

**COMMON COUNCIL  
NORWALK, CONNECTICUT**

**JUNE 8, 2010  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**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.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Moccia called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m. and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance, asking those present to remain standing after the pledge. Mayor Moccia asked for a moment of silence in recognition of the recent passing of a Connecticut Army National Guard Staff Sergeant Edwin Rivera of Waterford, who had ties with Norwalk. Staff Sergeant Rivera, 28, died as a result of injuries received from indirect fire on May 20 in Laghman Province, Afghanistan. Mayor Moccia extended his sympathies to the family on behalf of the City, and a moment of silence was observed.

I. ROLL CALL

Ms. Wink called the roll. The following Council Members were present:

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| Council at Large:   | Mr. Douglas Hempstead | Mr. Fred Bondi       |
| Mr. Richard McQuaid | Ms. Joanne Romano     | Mr. John Tobin       |
| District A:         | Mr. Richard Bonenfant | Mr. David Jaegar     |
| District B:         | Mr. Travis Simms      |                      |
| District C:         | Mr. Nicholas Kydes    | Ms. Laurel Lindstrom |
| District D:         | Mr. Clyde Mount       | Ms. Kelly Straniti   |
| District E:         |                       |                      |

Mayor Richard A. Moccia  
Attorney Robert Maslan, Corporation Counsel  
Ellen Wink, City Clerk  
Mr. Conroy, Mr. Hilliard and Ms. King were absent – Twelve members were present

**II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Regular meeting – May 11, 2010

- \*\* MS. ROMANO MOTIONED TO REMOVE THE MAY 11, 2010 MINUTES FROM THE TABLE.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. McQuaid requested a correction on page one to the motion for a correction to the April 27 minutes to change Mr. Bondi's name to Mr. McQuaid.

Ms. Lindstrom stated that she had requested a review of the tapes and this was not done because the motions on page 11 did not accurately reflect her votes. She requested the following corrections:

Page 10: Delete paragraph two that starts with Ms. Lindstrom.

Page 11: Change the vote in the first motion for the 2010-14 Consolidated Plan to ten votes in favor, and four opposed and move Ms. Lindstrom's name to the in favor listing. Change the vote in the second motion for the documents for the plan to the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development to ten votes in favor, and four opposed and move Ms. Lindstrom's name to the in favor listing.

**\*\* MR. BONDI MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE  
MAY 11, 2010 MEETING AS AMENDED WITH CORRECTIONS NOTED.  
\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Regular meeting – May 25, 2010

**\*\* MR. BONDI MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE  
MAY 25, 2010 MEETING AS SUBMITTED.  
\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH ONE ABSTENTION FROM  
RICHARD MCCQUAID.**

### III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Todd Bryant, of the Norwalk Preservation Trust Association, stated that he was there in support of item VII A5 for the Historic Resource Inventory for the Norwalk down town area. He stated that the consultant has a strong GIS component, and Norwalk would be one of the first towns to update into the GI system and that even the state was impressed with this system.

City Clerk Wink stated that there were no other names on the public participation sign-up sheet, and asked if there was anyone else in attendance that planned to speak on an agenda item. Hearing none, Mayor Moccia stated that public participation of the meeting would be closed.

### IV. MAYOR

#### A. **RESIGNATIONS:** Michael C. Salvator, Pension Board of Trustees

Mayor Moccia stated that Mr. Salvator had resigned a while ago, but it was difficult to find someone with the level of expertise that is required with a specialized field such as the Pension Board.

**APPOINTMENTS:** Edward G. Hynes, CFA, Pension Board of Trustees  
Mayor Moccia stated that Mr. Hynes resume is included in the packet, and as is noted, he is very qualified having both international and domestic experience in major financial organizations including UBS and currently as a Financial Advisor with Morgan Stanley. He added that he is grateful for Mr. Hynes willingness to serve on the Pension Board.

- \*\* **MR. MCQUAID MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF EDWARD HYNES TO THE PENSION BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 09/01/2011.**
- \*\* **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MAYOR'S REMARKS:**

Mayor Moccia stated that he will be attending The Conference of Mayors at the end of this week and thanks to the hard work of Todd Bryant, Mike Mocciae, Katherine Pytleski and Fred Bondi and all their work with Fodor Farm, the City of Norwalk will be receiving the City Livability Award. He added that Norwalk is one of five cities in the nation that will be receiving an award, and this is out of 250 cities in the U.S. that applied, which is a tremendous distinction and all of the individuals involved in the project should be very proud of this accomplishment.

**V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS - REMARKS**

Mr. Hempstead stated that this year's Memorial Day Parade was one of the finest in decades, and was well attended b both the public and members of the City departments and committees. He added that "Hats off" should be extended to the Parade Committee for one of the finest parades and DPW for the setting up before and the clean up afterwards, along with a message of thanks you to all veterans and those in active service.

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

The items approved on the Consent Calendar are in bold type as follows:

- \*\* **MR. HEMPSTEAD MOTIONED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR:**  
**VII.A.1, VII.A.2, VII.A.3, VII.A.5. VII.A.6, VII.A.7, VII.C.1, VII.C.2**
- \*\* **THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Consent Calendar - continued

**VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARD AND COMMISSIONS**

**A. LAND USE AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

1. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue Purchase Order(s) to RnB Enterprises, Inc. for the purchase of SmartBoards for Board of Education Special Education classrooms for a total not to exceed \$40,970.00. Acct. #09105010-5777-C0112.
2. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue Purchase Order(s) to RnB Enterprises, Inc. for the purchase of SmartBoards for various schools for a total not to exceed \$155,000.00. Acct. #09105010-5777-C0112.
3. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Agreement with Gill & Gill Architects to provide architectural design services for the Health Department Building for a total not to exceed \$ 9,350.00, plus an allowance of \$1,500.00 for reimbursable expenses. Acct. #09102012-5777-C0453
5. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Agreement with TKS Historic Resources Inc. for consulting services to prepare a Historic Resource Inventory of the Norwalk downtown area for a total not to exceed \$38,500.00 plus an allowance of \$1,500 for reimbursable expenses. Funding: \$20,000 from City Capital Budget and \$20,000 from State Preservation Trust. Acct. #09096310-5777-C0448
6. Approve Western Connecticut Convention & Visitors Bureau's request to sublease portion of the Gate House at Mathews Park to Norwalk Arts Commission.
7. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an agreement with SecurAmerica, LLC to provide security services at City Hall and the Libraries. The fee for the City Hall base contract for FY 2010-11 shall not exceed \$33,829; FY 2011-12 - \$33,829; FY 2012-13 - \$33,829; FY 2013-14 - \$34,289; FY 2014-15 - \$34,289. Overtime for City Hall for FY's 2011 - 2015 shall not exceed \$19,360 annually.

The fee for the Libraries base contract for FY 2010-11 shall not exceed \$62,375; FY 2011-12 - \$62,375; FY 2012-13 - \$62,375; FY 2013-14 - \$64,246; FY 2014-15 - \$64,246.

Funds for this service are available in the Operating Budget Accounts 014075-5266 for City Hall and 016200-5296 for the Libraries.

Consent Calendar – continued

C. PLANNING COMMITTEE

1. Authorize the circulation of the attached Request for Proposals in order to initiate the dissemination of Program year 36 CDBG funds associates with the After School Continuum *and approval by the Common Council and an authorization of the Mayor.*
2. Require the Norwalk Redevelopment Agency (Agency) to submit for Common Council's present and future approval requests for Certificates of Consistency with the City's Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development before forwarding such requests to the Law Department for the Mayor's signatures.

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A. LAND USE AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

4. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute a one-year lease extension with Leo Esposito for 35 Smith Street, Unit #1 for \$600 per month with Lessee responsible for all utilities.

Mr. Bonenfant stated that there was a correction to the agenda to reflect the address as 35 Smith Street.

- \*\* MR. BONDI MOTIONED TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, RICHARD A. MOCCIA, TO EXECUTE A ONE-YEAR LEASE EXTENSION WITH LEO ESPOSITO FOR 35 SMITH STREET, UNIT #1 FOR \$600 PER MONTH WITH LESSEE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL UTILITIES.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH THREE ABSTENTIONS (BONDI, MCQUAID, HEMPSTEAD.)**

B. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

1. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute the agreement entitled: "Agreement between the State of Connecticut and the City of Norwalk for the Construction, Inspection, and Maintenance of Pavement Rehabilitation Improvements at Various Locations Utilizing Federal Funds, Phase 2." State Project No. 102-TBD, Federal-Aid Project TBD.

Mr. Hempstead stated that he would move the item in the absence of the chair, Mr. Conroy, and requested Mr. Alvord to present the supporting documentation. Mr. Alvord stated that last year Norwalk was awarded \$1.9 million for the Pavement Preservation Program, and under federal rules, only one street (Martin Luther King Drive) would be done.

Mr. Alvord added that recent SPRPA action has now created an opportunity for Norwalk to get the remaining funds (\$600,000) rather than have them pooled into Fairfield County, but timelines are tight and new documents are required to be executed.

**\*\* MR. HEMPSTEAD MOTIONED TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, RICHARD A. MOCCIA, TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT ENTITLED: "AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT AND THE CITY OF NORWALK FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, INSPECTION, AND MAINTENANCE OF PAVEMENT REHABILITATION IMPROVEMENTS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS UTILIZING FEDERAL FUNDS, PHASE 2." STATE PROJECT NO. 102-TBD, FEDERAL-AID PROJECT TBD.**

**\*\* THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Amendment to the Agreement with Vanasse Hangen Bristlin, Inc. for 4R Pavement Management Program for a sum not to exceed \$100,000.00. Account No. 0911 4021 5777 C0021

Mr. Alvord stated that this item is just to make the five-year consultant services funded through the end of June, 2010. He explained that the specifications for our asphalt mixture are very complex, therefore is more expensive, but much more durable and lasting, and the inspector ensures that the mix is made to specifications. Ms. Lindstrom questioned the \$150,000 per year statement in the back-up and stated that it was unclear, and Mr. Alvord replied that the amount is for the June contract through December and represents the annual value of the VHB contract, and can only be put in what is available in the Operating Budget.

**\*\* MR. HEMPSTEAD MOTIONED TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, RICHARD A. MOCCIA, TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH VANASSE HANGEN BRISTLIN, INC. FOR 4R PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00. ACCOUNT NO. 0911 4021 5777 C0021**

**\*\* THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C. PLANNING COMMITTEE

3. Approve the attached List of Organization for the 2010 Neighborhood Assistance Tax Credit Program.

Mr. Tobin stated that he was recusing himself due to a conflict and left the Council Chambers at 8:35 p.m.

**\*\* MR. HEMPSTEAD MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE ATTACHED LIST OF ORGANIZATION FOR THE 2010 NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE TAX CREDIT PROGRAM.**

**\*\* THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. Tobin returned to the Council Chambers at 8:40 p.m.

IV. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARD AND COMMISSIONS

There were no reports from Departments, Boards and Commissions

VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL

IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE

There were no motions postponed.

X. SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

There were no suspensions of the rules.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Mayor Moccia announced that it was Councilman Mount's birthday.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

\*\* MS. STRANITI MOTIONED TO ADJOURN.  
\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Knox  
Telesco Secretarial Services