The Regular Meeting of the 31st Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on **Tuesday, September 6, 2022**, at 8:00 p.m., and was held remotely.

ACTION REPORT

INVOCATION: Delivered by Rep. Anabel Figueroa [8th District].

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President Curtis.

¹ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk Cottrell. There were 39 members present and 1 member absent or excused. (Reps. Adams, Baxter, Berns, Bewkes, Boeger, Campbell, Coleman, Cottrell, Curtis, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Garst, Gilbride, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jacobson, Jean-Louis, Ley, Matheny, Mays, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Pollack, Roqueta, Saftic, Sandford, Shaw, Sherwood, Stella, Tomas, Walston and Watkins were present; Rep. Summerville was absent. Rep. Summerville joined immediately after roll call, for a total of 40 members present. Rep. Baxter left the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Rep. Saftic left the meeting at 9:22 p.m. Reps. Berns and Nabel left the meeting at 9:27 p.m.

VOTING MACHINE STATUS: Not applicable; meeting to be held remotely.

2MOMENTS OF SILENCE: For the late: Officer Doug Robinson, from the 31st Board of Representatives; and Deaconess Dorothy E. Robinson and Osby McMillian, Jr., from Rep. Summerville.

³FILLING OF VACANCY:

1. A31.045 Vacancy on the Board of Finance (David Mannis'

resignation)

08/02/22 –Submitted by Rep. Sherwood 08/31/22 – Laura Burwick Approved by

Committee 7-0-1

APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

¹ Video Time Stamp 00:03:19

² Video Time Stamp 00:08:05

³ Video Time Stamp 0:08:48

4COMMUNICATIONS: Clerk Cottrell announced that:

- 1. Representatives Baxter, Ley and Miller are celebrating Birthdays this month
- 2. The invocation for the October Board Meeting will be the responsibility of the representatives from the 9th District (Reps. Stella and Watson). Representatives are responsible for notifying the Board office with the name of the person doing the invocation.
- 3. The Deadline for Steering is Wednesday, September 7th at 5:00 p.m.
- 4. The Steering Committee meeting will be on Monday, September 12 at 7:00 p.m.
- 5. Next month's Regular Board Meeting will be on October 3rd at 8:00 p.m.
- 6. The Board office will be closed on Monday, October 10th.
- 7. The Board's Ethics Training and meet & greet with the Mayor's Cabinet is this Saturday from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Harry Bennett Branch of the Ferguson Library. If you have not already done so, please RSVP to Aaron Miller at AMiller1@StamfordCT.gov by tomorrow.
- 8. Representative Garst will be the Teller for the republicans
- 9. If you need assistance with Zoom during the meeting, please call: to speak with IT. Please do not call other members of the Board or the Board office. If you are having problems speaking or hearing with your computer, you can always access the meeting through a telephone by dialing the phone number on the Agenda 1-646-558-8656, and using the Webinar ID on the agenda: 814 7054 1826. Please call or text IT at or text the Clerk at 475-489-5435 to let us know you are coming on, with the phone number you are using, and we will make sure you are able to speak during the meeting.
- 10. If you do not respond during a roll call vote, your name will be called 2 more times after the conclusion of the vote. If you do not respond, you will be assumed to have left the meeting and your name will not be called on the next roll call vote.
- 11. If you decide to leave the meeting, you must text the Clerk when you leave. If you need to leave the meeting for a short period, text the Clerk when you leave and return. Members who do not text the Clerk when they leave the meeting will be presumed to be present for all consent items.

President Curtis announced that Rep. Garst will be serving as Alternate Teller.

5HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION; Congratulating the Stamford Stars
12U Softball Team for Advancing to the World
Series.
08/01/22 – Submitted by Reps. Fedeli and Nabel

2. RESOLUTION; Congratulating the Stamford Babe
Ruth 16-18 Boys Baseball Team for Advancing to the World Series.

08/01/22 – Submitted by Reps. Fedeli and Nabel

APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE

A motion to approve Item No. 2 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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⁵ Video Time Stamp 00:14:13

⁶PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION: Kieran Edmondson spoke about the climate emergency and budgeting for Springdale Elementary School. John Flynn spoke of wifi dangers and alleged corruption. Sam Magliari spoke about alleged corruption. Susan Halpern spoke about the upcoming meeting with DEEP in the South End. Chris Dawson spoke about the need for housing. Mike Papa spoke about stewardship. Jordan Force spoke about the need for affordable housing. Maureen Boylan spoke about noise in Shippan.

STANDING COMMITTEES

⁷STEERING COMMITTEE:

Attendance Minutes & Video Meeting: Monday, August 8, 2022 7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

A motion to waive the Steering Committee report was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

1. S31.002

RESOLUTION; Appointment of Members of the Board of Representatives to Attend Hearings of the Planning Board in Preparation of a Proposed Capital VOICE VOTE

07/25/22 – Submitted by President Curtis

APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS (Reps. Fedeli and Goldberg Abstaining)

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

Attendance & Votes Minutes & Video

Denis Patterson, Chair Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair

Meeting: Wednesday, August 31, 2022 6:30 p.m. – by Webinar

The Appointments Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Patterson, and Committee Member Reps. Bewkes, Cottrell, Figueroa, Grunberger, Pavia, Summerville, and Walston. Absent was Vice-Chair Shaw. Also present were Reps. Coleman, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Miller, Morson and Sherwood.

1. A31.046 **Urban Redevelopment Commission** **HELD**

Fran Pastore (D) Stamford, CT

Term Expires: 12/01/2024

08/03/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/31/22 - No ActionTaken

Repl. Winkel

⁶ Video Time Stamp 00:21:06

⁷ Video Time Stamp 00:48:37

2. A31.047 **Zoning Board**

Alejandro Knopoff (U)

Stamford, CT Term Expires: 12/01/2024

08/03/22 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons

Repl. Gwozdziowski

08/31/22 - Approved 5-0-2

APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Reps. Bewkes, Figueroa, Sherwood, Stella and Summerville abstaining)

3. A31.048 Board of Ethics

Laura Indellicati (D) Repl. Hynes

Stamford, CT

Term Expires: 12/01/2022

08/03/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/31/22 - Approved 5-0-3

APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Reps. Bewkes, Coleman, Figueroa.

Sherwood, Stella and Summerville abstaining)

SEE VOTE ABOVE

4. A31.045 **Vacancy on the Board of Finance** (David Mannis'

resignation)

Interview of Laura Burwick

08/02/22 - Submitted by Rep. Sherwood

08/31/22 - Approved 7-0-1

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 2 and 3, was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

⁸FISCAL COMMITTEE:

<u>Attendance</u> & <u>Votes</u> <u>Minutes</u> & <u>Video</u> Monica Di Costanzo, Co-Chair Lindsey Miller, Co-Chair

Meeting: Monday, August 22, 2022 7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by webinar

Co-Chair Miller reported the Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chairs Di Costanzo and Miller and Committee Member Reps. Boeger (remotely), Coleman(remotely), Fedeli, Figueroa (remotely), Garst (remotely), Morson (remotely), Nabel, (remotely) and Tomas (remotely). Absent was Rep. Pierre-Louis: Also present were Sandra Dennies, Director of Administration; David Yanik, Controller; and Chris Dellaselva, Law Department.

1. <u>F31.075</u> \$40,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); C30727; BOE Long Term Facilities Implementation.

08/03/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 08/09/22 – Approved by Planning Board

/ /22 - To be Considered by Board of Finance

08/22/22 - Held by Committee 9-0-1

HELD

⁸ Video Time Stamp 00:58:58

Under a Suspension of the Rules:

2. F31.076

APPROVAL: Agreement between City of Stamford and RSM US LLP for Professional Auditing Services THE CONSENT

under RFP No. 863. 08/11/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

09/06/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 4-0-0

08/22/22 - Approved by Committee subject to

BOF Approval 8-0-2

APPROVED ON **AGENDA**

HELD 21-18-0

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 2, was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

9LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

Attendance & Votes Minutes & Video

Phil Berns, Co-Chair Susan Nabel, Co-Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, August 23, 2022

7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

Co-Chair Nabel reported that Legislative and Rules Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chair Nabel and Committee Member Reps. Boeger, Cottrell, Fedeli, Matheny, Miller, and Sherwood. Absent were Co-Chair Berns and Committee Member Rep. Jacobson. Also present were Reps. Baxter, Campbell, Coleman, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Figueroa, Garst, Grunberger, Ley, Mays, Morson, Patterson, Pollack, Roqueta, Stella, Summerville, Tomas, and Walston; Mayor Simmons; Sandra Dennies, Director of Administration; Bridget Fox. Chief of Staff: Janeene Freeman, Special Assistant to the Mayor, Doug Dalena. Chris Dellaselva, and Dana Lee, Office of Corporation Counsel; Erik Larson, Purchasing Officer; and Todd McClutchy, Crescent Housing Partners LLC.

1. LR31.024

RESOLUTION and public hearing; Approving the Sale of Property Located at 35 Crescent Street to Crescent Housing Partners, LLC.

03/31/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

04/12/22 – Approved by Planning Board

06/09/22 - Approved by Board of Finance 4-2-0

07/26/22 – Held by Committee 8-0-0

08/23/22 - FAILED in Committee 3-4-0

09/06/22 – Amendment to Previous Approval

Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-0 with attached

letter of recommendation

A motion hold Item No. 1 was made and seconded.

A motion to move the question was made, seconded and approved by a roll call vote of 29-8-2 (Reps. Adams, Berns, Bewkes, Campbell, Coleman, Cottrell, Curtis, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Garst, Gilbride, Goldberg, Ley, Matheny, Miller, Moore, Patterson, Pierre-Louis, Saftic, Sandford, Shaw, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Tomas, Walston and Watkins in favor;

⁹ Video Time Stamp 01:01:13

Reps. Boeger, Grunberger, Jean-Louis, Mays, Morson, Nabel, Pavia, and Pollack opposed; and Reps. Jacobson and Roqueta abstaining).

The motion to hold Item No. 1was approved by a roll call vote of 21-18-0. (Reps. Berns, Bewkes, Boeger, Campbell, Coleman, Cottrell, Curtis, de la Cruz, Figueroa, Garst, Matheny, Patterson, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Tomas, and Walston in favor; and Reps. Adams, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Gilbride, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jacobson, Jean-Louis, Ley, Mays, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Pollack, Sandford, Shaw, and Watkins opposed).

2. <u>LR31.033</u>	ORDINANCE for publication; Amending Chapter 164 of the Code of Ordinances, Noise, including Restrictions on Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers. 08/03/22 – Submitted by Reps. Nabel, Berns and Mays 08/23/22 – Held by Committee 7-0-0	HELD
3. <u>LR31.034</u>	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS; Planning Board and Board of Finance Recommendations Re: Triennial List of City-Owned and Leased Real Properties as Transmitted by the Board of Finance; Specifically, Unused Property at 0 Haig Avenue. 08/03/22 – Submitted by Sandra Dennies 07/14/22 – Considered by Board of Finance 08/09/22 – Considered by Planning Board 09/06/22 – Recommendation of the Planning Board Accepted by Board of Finance 4-0-0 08/23/22 – Recommendation of the Planning Board Accepted 5-0-2	HELD BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

A motion to hold Item No. 3 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

ORDINANCE for publication; Amending Chapter 23, APPROVED ON

	Article II of the Code of Ordinances, Purchasing, and Updating Certain Provisions. 08/02/2022 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 08/23/22 – Approved, as amended, 7-0-0	THE CONSENT AGENDA		
5. <u>LR31.029</u>	APPROVAL; Amendment to the Board of Representatives Rules of Procedure to Amend Section III.C to add Requirements Regarding Submission of Documentation for Candidates to be Interviewed by the Appointments Committee. 07/06/22 – Submitted by Reps. Sherwood, Stella, Curtis, Cottrell, Figueroa, and Jacobson 07/26/22 – Held by Committee 7-0-0 08/23/22 – Approved, as amended, 7-0-0	APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA		
As a Secondary Committee: Appointments 09/21/22 Approved 5.0.2				

As a Secondary Committee: Appointments - 08/31/22 - Approved 5-0-3

4. LR31.032

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 4 and 5, was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Anabel Figueroa, Chair Mary Fedeli, Vice Chair

Chair Figueroa stated that there was no meeting of the Personnel Committee and no report.

¹⁰LAND USE/URBAN

REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Bradley Bewkes, Chair

Attendance & Votes Nina Sherwood, Vice Chair

Minutes & Video (Pt. 1 & Pt. 2) Meeting: Thursday, September 1, 2022

7:00 p.m. – by Webinar

HELD

Chair Bewkes reported that the Land/Urban Redevelopment Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Bewkes and Committee Member Reps. Adams, de la Cruz, Garst, Grunberger, Mays, Sherwood, Summerville and Tomas. Absent was Rep. Campbell. Excused was Rep. Matheny. Also present were Reps. Stella and Walston; Doug Dalena, Corporation Counsel; Josie Carpanzano, Deputy Director of Operations; Shawn Reed, Building Official; Frank Petise, Transportation Bureau Chief; and Ron Markey, Landscape Specialist.

1. <u>LU31.017</u> R

REVIEW; Recent State of Connecticut Legislation Related to State Control Over Local Zoning, Including but not Limited to Public Act 21-29, Previously H.B.6107, and Other Statutes or Proposed Bills Allowing as of Right Accessory Apartments, as of Right Higher Density Development, and Elimination of Single-Family Zoning Including the Process and Ability of Municipal Opt-Outs. 06/08/22 – Submitted by Reps. Bewkes and Sherwood 06/23/22 – Report Made & Held by Committee 10-0-0 07/28/22 – Held in Committee

As a Secondary Committee: State & Commerce

09/01/22 - Held in Committee

¹⁰ Video Time Stamp 01:20:15

2. LU31.018 REVIEW; Recent Transit Oriented Development

Legislation and Measures Proposed or Passed by the City of Stamford and State of Connecticut. 06/08/22 - Submitted by Reps. Bewkes and

HELD

APPROVED ON

THE CONSENT

AGENDA

Sherwood

06/23/22 - Held by Committee 10-0-0

06/23/22 - Report Made & Held by Committee 10-0-

07/28/22 – Held in Committee 09/01/22 - Held in Committee

As a Secondary Committee: State & Commerce

Possibly in Executive Session:

3. LU31.019 REVIEW; Status of Property at 21 Pulaski Street **REPORT MADE &** HELD

07/06/22 - Submitted by Rep. Adams

07/28/22 - Report Made & Held by Committee 10-0-

09/01/22 - Report Made & Held in Committee 9-

0-0

RESOLUTION; Advocating a Tree Preservation and 4. LU31.021

Planting Program and Land Use Regulations to Combat the Climate Emergency Recognized in

Resolution No. 4130.

08/03/220 - Submitted by Reps. de la Cruz. Sherwood, Bewkes, Saftic, Stella, Matheny, and

Grunberger

09/01/22 - Approved by Committee, as

amended, 9-0-0

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 4, was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

11OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:

Attendance & Votes Minutes & Video

Virgil de la Cruz, Chair Sean Boeger, Vice Chair

Meeting: Monday, August 15, 2022

6:30 p.m. – by Webinar

Chair de la Cruz reported that the Operations Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair de la Cruz and Committee Member Reps. Baxter, Coleman, Ley, Sherwood, Stella, Tomas, and Watkins. Absent was Rep. Boeger. Also present were Reps. Matheny and Summerville; Matt Quinones, Director of Operations; Lou Casolo, Engineering Dept.; Dan Colleluori, Supervisor of Solid Waste & Recycling; Janeene Freeman, Mayor's Office; Carmen Hughes, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Officer; and three members of the public.

¹¹ Video Time Stamp 01:22:17

1. O31.017 REVIEW; Stamford Transfer Station Operations and REPORT MADE Possibility of Increasing Fees for Non-Residential & HELD and Commercial Businesses using the Transfer Station. 07/06/22 - Submitted by Reps. Stella and Curtis 07/18/22 - Report Made & Held by Committee 7-0-0 08/15/22 - Report Made & Held by Committee 7-2. O31.018 REVIEW; West Main Street Bridge. REPORT MADE 08/03/22 – Submitted by Director Quinones & HELD 08/15/22 - Report Made & Held by Committee 7-REPORT MADE 3. O31.019 REVIEW: Placing Utility Wirings Underground on any New Sidewalks and Street Projects. 08/03/22 - Submitted by Rep. Stella 08/15/22 - Report Made

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH COMMITTEE:

Jeffrey Stella, Chair Eric Morson, Vice Chair

Chair Stella stated that there was no meeting of the Public Safety & Health Committee and no report.

PARKS & RECREATION

COMMITTEE: Jennifer Matheny, Chair Daniel R. Sandford, Vice Chair

Chair Matheny stated that there was no meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee and no report.

12EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Megan Cottrell, Chair <u>Attendance</u> & <u>Votes</u> Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair

<u>Minutes</u> & <u>Video</u> Meeting: Thursday, August 25, 2022

6:30 p.m. – by Webinar

Chair Cottrell reported that the Education Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Cottrell, Vice Chair Shaw, and Committee Member Reps. Di Costanzo, Mays, and Pollack. Rep. Pierre-Louis was excused and Rep. Jean-Louis was absent. Also in attendance were Domenick Tramontozzi, Engineering Dept.; Chris Dellaselva, Law Dept.; and one member of the public.

¹² Video Time Stamp 01:24:22

1. <u>E31.008</u>

APPROVAL; First Amendment to Agreement between BBS Architects & Engineers, PC and City of Stamford for Design Services for Window & Floor Replacement at Springdale Elementary School under RFP No. 807, to Include Toilet Room Reconstruction.

07/28/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

HELD BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

PUBLIC HEARING

07/28/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 09/06/22 – FAILED in Board of Finance 0-5-0 08/25/22 – Approved by Committee 5-0-0

A motion to hold Item No. 1 was made, seconded and held by a unanimous voice vote.

13HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:

Attendance Minutes & Video

1 HCD31 022

Mavina Moore, Co-Chair Rob Roqueta, Co-Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, August 23, 2022

6:30 p.m. – by Webinar

Co-Chair Roqueta reported that the Housing, Community Development and Social Services Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chair Roqueta; and Committee Member Reps. Baxter, Campbell, Goldberg, Ley and Pollack. Excused were Reps. Moore and Campbell. Also present were Reps. Coleman; Emily Gordon, Director of Housing and Community Development; and members of the public.

1. <u>110031.022</u>	Program Year 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER). 08/02/22 – Submitted by Emily Gordon 08/23/22 – Public Hearing Held	HELD
2. HCD31.023	REVIEW: Review Public Comment for the CDBG	REPORT MADE

PUBLIC HEARING: Public Hearing for the CDRG

Program Year 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER). 08/02/2022 – Submitted by Emily Gordon 08/23/22 – Report Made

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: David Watkins, Chair Terry Adams, Vice Chair

Chair Watkins stated that there was no meeting of the Transportation Committee and no report.

¹³ Video Time Stamp 01:25:43

STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE: Fred Pierre-Louis, Chair Jonathan Jacobson, Vice Chair

Chair Pierre-Louis stated that there was no meeting of the State & Commerce Committee and no report.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE: Jeff Curtis, Co-Chair **Bradley Bewkes, Co-Chair**

President Curtis stated that there was no meeting of the Charter Revision Committee and no report.

OUTSIDE COUNSEL COMMITTEE: Jeff Curtis, Chair

President Curtis stated that there was no meeting of the Outside Counsel Committee and no report.

¹⁴MINUTES

1. APPROVAL; August 1, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE (Rep. Sherwood abstaining)

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

President Curtis adjourned the meeting at 9:31 p.m.

This meeting is on video

¹⁴ Video Time Stamp 01:27:43