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ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Regular meeting of the Ordinance Committee was held on Thursday, November 17, 2011 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 P.M. by the Chair.

Present: Councilman Paul H. Archetto, Chair

Councilman Steven A. Stycos, Vice-Chair

Councilman James E. Donahue

Council Vice-President Robert J. Pelletier Council President Anthony J. Lupino

Absent: Councilman Emilio L. Navarro

Also Present: Councilman Michael Favicchio

Gerald Cordy, Director of Administration

Mark Capuano, Deputy Director of Administration

Evan Kirshenbaum, Assistant City Solicitor

Robert Strom, Director of Finance

Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees

Heather Finger, Stenographer

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

On motion by Council Vice-President Pelletier, seconded by Councilman Donahue, 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:

PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS:

10-11-2 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Zoning" (Change of Zone – New London Ave.). [click here to view]

John Bolton, Esq., appeared to represent Chapel View Associates, and stated that Ordinance 10-11-2 has not been reviewed by the Planning Commission and asked that the hearing on this Ordinance be continued to the December Ordinance Committee meeting.

On motion by Council Vice-President Pelletier, seconded by Council President Lupino, it was voted to continue the hearing on the above Ordinance to the December 8th Ordinance Committee meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Council Vice-President Pelletier asked that Attorney Bolton provide Exhibits A & B, referenced in the Ordinance, for the next meeting.

10-11-3 Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled "Zoning", as amended (The James H. Armington House Local Historic District). [click here to view]

Lynne Furney, Senior Planner and Secretary of the Cranston Historic District Commission, appeared to speak.

Marilyn Von Kriegenbergh, owner of the property, appeared to speak.

Richard Roe appeared to speak and stated that reason for the request is to preserve the house and make sure it is never altered. It is a beautiful building.

Anna Iosiphidis, 21 Marcy St., appeared to speak and questioned what restrictions would affect anyone in a 400 ft. radius and how this would affect the rest of the neighborhood.

Council Vice-President Pelletier asked Solicitor to address the question asked by Ms. Iosiphidis. Solicitor stated that the Ordinance specifies just the referenced lots of property in question.

Ms. Furney stated that the designation of Historic District has no bearing on any homes in the area. The radius the speaker was referring to is the radius for the notice requirement so abutters can speak on the Ordinance in question.

No one appeared to oppose.

On motion by Council President Lupino, seconded by Councilman Donahue, it was voted to recommend approval of the above Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalba Zanni Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees