

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
ORDINANCE COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 28, 2022**

ATTENDANCE: Marcus Brown, Co-chair; Ernest Newton, Aikeem Boyd, Jorge Cruz

OTHER: Thomas Gaudett, Deputy Chief of Staff; Michael Jankovsky, Associate City Attorney; Council Member(s): Jeanette Herron, Mary McBride Lee, Maria Valle & Rolanda Smith; Ebony Jackson-Shaheed, Director of Health; Eneida Martinez

CALL TO ORDER

Co-chair Brown called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M. There was a quorum present.

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 27, 2022 (REGULAR MEETING)

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES: OCTOBER 3, 2022 (PUBLIC HEARING)

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES: DECEMBER 13, 2022 (SPECIAL MEETING)

**** COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ MOVED TO CONSOLIDATE AND APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR THE MEETINGS OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2022; OCTOBER 3, 2022; AND DECEMBER 13, 2022 AS SUBMITTED.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

137-21

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, AMEND CHAPTER 5.16

- BARBER SHOPS AND BEAUTY SALONS. (NOTE: THIS ITEM CAN BE FOUND ON THE CITY CLERK'S

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**** COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ MOVED TO APPROVE ITEM 137-21 PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, AMEND CHAPTER 5.16 – BARBER SHOPS AND BEAUTY SALONS.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED THE MOTION.**

Atty. Jankovsky came forward to discuss this item. He noted that there was a typo in the ‘Be It Ordained’ section that needed correction and will be changed from 15.16 to 5.16.

Ms. Shaheed came forward to discuss this item. She noted that, prior to an actual written resolution, they did not have an ordinance like this in Bridgeport. Previously the municipalities were regulating these businesses.

Council Member Cruz asked if hookah lounges were covered by this ordinance.

Atty. Jankovsky said that they were not, and it only pertained to barber shops and beauty salons. Ms. Shaheed noted that the ordinance specified that no smoking was allowed in the shops.

Council Member Newton asked if there was a fine in place for violators.

Atty. Jankovsky said that there was procedures for licenses removal as well. Council Member Newton expressed his concern and said he wanted to ensure the establishments had the opportunity to appeal.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON MOVED TO CORRECT A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR IN THE ‘BE IT ORDAINED’ SECTION OF THE RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE REFERENCE TO CHAPTER 15.16 TO CHAPTER 5.16.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON MOVED TO APPROVE ITEM 137-21 PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, AMEND CHAPTER 5.16 – BARBER SHOPS AND BEAUTY SALONS. AS AMENDED**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE MOVED TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING FOR ITEM 137-21 PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, AMEND CHAPTER 5.16 – BARBER SHOPS AND BEAUTY SALONS. ON JANUARY 3, 2023 AT 6:15 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ADJOURNMENT

**** COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Ian A. Soltes

Telesco Secretarial Services