

(Amended)

CITY OF EAST ORANGE

THE EAST ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, March 14, 2022

6:00 P.M.

CHRISTOPHER AWE
City Council Chairman

First Ward

Christopher D. James
Amy Lewis

Second Ward

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Brittany D. Claybrooks

Third Ward

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Vernon Pullins, Jr.

Fourth Ward

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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

SILENT PRAYER

SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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PRESENTATIONS

MINUTES

January 1, 2022 – Reorganization
January 10, 2022 – Regular Meeting
January 24, 2022 – Regular Meeting
February 14, 2022 – Regular Meeting

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Correspondence received March 11, 2022 from Second River Joint Meeting submitting a copy of the resolution for the assessment for the Second Quarter of 2022 adopted on Monday, March 7, 2022.
2. Correspondence received March 11, 2022 from the Essex County Board of County Commissioners submitting copies of **Ordinance No. O-2022-00003** – “Bond Ordinance ReAppropriating \$6,000,000 Proceeds of Obligations and Certain other Funds not needed for their original purposes and to be used for the Construction of a new Academic Building at the West Essex Campus, which will include Furniture, Specialized Equipment and Technology”.
3. Correspondence received on March 1, 2022 from the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding Treatment Works Approval No. 20-0212a the Station at E. Orange, East Orange City, Essex County.
4. Correspondence received on March 1, 2022 from Kleinfelder Bright People, Right Solutions regarding Discharge to Groundwater Permit by Rule Authorization request Former Exxon Facility # 30209, 551 Central Avenue, East Orange, Essex County, New Jersey NJDEP Case # 91-03-20-1313-09 PI # 007900.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

1. Correspondence received March 11, 2022, I write to veto resolutions 1- 78 and 1-79 that were passed at your February 28, 2022, meeting and provided to me on March 1, 2022. The resolutions are being vetoed for the following reasons: **1.** The governing body approved a settlement agreement via resolution 1-62 at the same meeting that achieved the same effect as resolutions 1-78 and 1-79. **2.** Resolutions 1-78 and 1-79 were not generated by the administration. The resolutions appear to have been improperly altered as the date on the signature blocks were changed and they were signed by an attorney who had exited his job approximately one year ago. **3.** The terms set forth In Resolution I-78 and Resolution 1-79 do not reflect the terms of the financial agreements that were approved by the Mayor's Tax Abatement Committee.

BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES RECEIVED

East Orange Planning Board – February 16, 2022 (via Video Conference)
East Orange Planning Board – February 2, 2022 (via Video Conference)
East Orange Planning Board – January 19, 2022 (via Video Conference)

REPORT OF OFFICERS
Constable Reports – February

Muraad Rasheed
Devin Drake
William Cotton, Sr.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

ARTS, RECREATION and CULTURAL AFFAIRS – BRITTANY D. CLAYBROOKS

Lewis, Gomez, Garrett-Ward

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| Resolutions | I-82 | James Frances Holman - Memorial |
| | I-83 | Salma Abdallah – Commendation |
| | I-84 | Resolution Endorsing the Enactment of Assembly Bill, A938/S386, The “New Jersey Reparations Task Force Act” |

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING – CASIM GOMEZ

Leneus, Brent, James

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| Resolution | I-85 | Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement of Request for Proposal for Planning Consultants |
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FINANCE – VERNON PULLINS, JR.

Holman, James, Lewis

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| Resolutions | I-86 | Payroll #4 – 2/14/2022-2/25/2022 |
| | I-4 | Bill Approval & Payment Listing |
| | I-87 | Authorize Payment of Accumulated Absence Liabilities to Former Employee - \$66,688.94 |
| | I-88 | Authorize Payment of Accumulated Absence Liabilities to Former Employees - \$102,918.30 |
| | I-89 | Resolution Authorizing the Publication of a Request for Qualifications to Secure the Services of an Accounting & Financial Consultant for Administration for the City of East Orange |

HEALTH and EDUCATION – TAMEIKA GARRETT-WARD

Brent, Claybrooks, Leneus

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| Resolutions | I-90 | Resolution Accepting a Donation From the United Way of Essex and West Hudson for COVID-19 Education and Vaccine Uptake |
| | I-91 | Resolution Ratifying the Application to and Authorizing the Acceptance of Award From the NJ Department of Health’s State HIV Services Program 2022 |
| | I-92 | Resolution Authorizing the Department of Health & Human Services to Extend the Lease for Office Space at 185 Central Avenue |
| | I-93 | Resolution Ratifying the Application to and Authorizing the Acceptance of Award From the NJ Department of Health’s Federal EHE Program 2022 |

HOUSING, LICENSING and INSPECTION – CHRISTOPHER D. JAMES

Garrett-Ward, Leneus, Claybrooks

No Resolutions

PLANNING and GRANTS – BERGSON LENUS

James, Pullins, Holman

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| Resolution | I-94 | Resolution Authorizing the Application to the NJ Clean Energy Program Community Energy Planning Grant Program |
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PUBLIC SAFETY – AMY LEWIS

Pullins, Garrett-Ward, Brent

Resolution **I-95** Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of 12 Automated License Plate Recognition Technology Licenses From Packetalk for the City's Neighborhood Street Surveillance Camera System VIA Bergen County Co-Op Contract Bid 19-32

PUBLIC WORKS – MUSTAFA AL-M. BRENT

Claybrooks, Holman, Gomez

Resolutions **I-96** Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 for the Additional Structure Inspection of the Central City Garage Parking Deck Replacement
I-97 Resolution Awarding a Contract of Professional Services for the Milling & Paving of Various Streets – FY2022
I-98 Resolution Authorizing the Designation of Restricted Parking Spaces
I-99 Resolution Approving a Site Access Agreement Between the City of East Orange and Rudmar, Inc.
I-100 Resolution Authorizing the City to Advertise for Seasonal Landscaping Services at City Parks and Municipal Properties
I-101 Resolution Authorizing the Amendment of Resolution Number 407 of 2021 -Storm Water Control #51-200

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.

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Pullins, Garrett-Ward, Bent

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Resolution **I-102** Resolution Waiving the Twenty Day Effective Period for Ordinances No. 5 & 6 of 2022

Ordinances on First Reading

Ordinance No. 10 of 2022

An Ordinance Amending Sections 260-14 of the East Orange City Code to Provide for the Creation of No Parking – 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM (Nassau Place, Northbound & Southbound)

Ordinance No. 11 of 2022

An Ordinance Amending Sections 260-9 of the East Orange City Code to Provide for the Creation of No Parking – 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM (Watson Avenue, Westbound)

Ordinance No. 12 of 2022

An Ordinance to Amend and Supplement Chapter 260-9 of the Code of the City of East Orange for the Creation of Three-Way “T” Intersection Stop Sign (North Arlington Avenue and New Street)

Ordinance No. 13 of 2022

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 43 of 2021 Which Legalized and Regulated the Sale of Cannabis and Cannabis Related Products within the City of East Orange

Ordinances on Second and Final Reading

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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
CHRISTOPHER AWE
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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 10th
Monday, January 24th

Monday, February 14th
Monday, February 28th

Monday, March 14th
Monday, March 28th

Monday, April 11th
Monday, April 25th

Monday, May 9th
Tuesday, May 23rd

Monday, June 13th
Monday, June 27th

Monday, July 11th
Monday, July 25th

Monday, August 8th
Monday, August 22nd

Monday, September 12th
Monday, September 26th

Tuesday, October 11th
Monday, October 24th

Tuesday, November 14th
Monday, November 28th

Monday, December 12th
Monday, December 19th

**Regular Official
Meetings
6:00PM**

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Monday, January 24th (Virtual)

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