

***Common Council Actions***

**COMMON COUNCIL**

**ACTION**

**JANUARY 14,2003**

**NORWALK, CONNECTICUT 8:00PM EST, COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**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 Knopp called the meeting to order at 8:22p.m. and led the assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. He then asked for a moment of silence in support of Ed Schmidt and his wife in memory of their son Jesse. He also thanked members of the council that attended the wake and plan to go to the funeral.

I. **ROLL CALL** 14Present P. Wien arrived 8:35p.m.

II. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

A. **Regular Meeting December 10, 2002**  
**Accepted as amended**

III. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 2 Speakers**

IV. **MAYOR**

A. **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

**Resignations: Tamara Napoletano - Board of Estimate & Taxation**

**Candace Schafer - Zoning Commission Announced**

**Appointments: See Attachments**

**B. REMARKS**

Mayor Knopp announced that he received letter of resignation from Councilman Joseph Mann. He wished him very well and has been a pleasure to serve with him on the Common Council.

Mayor Knopp stated that he attended a meeting of the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities and learned that the State of Connecticut is illegally withholding funds that are due the City of Norwalk and many other municipalities in the state.

**V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**A. CONSENT CALENDAR**

The following items are on consent: VII,B,1a,1b,C,1,E,1,2,F,1a,1b,3a,3b,G1a,1b; Consent to table to the next meeting VII,F,4a,& 4b; Consent to add Corporation Counsel VI,B1 (Settlement of Claim)

**B. OTHER GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENT, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**A. BOARD OF ESTIMATE & TAXATION**

1. **RESOLVED**, that a sum not to exceed \$75,000 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Purchasing Department to pay for a Communication Network Survey. Acct. No. 01-1362-5258. These funds will be used to reimburse expenditures incurred for the study from the following 3 Capital Fund Projects: Police Facility Acct. No. 09-034031-5777-C0137 \$25,000; Brookside School Acct. No. 09-035010-5777-C0171 \$25,000 and Brien McMahon High School Acct. No. 09-035010-5777-C0214 \$25,000. **RESOLVED**
2. **RESOLVED**, that a sum not to exceed \$670,000 be and the same is hereby transferred from Capital Funds for the acquisition of 288 Highland Avenue for incorporation into the Brien McMahon High School site. Acct. No. 09-035010-5777-C0237. **RESOLVED**

**VI. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**A. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

1. **Appointment Michael Mocciae, Director of Recreation & Parks.**  
**APPROVED**
1. **Approval of position and starting salary range for Director of Combined Dispatch & Emergency Preparedness Planning (\$72,500-\$79,275).** **APPROVED**

**B. PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE**

- 1a. **Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute an agreement with Texas Inmate**

**Phone (TIP) to install and maintain telephone equipment in the Norwalk Department of Police Services Building at no cost to the City of Norwalk.**

**AUTHORIZED**

- 1b. **Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute any and all amendments to the agreement with Texas Inmate Telephone.** **AUTHORIZED**

**C. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

1. **Authorize the Mayor Alex A. Knopp, to execute an Agreement with the Sullivan Group for their cost share of the repairs (2/3rds/\$20,000) to the Sand and Salt Storage Building at the Public Works Center, subject to the approval of the agreement as drafted by the Corporation Counsel's Office.**

**AUTHORIZED**

2. **Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute an Agreement between the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation and the City of Norwalk for State Project No. 102-300 Route 136, Painting and Rehabilitation of Bridge # 2295 (Route 136 over the Norwalk Mile River). This project requires the detour of traffic over City of Norwalk maintained streets including Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, West Avenue, East Avenue, Fort Point Street, North Main Street and Washington Street. The State's Contractor will install, maintain and remove all necessary signs to detour traffic around the construction site.**

**AUTHORIZED AS AMENDED**

3. Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute any and all documents necessary to grant an easement to the State of Connecticut over the property previously released to the City and shown on the map entitled "Parcel to be acquired from the State of Connecticut by the City of Norwalk" dated March 21, 2000, prepared by Milone and MacBroom, Inc., and revised on January 16, 2002 to add "billboard" and revised 11/21/02 to add "Easement to be granted to the State of Connecticut by the City of Norwalk" AUTHORIZED

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Accept and Approve the Report of the Claims Committee Dated January 8, 2002.

ACCEPTED

1. Approve Resolution appropriating \$670,000 for the Acquisition of land at 288 Highland Avenue and authorizing the issuance of \$670,000 Bonds of the City to meet said appropriation and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose.

APPROVED

2. For Informational Purposes only: Delinquent Tax Report.

4. Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to sign a contract with RCC Consultants to perform an Information Technology Communication Network Study for a sum not to exceed \$75,000.00.

AUTHORIZED

5. Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to sign a contract with Leshner-Glending to perform appraisals of commercial properties for the 2003 revaluation for a sum not to exceed \$318,000.00.

AUTHORIZED

A. ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Public Swimming Pool Ordinance APPROVED
2. Barbershops, Hairdressing and Cosmetology Shops Ordinance APPROVED

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1. Public Safety Board Ordinance APPROVED

A. LAND USE AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



**1a. Rescind action of the Norwalk Common Council on October 22, 2002 Item VII**

**D. 2. which: "Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute an agreement with Frederick P. Clark Associates, Inc. to provide traffic study for the Brien McMahon High School improvement project for a sum not to exceed \$10,000. Acct. #09035010 5777 C0237" NEW ACTION RESCINDED**

**1b. "Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute an agreement with**

**Barkan & Mess Associates, Inc. to provide traffic consulting services for the Brien McMahon High School renovation project for a total not to exceed \$12,000. Acct. #09035010 5777 C0237 AUTHORIZED**

**2. Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute an agreement with Hibbard &**

**Rosa Architects to provide architectural services (including construction oversight) for roofing replacement at Naramake Elementary School, Nathan Hale**

**Middle School, Ponus Ridge Middle School, Kendall Elementary School,**

**Jefferson Elementary School, Roton Middle School and Briggs High School for**

**an amount not to exceed \$68,800. Acct # 09035010 5777 C0261**

**AUTHORIZED**

**3a. Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute a contract with Merritt Contractors, Inc. to upgrade the passenger elevator at Norwalk High School, to comply with fire, life safety, ADA, and HC504 standards, for a total amount not to exceed \$66,900.00. Acct. # 09035010 5777 C0260 AUTHORIZED**

**3b. Authorize the Land Use/School Building Committee to issue change orders on contract for a total not to exceed \$6,690.00.**

**AUTHORIZED**

**4a. Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute an agreement with Simplex Grinnell to complete the Video Distribution System Project at Naramake School for a total not to exceed \$49,855.00 Acct. # 09005010 5777 C0064 and #09025010 5777 C0064 TABLED TO NEXT MEETING**

**4b. Authorize the Land Use/School Building Committee to issue change orders on Contract for a total not to exceed \$4,985.00 TABLED TO NEXT MEETING**

**5a. Approval to proceed with the acquisition of 288 Highland Avenue by eminent domain for the renovation of Brien McMahon High School/Center for Global Studies in the amount of \$670,000, and authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of the property.**

**APPROVED**

**5b. Authorize the inclusion of 288 Highland Avenue as part of the Brien McMahon**

**High School/Center for Global Studies renovation project and the submission of all forms and documentation necessary to the State Board of Education for project reimbursement. AUTHORIZED**

**5c. Authorize Fletcher Thompson to proceed with the design of Brien McMahon High School/Center for Global Studies renovation project with the inclusion of 288 Highland Avenue. AUTHORIZED**

**E. PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**1a. Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute any and all documents necessary to apply for and accept grant funds from the State of Connecticut for the Immunization Action Plan Program for the period January 1, 2003 to December 30, 2004. AUTHORIZED**

**1b. Authorize the Mayor, Alex A. Knopp, to execute any and all agreements, documents, instruments or amendments as may be necessary to implement the**

**Immunization Action Plan Program for the period  
January 1, 2003 to December 30, 2004. AUTHORIZED**

**VI. RESOLUTIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

1. A resolution concerning the regulation of smoking in public places submitted by Judith Rivas on behalf of the Public Health & Welfare Committee.

**IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE**

**NONE**

**X. SUSPENSION OF THE RULES**

**TO ADD ITEM VI B 1 UNDER CORPORATION COUNSEL**

1. Settle claim of Phil Tegano vs. City of Norwalk **AUTHORIZED**

**XI. ADJOURNMENT 9:55p.m.**

**APPOINTMENTS**

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**M/C**

**Nwlc Code §352A**

**Ann Cagnina (R)  
Sciabbarrasi**

**Succeed G.**

**36 Vanderbilt Ave.  
1/01/08**

**Term expires**

**Norwalk, CT 06854**

**Lawrence Losio (D)  
Lester Bell**

**Fill term of**

**342 Chestnut Hill Rd  
expires 1/01/05**

**Term**

Norwalk, CT 06851

**HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION**

M/C

Nwlc Code §69

Tony D'Andrea (U)  
DeLallo

Succeed R.

13 Carlin Street  
12/31/06

Term expires

Norwalk, CT 06851

**FAIR RENT COMMISSION**

M/C

Nwlc Code §39

Jonathon Nathanson (R)  
term of Jose Bermudez

Fill

4 Lowe Street

Term expires 7/01/04

Norwalk, CT 06854

ALL APPROVED

**RE-APPOINTMENTS**

**FAIR HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION**

M/C

Nwlc Code §59-A

Mary Corcoran (D)  
12/31/06

Term expires

104 Roton Avenue

09/01/05

Rowayton, CT 06853  
Services

Legal

Nathaniel W. Shipp (U)  
expires 9/01/05

Term

7 Geneva Road

Norwalk, CT 06850



**HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION**

M/C

Nwlc Code §69

**Patricia A. Clark (I)**  
**12/31/06**

**Term expires**

**37 Geneva Road**

**Norwalk, CT 06850**

**FAIR RENT COMMISSION**

M/C

Nwlc Code §39

**Richard Booth (R)**  
**7/01/05**

**Term expires**

**10 Hunters Lane**

**Norwalk, CT 06850**

**ALL APPROVED**

