

CITY OF EAST ORANGE
THE EAST ORANGE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

6:00 P.M.

CHRISTOPHER D. JAMES
City Council Chairman

First Ward

Christopher D. James
Amy Lewis

Second Ward

Christopher Awe
Brittany D. Claybrooks

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Bergson Leneus
Vernon Pullins, Jr.

Fourth Ward

Casim L. Gomez
Tameika Garrett-Ward

Fifth Ward

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Mustafa AL-M. Brent



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ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

SILENT PRAYER

SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Ordinance No. 34 of 2020

Ordinance Amending the 2015 East Orange Transit Village District Redevelopment Plan to Permit Ground Floor Office Space Uses Along Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard in Both the Central Business District and the Arts and Cultural District

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Ordinance No. 36 of 2020

Ordinance Amending Ordinance 17 of 2017 to Extend the Time Frame for Completion of the Execution of an Amended Financial Agreement Between the City of East Orange and SV 19 N Harrison Urban Renewal Entity, LLC

PRESENTATIONS

MINUTES

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Correspondence received October 13, 2020 from the Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders submitting a copy of **Ordinance No. O-2020-00013** – “Bond Ordinance for the Improvement of the Essex County College in and by the County of Essex, New Jersey, Appropriating \$1,000,000.00 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,000,000.00 Bonds or Notes of the County for Financing Such Appropriation”.
2. Correspondence received October 8, 2020 from the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding Area of Concern: One 550-gallon #2 Heating Oil Underground Storage Tank System Unrestricted Use – No Further Action Letter and Covenant Not to Sue, Block 611, Lot 4, 10 Dodd Terrace, East Orange City, Essex County, Program Interest #915956, Activity Number: CSP200001, Communications Center Number: 20-08-18-1628-45.
3. Correspondence received October 8, 2020 from the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding Area of Concern: One 550-gallon #2 Heating Oil Underground Storage Tank System Unrestricted Use – No Further Action Letter and Covenant Not to Sue, Block 523, Lot 19, 100 Amherst Street, East Orange City, Essex County, Program Interest #915191, Activity Number: CSP200001, Communications Center Number: 20-07-22-1600-20.
4. Correspondence received October 8, 2020 from the State of New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Taxation submitting a copy of the Certification of the Table of Equalized Valuations
5. Correspondence received October 8, 2020 from Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties submitting a copy of **Resolution No. 082/20** – “Resolution of the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties Certifying to the Local Finance Board its Compliance Regarding Annual 2019 Audit Pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:5A-17” and the Report of Audit on the Financial Statements of the Joint Meeting of Essex & Union Counties for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.
6. Correspondence received October 8, 2020 from Joint Meeting submitting Minutes from February 20, 2020, March 19, 2020, April 16, 2020, May 21, 2020 and June 18, 2020, the Annual User Charge Appointment Report for the year 2019 and the Annual Operational Report for the year 2019. Report of the Sewage Contribution of the Municipalities organized in Joint Meeting for the Purpose of Assessment for the year 2020.
7. Correspondence received October 5, 2020 from Indigo 240 Urban Renewal Co., LLC submitting a copy of the Financial Statements and Supplementary Information Project No. 031-11115 for the year ended December 31, 2019.

MAYOR’S COMMUNICATIONS

None

BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES RECEIVED

None

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Constable Report ~ September 2020

Muraad Rasheed

Tracy Williams

Derrick Barrett

August 2020

Tracy Williams

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

ARTS, RECREATION and CULTURAL AFFAIRS –TAMEIKA GARRETT-WARD

Pullins, Brent, Lewis

- Resolutions**
- I-289 Nigerian Flag Raising - Commendation
 - I-290 National Association of Nigerian Nurse, Incorporated - Commendation

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING – CASIM GOMEZ

Awe, Claybrooks, Brent

No Resolutions

FINANCE – CHRISTOPHER AWE

Lewis, Pullins, Holman

- Resolutions**
- I-291 Payroll No. 20 - 9/23/2020 – 10/2/2020
City Employees: \$2,694,682.03
Water: \$141,437.96
 - I-4 Bill Payment – October 13, 2020
 - I-292 Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement of Request for Proposal for Various Professional and Consultant Services
 - I-293 Resolution Authorizing the City to Enter into a Renewal Cooperative Pricing Agreement With the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council
 - I-294 Authorize Payment of Accumulated Absence Liabilities to Former Employees

HEALTH and EDUCATION – BERGSON LENEUS

Garrett-Ward, Holman, Claybrooks

No Resolutions

HOUSING, LICENSING and INSPECTION – ALICIA HOLMAN

Claybrooks, Gomez, Leneus

No Resolutions

PLANNING and GRANTS – BRITTANY D. CLAYBROOKS

Gomez, Leneus, Garrett-Ward

- Resolution**
- I-295 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with County of Essex for "Cares Act" Funding

PUBLIC SAFETY – AMY LEWIS

Brent, Garrett-Ward, Pullins

No Resolutions

PUBLIC WORKS – MUSTAFA AL-M. BRENT

Holman, Awe, Gomez

- Resolutions**
- I-296 Resolution Authorizing the Designation of Restricted Parking Spaces
 - I-297 Resolution Authorizing the City of East Orange to Secure the Services of: Engineering & Architectural Consulting Services and Surveying Services

LAW AND LEGISLATION – VERNON PULLINS, JR.

Leneus, Lewis, Awe

- Resolution**
- I-298 Resolution Authorizing Settlement of Litigation in the Matter of Prospect Park Apartments Urban Renewal, LLC V. City of East Orange

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 – TAMEIKA GARRETT-WARD

Pullins, Brent, Lewis

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT and ZONING – CASIM GOMEZ

Awe, Claybrooks, Brent

FINANCE – CHRISTOPHER AWE

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Resolutions

- I-299 Resolution Approving a Professional Service Agreement between the City of East Orange and Reliable Lock and Safety
- I-300 Resolution Approving a Professional Service Agreement between the City of East Orange and Essex Security Locksmith
- I-301 Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement of Invitation to Bid: Installation of Digital Signs at City Hall and Health Department

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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.

CALL OF WARDS

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EAST ORANGE CITY COUNCIL Public Meeting Dates 2020

East Orange City Hall
44 City Hall Plaza | East Orange, NJ 07018
Phone: 973-266-5120

& Times / 5:30 PM COMMITTEE DISCUSSION & AGENDA MEETINGS
6:00 PM REGULAR OFFICIAL MEETINGS



Meetings are held every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month.
Residents are Encouraged to Attend.

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 2020 Meeting Dates.

Formal action may take place at these Meetings. Executive Sessions may be held at Committee Meetings or at Regular Meetings. The Meetings will be held in the City Council Chambers located at 44 City Hall Plaza, East Orange, New Jersey. 07018

MONDAY, JANUARY 13th	TUESDAY, MAY 26th	TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13th
MONDAY, JANUARY 27th	MONDAY, JUNE 8th	MONDAY, OCTOBER 26th
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th	MONDAY, JUNE 22nd	MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9th
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24th	MONDAY, JULY 13th	MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd
MONDAY, MARCH 9th	MONDAY, JULY 27th	MONDAY, DECEMBER 14th
MONDAY, MARCH 23rd	MONDAY, AUGUST 10th	MONDAY, DECEMBER 28th
MONDAY, APRIL 13th	MONDAY, AUGUST 24th	CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2021 @ 6:00 PM
MONDAY, APRIL 27th	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th	
MONDAY, MAY 11th	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th	

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In accordance with Executive Order 107, the City of East Orange Offices are closed to the public.

For the safety of residents and employees, the Meetings of the East Orange City Council will be conducted via Video Conference, Streaming on Facebook Live-facebook.com/eocitycouncil until further notice.