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SPECIAL MEETING – CITY COUNCIL

-APRIL 5, 2017-

A Special meeting of the City Council was held on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 P.M. by the Council President.

Roll call showed the following members present: Councilmen Lanni, Hopkins, Stycos, McAuley, Colford, Paplauskas, Council Vice-President Favicchio and Council President Farina -8.

Absent: Councilman Archetto -1.

Also Present: Jeffrey Barone, Director of Constituent Affairs; Robert Strom, Director of Finance; J. Patrick O'Neill, Assistant City Solicitor.



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**CITY OF CRANSTON
BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING**

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

In Accordance with the Home Rule Charter and Section 6.08, I hereby call a special meeting of the City Council to be held on **Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at 6:45 p.m.**, in the Council Chambers, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, RI at which meeting a public hearing shall be held on the following:

Operating Budget for the ensuing fiscal year, July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018:

Appropriation Ordinance; Capital Budget and Capital Improvement Program for the four (4) fiscal years thereafter;

Ordinance establishing salaries of officers and employees of the City of Cranston pursuant to Chapters 5 and 6 of the Home Rule Charter;

Resolution levying and ordering the assessment and collection of a tax on ratable real estate and tangible personal property pursuant to Section 6.11 of the Home Rule Charter;

03-17-01S Ordinance in amendment of Title 13 of the Code of the City of Cranston entitled 'Public Services' (Sewers), and any Ordinances introduced as part of the City of Cranston's Budget.

I hereby request the City Clerk to notify all Council members of the Call of the special meeting.

Executed at Cranston, Rhode Island, this 28th day of March, 2017.

/s/ Michael J Farina, Council President

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing-impaired must notify the Office of the City Clerk at 461-1000 Ext. 3197 seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the hearing date."



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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that a true copy of the attached Notice of a Special meeting of the City Council to be held on, Wednesday, April 5, 2017 @ 6:45 p.m. in the Cranston City Hall, Council Chambers, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, R.I. was delivered via electronic mail on the 28th day of March 2017 to the addresses listed below.

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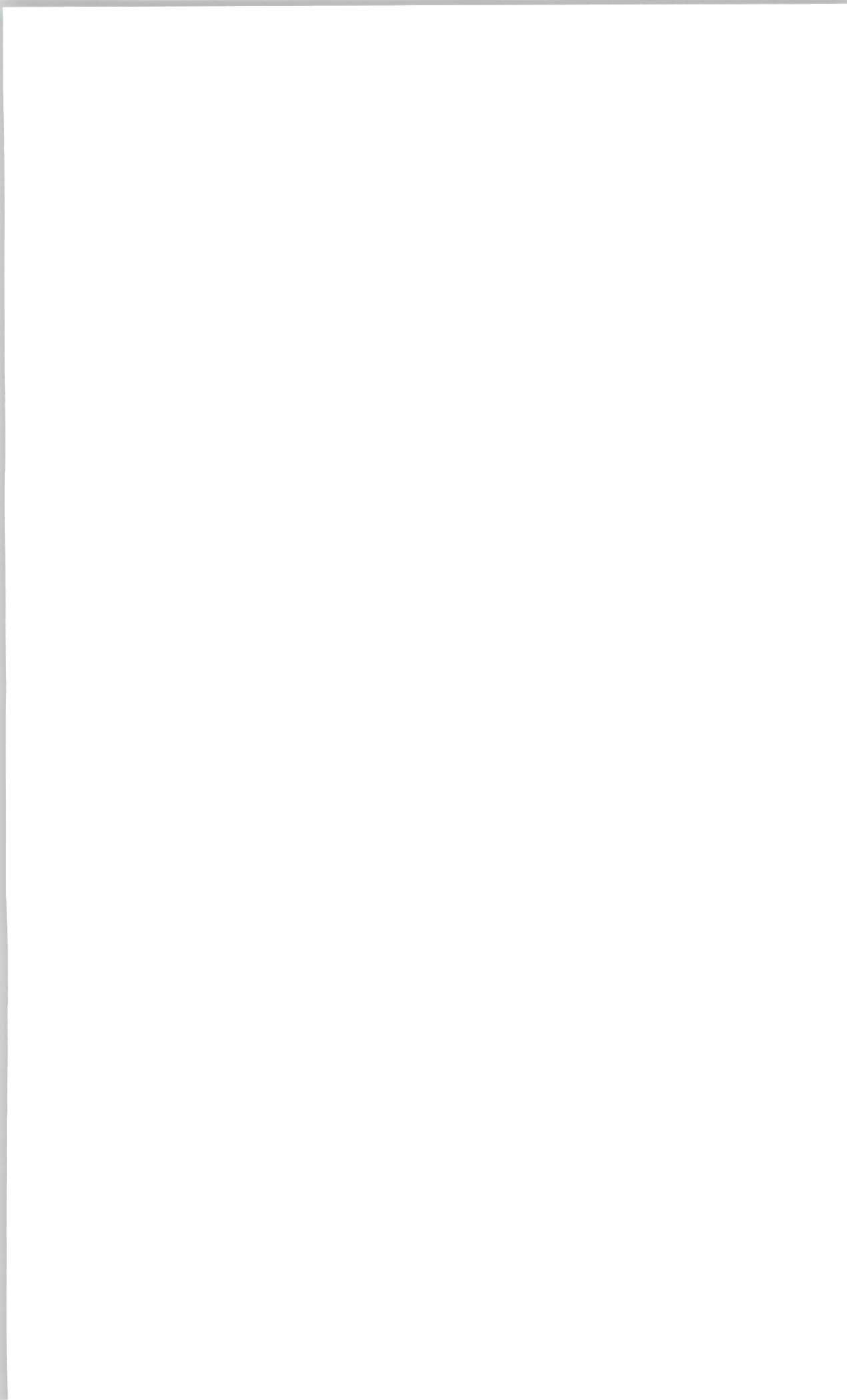
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/s/ Rosalba Zanni
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees



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Public Speakers:


Janice Ruggieri, 45 Overhill Rd., Chair of School Committee, appeared to speak and stated that in the past fifteen years, the School Department has never received the amount requested of the Mayor. The School healthcare costs are projected to increase by \$2 million, among other costs and increases in expenses of approximately \$900,000 in unfunded mandates. They are only asking for \$1.7 million to cover mostly staffing for the new middle school created due to all-day kindergarten. She asked that the City Council find a way to fund the School Department as closely as possible to the amount requested.

Robert Santurri, Jr., 38 Eagle Rd., appeared to speak and questioned if there have been or if there will be any discussion about the cuts at the federal level and the effects they will have at the local level. He questioned what the increase in Senior Services staffing budget is for.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.



Maria Medeiros Wall
City Clerk



Rosalba Zanni
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees

