

CITY OF EAST ORANGE
THE EAST ORANGE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

Monday, February 8, 2021
6:00 P.M.

CHRISTOPHER D. JAMES
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

Ordinance No. 2 of 2021

An Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 Et, Seq, Amending and Supplementing the Transit Village District Redevelopment Plan to Correct Errors in the Redevelopment Plan Identified Since its original Adoption in December of 2015

Ordinance No. 3 of 2021

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 60, Article VIII, Section 60-47 of the Code of the City of East Orange entitled "Holidays and Leaves of Absence"

PRESENTATIONS

MINUTES

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Correspondence received February 3, 2021 from State of New Jersey Department of Transportation regarding Award Approval – Various Streets – 2020 – East Orange, City of East Orange, Essex County MA-20 & UA-20.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

1. Correspondence dated January 22, 2021 appointing Renee Bowers Franklin to serve in the position of Acting Member of the Rent Control Board for a 45-day period beginning January 22, 2021.
2. Correspondence dated January 22, 2021 requesting confirmation of Renee Bowers Franklin to serve in the position of a Member of the Rent Control Board for a 3-year term. Said term will expire on January 22, 2024.

BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES RECEIVED

East Orange Planning Board – January 6, 2021 (via ZOOM Meeting)

REPORT OF OFFICERS

None

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

ARTS, RECREATION and CULTURAL AFFAIRS –TAMEIKA GARRETT-WARD

Pullins, Brent, Lewis

Resolutions

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| I-44 | Honorable Larry L. Johnson - Memorial |
| I-45 | Myrtle Francis (Rhodes) Birdsong
99 th Birthday |
| I-46 | "Friends for Fun" - Commendation |

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING – CASIM GOMEZ

Awe, Claybrooks, Brent

Resolutions

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| I-47 | Resolution Awarding a Contract for Planning &
Zoning Boards Consultant Services |
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FINANCE – CHRISTOPHER AWE

Lewis, Pullins, Holman

Resolutions

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| I-48 | Payroll #3 – 1/15/2021-1/28/2021 |
| I-4 | Bill Approval & Payment Listing – 2/8/2021 |
| I-49 | Authorize Payment of Accumulated Absence
Liabilities for Former Employee |
| I-50 | Duplicate Tax Payment - \$21,081.00 |
| I-51 | Resolution Awarding Contract for Municipal Budget
Consultant Services (City Council) - \$75,000 |
| I-52 | Resolution Awarding Contract for Municipal Budget
Consultant Services (City Administrator) - \$47,950.00 |
| I-53 | Resolution Awarding a Contract for Security Officer
Training Course |

HEALTH and EDUCATION – BERGSON LENEUS

Garrett-Ward, Holman, Claybrook4

Resolution I-54 Resolution to Authorize the Submission of a Grant Application to and Authorizing Acceptance of Award From, the New Jersey Department of Health's Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2021

HOUSING, LICENSING and INSPECTION – ALICIA HOLMAN

Claybrooks, Gomez, Leneus

Resolutions I-55 Resolution Imposing a Temporary Ban on Short Term Rentals Within the City of East Orange
I-56 Resolution Extending the Expiration Date of Parking Permits that Were Issued in 2020 Until the end of 2021

PLANNING and GRANTS – BRITTANY D. CLAYBROOKS

Gomez, Leneus, Garrett-Ward

No Resolutions

PUBLIC SAFETY – AMY LEWIS

Brent, Garrett-Ward, Pullins

Resolution I-57 Resolution Awarding a Contract for Towing & Storage Services

PUBLIC WORKS – MUSTAFA AL-M. BRENT

Holman, Awe, Gomez

Resolutions I-58 Resolution Authorizing the Designation of Restricted Parking Spaces
I-59 Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement of Invitation to Bid: Main Street Streetscape Improvements

LAW AND LEGISLATION – VERNON PULLINS, JR.

Leneus, Lewis, Awe

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 – TAMEIKA GARRETT-WARD

Pullins, Brent, Lewis

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT and ZONING – CASIM GOMEZ

Awe, Claybrooks, Brent

FINANCE – CHRISTOPHER AWE

Lewis, Pullins, Holman

HEALTH and EDUCATION – BERGSON LENEUS

Garrett-Ward, Holman, Claybrooks

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Claybrooks, Gomez, Leneus

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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.

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 are being conducted via video conference, streaming on Facebook Live - [facebook.com/eocitycouncil](https://www.facebook.com/eocitycouncil) until further notice.

Residents are allowed to 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 5:00 PM .

CALL OF WARDS

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