

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

**Monday, January 24, 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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**Monday, January 24, 2022**  
**6:00 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**PRESENTATIONS**

**MINUTES**

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Correspondence received on January 24, 2022 from Second River Joint Meeting regarding Water Consumption Figures for 2021 Annual Report.
2. Correspondence received on January 18, 2022 from Speedway, LLC regarding Notification and Public Outreach, Store # 3480 (Formerly Hess Station # 30501) 26 Central Avenue, East Orange, Essex County, new Jersey, Block 22, Lot 1 NJDEP Case #'s 92-09-25-1405 & 01-07-23-1628-07, NJDEP Preferred ID # 009115.
3. Correspondence received January 14, 2022 from 315 Urban Renewal, LLC submitting a copy of the Statement of Total Project Costs – June 8, 2021.

**MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Correspondence received January 24, 2022 re-appointing Jerome Pearson to serve in the position of Acting Director of Recreation and Cultural Affairs for a 45-day period, effective January 1, 2022.
2. Correspondence received January 24, 2022 re-appointing Monique Griffith to serve in the position of Acting Director of Health and Human Services for a 45-day period, effective January 1, 2022.
3. Correspondence received January 24, 2022 re-appointing Malee Wing to serve in the position of First Assistant Corporation Counsel for a 45-day period, effective January 1, 2022.
4. Correspondence received January 24, 2022 re-appointing Ryan Linder to serve in the position of Acting Corporation Counsel for a 45-day period, effective January 1, 2022.
5. Correspondence dated January 19, 2021 appointing Samantha J. Mendenhall to serve in the position of Municipal Court Judge to fill the remaining term of the Honorable Melinda Hawkins-Taylor, term expiring on December 31, 2022.

**BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES RECEIVED**

East Orange Public Library Board of Trustees – January 13, 2022 (via Video Conference)  
East Orange Planning Board – January 5, 2022 (via ZOOM)  
East Orange Planning Board – January 5, 2022 - Reorganization Meeting (via ZOOM)

**REPORT OF OFFICERS**

None

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

**ARTS, RECREATION and CULTURAL AFFAIRS – BRITTANY D. CLAYBROOKS**

Lewis, Gomez, Garrett-Ward

**No Resolutions**

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING – CASIM GOMEZ**

Leneus, Brent, James

**Resolutions**

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| <b>I-17</b> | Resolution Amending Resolution I-156 of 2021 to Extend the Conditional Designation to New Life Construction & Property Management LLC or to an Entity to be created Therefrom as Redeveloper for 381 Main Street Located in the Transit Village Redevelopment Area and to Authorize the Execution of the Redevelopment Agreement     |
| <b>I-18</b> | Resolution Amending Resolution I-198 of 2021 to Extend the Designation of Jarid Jamar Construction Company, Inc, or an Entity to be Created Therefrom as Redeveloper for 62, 63, 64, 74 and 76 North 15 <sup>th</sup> Street Located in the Greenwood Redevelopment Area and to Authorize the Execution of a Redevelopment Agreement |

**FINANCE – VERNON PULLINS, JR.**

Holman, James, Lewis

**Resolutions**

- I-19 Payroll No. 1  
January 1, 2022-January 14, 2022
- I-4 Bill Approval & Payment Listing – 1/24/2022
- I-20 Authorize Payment of Accumulated Absence Liabilities to Former Employees - \$34,120.89
- I-21 Resolution Authorizing the City of East Orange to Extend the Contract for Golf Cart Rentals
- I-22 Resolution Amending the Gas Mileage Reimbursement Rate for City Employees

**HEALTH and EDUCATION – TAMEIKA GARRETT-WARD**

Brent, Claybrooks, Leneus

**Resolutions**

- I-23 Resolution Calling on the President of the United States to Take Executive Action to Broadly Cancel Federal Student Loan Debt
- I-24 Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Fiscal Grant Cycle July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

**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

**Resolutions**

- I-25 Resolution Approving Memorandum of Agreement with The Firemen’s Mutual Benevolent Association, Branch No. 23
- I-26 Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with The East Orange Fire Officers Association – (Deputy Chiefs)
- I-27 Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with the Firemen’s Mutual Benevolent Association Branch No. 423

**PUBLIC WORKS – MUSTAFA AL-M. BRENT**

Claybrooks, Holman, Gomez

**Resolutions**

- I-28 Resolution Authorizing the Use of an Approved State Contract Vendor for the Installation of an Above Ground Storage Tank System at Midland Yard
- I-29 Resolution Authorizing the Designation of Restricted Parking Spaces

**LAW AND LEGISLATION – ALICIA HOLMAN**

Gomez, Lewis, Pullins

**No Resolutions**

**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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Claybrooks, Holman, Gomez

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**Ordinances on First Reading**

**Ordinance No. 1 of 2022**

An Ordinance to Repeal and Replace Chapter 51, Article XXX Entitled “Storm Water Control”

**Ordinance No. 2 of 2022**

An Ordinance Amending Sections 260-9 of the East Orange City Code to Provide for the Creation of Four Way Stop Signs at Various Locations

**Ordinance No. 3 of 2022**

An Ordinance to Amend and Supplement Chapter 260-14.1 of the Code of the City of East Orange for the Creation of No Parking

**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](mailto:citycouncil@eastorange-nj.gov) by 5:30 PM.

**CALL OF WARDS**

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## THE EAST ORANGE CITY COUNCIL 2022 SCHEDULED MEETING DATES

In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, Public Notice is hereby given that the East Orange City Council has established the following 2022 Meeting Dates.

Formal action may take place at these Meetings. Executive Sessions may be held at Committee Meetings or at Regular Meetings. These Meetings will be held in City Council Chambers located at 44 City Hall Plaza, East Orange, New Jersey.

### **Committee Discussion & Agenda Meetings** 5:30PM

Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>

Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup>

Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>  
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Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>

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Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>

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Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>

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Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

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Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>

Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup>

### **Regular Official Meetings** 6:00PM

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Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup> (Virtual)

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**City Council Reorganization Meeting  
Monday, January 9, 2023  
@ 5:30 PM**