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ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Regular meeting of the Ordinance Committee was held on Thursday, August 11, 2016, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by the Chair.

Present: Council Majority Leader Archetto, Chair
Councilman Mario Aceto, Vice-Chair
Councilman Michael J Farina (appeared at 7:10 p.m.)
Councilman Steven A. Stycos
Council President John E. Lanni, Jr.

Absent: Councilman Donald Botts, Jr.

Also Present: Council Vice-President Richard D. Santamaria, Jr.
Carlos Lopez, Chief of Staff
J. Patrick O'Neill, Asst. City Solicitor
Robert Strom, Director of Finance
Maria Medeiros Wall, City Clerk
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees
Heather Finger, Stenographer

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the last meeting and they stand approved as recorded. Motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

City Clerk indicated that she received a request from Attorney Mancini asking for a continuance of Ordinance 6-16-10.

OLD BUSINESS:

6-16-01 Ordinance in amendment of Ch. 10.32 of Title 10 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Motor Vehicles & Traffic" (Cranston St., Turner Ave., Vinton St. 3 way stop). Sponsored by Councilman Aceto. [\[click to view\]](#)
Referred back from City Council 7/25/2016.

Councilman Aceto asked that this Ordinance be continued one more month.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Stycos, it was voted to continue this Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS:

6-16-10 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Zoning” (950 Phenix Ave.). [\[click to view\]](#)

On motion by Council President Lanni, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to continue this Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

City Clerk indicated that she advised the attorney for the applicant that since public hearing were not going to be opened this evening regarding this Ordinance, she would need to re-advertise and he would have to pay for the advertising.

07-16-01 Ordinance In Amendment of Chapter 10.12.190 of the code of the city of Cranston, 2005 entitled “Traffic Control Signal Lights Authorized at certain intersections” (Broad St and Sheldon St). Sponsored by Mayor Fung. [\[click to view\]](#)

On motion by Council President Lanni, seconded by Council Majority Leader Archetto, it was voted to continue this Ordinance.

Under Discussion:

Councilman Stycos stated that since there is no one present this evening from the Administration to ask questions, he would like this Ordinance continued.

Roll call was taken on motion to continue this Ordinance and motion passed unanimously.

07-16-02 Ordinance In Amendment of Title 12 of the Code of the city of Cranston, 2005 Entitled “Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places” (Bus Shelter Insurance) link] Councilman Santamaria. [\[click to view\]](#)

Council Vice-President Santamaria explained this Ordinance.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council Majority Leader Archetto, it was voted to recommend approval of this Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

7-16-01S Ordinance in amendment of Title 10, Chapter 32 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Motor Vehicles and Traffic” (Metropolitan Street-One Way Traffic Easterly). [\[click to view\]](#) Referred from Special City Council 8/1/2016.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to recommend approval of this Ordinance.

Under Discussion:

Councilman Stycos explained this Ordinance and asked that it be withdrawn due to concern and objections from the Public Works Director.

Motion and second were withdrawn.

Councilman Aceto asked what the Administration’s position is on this Ordinance. Mr. Lopez stated that the Administration is going to defer to the Traffic Engineer’s recommendations.

Councilman Aceto suggested the possibility of making the portion of Metropolitan Ave. One-Way on certain hours. Mr. Lopez stated that he will gladly have the Traffic Engineer look at it, but he does not think it will work with the parents who drop off their kids. Councilman Aceto asked what he would have to do to have the Administration do a study on this and come up with a resolution. Mr. Lopez asked that he be given the opportunity to have the Traffic Engineer look at this.

On motion by Councilman Farina, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to table this Ordinance with the caveat that the Administration work with the Traffic Engineer to do a study on this.
Under Discussion:

Mr. Lopez suggested that this Ordinance be withdrawn for now and give him an opportunity to speak to the Traffic Engineer and also the Superintendent.

Motion and second to table this Ordinance were withdrawn.

Councilman Aceto asked if there are any statistics of how many accidents happened there every year and if there was a different traffic pattern, would that reduce the number of accidents?

On motion by Councilman Farina, seconded by Councilman Aceto, it was voted to withdraw this Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Rosalba Zanni

Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees