

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

Monday, June 27, 2022

5:30 P.M.

(Minutes from the Meeting of June 13, 2022)

**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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The following minutes are of necessity, condensed and abridged and do not purport to contain the full contents of the matters discussed. The items referred are subject to legal opinion as to validity.

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE MEETING
June 13, 2022**

The East Orange City Council met on June 13, 2022, at 5:30 P.M. in City Council Chambers, 44 City Hall Plaza, East Orange, and New Jersey. Adequate notice of such meeting was duly given in accordance with law, by publication in local newspapers and by posting on the bulletin board outside and within City Council Chambers.

On Roll Call the following Members of Council were present:

Casim L. Gomez; Jr.; Mustafa Al-M Brent; Tameika Garrett-Ward; Bergson Leneus; Brittany Claybrooks; Alicia Holman; Vernon Pullins, Jr; Amy Lewis; Christopher Awe

ABSENT

Christopher D. James

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Malee Wing, First Assistant Corporation Counsel
Dorothy Gallagher, CFO
Bruce Davis, Acting Chief
Monica Reed, Acting Director
Tiffany Harris-Delaney, Acting Director
Eladio Negrón, Acting Director
Rupert Bell, Acting Director
Monique Griffith, Director

Law Department
Finance
Fire Department
Human Resources
Planning
Code Enforcement
Public Works
Health and Human Services

ALSO PRESENT

Tony Jackson
Captain Darryl Wright

Mayor's Office
East Orange Police Department

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, shall give his/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.

COMMITTEES

100-ARTS, RECREATION & CULTURAL AFFAIRS
200-BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING
300-FINANCE
400-HEALTH AND EDUCATION
500-HOUSING, LICENSING AND INSPECTION
600-LAW AND LEGISLATION
700-PLANNING AND GRANTS
800-PUBLIC SAFETY
900-PUBLIC WORKS
1000-COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

100 - ARTS, RECREATION & CULTURAL AFFAIRS
BRITTANY D. CLAYBROOKS - CHAIRWOMAN
Lewis, Gomez, Garrett-Ward

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| 101. | Recreation Department | In Committee |
| 102. | East Orange Public Library | In Committee |
| 103. | Charles Williams – Memorial | Resolution to be presented |
| 104. | Iqua Colson – Retirement | Resolution to be presented |
| 105. | Bridgette Green – Commendation | Resolution to be presented |
| 106. | Yukima Vannoy – Commendation | Resolution to be presented |

200 - BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING
CASIM GOMEZ – CHAIRMAN
Leneus, Brent, James

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| 201. | Brick Church Mall | In Committee |
| 202. | Brick Church Urban Renewal | In Committee |
| 203. | Economic Development Corp. | In Committee |
| 204. | Board of Adjustment | In Committee |
| 205. | Community Development Corp. | In Committee |
| 206. | Sanford Evergreen Connector | In Committee |
| 207. | Resolution of The City Of East Orange, In The County Of Essex, New Jersey Authorizing A Loan To Brick Church Urban Renewal II, LLC, With Respect to The Brick Church Redevelopment Project | Resolution to be presented |
| 208. | Resolution Consenting to The Sale And Transfer of The Property Located At 84-88-90 Hollywood Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey And Modification Of Certain Applicable Deed Restrictions Pertaining to Same | Resolution to be presented |
| 209. | Resolution Designating 89 North Arlington St Urban Renewal, LLC As Redeveloper For 89 North Arlington Avenue and Authorizing St Urban Renewal, LLC For Property Identified on The Tax Map As Block 360, Lot 1, Commonly Known As 89 North Arlington Avenue | Resolution to be presented |
| 210. | Resolution Designating Upper Greenwood Realty, LLC as Redeveloper for 118 and 120 North 15 th Street and Authorizing the Execution of a Redevelopment Agreement with Upper Greenwood Realty, LLC | Resolution to be presented |

300 - FINANCE
VERNON PULLINS, JR. – CHAIRMAN
Holman, James, Lewis

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| 301. | Personnel | In Committee |
| 302. | Tax Refund | In Committee |
| 303. | Labor Negotiations | In Committee |
| 304. | Tax Revaluation | In Committee |
| 305. | Tax Sale Certificate | In Committee |
| 306. | In Rem Foreclosure | In Committee |
| 307. | Payroll #11 | Resolution to be presented |
| 308. | Stop Payments | In Committee |
| 309. | Legal Transfer | In Committee |
| 310. | Tax Payment Plan | In Committee |
| 311. | Tax Appeal Refund - \$24,468.36 | Resolution to be presented |
| 312. | Annual Tax Sale | In Committee |
| 313. | Tax Abatement | In Committee |

300 – FINANCE - Continued
VERNON PULLINS, JR. – CHAIRMAN
Holman, James, Lewis

314.	In Lieu of Taxes	In Committee
315.	Bills, Claims & Appropriations – 6.13.2022	Resolution to be presented
316.	Tax Sale Assignment	In Committee
317.	Tax Lien	In Committee
318.	Tax Lien Redemption	In Committee
319.	Budget Insertions	In Committee
320.	Status of Women	In Committee
321.	Auction	In Committee
322.	Duplicate Tax Payments - \$4,899.26	Resolution to be presented
323.	Authorize Payment of Accumulated Absence Liabilities to Former Employees	Resolution to be presented
324.	Resolution to be read Budget by Title	Resolution to be presented
325.	Authorize Temporary Emergency Appropriations Pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:4-1 et seq (The Local Budget Law)	Resolution to be presented
326.	Resolution Authorizing the Execution of A Settlement Agreement with Indigo 141 Urban Renewal, LLC; Indigo 240 Urban Renewal Co., LLC And Essence 144 Urban Renewal, LLC	Resolution to be presented

400 – HEALTH and EDUCATION
TAMEIKA GARRETT-WARD – CHAIRWOMAN
Brent, Claybrooks, Leneus

401.	Child Guidance Clinic	In Committee
402.	Health Department	In Committee
403.	Mental Health Board	In Committee
404.	East Orange General Hospital	In Committee
405.	East Orange Board of Education	In Committee
406.	Resolution Requesting That the State of New Jersey Legislature Amend N.J.S.A.18A:41-41C (Janet's Law) to Require That All Teachers In A Particular School Be Trained In Life Techniques	Resolution to be presented
407.	Resolution Ratifying the Application To And Authorizing Acceptance of Award from The NJ Department of Health's Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2023	Resolution to be presented
408.	Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of A Youth Leadership Grant Award from The Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse	Resolution to be presented

500 – HOUSING, LICENSING AND INSPECTION
CHRISTOPHER D. JAMES – CHAIRMAN
Garrett-Ward, Leneus, Claybrooks

501.	Rent Leveling	In Committee
502.	Affordable Housing Program	In Committee
503.	Housing Authority	In Committee
504.	Housing, Planning & Coordinating	In Committee
505.	Private Parking Rentals	In Committee
506.	Senior Citizens Housing	In Committee
507.	Housing Summit	In Committee

700 – PLANNING and GRANTS
BERGSON LENEUS – CHAIRMAN
James, Pullins, Jr., Holman

701.	Community Development	In Committee
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BERGSON LENEUS – CHAIRMAN
James, Pullins, Jr., Holman

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| 702. | Safe and Clean | In Committee |
| 703. | Small Tools Library | In Committee |
| 704. | Green Acres Grant | In Committee |
| 705. | Women’s Summit in Committee | In Committee |
| 706. | Resolution To Execute Grant Agreements to Accept U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) And Home Investment Partnerships (Home) Dollars For FY2021 (\$513,077.00) | Resolution to be presented |
| 707. | Resolution To Accept U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) And Home Investment Partnerships (Home) Dollars for FY2022 | Resolution to be presented |

800 - PUBLIC SAFETY
AMY LEWIS – CHAIRWOMAN
Pullins, Jr., Garrett-Ward, Brent

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| 801. | Police Department | In Committee |
| 802. | Fire Department | In Committee |

900 - PUBLIC WORKS
MUSTAFA AL-M. BRENT – CHAIRMAN
Claybrooks, Holman, Gomez

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| 901. | Capital Improvement Projects | under Construction |
| 902. | Streetscape | In Committee |

600 - LAW AND LEGISLATION
ALICIA HOLMAN – CHAIRWOMAN
Gomez, Lewis, Pullins, Jr.

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| 601. | Ordinances on First Reading | <u>Ordinance No. 17 of 2022</u>
An Ordinance to Transfer a City Property to Upper Greenwood Realty, LLC in the Greenwood Redevelopment Area Under the Auspices of N.J.S.A.40:12A-1 et. Seq., Known as the “Local Redevelopment and Housing Law” |
| 602. | Ordinance on Second and Final Reading | <u>Ordinance No. 16 of 2022</u>
Ordinance Adding a Loading Zone on Halsted Street – Dunkin Donuts |
| 603. | Bingo/Raffles | In Committee |
| 604. | A.B.C. | In Committee |
| 605. | City Council Rules | In Committee |
| 606. | Settlements | In Committee |
| 607. | Comcast/Suburban Cable Contract | In Committee |
| 608. | Taxi Cabs vs. Livery Licenses | In Committee |
| 609. | Resolution Exempting License Fees for Vendors at the Community Family Day | Resolution to be presented |

1000– COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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| 1000. | East Orange Parking Authority | In Committee |
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Meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:
Cynthia S. Brown, City Clerk

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

Monday, January 10th
Monday, January 24th (Virtual)

Monday, February 14th (Virtual)
Monday, February 28th (Virtual)

Monday, March 14th (Virtual)
Monday, March 28th (Virtual)

Monday, April 11th
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Monday, September 12th
Monday, September 26th

Tuesday, October 11th
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Monday, November 28th

Monday, December 12th
Monday, December 19th

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