

**MINUTES CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP
NEW JERSEY**

THIS IS A CONFERENCE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD VIA AUDIO-VIDEO CONFERENCING ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call:

Present: Council Vice-President Tency A. Eason, North Ward
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr., West Ward
Councilman Weldon M. Montague, III, At-Large
Councilman Clifford R. Ross, At-Large
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson, South Ward
Councilwoman Adrienne Wooten, At-Large
Council President Kerry Coley, East Ward

Also Present:

Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator
Adrian Mapp, Director of Finance
Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer
Kenneth Douglas, Fire Director
Marty Mayes, Director of Planning & Public Works
Marlin Townes, Legislative Research Officer
Avram White, Deputy City Attorney
Tamara Robinson, City Clerk's Office
Maggie Homere, City Clerk's Office
Christopher Durkin, Essex County Clerk

Arrived at 7:06 p.m.

The City Clerk asked everyone to recognize a moment of silence.

The City Clerk announced the "SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall be allowed to participate in the portion of the Council Meeting for citizen comments via audio call in number and video conferencing platform by stating their name and address when directed to do so during the Citizen Comments or Public Hearing portions. Additionally, the public may comment at the Council Meeting by emailing their statements or questions to citizencomments@orangenj.gov or in written letter form directed to the City Clerk no later than 7:00 p.m. the day prior to the scheduled public meeting. The City Council reserves the right to respond or not respond during the meeting to any citizen's submission."

The City Clerk announced that the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:4-9 et. seq., "Sunshine Law" has been met. A notice of this meeting was sent to the Record Transcript, published in the Star Ledger on July 16, 2020, posted on the City's Website (www.ci.orange.nj.us) and the Council's Website (www.orangetwpnjcc.org) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

Council Vice President Eason introduced Christopher Durkin, Essex County Clerk to discuss the November 3, 2020 General Election. The following topics were discussed:

#2020 CENSUS

- Due to the Pandemic, the General Election will be primarily a Vote by Mail election.
- As of October 20, 2020, the County Clerk's Office has mailed out 17,500 mail in ballots to City of Orange residents and has received 4,190 back.
- No electronic voting machines will be available at the polling places.
- Residents can go to the polling places to either drop off their mail in ballots or fill out a provisional ballot.
- Disabled residents will be allowed to vote by an audio component hand held device.
- Encouraged residents to use the secured ballot drop box to return their ballots in any of the 25 secured ballot drop boxes in Essex County.
- Provided a detailed description on how to fill out and return a mail in ballot.
- The County Clerk's Office can be reached at (973) 621-4922 or at essexclerk.com for more information.

The City Clerk announced that resolutions and ordinances to be presented at tonight's meeting are listed on the attached Regular Meeting Agenda. If any Council Member wishes to discuss any resolution or ordinance, it may be discussed at this time.

The Council Members discussed the following Ordinance and Resolutions:

Ordinance: 52-2020.

Resolutions: 422-2020, 423-2020 and 424-2020.


Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilman Johnson, Jr., second by Councilman Montague, III.

The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 7:29 p.m.

Approved: December 1, 2020



Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk



Kerry J. Coley
Council President