.00 property damage; Denise & Pasquale DiPippo \$50.00 property damage; Kevin & Maria Jeffrey \$50.00 property damage; Alice Nadeau \$50.00 property damage; Paul D'Ercole \$50.00 property damage; Michael & Joyce Maddalena \$50.00 property damage.

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

(Council Vice-President Richard D. Santamaria, Jr., Chair)

Resolution Traffic Safety Report on Gladstone Street School Vicinity (Referred from 3/21/16 Traffic Safety Commission). Referred back to Council Majority Leader Archetto, sponsor, with recommendation that further studies be done by Public Works Dept. [\[click to view\]](#)

Resolution Speed Bumps on Laurel Hill Avenue from Argyle Street to Oxford Street (Referred from 3/21/16 Traffic Safety Commission). Recommendation of no speed bumps needed. [\[click to view\]](#)

V. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

VI. **ELECTION OF CITY OFFICIALS**

VII. REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS

Update on the financial cost of the issues identified in the RI State Police assessment of the Cranston Police Department - Anthony Moretti, Council's Auditor.

VIII. EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

Report on hiring of special counsel, consultants, etc., pursuant to Charter Section 15.05.

Cranston Fire Dept.

Requests to be continued in service for one year:

Asst. Chief Bernard Patenaude

Deputy Chief David DiMaio

Request to be placed on pension roll:

Capt. Timothy McGarty effective March 21, 2016

Settled by Solicitor's Office: Patricia Shirley & Ronald Resmini, Esq., \$25,000.00 personal injury.

IX. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS

- **Report from Administration on costs for possible sidewalks on Ambrose St. (Cont. 2/22/2016 for update)**
- **Cranston Ice Rink - Administrative report: Mold; maintenance of restrooms; pipes; and condition of grounds: boat trailer, toilet and other debris. (Referred from Committee 3/16/2016).**

X. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Council Vice-President Santamaria:

- **Overnight parking of trucks at Wal-Mart –Administrative Report (Cont. 2/22/2016)**
- **Traffic report from Administration of any accidents at Phenix Ave. near Stop and Shop for the past few years**

Councilman Stycos:

- **Status of Knight Farm trail application to DEM (Cont. 2/22/2016)**

Council Majority Leader Archetto:

- **Elwyn St. – street being used as cut through and street being blocked**
- **Administrative Report on statistics of pedestrian accidents at crosswalk on Phenix Ave. at Stop & Shop**
- **Citizens Bank relocation to Johnston – Administrative report**

Councilman Aceto:

Accident statistics for intersection of Phenix and Atwood Avenue

Council Minority Leader Favicchio:

- Status update of Capuano Ave. (Cont. 2/22/2016)
- Dean Parkway intersection with Meshanticut Valley Parkway possible warning sign.

Councilman Paplauskas:

- Meshanticut Park
- Cranston High School West parking lot
- Randall St., Libera St., and Kingwood Ave. The brush line along Randall Pond and the area behind George Peters School

XI. OLD BUSINESS

XII. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS*

*(for informational purposes. All new business is referred to Committee for public hearing)

- 4-16-01 Ordinance in amendment of Title 10, Chapter 32 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Motor Vehicles and Traffic” (Stop Comstock Parkway at Horizon Dr.). [\[click to view\]](#)
- 4-16-02 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled Zoning” (950 Phenix Ave.). [\[click to view\]](#)

Resolution in support of legislation restoring funding for the State Aid to libraries to the full 25 percent. [\[click to view\]](#)

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Street Lights, the Conversion of Fixtures to Light-Emitting DIODE (“LED”) Technology, and the Financing Thereof Through a Lease Purchase Agreement and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Lease Purchase Agreements and Related Instruments, and Determining Other Matters in Connection Therewith. Sponsored by Councilman Favicchio. [\[click to view\]](#)

Coastway Plaza – Petition for Street name change to Capital Way
filed by: Rhody Capital LLC/Richard Storti [\[click to view\]](#)

Petition from National Grid for pole location at Broad St. [\[click to view\]](#)

Petition from National Grid for pole location at Paine Ave. [\[click to view\]](#)

Claims:

Property damage claims:

- Joseph Awuah from alleged incident on January 24, 2016.
- Alice Palouljian from alleged incident on January 29, 2016.
- Katie Ranney from alleged incident on February 4, 2016.
- David Macedo from alleged incident on February 5, 2016.
- Eugene Messore from alleged incident on February 5, 2016.
- Eugene Messore from alleged incident on February 8, 2016.
- Lawrence Jillson, Jr., from alleged incident on February 6, 2016.
- Denise DiPippo from alleged incident on February 8, 2016.
- Steven DeSantis from alleged incident on February 9, 2016.
- Lisa Iafrate from alleged incident on February 15, 2016.
- Aram Sarkisian from alleged incident during first and second snowstorm in February, 2016.
- Concetta Amalfitano from alleged incident on March 7, 2016.
- Joanne DiOrio from alleged incident on March 9, 2016.

Personal injury claims:

- Virginia Manish from alleged incident on March 9, 2016.
- Judith Boyle from alleged incident on January 19, 2016.

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ON CLERK'S DESK

Resolution for Traffic Safety Report on Gladstone Street School Vicinity. Sponsored by Councilman Archetto. [\[click to view\]](#) Mayor's Response.

Laborers Contract – executed copy received 2/25/2016.

Firefighters Contract (FY 7/1/2016 – 6/30/2019). Awaiting executed copy

The City Council's next regular monthly meeting will be held on **Monday, April 25, 2016.**

Maria Medeiros Wall, JD, City Clerk