

Common Council Actions

COMMON COUNCIL

ACTION

**JULY 24, 2001
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
NORWALK, CONNECTICUT**

8:00PM

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 ESPOSITO CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 8:15PM & LED THE ASSEMBLY IN RECITING THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

I. ROLL CALL 15 PRESENT

Appointment of Temporary Assistant City Clerk.

M. Cipriano, Temporary Asst. City Clerk

APPOINTED

II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

A. July 10, 2001 Regular Meeting

ACCEPTED

**III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
SPEAKERS**

5

IV. MAYOR

A. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

A. Light, Zoning Commission

APPOINTED

M. Riley Owens, Zoning Commission

APPOINTED

V. Katz, Planning Commission
REAPPOINTED

B. REMARKS

V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT

A. CONSENT CALENDAR ADOPTED AS
PRESENTED

Items on Consent: VI. – All except VI.A.1.f; A.1.g; VII. All except VII.A.1a; C6; C9

B. OTHER GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

Councilman Nolin extended compliments from the Council to Art Scialabba and the

Human Relations Commission for taking up the Brien McMahon High School yearbook issue and for giving the public a form to express their view points.

VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARD AND COMMISSIONS

A. BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION

1. Approve the Special Appropriations from the July 16, 2001 Board of Estimate & Taxation meeting:

Fiscal Year 2000-01

- a. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$25,219.00 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Registrar of Voters Office to pay for expenses associated with severance payments. (Account No. 01-1210-5110)

APPROVED

b. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$20,000.00 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Department of Public Works to cover the deficit in the Fleet Services automotive fuel and fluids account due to the increase in heavy duty vehicle use this past winter and due to the increased cost of gasoline and diesel fuel. (Account No. 01-4054-5331) **APPROVED**

c. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$9,725.00 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Historical Commission to pay for additional common area maintenance expenses associated with the Lease Agreement between the City and the Norwalk Museum partnership.

d. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$7,278.00 be and the same is hereby transferred from Increased Estimated Revenues to the Police Department to recognize federal funds received for Federal Asset Forfeiture. (Account No. 01-3010-5661)

APPROVED

e. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$603,372.00 be and the same is hereby transferred from Undesignated Fund Balance to the Department of Public Works to cover deficits in the Snow and Ice Removal Division accounts due to higher than anticipated amounts of snowfall and a colder than normal winter. (Account Nos. 01-4025-Variou) **APPROVED**

f. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$226,000.00 be and the same is hereby transferred from Undesignated Fund Balance to the Board of Education to pay for expenses associated with medical insurance costs. (Account No. 11-1157-25110-212)

APPROVED

Fiscal Year 2001-02

g. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$475,000.00 be and the same is hereby transferred from Increased Estimated Revenues to Other City Operating Charges to pay for expenses associated with conducting a comprehensive audit of the Norwalk Public School system. (Account No. 01-9999-5999)

APPROVED

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. FINANCE

1a. Authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$475,000.00 for an audit of the Board of Education and form a Selection Committee to review audit proposals submitted. The Selection Committee will consist of a member of the Common Council's Finance Committee (Friedrich Wilms), the City Finance Director, the Superintendent of Schools, a member of the Board of Education, and a member of the Board of Estimate and Taxation. The selection committee will make a report to the Common Council to be submitted to the City Clerk by noon on August 9, 2001, which will include: (a) vendor recommended, (b) scope of the audit, (c) contract amount, and (d) time frame of the contract. The Report will serve as the basis for an action item to be placed on the August 14, 2001 Common Council Agenda.

AUTHORIZATION GRANTED

B. CLAIMS

1. Accept and approve the Report of the Claims Committee, dated July 17, 2001.

ACCEPTED / APPROVED

C. LAND USE & BUILDING MANAGEMENT

- 1a. Authorize the Mayor, Frank J. Esposito, to execute an Agreement with New England Communications Corporation for the installation of telephone voice and paging systems at 5 elementary schools, for a total amount not to exceed \$178,742.00.

Account No. 2BB-211-32

AUTHORIZATION GRANTED

- 1b. Authorize the School Building Committee to issue Change Orders on Contract to New England Communications Corporation for the installation of telephone voice and paging systems at 5 elementary schools, for a total amount not to exceed \$17,874.00.

Account No. 2BB-211-32

AUTHORIZATION GRANTED

2. Authorize the Mayor, Frank J. Esposito, to execute a Release of an existing Public Access Easement across property located at 71 Osborne Avenue granted to the City of Norwalk by Hacienda D. & D., LLC, and recorded in Volume 3175, at Page 112, of the Norwalk Land Records.

AUTHORIZATION GRANTED

3. Accept a new Public Access Easement across property located at 71 Osborne Avenue to be granted by Hacienda D. & D., LLC., and authorize the Mayor, Frank J. Esposito, to execute any and all documents related to the acceptance of this easement.

ACCEPTED

- 4a. Approve the Assignment of the Agreement for elevator maintenance services at various City buildings by and between the City of Norwalk and Millar Elevator Service Co. to Schindler Elevator Corporation.

APPROVED

4b. Authorize the Mayor, Frank J. Esposito, to execute a Consent to Assignment accepting the assignment by Millar Elevator Service Co. to Schindler Elevator Corporation for elevator maintenance services at various City buildings.

AUTHORIZATION GRANTED

5. Rescind the Common Council action taken at its January 23, 2001 meeting under Item VII.B.2., which authorized the following:

"Authorize the Mayor, Frank J. Esposito, to execute a License Agreement with United Parcel Service for the installation of a "Letter Center" at Norwalk City Hall. Terms of the Agreement shall be as approved by the Land Use & Building Management Committee."

AUTHORIZATION GRANTED

6. Recommend the Historical Commission to proceed with request for Special Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$50,000.00 to dismantle the Incerto House for storage. Subject to the availability of additional funding, the Incerto House will be reconstructed on the Mill Hill Historic Complex.

APPROVED

7a. Accept the proposal from Silktown Roofing, roofing subcontractor for the Naramake School Renovation Project, to repair the roof at Naramake School and to provide the City with a warranty on the balance of life of the roof, subject to the City releasing money owed to Silktown in the amount of \$6,504.00. Source of funding to be determined by the Finance Department. Approval shall be condition so as to avoid any negative impact on on-going litigation.

ACCEPTED

7b. Authorize the Law Department to execute any and all documents necessary with Silktown Roofing to expedite the repair of the Naramake School roof.

AUTHORIZATION GRANTED

8. Authorize the Mayor, Frank J. Esposito, to execute an Amendment to the City's Agreement with Wiles & Associates Architects for architectural services for the West Rocks Middle School – Code, Renovation and Expansion Project, to extend the term of the Agreement for four months (to December 31, 2001), for a total amount not to exceed \$9,332.00.

Account No. 025010 5777 C0055

AUTHORIZATION GRANTED

9. Authorize the Law Department to negotiate with the property owners of Allen Road property (District 5, Block 14, Lots 33 and 36) on the acquisition of Parcels C and D, with the understanding that the City intends to use City funds as well as to seek outside funding to complete the funding package.

AUTHORIZATION GRANTED

VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

A. Respectfully submitted by Councilman William Wrenn re Clean Air.
(Attached)

IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE

X. SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

XI. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:02 P.M.

APPOINTMENT:

ZONING COMMISSION M/C
NWLK CODE §79

LIGHT, ANDREA (I)

Regular Member

7 Greenwood Place

Succeed R. Coley

Norwalk, CT 06854

Term expires 07/01/04

APPOINTED

OWENS, MARJORIE RILEY (R)

Alternate Member

5 Forest Street

Succeed N. Shipp

Norwalk, CT 06851

Term expires 07/01/04

APPOINTED

REAPPOINTMENT:

PLANNING COMMISSION M/C
NWLK CODE §79

KATZ, VIRGINA (U)

Term expires 07/01/05

22 Alden Avenue

Norwalk, CT 06855

REAPPOINTED

