

(The following is not a verbatim transcript of comments or discussion that occurred during the meeting, but rather a summarization intended for general informational purposes. All motions and votes are the official records).

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Regular meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Monday, March 5, 2018, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M. by the Chair.

Present Councilman Trent M. Colford, Sr.
 Councilman Christopher G. Paplauskas
 Councilman Paul J. McAuley
 Councilman Kenneth J. Hopkins, Vice-Chair
 Council Vice-President Michael W. Favicchio, Chair
 Council President Michael J Farina

Also Present: Councilman John E. Lanni, Jr.
 Councilman Paul H. Archetto
 Robin Muksian, Director of Administration
 John Verdecchia, Assistant City Solicitor
 Maria Medeiros Wall, City Clerk
 Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees
 Heather Finger, Stenographer

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

Council Vice-President Favicchio asked for same motion for videotaping.

On motion by Council President Farina, seconded by Councilman Colford, it was voted to amend this agenda to add discussion and report on videotaping of meetings. Motion passed unanimously.

Lisa Kirshenbaum, Grant Writer, appeared to speak and gave a presentation and presented a handout.

Councilman Colford asked if there are any Grants out there to fund Historical Cemeteries Commission for tools or other support items to maintain the cemeteries. Ms. Kirshenbaum stated that she will be happy to research this.

Council Vice-President Favicchio asked Ms. Kirshenbaum if she could look into any Grants for video streaming of meetings. Ms. Kirshenbaum stated that she could look into this.

Councilman Paplauskas asked if the Grant Writer can look at the former Highway Garage site for possibly using it as a park. He asked that the Administration check with Cranston Housing to see if we could possibly use a few of their spaces for parking to alleviate the parking problems in Knightsville. Council President Farina asked that this be added as an item for the Grant Writer to look into.

Council President Farina asked that the Chair have the Grant Writer come back before this Committee in two months to give an update.

Video Streaming of Meetings:

City Clerk stated that the Finance Director is on vacation and the only information she has is software for video streaming quote from ClerkBase is \$8,100 for initial year and after that, it would be \$6,000 per year. She reached out to Accela and they quoted her \$11,100 per year; High definition would be \$16,100 per year, which would be for unlimited videostreaming. She has someone coming next Monday for onsite proposal.

Chair asked that this be continued to next month's meeting for update.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Rosalba Zanni

Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees

