

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Regular meeting of the Public Works Committee was held on Thursday, November 13, 2008 in the Hope Highlands Elementary School Auditorium, 300 Hope Rd., Cranston, Rhode Island.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by the Vice-Chair.

Present: Councilman Richard D. Santamaria, Jr., Vice-Chair
Councilman John E. Lanni
Councilman Jeffrey P. Barone
Council President Aram G. Garabedian

Absent: Council Member Maria A. Bucci, Chair
Councilman Emilio L. Navarro

Also Present: Councilman Anthony J. Lupino
Charles Garganese, Assistant City Solicitor
Anthony Sylvia, Director of Public Works
Maria Medeiros Wall, City Clerk
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees
Meredith Mahoney, Stenographer

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

On motion by Councilman Barone, seconded by Councilman Lanni, 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:

PUBLIC HEARINGS/OLD BUSINESS:

8S-08-1 Ordinance in amendment of Title 8 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Health and Safety" (Mandatory Recycling). (Amended 10/16/2008).

Mr. Sylvia stated that he is working on finalizing the public education aspect of this issue through direct mailings, advertising and holding public hearings.

Council President Garabedian asked how much the process will cost. Mr. Sylvia stated that the cost of education, we're looking at between \$10,000 and \$13,000. What we are looking to accomplish is to increase the recycling percentage. Council President Garabedian asked Mr. Sylvia what the timeframe is when he would announce it and when this would be implemented. Mr. Sylvia stated one to two months.

No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Councilman Barone, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to recommend approval of this Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

8S-08-2 Ordinance in amendment of Title 8 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Health and Safety” (Penalties for Environmental Violations). (Amended 10/16/2008).

Mr. Sylvia appeared to speak. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Councilman Lanni, seconded by Councilman Barone, it was voted to recommend approval of this Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS:

10-08-1 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 15.04.020(A) of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Building Code” (Amendments, Additions and Deletions – Impact Fees).

Mr. Sylvia appeared to speak. No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Councilman Lanni, seconded by Councilman Barone, it was voted to recommend approval of this Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

Chair made a general announcement that hearing on Ordinance 9-08-3 and 9-08-4 regarding Comprehensive Plan and Zone Change for 47 Natick Ave., scheduled before the Ordinance Committee will not be heard this evening, since they were withdrawn by the applicant.

10-08-2 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 13.08.340 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Wastewater Discharge Limits”.

10-08-3 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 13.08.670 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Payments” (Sewer Charge).

Mr. Sylvia appeared to speak regarding the above two Ordinances and stated that these two Ordinances reflect pre-treatment program as it has existed for a number of years.

No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Councilman Barone, seconded by Councilman Lanni, it was voted to recommend approval of the above two Ordinances. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalba Zanni
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees