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## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Regular meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Monday, February 3, 2020, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 8:25 P.M. by the Chair.

Present                    Councilmember Paul J. McAuley  
                                 Councilmember John P. Donegan  
                                 Councilmember Edward J. Brady  
                                 Councilmember Christopher G. Paplauskas  
                                 Councilmember Kenneth J. Hopkins, Vice-Chair  
                                 Council Vice-President Michael W. Favicchio, Chair  
                                 Council President Michael J Farina

Also Present:            Daniel Parrillo, Director of Administration  
                                 John Psilopoulos, Deputy Director of Administration  
                                 Robert Strom, Director of Finance  
                                 Christopher Rawson, City Solicitor  
                                 David Dimaio, City Council Auditor/Budget Analyst  
                                 Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees  
                                 Heather Finger, Stenographer

### **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**

On motion by Council President Farina, seconded by Councilmember Brady, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and they stand approved as recorded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

## OLD BUSINESS:

- ***Tax Assessment Board of Review Decisions as of December 31, 2018 Councilmember Stycos's request from 1/6/2020 meeting - Report from Finance Director regarding abatement for 100 Sockanosset Crossroads and minutes of that Board's meeting to be provided to Committee.***

**Director Strom** indicated that Director Parrillo sent to Councilmember Stycos and Donegan a verbal video of the meeting of the Tax Assessment Board of Review decisions regarding this particular property.

**Chair** stated that he would also like to review this verbal video. He asked that this be continued to next month's meeting.

- ***Liability Insurance. Councilmember Donegan. Cont. 10/7/2019 & 1/6/2020.***

**Director Strom** stated that the City is doing a cost run information. He also stated that what the broker stated to him and the IT Department that it would take approximately 8-12 weeks before the report is compiled.

**Chair** stated that he would assume that that report would be referred to the Budget process. Director Strom stated that this could be discussed during the Budget process.

- ***Administrative Report on decommissioning estimates for solar farms. Councilmember Stycos. Cont. 1/6/2020.***

**Director Parrillo** stated that he spoke to Planning Director Pezzullo and the City is going to notify Hope that the City wants them to utilize Fuss and O'Neill.

**Council Vice-President Favicchio** asked who will pay for the services. Director Parrillo stated that Hope will pay them.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS:

- **Real Estate Tax Abatements**

No one appeared to speak in favor or to oppose.

On motion by Council President Farina, seconded by Councilmember McAuley, it was voted to recommend approval of this list of Tax Abatements as recommended by City Assessor. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Motor Vehicle Tax Abatements**

No one appeared to speak in favor or to oppose.

On motion by Councilmember McAuley, seconded by Council President Farina, it was voted to recommend approval of this list of Tax Abatements as recommended by City Assessor. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Tangible Tax Abatements**

No one appeared to speak in favor or to oppose.

On motion by Council President Farina, seconded by Councilmember McAuley, it was voted to recommend approval of this list of Tax Abatements as recommended by City Assessor. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Tax Assessment Board of Review Decisions as of December 31, 2018**

No discussion needed.

- **Tax Interest Waiver Approvals**

No one appeared to speak in favor or to oppose.

On motion by Council President Farina, seconded by Councilmember McAuley, it was voted to recommend approval of this list of Tax Interest Waiver Approvals as recommended by City Treasurer. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees