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## **REGULAR MEETING – CITY COUNCIL**

**-JUNE 22, 2015-**

Regular meeting of the City Council was held on Monday, June 22, 2015 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by the Council President.

Roll call showed the following members present: Councilmen Farina (left at 9:25 P.M.), Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -9.

Also Present: Robert Coupe, Director of Administration; Jeffrey Barone, Constituent Affairs; Evan Kirshenbaum, Assistant City Solicitor; Robert Strom, Finance Director; Anthony Moretti, City Council Internal Auditor; Patrick Quinlan, City Council Legal Counsel.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Farina, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and they stand approved as recorded. Motion passed on a vote of 9-0. The following being recorded as voting “aye”: Councilmen Farina, Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -9.

### **I. PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND COMMENDATION**

None.

**Council Vice-President Santamaria** asked that Mr. Filarski, City Council Grant Writer, be allowed to address the City Council.

**Mr. Filarski** stated that approximately a week ago, he found out that the City was awarded a Grant in the amount of \$161,934 from the Office of Energy Resources for the roof at Cranston High School West. It is calculated a savings of \$10,000 per year in energy cost.

### **II. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

(limited to docketed matters)

#### **2015 CRANSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT LOCAL FEDERAL JAG ALLOCATION “Cranston Police Department K-9 Vehicle Acquisition Project”. Presentation by Major Todd Patalano**

**Major Patalano** appeared to speak and stated that the City applied for a Grant for \$24,352 and the Department has decided to put these funds towards partial purchase of a Police Canine vehicle. The City’s balance would be \$13,110.

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The following appeared to speak regarding proposed Ordinances 4-15-05 and 4-15-06 – proposal for a Cumberland Farms:

- **Lori Dorsey**, 7 Pilgrim Dr., appeared to oppose to this project and asked that these two Ordinances be put on hold until the traffic issue on Park Ave. is addressed. This property is an eyesore, but Cumberland Farms does not belong at this location.
- **Steve Spirito**, 1286 Narragansett Blvd., appeared to speak in favor of this proposal and stated that Cumberland Farms would improve the neighborhood. It would also be a tax revenue.
- **Jonathan Stevens**, 29 Windsor Rd., appeared to represent the Edgewood Waterfront Preservation, opposed to this proposal. He stated that this development is out of scale, it is a highway use.
- **Matt Gendron**, 139 Smith St., appeared to oppose to this proposal at this location and presented a handout of assessment of properties in this area.
- **Michael Schlesinger**, 96 Ocean Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that there are schools in the area, children as well as adults walk this neighborhood. The traffic now is awful. With Cumberland Farms, it will get worse and create massive traffic problems. There are a lot of gas stations in the immediate area of this property.
- **Debra Fogarty Webber**, Cliffdale Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that Cumberland Farms abandoned Edgewood years ago. It used to be on Broad St. She also stated that once a gas station comes in, it will always be a gas station. No one has addressed air pollution and drainage. She questioned where this is going to go.
- **John Resseger**, 50 Malvern Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal.
- **Kim Ladefian**, 127 Warwick Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that traffic is really bad. Traffic gets backed up at the fire station and if there is an emergency, the fire and rescue trucks won't be able to get out onto Park Ave. As to Cumberland Farms, there will be rats, garbage, noise from delivery trucks. It would be too big for the corner. It does not fit into the area.
- **Carlo Spirito**, 1284 Narragansett Blvd., appeared to speak and asked that this proposal be tabled for a few months. There needs to be more dialogue between the developer and the neighbors.
- **Sheila Resseger**, 50 Malvern Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that she realizes that this area needs improvement, but this is not the right place for this development.
- **Resident** of 30 Phillips Ct., owner of a home and a gas station in Cranston, appeared to oppose to this proposal. He stated that since the Park and Reservoir Ave. Cumberland Farms opened, his business has suffered. He is a small businessman. He and the residents present this evening pay more taxes than Cumberland Farms would.
- **Mrs. Elhader**, owner of property at 87-95 Warwick Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that she cannot afford to close her doors. She is a single mom and is a taxpayer in Cranston.
- **Steven Pilz**, 35 Anthony Dr., Chair of Conservation Commission, appeared to speak and addressed the buffer requirement.
- **Resident** of, Roseland Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that this is not the place for a Cumberland Farms. There are a lot of walkers in the area and elderly and children.
- **Pat April**, 130 Park Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that this is an extremely busy intersection. The fire station will be dangerously impacted, as well as the neighborhood traffic, if this is approved. Property value will be impacted also.
- **Diane Lewis**, 183 Park Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that there is a convenience store directly across the street that will probably be put out of business if this is approved. There are enough gas stations in the area.
- **Denise Marcinko**, 9 Ivy Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that the City needs to get after the business owners at this intersection to clean up the buildings and make it look good.
- **Melissa Kearns**, 50 Waite Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal.

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- **Josh Petone**, 39 Roland Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal.
- **Owner** of 171 Park Ave., 182 Warwick Ave. and 172 Park Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that this could bring in crime in the neighborhood.
- **John Bolton, Esq.**, appeared to represent Cumberland Farms, and stated that most of this property is already Zoned Commercial. If this is approved, this would be the first step of a multi-step process, which would require a Special Use Permit by the Zoning Board of Review and Site Plan Review. If traffic is a concern today, this would be the perfect fit for this property because Cumberland Farms would not generate any traffic. The people going to the gas station would be people who are already traveling. The majority of this property has been vacant since 2003. The proposal before the Council is an opportunity for construction jobs, permanent jobs in the City. This would be an opportunity to take a property that has been vacant for twelve years and revitalize it. There is free competition and free business competition in this Country and businesses should not be denied based on the concern of competition.
- **Susan Hinckley**, 143 Ferncrest Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal.
- **Nancy Costello**, 660 Park Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal.
- **Lorraine Marshall**, 108 Beachmont Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal.
- **Mike Sepe**, 95 Massachusetts St., appeared to speak and stated that he served as a City Council member for ten years. He indicated that the business license for Miami Diner, which was located at this intersection when he served on the Council, was not renewed because of the traffic problems. The reason this property has been vacant is because the owners never put any money into this property to make it better.
- **Maureen Sullivan**, 62 Tucker Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal.
- **Don Wells**, 152 Columbia Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that he visited the Park and Reservoir location and also the proposed site and he understands the economics, but if you look at the size, it does not fit the neighborhood. The owner of the property ought to make it welcoming for new potential businesses.
- **Resident** of Magnolia St., appeared to oppose to this proposal.
- **Pat Rodriguez**, 83 Grand Ave., appeared to oppose to this proposal and stated that her husband operated a barber shop at this location and passed away in his establishment in September from a massive heart attack. She believes the heart attack was caused by concerns of him losing his business if Cumberland Farms was approved.
- **Hope Pilkington**, 12 Selkirk Rd., appeared to oppose to this proposal.
- **David Morris**, Mayflower Dr., appeared to oppose to this proposal.
- **Beth Lawrenson**, 10 Lincoln Rd., appeared to oppose to this proposal.

### **III. RESOLUTIONS**

None.

**IV. REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE**

**(Councilman Paul H. Archetto, Chair)**

**4-15-05 ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF 2010  
(Cumberland Farms –Intersection Park and Warwick Ave). Petition filed by  
Park Associates, LLC, Phala Long, Cumberland Farms. *Denied in Committee  
6/11/2015.***

Councilman Botts motioned to approve this Ordinance and Council Minority Leader Favicchio seconded the motion for discussion purposes.

Under Discussion:

**Councilman Botts** stated that he visited the area noticed that the property is a mess. As to taking business away from small businesses, this is a Zoning issue. What he sees now is an eyesore and it has been an eyesore for twenty years. He indicated to the Park and Reservoir location and stated that there are kids that walk to Cranston High School East and cross Park and Reservoir and there have been no incidents to date there. There could be incidents anywhere. As to the statement of it being out of scale, there is a Stop and Shop down Warwick Ave. and a CVS down Broad St. This would not be out of scale.

**Council Majority Leader Archetto** stated that this City Council does not want to discourage business in the City, but there is a large amount of opponents to this proposal. We need something in this area that is agreeable to the neighbors. As it stands right now, he will not be supporting this project.

**Council Minority Leader Favicchio** stated that what concerns him is there are 30,000 cars traveling this road every day and prior to this proposal coming before the City Council, there has not been any outcry of traffic problems in this area and this developer is being used as a scapegoat. No one in private industry has protection against competition. He understands the passion of the neighborhood, but this is not 1950, it is 2015. He had hoped the developer and the neighbors could have tried to work out some ideas on the structure.

**Councilman Farina** stated that he looks at the buildings that are there and he sees problems. There are buildings that are old that have not been developed since 2002. He would have liked to see this proposal tabled and to see if the developer and the neighbors could discuss the project and see if they could scale back the project agreeable to everyone. He stated that change is scary. Competition is tough, but to have a place that is sitting vacant and run down that would take millions of dollars that would be offset and refuse this proposal would be foolish. To deny this and not move forward would be foolish and not be the right move.

**Councilman Stycos** stated that what the City Council is being asked to do is change the law in order to open the gates so Cumberland Farms can run people out of business and ruin the neighborhood. This project is too large for this area. He does not want Reservoir Ave. in Warwick Ave. He urged the City Council to listen to the neighborhood.

**Council Majority Leader Archetto** asked what the Administration's position is on this proposal. Mr. Coupe stated that the Administration does consider this economic development. We estimate that tax revenue would be significant. He also stated that the Mayor's Office has received phone calls for and against this proposal.

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**Council President Lanni** stated that he is very concerned about the traffic problems. This situation will not make it any better. It does not conform with the neighborhood. Economic development is a wonderful thing and we need it, but economic development has to conform with the neighborhood and Cumberland Farms does not.

Roll call was taken on motion to approve the above Ordinance and motion failed on a vote of 3-6. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Farina, Botts, Council Minority Leader Favicchio -3. The following being recorded as voting "ayes": Councilman Stycos, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -6.

**4-15-06 ORDINANCE IN AMENDMETN OF CHAPTER 17 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005 ENTITLED 'ZONING' (Warwick and Park Intersection). Petition filed by Park Associates, LLC, Phala Long, Cumberland Farms. Denied in Committee 6/11/2015.**

On motion by Councilman Farina, seconded by Council Majority Leader Archetto, it was voted to deny the above Ordinance. Motion passed on a vote of 9-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Farina, Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -9.

**5-15-01 ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 10, CHAPTER 32 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED 'MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC' (Stop Horizon Drive at Comstock Parkway). Sponsored by Councilman Aceto.**

On motion by Councilman Farina, seconded by Councilman Aceto, the above Ordinance was adopted on a vote of 9-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Farina, Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -9.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**(Councilman Steven A. Stycos, Chair)**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REAL ESTATE TAX ABATEMENTS**

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Farina, the above Resolution was adopted on a vote of 9-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Farina, Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -9.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ABATEMENTS**

On motion by Councilman Farina, seconded by Councilman Aceto, the above Resolution was adopted on a vote of 9-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Farina, Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -9.

**TAX INTEREST WAIVER APPROVALS**

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Farina, it was voted to approve the list of Tax Interest Waiver Approvals as recommended by the City Treasurer. Motion passed on a vote of 9-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Farina, Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -9.

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**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: ALL EXISTING BONDS AND PERCENTAGE RATES BEING PAID.** (Continued from June 11, 2015)

**Mr. Strom** reported on the bond interest being paid on the 2005/2006 issues are at 4.46%, refunding will reduce the rate to 2.52%, saving the City \$382,052 in Fiscal Year 2016. The new bonds will be issued at approximately 3.8% with net savings for Fiscal Year 2016 of \$200,000. He also stated that we will not be extending the amortization period. We are refunding for five and eleven years.

**Councilman Stycos** asked why the higher rate on the new bonds. Mr. Strom explained that the higher rate is due to the longer period of financing, which is twenty years.

**CLAIMS COMMITTEE**  
(Councilman Michael W. Favicchio, Chair)

**REPORT OF SETTLED CLAIMS: (Informational purposes only):** Steven Piscopiello \$256.55 vehicle damage; Ronald A. Karp \$300.00 vehicle damage; Steven Pirri \$300.00 vehicle damage; Anna Marie Bacon \$50.00 property damage; Gail Manzi \$50.00 property damage; Matthew Ricci \$50.00 property damage; Paula Giocastro \$97.14 vehicle damage; Eileen M. Cook \$294.38 vehicle damage; The Trust for Town of Barrington \$6,892.80 vehicle damage; Brendan M. Bilodeau \$175.00 vehicle damage; Stephen P. Picano \$75.60 vehicle damage; Larry Meyerson \$121.77 vehicle damage; John Keogh \$125.64 vehicle damage; Pauline E. Traficante \$37.20 vehicle damage; Marissa L. Plante \$97.41 vehicle damage; Helen J. Burghardt \$95.63 vehicle damage; Meghan Kayata \$75.88 vehicle damage; Christopher R. Mariotti \$50.00 property damage; Kristina Cannon Smith \$115.98 vehicle damage; Walter R. Stewart, Jr. \$102.85 vehicle damage; Brian R. Terry \$59.16 vehicle damage; Kerrie Dilone \$133.75 vehicle damage; John F. Rowe \$190.00 vehicle damage; Robert & Lyudmila Bagdasaryan \$50.00 property damage; Frances M. Kearns \$56.63 vehicle damage; Janeen M. Danenberg \$81.31 vehicle damage; Delmer R. Levesque \$128.73 vehicle damage; Marie M. White \$208.44 vehicle damage; Janet M. Ward \$83.63 vehicle damage; Robert E. Burns \$73.52 vehicle damage; Molly Anderson \$1,000.00 personal injury; Donna D'Andrea \$75.20 vehicle damage; Frank Pettinato \$51.89 vehicle damage; Metaxia Capraro \$50.00 property damage; Diane Mitrelis \$127.76 vehicle damage; Paula Lynch \$118.82 vehicle damage; Joseph Oakes \$118.75 vehicle damage; Giuseppina Petrella \$111.24 vehicle damage; GEICO for Lexie Gluchacki \$4,878.27 vehicle damage; Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co. For Isaac Anderson \$5,915.03 vehicle damage.

No action needed.

**V. PUBLIC HEARINGS**  
(open to any matters)

None.

**VI. ELECTION OF CITY OFFICIALS**

None.

**VII. REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS**

**STANDING MONTHLY REPORT OF CITED PROPERTIES IN THE CITY**  
(Councilman Botts)

Council Vice-President Santamaria stated that he does not see the property at Park and Warwick Ave. , which was proposed to have Cumberland Farms, on this list. He asked if this property has ever been cited. Councilman Botts stated that even though this is not his Ward, he will be calling the Building Inspector's Office tomorrow regarding this.

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Councilman Farina left the meeting at 9:25 P.M.

## **VIII. EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS**

### **REPORT ON HIRING OF SPECIAL COUNSEL, CONSULTANTS, ETC., PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 15.05**

**Council Vice-President Santamaria** questioned who the law firm of Daley & Orton is and the amount they charge per hour. Solicitor Kirshenbaum stated that he will obtain this information and provide it to the Council.

### **REQUEST TO BE CONTINUED IN SERVICE FOR ONE YEAR: CHIEF WILLIAM MCKENNA, CRANSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT**

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council Minority Leader Favicchio, it was voted to approve the above request. Motion passed on a vote of 8-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -8.

### **REQUEST TO BE CONTINUED IN SERVICE FOR ONE YEAR: LT. JOSEPH GAVLIK, CRANSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT**

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council Minority Leader Favicchio, it was voted to approve the above request. Motion passed on a vote of 8-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -8.

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION ADVISE AND CONSENT ON THE FOLLOWING:**

- **BRIDGETT GRAZIANO, member reappointment for term ending 6/3/2018**
- **DOUGLAS DOE, member reappointment for term ending 6/3/2018**
- **CARL A. SANTUCCI member reappointment for term ending 6/3/2018**

On motion by Council Minority Leader Favicchio, seconded by Council Vice-President Santamaria, it was voted to vote on the above re-appointments as a block. Motion passed on a vote of 8-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -8.

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council Minority Leader Favicchio, it was voted to re-appoint **Bridgett Graziano, Douglas Doe and Carl Santucci** as members of the *Conservation Commission*. Motion passed on a vote of 8-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -8.

**CLAIMS SETTLED BY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE: D'Amico – Burchfield, LLP & Patricia Capirchio \$33,000.00 personal injury; Strauss, Factor, Laing & Lyons for Progressive Insurance Company \$4,262.50 property damage.**

No discussion.

**IX. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS**

**Council President Lanni** stated that he received his tax bill today and the year of the due date is wrong. It states 2014 rather than 2015. He also stated that constituents are calling him asking whether they should pay it or not. He called Mr. Barone to question this and was told it was a typo and the City will not be sending out corrected bills because it would be too expensive. There was an advertisement in the paper regarding this. Council President Lanni stated that it boggles his mind that no one caught this error.

**X. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS**

***COUNCILMAN STYCOS:***

- **Utilization of tax letter by Mayor to promote recycling in the City.**

**Councilman Stycos** stated that this item has been addressed and can be removed from the docket.

- **Tour of RIRRC**

**Councilman Stycos** stated that the City's Clean City Coordinator, Mr. DiCarlo, offered him and any other members of the Council a tour of RIRRC facility. He stated that if any of the Council members are interested to please contact him and he will contact Mr. DiCarlo.

- **176 Pawtuxet Ave.**

**Councilman Stycos** stated that this property has had scaffolding up for years. He complained to the Building Inspector a few years ago, but scaffolding is still up. He asked what can be done about this and how this can be addressed. Mr. Barone stated that he reached out to the Inspector and they will be doing a site visit. He also indicated that he emailed Councilman Stycos regarding this. Councilman Stycos asked that Mr. Barone follow up with him on what the Inspector finds.

***COUNCIL MAJORITY LEADER ARCHETTO:***

- **Street Sweepers Schedule**

**Council Majority Leader Archetto** asked if there is a schedule of where the street sweepers are and where they are going to be. Mr. Coupe stated that the Superintendent of Highway forwarded him information and indicated that all the main roads in the City are completed and have done quite a few of the side roads. As of last week, they completed Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 14, 15 and 16. This week they started with Districts 5 and 13. The expectation is all the side streets will be done by August 1<sup>st</sup> and they go back and do the main streets a second time.

- **Pot Holes - Council Majority Leader Archetto** stated that there are two large pot holes at Oxford and Princess Ave. and Elwyn and Princess Ave.
- **Friendly's Ice Cream - Council Majority Leader Archetto** stated that residents have contacted him regarding overgrown grass in the back of this building, which has not been cut.
- **632 Dyer Ave. - Council Majority Leader Archetto** stated that tenant is operating a construction business with heavy equipment trucks being parked there.

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- **188 Farmington Ave. - Council Majority Leader Archetto** stated that neighbors are complaining of strange odor emanating from this property and there are two mattresses in the year.
- **Street Sweeping - Councilman Aceto** stated that going past Memorial Day, no one should be sweeping streets anymore. He questioned what the reason is for going to August. Mr. Coupe stated that if we had to add additional driver, there would be a cost.

### ***COUNCILMAN PAPLAUSKAS:***

- **St. Mary's Feast**

**Councilman Paplauskas** stated that St. Mary's Feast is coming up and constituents have asked if streets where the fireworks are going to be operated, if there could be parking prohibited on one side of the street in order for rescue trucks to get by. He stated that those streets are: Colwell St., Briggs St., Kingwood St., Greene Ave. and Phenix Ave. He also asked if the City has extra trash bins that can be provided for people going to the Feast to use so they do not throw trash on the ground. Mr. Barone stated that he would have with the Public Works Office, but he asked where these trash bins would be placed. Councilman Aceto stated, mostly on the streets in the vicinity of where the fireworks will be going off.

### ***COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT SANTAMARIA:***

- **Extra Trash Bags Program - Council Vice-President Santamaria** stated that CVS still does not have extra trash bags for the new program. He asked if Administration to check on this.
- **Garden Hills – National Grid project** Councilman Santamaria and Favicchio inquired about this last month. **Councilman Favicchio** stated that there is some indication they'll be doing the whole street.
- **Paving List - Council Vice-President Santamaria** asked if the street paving list is available yet. Mr. Barone stated that he does not know. He also stated that the paving being done now is still from last year's list.

### ***COUNCIL MINORITY LEADER FAVICCHIO:***

- **Recycling**

**Council Minority Leader Favicchio** stated that he viewed the City's website regarding recycling and there are small videos on the website for people to view. He indicated that there is an awful lot of information on it.

### ***COUNCILMAN BOTTS:***

- **Paving at Tennyson and Mapleton**

**Councilman Botts** stated that the paving at Tennyson and Mapleton is horrible and ugly. He does not know who does the inspection, but the cuts are great, but the paving is horrible.

- **Street Sweeper Schedule**

**Councilman Botts** asked if the schedule could be placed on the City's website for the public. Mr. Coupe stated that he will check with the Highway Superintendent.

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**Mr. Strom** stated that there was an error on the tax bills that were recently mailed out. He stated that on June 1<sup>st</sup>, the City sent copies of the dates to the printing company. The printing company sent a sample to Treasury. The total amount on the bills is correct. The dates were not changed from last year. The printing company will be sending out a letter this week at no charge to the City showing the full year payment due date of July 15, 2015 and each quarter due date to reflect the year 2015. He also stated that this letter will also be posted on the City's website. It happened and we are not happy about it.

## **XI. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

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None.

## **XII. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS\***

**\*(for informational purposes. All new business is referred to Committee for public hearing)**

**6-15-01 ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 8.28 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED 'PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS' (Stagnant Water Accumulation Prohibited). Sponsored by Councilman Paplauskas.**

**6-15-02 ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 5.60 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED 'BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS' (Taxicabs – Female passengers). Sponsored by Councilman Stycos.**

**6-15-03 ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 12.04 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED 'STREETS AND SIDEWALKS GENERALLY' (Roadway Excavation Permit Fee). Sponsored by Councilman Stycos.**

**6-15-04 ORDINANCE RATIFYING THE IBPO (International Brotherhood of Police Officers Contract) LOCAL UNION 301 (FY July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2014) Sponsored by Mayor Fung.**

**6-15-05 ORDINANCE RATIFYING THE IBPO (International Brotherhood of Police Officers Contract) LOCAL UNION 301 (FY July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2017) Sponsored by Mayor Fung.**

### **Claims:**

- **Property damage claim of Jean Terry from alleged incident on 5/1/2015.**
- **Property damage claim of Michael Jusczyk from alleged incident on 4/27/2015.**
- **Property damage claim of Audra Krzyzek from alleged incident on 5/28/2015.**
- **Personal injury claim of Mario DelSignore from alleged incident on 5/26/2015.**
- **Personal injury claim of Fred Edwards, on behalf of Hunter Edwards from alleged incident on or about 8/30/2013.**

On motion by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Council Vice-President Santamaria, it was voted to refer the above new business to the respective Committees. Motion passed on a vote of 8-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilmen Stycos, Botts, Council Majority Leader Archetto, Councilmen Aceto, Paplauskas, Council Minority Leader Favicchio, Council Vice-President Santamaria and Council President Lanni -8.

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**XIII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ON CLERK'S DESK**

None.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 P.M.

Maria Medeiros Wall, JD  
City Clerk

Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees

(See Stenographic Notes of Ron Ronzio, Stenotypist)