

COMMON COUNCIL ACTION DECEMBER 14, 2010
NORWALK, CONNECTICUT 8:00 P.M. 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 Moccia called the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Moccia requested a moment of silence for the passing of Jack Casagrande and James Bellantoni.

I. **ROLL CALL:** 13 present
(Absent: Kydes, N, Lindstrom, L)

II. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Regular Meeting at Lockwood Mathews Mansion: November 23, 2010
APPROVED WITH CORRECTIONS
(Abstention: Romano, J.)

III. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** 6

IV. **MAYOR**

A. **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

RESIGNATIONS:

APPOINTMENTS:

REAPPOINTMENTS: Kenneth Lalime, Board of Health **APPROVED**
Theresa Quell, Board of Health **APPROVED**

MAYOR'S REMARKS: Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and those of the Jewish faith I hope you had a great Hanukah. As we move forward in the New Year with new leadership in the Council - I know she is not here, but I wanted to extended my thanks to Laurel Lindstrom as minority leader, Richard Bonenfant as Majority leader and Council President Doug Hempstead. I think we've had differences on the floor but I truly believe that we all worked through our differences. Also, I take seriously the taxes and the resources available. As we move through the budget process it will be another difficult year and the tax payers are concerned about expenditures. When it comes to budgets and expenditures you cannot have it both ways, there has to be a balance. I hope that balance is taken into consideration. I also want to say that it has been a good year - considering other towns, we have not had layoffs and reduction. I have the pleasure of walking into the building everyday and working with the best workers in the City or, I think, in the country. Day and day out, people come to me and tell me what a good group of people we have working here. It has been an honor to serve the last year and I look forward to serving with the best workers.

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V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT

A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS: I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I just have a couple of remarks and then I am going to ask for a suspension of the rules for the Election of the council president. I want to thank those who supported me when I became council president and appreciate that I wanted to do a couple of things differently than they have done in the past. My list was a lot longer than what I thought I could do. I appreciate all the work from the Council, and until you get on the inside from the outside, you don't realize how much work is involved. I would like to move for a suspension of the rules.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR: The following items are on consent: **VII.A.1a, VII.A.1b, VII.B.1, VII.B.2, VII.B.3, VII.B.4, VII.B.5, VII.C.2a, VII.C.2b, VII.C.3, VII.C.4, VII.C.5, VII.E.1, VII.E.2.**

VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARD AND COMMISSIONS

A. BOARD OF ESTIMATE & TAXATION

FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011

1. **RESOLVED**, that a sum not to exceed \$50,816 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Registrar of Voters to cover expenses associated with the August 10th primary election. (Account #various).

RESOLVED

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. LAND USE AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

1a. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue a Purchase Order to McQuay International/Swan Associates for the purchase of two McQuay chillers for Norwalk City Hall for a total not to exceed \$239,600.00. Account #35017-556C (EECBG), 09117100 5777 C0439, 09091700 5777 C0439.

AUTHORIZED

1b. Approve contingency allowance in the amount of \$10,000 as may be necessary to modify the equipment.

APPROVED

B. FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Accept and approve the Report of the Claims Committee dated: November 30, 2010.

ACCEPTED

2. **FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY:** Monthly Tax Collector's report dated November 30, 2010.

ACCEPTED

3. **FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY:** Narrative on Tax Collections dated December 9, 2010.

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4. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue orders in accordance with the City Procurement Guidelines for personal computer workstations, laptops, printers, mobile data terminals, and obsolete asset disposal according to City IT Department technical specifications, for an amount not to exceed \$180,241.64. Account No. 09110600-5777-C0375 (Approved IT Capital item; no special appropriation required).

AUTHORIZED

5. Resolution appropriating \$400,000 for Capital Projects of the Sixth Taxing District and authorizing the issuance of \$400,000 Bonds of the City to meet said appropriation and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose.

AUTHORIZED

6. Authorize, the Mayor Richard A. Moccia, to execute any and all documents necessary to secure the repayment of a loan in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 from the City of Norwalk to the Sixth Taxing District for the renovation of the Rowayton Community Center, and \$300,000 for a fire truck, which was first authorized as part of the FY 2009-10 Capital Budget.

AUTHORIZED WITH AMENDMENTS

C. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

1. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute Supplemental No. 2 to the agreement with GM2 Associates, Inc., for the design of the project "Reconstruction of Rowayton Avenue at Metro North Railroad" for a sum not to exceed \$62,855.19. Account No. 0902040402100 5777 C0234.

AUTHORIZED

2a. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Agreement with FGB Construction for Project No. ARRA 2010-2 Pavement Preservation Project Seaview and Ponus Avenue State Project 102-341, for a sum not to exceed \$696,794.08.

AUTHORIZED

2b. Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute an Orders on Contract with FGB Construction for Project No. ARRA 2010-2 Pavement Preservation Project Seaview and Ponus Avenue State Project 102-341, for a sum not to exceed \$69,679.40. Account No. 0911-0400402100-5777-C0021

AUTHORIZED

3. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute the Master Agreement between the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation and the City of Norwalk Department of Public Works for Readjustment, Relocation, and/or Removal of Utility Facilities on Highway Projects.

AUTHORIZED

4. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an amendment to the agreement with FGB Construction for Project No. PM 2009-1, Proposed Pavement Management program, for a sum not to exceed \$65,500.00. Account No. 0909 4021 5777 C0021

AUTHORIZED

5. Approve the IP camera project detailed in the Wright-Pierce proposal of November 5, 2010, W-P Project No. 10917F, and authorize reimbursement to the Water Pollution Control Authority for that portion of work the related to the Public Works Center and Transfer Station in a sum not to exceed \$40,200.00. Account No. 09110600-5777-C0375 (IT capital account)

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6. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to sign the Resolution for Reconstruction of East Avenue (RESOLUTION FOLLOWS). **AUTHORIZED**

RESOLUTION

Reconstruction of East Avenue

WHEREAS, the City of Norwalk, CT has conducted a public hearing regarding the proposed project for the "Reconstruction of East Avenue" (ConnDOT Project No. 102-297; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norwalk, CT has made changes in the conceptual approach to the reconstruction of East Avenue in response to resident concerns raised at the first two public information meetings; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norwalk, CT has published legal notices and display ads, mailed letters with notification of the hearing along with a brief description of the project to municipal officials, agencies, and abutting property owners; and

WHEREAS, the most recent public hearing was held on November 18, 2010, from 7:00PM to 9:00 PM in City Hall, at which residents and elected officials had the opportunity to provide additional comments and voice concerns; and

WHEREAS, the South Western Regional Planning Agency and the Norwalk Traffic Authority have endorsed this project; and

WHEREAS, the Norwalk City Staff will continue to consider the comments and concerns of the residents and will work to incorporate into the roadway grass snow shelves, plantings, pedestrian amenities, underground utilities and other considerations to retain and/or improve the overall character of the neighborhood, the Common Council finds that the proposed project, Reconstruction of East Avenue (ConnDOT Project No. 102-297) are in the best interest of the City of Norwalk, and will promote the health, safety and general welfare of its residents and provide for convenience and safety of the motoring public and pedestrian traffic.

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Norwalk, Connecticut, based on the above information, and by virtue of this resolution, hereby fully supports the proposed project.

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D. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

1. Approval of Pay Plan Amendment 2011.

SENT BACK TO COMMITTEE

E. PLANNING COMMITTEE

1. Approve the City of Norwalk's Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice.

APPROVED

2. The Agency, operating as the City's CDBG Administrator, deems the Norwalk Housing Authority's PHA Plan for Fiscal Year 2011 – 2012 to be substantially consistent with the City's current Consolidated Plan, with the exception of Goal 1 (Page A1) of the PHA Plan, and seeks Council approval for the Mayor to execute the required Certificate of Consistency that must accompany this document when submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

APPROVED

VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL

IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE

X. SUSPENSION OF RULES – Election of Council President

XI. ADJOURNMENT at 9:15 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS

REAPPOINTMENTS

<u>BOARD OF HEALTH</u>	<u>M/C</u>	<u>Nwlk Code 57-4</u>
KENNETH LALIME (U) 137 Partrick Ave. Norwalk, CT 06851	APPROVED	Term expires – 12/01/13
THERESA QUELL (R) 3 Karen Drive Norwalk, CT 06851	APPROVED	Term expires – 12/01/13