

ALL COMMON COUNCIL ACTIONS TAKEN AT THIS MEETING TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES AND CONTRACTS OR TO ACCEPT BIDS AND OTHER PROPOSALS REQUIRING THE EXPENDITURE OF CITY FUNDS ARE SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Mayor Rilling called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. and led the Assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked for a moment of silence in memory of Norwalk Fire Inspector Jess Granton.

Ms. King read the notice stating that the meeting was being audio recorded and videotaped with subtitles for public broadcast. She asked everyone to speak clearly, one at a time, into the microphone and said that assisted listening devices were available.

I. ROLL CALL

Ms. King called the Roll. The following Common Council members were present:

Council at Large:	Mr. Gregory Burnett	Mr. Michael Corsello
	Mr. Colin Hosten	Mr. Nicholas Sacchinelli
	Ms. Barbara Smyth (8:43 p.m.)	
District A:	Ms. Eloisa Melendez	Mr. Chris Yerinides
District B:	Ms. Darlene Young	
District C:	Mr. John Kydes	Ms. Beth Siegelbaum
District D:	Mr. George Tsiranides	
District E:	Mr. John Igneri	Mr. Thomas Livingston

At Roll Call there were twelve (12) Common Council members present and three (3) absent (Mr. Dumas, Mr. Hempstead and Ms. Smyth)

Also present were Mayor Harry Rilling, Corporation Counsel, Mario Coppola and City Clerk, Donna King.

II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting: August 13, 2019

- ** MR. IGNERI MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED
- ** MOTION PASSED WITH THREE (3) ABSTENTIONS (MR. KYDES; MR. LIVINGSTON AND MR. SACCHINELLI)

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation comments are not verbatim and represent a summarization of statements unless otherwise noted.

Ms. Anna Keegan, on behalf of the Human Relations Commission spoke in support of the rainbow crosswalk. She said it was important to not overlook the symbol that represents safety.

Ms. Christine Bisceglie spoke in support of the rainbow crosswalk. She said the Bike/Walk Commission supports it. She said it enhances safety and is a positive thing.

Mr. Sean Hazuda, Executive Director of the Triangle Community Center spoke in support of the rainbow crosswalk. He said it is a powerful symbol to the members of the LGBT community and shows how accepting people of Norwalk are. The location of the rainbow crosswalk is going to be the site of the 2020 “Pride in the Park” event.

Ms. Betty Ball, Skip the Plastic spoke in support of the ordinance to ban the use and sale of polystyrene products. She said those products are not recyclable and are not biodegradable. Fish and other marine life ingest it thinking it is food.

Mr. David Westmoreland spoke in support of the restoration of the Nathan Hale fountain. He said that for over 20 years members of the historical community worked to get it back from Wilton. They raised funds for the conservation and restoration of the fountain. Mr. Westmoreland also spoke in support of the rainbow crosswalk and said it will be a visible display of Norwalk’s welcoming spirit.

Ms. Diane Lauricella spoke in support of the ordinance to ban the use and sale of polystyrene products. She urged the addition of public education and to look at portable cleaners to wash the trays. She spoke about the Nathan Hale fountain and said it is the job of the Common Council to look at alternatives. She asked the Common Council to move that item back to Committee for one month. She said she would help raise funds.

Ms. Donna Smirniotopoulos spoke about the rainbow crosswalk and asked the Common Council to table the vote. She said she supports the idea, but said it could be done more cost effectively. In April, the Mayor cut the sidewalk and curbing budget so that they could be in line with the POCD. She said that the job of the Mayor and Common Council is to make sure it makes economic sense. There are better ways to spend \$76,000. It is a great idea, but it costs too much.

Mr. Joe Andrasko spoke in support of the rainbow crosswalk. He said it sends a welcoming message.

IV. MAYOR

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS RESIGNATIONS:

APPOINTMENTS:

**** MR. YERINIDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT**

ROBERT ABRIOLA, ARTS COMMISSION

Mr. Yerinides spoke in support of the appointment.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

REAPPOINTMENTS:

**** MR. YERINIDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENTS**

HELEN ROMAN GERSTEN, ARTS COMMISSION

MELISSA MATUSKA, ARTS COMMISSION

Mr. Yerinides spoke in support of the reappointments.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. BURNETT MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENTS**

MATTHEW BROVENDER, BOARD OF HEALTH

JANET KARPIAK, BOARD OF HEALTH

Mr. Burnett spoke in support of the reappointments.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENTS**

BRENDA PENN-WILLIAMS, HOUSING AUTHORITY

JEFFREY INGRAHAM, HOUSING AUTHORITY

CESAR RAMIREZ, HOUSING AUTHORITY

Mr. Kydes and Ms. Young spoke in support of the reappointments.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. HOSTEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENTS**

CAROL FRANK, FAIR HOUSING ADVISORY

JEFFREY INGRAHAM, FAIR HOUSING ADVISORY

Mr. Hosten spoke in support of the reappointments.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Ms. King administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Penn Williams and Mr. Ramirez.

MAYOR'S REMARKS:

Mayor Rilling announced the passing of Norwalk Fire Inspector Jess Granton. On September 11, 2019, Norwalk's Annual 9-11 Remembrance will be held in front of City Hall starting at 8:30 a.m. He noted that 14 Norwalk residents perished in the attack.

The 2019 Annual Mayor's Golf Tournament will be held on September 23, 2019 at Oak Hills Park.

Beginning next week, paving and milling will be done in the Wall Street area. Lines for the backed-in angle parking will go down the week of September 23, 2019. People will be available to assist people with parking.

The Grand Opening Reception for the Blue Teapot Café & Bakery at the Norwalk Public Library will be held on September 14th. The inaugural Norwalk Film Festival will be held on September 28, 2019. On September 9, 2019, the Norwalk Grassroots Tennis & Education held the ribbon

cutting of their new tennis courts. Mayor Rilling thanked everyone involved and said they can now hold USTA tennis tournaments there.

V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT

A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS:

B. CONSENT CALENDAR:

**** MR. TSIRANIDES MOVED THE FOLLOWING CONSENT CALENDAR:**

VI.A.1, VII.A.1, VII.A.2, VII.A.3, VII.A.4, VII.A.5, VII.B.1, VII.B.3, VII.B.4, VII.B.6, VII.B.7a, VII.B.7b, VII.C.2, VII.D.1a, VII.D.1b, VII.D.2., VII.D.3, VII.D.4, VII.D.5, VII.D.6a, VII.D.6b, VII.D.7, VII.E.1., VII.E.2a, VII.E.2b, VII.E.4, VII.E.5, VII.E.6a, VII.E.6b, VII.E.7a, VII.E.7b, VII.E.8

VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A. CORPORATION COUNSEL

1. AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE CLAIM: THOMAS BIFANO V. GEORGIA NYQUIST AND THE CITY OF NORWALK EXECUTIVE SESSION

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE HUMAN SERVICES COUNCIL FOR THE USE OF TAYLOR FARM PARK FOR THE KIDZFEST TOUCH A TRUCK & MORE TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019 FROM 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. SET UP TO BEGIN FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2019 AT 10:00 AM WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 500.

2. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH WOLFPIT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR THE USE OF WOLFPIT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GROUNDS FOR A PUMPKIN FESTIVAL TO BE HELD SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019 FROM 11:00 AM – 5:30 PM. SET UP TO BEGIN AT 7:00 AM WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 5:30

PM ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019. RAIN DATE OF SUNDAY OCTOBER 13, 2019. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 499.

3. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO TURF PRODUCTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A TORO GROUNDSMASTER 5910 (T4) FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$114,679.44. ACCOUNT #0920-6030-5777-C0486.

4. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO GENGRAS FORD, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FORD EXPLORER BASE 4X2 SUV FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$29,356.00. ACCOUNT #0918-6030-5777-C0486 = \$28,929.23, 0919-6030-5777-C0486 = \$426.77.

5. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CONSERVE ART LLC FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE NATHAN HALE MEMORIAL FOUNTAIN PROJECT #3915 FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$58,225.00. ACCOUNT #0919-6030-5777- C0624 \$45,000.00 AND ACCOUNT #014150-5585 \$13,225.00.

B. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORWALK AND ALFRED BENESCH & COMPANY FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE REPLACEMENT DESIGN OF THE WEST CEDAR BRIDGE OVER FIVE MILE RIVER IN NORWALK, CONNDOT PROJECT NO. 102-366, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$432,200.00. (FUNDING 80% FEDERAL, 20% CITY). ACCOUNT NO. 09 20 4021 5799 C0642 09 20 4021 5777 C0642 AUTHORIZED

3. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORWALK AND DEERING CONSTRUCTION INC. FOR PROJECT NO RD2019-1 CONCRETE, CURBS AND SIDEWALKS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$600,000.00. ACCOUNT NO. 09 19 4021 5777 C0318 09 20 4021 5777 C0021 09 20 4021 5777 C0318

4. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NY-CONN CORPORATION FOR PROJECT NO. 3936, TRANSPORTATION, MOBILITY AND PARKING (TMP) ON-CALL TRAFFIC SIGNAL EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$35,000.00. ACCOUNT NO. 09 16 4021 5777 C0232

6. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORWALK AND SEVERAL

OWNERS ABUTTING SEVERAL WATERCOURSES, SLATED FOR MAINTENANCE, UNDER PROJECT DPW2019-1 REMOVAL & DISPOSAL OF DEPOSITED SEDIMENT WITHIN THE WATERCOURSE, TO ESTABLISH A RIGHT OF ENTRY, SUBJECT TO SECTION 8-24 OF THE STATE STATUTES, IF REQUIRED.

7A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH EET ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC., FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$284,900.00. ACCOUNT NO. 09 17 7100 5777 C0119

7B. AUTHORIZE THE OFFICE OF BUILDING MANAGEMENT TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS ON THE CONTRACT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$28,490.00. ACCOUNT NO. 09 17 7100 5777 C0119

C. ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

2. APPROVE PROPOSED REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 32, CODE OF ETHICS, SECTION 32-3 (DEFINITIONS)

D. HEALTH, WELFARE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

1A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY UNDER THE 2019 PORT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,973.75

1B. AUTHORIZE THE POLICE CHIEF, THOMAS KULHAWIK TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL AGREEMENTS, DOCUMENTS, INSTRUMENTS AND AMENDMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT ALL PROGRAMS THROUGH THE 2019 PORT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO SAID FUNDING. ACCOUNTS TBD AND 030000 2660.

2. AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO HAVE EVERSOURCE ELECTRIC TO INSTALL NINE (9) NEW STREET LIGHTS ON BETMARLEA DRIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATTACHED PLAN AT AN APPROXIMATE COST OF \$180 PER MONTH TO BE PAID FOR FROM ACCOUNT NO. 0140 21-5241.

3. AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO HAVE EVERSOURCE ELECTRIC TO INSTALL TWO (2) NEW STREET LIGHTS ON EARL STREET IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATTACHED PLAN AT AN

APPROXIMATE COST OF \$40 PER MONTH TO BE PAID FOR FROM ACCOUNT NO. 0140 21-5241

4. AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO HAVE EVERSOURCE ELECTRIC TO INSTALL A NEW POLE AND THE ASSOCIATED WIRE FOR ONE (1) OF THE NEW STREET LIGHTS AT THE NORTH END OF CENTER AVENUE EXTENSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATTACHED PLAN AT AN APPROXIMATE ONE-TIME COST OF \$2,200.00 TO BE PAID FOR FROM ACCOUNT NO. 0140 21-5241.

5. AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO HAVE EVERSOURCE ELECTRIC TO INSTALL TWO (2) NEW STREET LIGHTS AT THE NORTH END OF CENTER AVENUE EXTENSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATTACHED PLAN AT AN APPROXIMATE COST OF \$50.00 PER MONTH TO BE PAID FOR FROM ACCOUNT NO. 0140 21-5241.

6A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM OPTIMUS HEALTH CARE INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$263,323 PER YEAR FOR CONTRACT PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2019 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 FOR THE WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC) PROGRAM.

6B. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL AGREEMENTS, DOCUMENTS, INSTRUMENTS, OR AMENDMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE WIC PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2019 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021.

7. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL AGREEMENTS, DOCUMENTS, INSTRUMENTS, OR AMENDMENTS WITH CABLEVISION LIGHTPATH, INC. (“LIGHTPATH” OR “ALTICE BUSINESS”) TO PROVIDE CABLE/INTERNET SERVICE FOR THE WIC PROGRAM FOR TWO YEARS FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2019 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021. ACCOUNT NO. 3520-74-5245

E. LAND USE & BUILDING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH FAMILY AND CHILDREN’S AGENCY FOR THE USE OF PORTIONS OF THE SECOND FLOOR AND THIRD FLOOR OF BEN FRANKLIN CENTER FOR ITS CHILDREN AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES FOR A PERIOD OF 5 YEARS, BEGINNING ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 TO AUGUST 31, 2024. ANNUAL

UTILITY PAYMENT SHALL BE INCREASED FROM \$2.50 PER SQ FT TO \$2.75 PER SQ FT.

2A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ALL STATE CONSTRUCTION INC. FOR THE NATHANIEL ELY ROOF TOP UNITS REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$60,433.00. FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM ACCOUNT 0920 7100 5777 C0266.

2B. AUTHORIZE THE OFFICE OF BUILDING MANAGEMENT TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS ON THE CONTRACT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$6,043.00.

4. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH NEWFIELD CONSTRUCTION, INC. AS THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER (CM) FOR THE NORWALK HIGH SCHOOL WOOD DOORS & PANELING REPLACEMENT PROJECT STATE PROJECT NO. 1030250 A/CV. TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

PRECONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES (INCLUDING REIMBURSABLE ALLOWANCE) \$15,000 CM FEES (% OF TOTAL TRADE BIDS) 2.50% CM CONTINGENCY (% OF TOTAL TRADE BIDS) 2.00%

FOLLOWING BIDDING PROCESS, FINAL CONTRACT PRICE (GMP) WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL. ACCT. #09195010 5777 C0619 & ACCT. #09205010 5777 C0619

5. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH NEWFIELD CONSTRUCTION, INC. AS THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER (CM) FOR THE NORWALK HIGH SCHOOL BLACK BOX THEATER/MEDIA PATHWAY, LEARNING COMMONS, MAIN ENTRANCE PROJECT STATE PROJECT NO. 103-0252. TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

**PRECONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES (INCLUDING REIMBURSABLE ALLOWANCE) \$25,000
CM FEES (% OF TOTAL TRADE BIDS) 2.50% CM CONTINGENCY (% OF TOTAL TRADE BIDS) 2.00%**

**FOLLOWING BIDDING PROCESS, FINAL CONTRACT PRICE (GMP) WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL.
ACCT. #09195010 5777 C0619 & ACCT. #09205010 5777 C0619**

6A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ANTINOZZI ASSOCIATES TO PROVIDE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – RENOVATE-AS-NEW PROJECT STATE PROJECT NO. 103-0251 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,565,500 ACCT. #09195010 5777 C0619

6B. APPROVE A CONTINGENCY FOR REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES AND ADDITIONAL SERVICES AS MAY BE REQUIRED FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.

7A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRO SHIELD INC. FOR THE NORWALK MARITIME AQUARIUM UNDERGROUND HEATING OIL STORAGE TANK REMOVAL PROJECT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$9,250.00. ACCT # 9177100 5777 C0543 AND #0919/207100 5777 C0476

7B. APPROVE A CONTINGENCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,000.00 FOR MISCELLANEOUS WORK AND REMOVAL OF APPROXIMATELY 7,000 GALLONS OF RESIDUAL OIL AT 0.94 PER GALLON. REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF CONTAMINATED SOIL (IF ANY) HAS NOT BEEN INCLUDED THIS CONTRACT.

8. AMEND COMMON COUNCIL ACTION OF JANUARY 23, 2018 ITEM VII.A.6A & 6B TO REPLACE BOARD OF EDUCATION FACILITIES STUDY IMPROVEMENTS CAPITAL BUDGET ACCOUNT NUMBER 09175010 5777 C0585 WITH BOARD OF EDUCATION NEW COLUMBUS SCHOOL AT ELY CAPITAL BUDGET ACCOUNT NUMBER 09185010 5777 C0607. AMENDED ACTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS WITH CHANGES HIGHLIGHTED IN BOLD:

“6A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH CLASSIC TURF COMPANY LLC FOR THE SPRINGWOOD ELY PARK TENNIS COURTS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$950,000. ACCT. # 0917/186030 5777 C0321, \$400,000 FROM 09185010 5777 C0607 AND \$300,000 FROM NORWALK GRASSROOTS TENNIS AND EDUCATION (ACCT. # TO BE DETERMINED)

6B. AUTHORIZE THE OFFICE OF BUILDING MANAGEMENT TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS ON CONTRACT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$95,000. ACCT. # 09186030 5777 C0321, 09176030 5777 C0364, \$11,169 FROM 09185010 5777 C0607 AND \$50,000 FROM NORWALK GRASSROOTS TENNIS AND EDUCATION (ACCT. # TO BE DETERMINED)”

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

B. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Due to a potential conflict of interest, Mr. Hosten recused himself and left the Common Council Chambers.

**** MR. IGNERI MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

2A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH LAYDON INDUSTRIES, LLC FOR PROJECT NO. TMP2019-2, ARTISTIC CROSSWALK AT WEST AVENUE AND CONNECTICUT AVENUE INTERSECTION FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$76,870.00. ACCOUNT NO. 09 20 4021 5777 C0648 09 18 4021 5777 C0562 09 19 4021 5777 C0021

2B. AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF OF OPERATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH LAYDON INDUSTRIES, LLC FOR PROJECT NO. TMP2019-2, ARTISTIC CROSSWALK AT WEST AVENUE AND CONNECTICUT AVENUE INTERSECTION FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$7,687.00. ACCOUNT NO. 09 20 4021 5777 C0648 09 18 4021 5777 C0562 09 19 4021 5777 C0021

Mr. Igneri said this has been a collaborative effort. He spoke about the durability of the material and the cost of the project. He said this same material was used on Washington Street. White Plains has had 12 of these intersections for a number of years. An RFP was sent, but they only had one response. Despite one bidder, they feel the cost was reasonable.

Mr. Burnett said the implementation of the rainbow crosswalk will be the first permanent rainbow crosswalk in Connecticut. It is an example of working together for a positive solution. He described the crosswalk and said it will require minimal maintenance.

Mr. Kydes said that it is a misconception that this project is being rubber stamped. He said he supports the project and feels it is money well spent.

Ms. Jessica Casey, Chief of Community and Economic Development said this project started a year ago when various groups came together with a goal. This is the first permanent crosswalk in Connecticut. She said they looked at the costs and the thermoplastic tiles will last for several years. A painted crosswalk will last a year. She said that the crosswalk is a welcome to the City of Norwalk and an economic development driver.

Ms. Casey reviewed the costs and said the installation will take about one week. If approved, they hope to do it in the fall.

Mr. Livingston commended the staff for putting this program together.

In response to Ms. Young's question, Ms. Casey described the location and the installation process. Ms. Young asked if the pavers will keep the ramps ADA compliant. Ms. Casey said the rainbow will be on one side of the pavers.

Mr. Corsello spoke in support of the item and pointed out the appropriateness of the location, near Heritage Wall.

Mayor Rilling said Norwalk continues to take the lead in these initiatives. He added that he would like to see more of these in the City. He thanked everyone involved for their hard work.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Hosten returned to the Common Council Chambers.

**** MR. IGNERI MOVED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

5A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PRIORITY LANDSCAPING, LLC FOR REMOVAL & DISPOSAL OF DEPOSITED SEDIMENT WITHIN THE WATERCOURSE (PROJECT DPW2019-1) FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$389,950.00. ACCOUNT NO. 09 15 4027 5777 C0440 09 17 4027 5777 C0440 09 18 4027 5777 C0440 09 19 4027 5777 C0440

5B. AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF OF OPERATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS, TO EXECUTE ORDERS ON CONTRACT WITH PRIORITY LANDSCAPING, LLC FOR REMOVAL & DISPOSAL OF DEPOSITED SEDIMENT WITHIN THE WATERCOURSE (PROJECT DPW2019-1) FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$38,995.00.

Mr. Igner explained that over the years, they have heard from residents concerned about flooding during heavy rains. This is an effort to cure some of the flooding.

Mr. Kydes thanked the Chief of Operations and Public Works and said he is glad to see a plan in place.

Mr. Hosten said this is long overdue.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Ms. Smyth joined the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

C. ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

**** MS. MELENDEZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

1. APPROVE NEW ORDINANCE: USE AND SALE OF POLYSTYRENE PRODUCTS

Ms. Melendez thanked everyone involved. She said they are trying to make Norwalk better and this is a step in the right direction. Mr. Livingston thanked Ms. Livingston for her leadership. He noted this has the attention of the State. Norwalk is joining over 100 jurisdictions in banning polystyrene.

Mr. Livingston said it was important to note there are a lot of readily available alternatives.

**** MR. LIVINGSTON MOVED TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE EFFECTIVE DATE TO APRIL 22, 2020, THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF EARTH DAY**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Ms. Smyth spoke in support of the ordinance and said this sends an important message.

Mr. Corsello said that there may be an additional cost to the schools, but their job is to educate the students to eliminate the carbon footprint.

Mr. Hosten said it is important that Norwalk is walking the walk. He added that he hopes Norwalk continues to be forward thinking.

**** MOTION AS AMENDED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

E. LAND USE & BUILDING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**** MR. LIVINGSTON MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

3. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH EVERSOURCE TO RECEIVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY INCENTIVE PAYMENT FOR THE PONUS SCHOOL ADDITION AND RENOVATION PROJECT FOR AN AMOUNT UP TO \$320,805.00

Mr. Livingston explained that this has to do with the addition at Ponus Ridge Middle School. Eversource will present the City with a check up to \$320,000.

Mayor Rilling thanked Mr. Lo and the design team.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

F. PLANNING COMMITTEE

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE MAYORAL CERTIFICATION AND APPROVE THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE PY44 CAPER TO HUD.

Mr. Kydes reviewed the item and said they were able to fund various request for good causes.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

X. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE

There were none this evening.

X. SUSPENSION OF RULES

There were none this evening.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

**** MR. IGNERI MOVED TO ADJOURN**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no further business and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Attest: _____

Donna King, City Clerk