



CRANSTON CITY COUNCIL

Regular Monthly Meeting

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Richard D. Campopiano, City-Wide
Christopher E. Buonanno, City-Wide

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Andy M. Andujar, Ward 3
Frank J. Ritz, Jr., Ward 4
Michael A. Traficante, Ward 5

***AMENDED AGENDA**

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026 at 7:30 P.M.

The regular monthly meeting of the Cranston City Council will be held on **Monday, March 16, 2026 at 7:30 PM. in the Cranston City Council Chambers, Cranston City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, RI 02910** for the purpose of conducting the items of business appearing on the docket. Remote participation is offered using the login information provided below, as posted on the City's website at www.cranstonri.gov and the Secretary of State's website at www.sos.ri.gov

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, COMMENDATIONS AND CITATIONS

None.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES *(vote may be taken)*

- ***Approval of the minutes of the February 17, 2026 Regular Council Meeting***
(Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)
- ***Approval of minutes of the March 2, 2026 Special Council Meeting*** *(Vote may be taken)* [\[click to view\]](#)
- ***Approval of the minutes of the March 4, 2026 Special Council Meeting*** *(Vote may be taken)* [\[click to view\]](#)

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENT – DOCKETED ITEMS

Public hearings under this section are limited to DOCKETED subject matters only. Public comment may be permitted and may be subject to time limitations.

Written public comment may be submitted via email to <https://www.cranstonri.gov/city-council-contact-form/> **no later than 4:00 PM on the Friday prior to the Council meeting** in order to be provided to the City Council before the meeting. All such written comments shall include your name and address. *(Vote may be taken to accept written comment and to place it on record)*

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VII. RESOLUTIONS

Resolution in Memory of Former Council President Carlo Spirito, Jr. Sponsored by Councilwoman Graziano, Councilman Buonanno and Council President Wall. (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

Resolution commemorating the celebration of St. Joseph's Day. Sponsored by Councilmen Andujar, Buonanno and Councilwoman Vaziri. (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

Resolution recognizing and celebrating St. Patrick's Day in the City of Cranston. Sponsored by Council President Wall and Council Vice-President Haroian. (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

****Resolution recognizing March as Women's History Month in Cranston.*** Sponsored by Councilwomen Vaziri, Graziano, Council Vice-President Haroian, Council President Wall and Mayor Hopkins. (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

VIII. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Report from the Chair, Councilwoman Vaziri, on the *CLAIMS COMMITTEE* meeting of March 2, 2026 Claims Paid (no votes) [\[click to view\]](#)

B. Report from the Chair, Council Vice-President Haroian, on the *SAFETY SERVICES & LICENSES COMMITTEE* meeting held March 2, 2026

A. CLASS BV LIQUOR LICENSE-NEW (Vote may be taken)

License Period: current date- 12/1/26

1. G & MK Corp d/b/a Ichiban Restaurant located at 146 Gansett Ave.
Hours: Mon-Sun 11am-10pm

OVER CAP AND REQUIRES FULL COUNCIL APPROVAL

C. Report from the Chair, Councilman Andujar, on the *FINANCE COMMITTEE* meeting held March 2, 2026: (vote may be taken)

1. Resolution Authorizing Real Estate Tax Abatements as requested by the Tax Assessor and recommended for approval by the Finance Committee January 5, 2026. (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

2. Consideration of Tax Interest Waiver Approvals (Vote may be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)

D. Report from the Chair, Councilwoman Graziano, on the *PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE* meeting held March 4, 2026 (no action, no votes)

E. *Report from the Chair, Councilman Andujar, on the **ORDINANCE COMMITTEE** meeting held March 4, 2026: (vote may be taken)*

2-26-01 *Ordinance in amendment of Title 10, Chapter 32, Section 030 of the City of Cranston Code of Ordinances, 2005, entitled "Multi-Way Stop Intersections-Enumerated". Sponsored by Councilman Traficante. [\[click to view\]](#)*

2-26-02 *Ordinance in amendment of Title 10, Chapter 12, Section 100 of the City of Cranston Code of Ordinances, 2005, entitled "Right Turns Prohibited". Sponsored by Councilwoman Graziano. [\[click to view\]](#)*

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR UNDOCKETED ITEMS (no votes)

Public comment may be permitted under this section, subject to time limitations, for **UNDOCKETED** items only. Written public comment may be submitted via email to the Council before the meeting at <https://www.cranstonri.gov/city-council-contact-form/> **no later than 4:00 PM on the Friday prior to the Council meeting.** All such written comments shall include your name and address. Copies will be provided to the City Council before the meeting and the record shall be noted. (*Vote may be taken to accept written comment and to place it on record*)

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X. ELECTION/APPOINTMENT OF CITY OFFICIALS

- *Appointment of Krystle Cook to the Tax Exemption Board of Review for term March 16, 2026 through life term as requested by Majority Leader Graziano (No vote to be taken) [\[click to view\]](#)*

XI. REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS

None

XII. EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

Legal Expense Analysis (no vote) [\[click to view\]](#)

XIII. COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS (no votes)

- *Charter school moratorium bill*

XIV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS (no votes)

Councilman Buonanno

- *Update on D.O.T. projects*

XV. COUNCIL BUSINESS MATTERS CARRIED OVER

None

XVI. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS

The following items of new business are listed for reference and for a vote to be referred to the appropriate Council sub-committee for a public hearing. The Council President may call for a motion to consider one or more of the new business items as a block:

3-26-01 *Ordinance ratifying School Committee's Collective Bargaining Agreement with Rhode Island Laborers District Council 1322, Tradespeople/Mechanic Unit. Introduced Pursuant to Charter Sec. 11.02.1. To Be Referred to Finance Committee April 6, 2026.*
[\[click to view Ordinance\]](#) [\[click to view Fiscal Note\]](#) [\[click to view CBA\]](#)

Advice and Consent of Mayor Hopkin's appointment of Robert Strom as Finance Director. To Be Referred to Finance Committee 4/6/2026. [\[click to view\]](#)

Request from Narragansett Electric and Verizon for joint pole location at Broad St. To be referred to Public Works Committee 4/1/2026. [\[click to view\]](#)

CLAIMS to be referred to the Claims Committee meeting of April 6, 2026 as follows:
(vote may be taken)

<u>CLAIMANT</u>	<u>TYPE OF CLAIM</u>	<u>DATE OF INCIDENT</u>
Angelo Conti	Personal Injury	April 15, 2023
Erica Nadler Romero	Personal Injury	December 3, 2023
Rosamaria Simpson	Property Damage	January 11, 2026
Vinod Doshi	Property Damage	January 25, 2026
Izene Gianfrocco	Property Damage	January 26, 2026
Margarita Reyes	Property Damage	February 2, 2026
Lorine Lemay	Property Damage	February 7, 2026
Rebecca Blake	Property Damage	February 19, 2026
Caroline Thurmond	Property Damage	February 20, 2026
Arnold Bennett	Property Damage	February 20, 2026
Maria Tortolani	Property Damage	February 21, 2026
Domenic Coro	Property Damage	February 21, 2026
Rianna Arpin	Property Damage	February 21, 2026
Philip Nemirow	Property Damage	February 21, 2026

Edith Jourdan-Grittner	Property Damage	February 21, 2026
Ralph Maiorano	Property Damage	February 23, 2026
Ronald & Robin Silvestri	Property Damage	February 25, 2026
Raymond Patriarca	Property Damage	February 26, 2026
Talia Petit	Property Damage	February 27, 2026
William Parks	Property Damage	February 27, 2026
Vannak Pouk	Property Damage	February 28, 2026
Daniel Cogean	Property Damage	February 28, 2026
Desiree O'Rourke	Property Damage	February 28, 2026
Paul Sanon	Property Damage	February 28, 2026
Zachary Arbit	Property Damage	February 28, 2026
Lauren Marchetti-Boyle	Property Damage	February, 2026
Vatekeh Newberry	Property Damage	March 1, 2026
Gregory Mahoney	Property Damage	March 1, 2026
Chris DeFruscio	Property Damage	March 2, 2026
Haylee Menta	Property Damage	March 2, 2026
Roberta Turchetta	Property Damage	March 3, 2026
Jonathan Ojuri	Property Damage	March 3, 2026
Sarah Denis	Property Damage	March 3, 2026
Michael Morrisette	Property Damage	March 3, 2026
Donald Enos	Property Damage	March 4, 2026
Jose Ibern	Property Damage	March 4, 2026
Simon Krasner	Property Damage	March 4, 2026
Karin Ash	Property Damage	March 4, 2026
Kelly Carroll	Property Damage	March 4, 2026
Judith Loens	Property Damage	March 4, 2026
Norma Jeschke	Property Damage	March 4, 2026
William Reilly	Property Damage	March 5, 2026
Alexander Bailey	Property Damage	March 6, 2026
Mark Thorstenson	Property Damage	March 6, 2026
Julie Furgasso	Property Damage	March 7, 2026
Kendra Cardente	Property Damage	March 7, 2026
Sarah Hopkins	Property Damage	March 7, 2026
Kareem Son-Sarlo	Property Damage	March 8, 2026
Demetrez Rivers	Property Damage	March 8, 2026
Stacey Ascioffa	Property Damage	March 8, 2026
Alexandra Catalano	Property Damage	March 8, 2026
Alexis Kuniyoshi	Property Damage	March 8, 2026
Dean Coutu	Property Damage	Unspecified Date

XVII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – NO ACTION REQUIRED *(no votes)*

None

XX. ADJOURNMENT *(vote may be taken)*

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