

**CITY OF EAST ORANGE
THE EAST ORANGE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

Monday, January 10, 2022

6:00 P.M.

**CHRISTOPHER AWE
City Council Chairman**

**First Ward
Christopher D. James
Amy Lewis**

**Second Ward
Christopher Awe
Brittany D. Claybrooks**

**Third Ward
Bergson Leneus
Vernon Pullins, Jr.**

**Fourth Ward
Casim L. Gomez
Tameika Garrett-Ward**

**Fifth Ward
Alicia Holman
Mustafa AL-M. Brent**



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ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

SILENT PRAYER

SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PRESENTATIONS

MINUTES

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Correspondence received on January 7, 2022 from the Essex County Board of County Commissioners submitting copies of **Ordinance No. O-2021-00011** – “Bond Ordinance Providing for the Improvement of the Essex County College, Consisting of the Construction of a New Branch Campus Building in West Caldwell, in and by the County of Essex, New Jersey, Appropriating \$10,000,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$10,000,000 Bonds or Notes of the County for Financing such Appropriation”, **Ordinance No. O-2021-00012** – “Ordinance Naming the Corrections’ Officer Dining Room in the Essex County Correctional Facility as the “Al-Mustafa Pearson Officers Dining Room” in Honor of the late Al-Mustafa Pearson”, **Ordinance No. O-2021-00013** – “Ordinance to Amend Ordinance #O-2019-00017 – Establishing the Essex County Correctional facility Civilian Task Force”.
2. Correspondence received on January 7, 2022 from the Essex County Board of County Commissioners submitting a copy of **Ordinance No. O-2021-00014** – “Ordinance Establishing the Year 2022 Fee Schedule of the Essex County Parks and Recreation Facilities”.
3. Correspondence received January 7, 2022 from JM Sorge Environmental Consultants regarding Public Notification and Outreach Form 1A Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd Site, 1A Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd, East Orange, New Jersey – NJDEP PI # 969506 JMS #2021015.
4. Correspondence received January 3, 2022 – Budget Amendment Certification Form, Appropriations Offset by Revenue - \$5,000.00 - Keep America Beautiful Grant.
5. Correspondence received January 3, 2022 – Budget Amendment Certification Form, Appropriations Offset by Revenue – \$ 50,000.00 - COVID-19 Vaccination Supplemental Funding 2022 Grant.
6. Correspondence received January 3, 2022 – Budget Amendment Certification Form, Appropriations Offset by Revenue – \$952,904.00 - Municipal Aid Grant
7. Correspondence received January 3, 2022 – Budget Amendment Certification Form, Appropriations Offset by Revenue – \$21,590.00 - Substance Abuse Treatment Program.
8. Correspondence received on December 30, 2021 from H2M Architects & Engineers regarding NJDEP Request to Sample/Site Access Agreement, Former Dry Cleaner Potential Exposure Study.
9. Correspondence received on December 28, 2021 from the Essex County Board of County Commissioners submitting a copy of **Ordinance No. O-2021-00015** – “Amendment to Ordinance #0-1979-00112 as Revised-The Code of The County of Essex – Chapter 2 (Administrative Code)”.

MAYOR’S COMMUNICATIONS

1. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing the following members to serve on the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a four (4) year term, expiring on December 31, 2025
 - Kellee Johnson
 - LaTonya Harrison
2. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing the following members to serve on the Zoning Board of Adjustment as Alternate Members for a two (2) year term, expiring on December 31, 2023.
 - Nadia Moses
 - Bridgette Green
3. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing Marilyn Jones to serve on the Zoning Board of Adjustment as Alternate #2 member for a two (2) year term, expiring on December 31, 2023.
4. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing Eladio Negron to serve in the position of Class II member of the Planning Board for a one (1) year term, expiring December 31, 2022.
5. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing Anthony St. Clair to serve as an Alternate #1 member of the Planning Board for a four (4) year term, expiring on December 31, 2025.
6. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing Darryl O. Scipio to serve as a member of the Planning Board for a four (4) year term, expiring on December 31, 2025.
7. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing Mutinda Kivuitu to serve as a Class IV member of the Planning Board for a four (4) year term, expiring on December 31, 2025.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS - Continued

- 8. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing the following members to serve on the Rent Control Board for a three (3) year term, expiring on December 31, 2024.
 - Sherry Green
 - Madinah F. Hamidullah
 - Renee Bowers Franklin
 - Allen Motley
 - Sean Middleton
 - Mike Galloway
 - Merrill I. Alston

- 9. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing the following members to serve on the Library Board of Trustees for a five (5) year term, expiring on December 31, 2026.
 - Bobby Lee Powell
 - Jacqueline Davis, Esq.

- 10. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing the following members to serve on the Library Board of Trustees for a five (5) year term, expiring on December 31, 2025.
 - Jimmy Small
 - Gloria Holt

- 11. Correspondence dated December 30, 2021, appointing the following members to serve on the Water Commission for a three (3) year term, expiring on December 31, 2024.
 - Allison Rolling
 - Lauren T. Shears

BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES RECEIVED

East Orange Planning Board – December 1, 2021 (via ZOOM)

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Constable Report – December

Tracy Williams (November)
Derrick Barrett

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

ARTS, RECREATION and CULTURAL AFFAIRS – BRITTANY D. CLAYBROOKS

Lewis, Gomez, Garrett-Ward

Resolutions

- I-12 Linda Louise Jones – Memorial
- I-13 Everett T. Felder - Memorial

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING – CASIM GOMEZ

Leneus, Brent, James

No Resolutions

FINANCE – VERNON PULLINS, JR.

Holman, James, Lewis

Resolutions

- I-14 Temporary Budget January 2022-March 2022
- I-15 Authorize Payment of Accumulated Absence Liabilities to Former Employees - \$23,272.87

HEALTH and EDUCATION – TAMEIKA GARRETT-WARD

Brent, Claybrooks, Leneus

No Resolutions

HOUSING, LICENSING and INSPECTION – CHRISTOPHER D. JAMES

Garrett-Ward, Leneus, Claybrooks

No Resolutions

PLANNING and GRANTS – BERGSON LENUS

James, Pullins, Holman

No Resolutions

PUBLIC SAFETY – AMY LEWIS

Pullins, Garrett-Ward, Brent

No Resolutions

PUBLIC WORKS – MUSTAFA AL-M. BRENT

Claybrooks, Holman, Gomez

No Resolutions

LAW AND LEGISLATION – ALICIA HOLMAN

Gomez, Lewis, Pullins

Resolution

I-16

Resolution Appointing a Public Agency Compliance Officer

ROLL CALL ON CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the City Council and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, Council may remove that item from the Consent Agenda and discuss it separately under the Regular Agenda

NEW BUSINESS

REGULAR AGENDA

TABLED LEGISLATION

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

ARTS, RECREATION and CULTURAL AFFAIRS – BRITTANY D. CLAYBROOKS

Lewis, Gomez, Garrett-Ward

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT and ZONING – CASIM GOMEZ

Leneus, Brent, James

FINANCE – VERNON PULLINS, JR.

Holman, James, Lewis

HEALTH and EDUCATION – TAMEIKA GARRETT-WARD

Brent, Claybrooks, Leneus

HOUSING, LICENSING and INSPECTION – CHRISTOPHER D. JAMES

Garrett-Ward, Leneus, Claybrooks

PLANNING AND GRANTS – BERGSON LENEUS

James, Pullins, Holman

PUBLIC SAFETY – AMY LEWIS

Pullins, Garrett-Ward, Bent

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OPEN HEARING OF CITIZENS

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 3 of the Rules of City Council, each person wishing to address the Council, shall step up to the microphone, give his or her name in an audible tone for the record and unless further time is granted by the Presiding Officer, shall limit remarks to three minutes.

All members of the public are expected to conduct themselves in a proper manner. Any derogatory, abusive or threatening statements will not be permitted. The Chair will immediately rule such conduct out of order and terminate any further comments.

This Meeting of the East Orange City Council will be conducted via video conference, streaming on Facebook Live - [facebook.com/eocitycouncil](https://www.facebook.com/eocitycouncil).

Residents may submit a written public comment or question via email to be read during the "Open Hearing of Citizens" portion of the meeting. Comments/questions are to be emailed in advance to citycouncil@eastorange-nj.gov by 5:30 PM.

CALL OF WARDS
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