Operations Committee - Board of Representatives



Joseph Coppola, Jr., Chair

John Zelinsky, Jr., Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, November 28, 2016 Time: 7:00 p.m. Place: Republican Caucus Room, 4th Floor, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard

The Operations Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Coppola, Vice Chair Zelinsky and Committee Member Reps. Jacobson, Liebson, Mahoney and McMullen. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Adams, Coleman and Giraldo. Also present were President Skigen and Rep. Ryan, Board of Reps; Burt Rosenberg, Law Department; Michael Handler, Administration; and members of the WPCA Board.

Chair Coppola called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
¹ 1. <u>O29.069</u>	ORDINANCE for public hearing and final adoption; Amendment of <u>Section 214-14</u> and <u>Section 214-19 of</u> the Code of Ordinances to Increase the permit fee and decrease the time period for such permit. 06/0816 – Submitted by Rep. Zelinsky 08/30/16 – Held in Committee 09/27/16 – Held in Committee 10/25/16 – Held in Committee, as amended 11/09/16 – Approved for publication, as amended	COMMITTEE APPROVED 5-0-0
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Chair Coppola opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m., there being no one from the public to speak, the public hearing was closed.

A motion to approve the ordinance for final adoption was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 5-0-0 (Reps. Coppola, Liebson, Mahoney, McMullen and Zelinsky in favor).

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²2. <u>O29.072</u> ORDINANCE <u>for publication</u>; Amendment <u>of Chapter</u> <u>200, Sewers, Section 200-33</u>, Regarding the Responsibility for the Maintenance and Repair of Sewer Laterals within the City Right of Way. 07/25/16 – Submitted by Director Handler 08/30/16 – Approved by Committee for publication 09/27/16 – Public Hearing held and Approved by Committee as amended 10/05/16 – Returned to Committee by full Board for publication 10/25/16 – Held in Committee

Chair Coppola asked that all correspondence be sent through the Board of Representatives office.

Rep. McMullen stated he sent an email on November 3, to the Chair of Operations, Mike Handler, WPCA Board members and the Board of Representatives office. He realized the Operations committee did not receive the email and he sent it out to the Operations Committee on November 18.

Rep. Zelinsky stated he does not have the latest versions of the ordinance and made a motion to hold this item; said motion was seconded; after a brief discussion Rep. Zelinsky withdrew his motion.

Mr. Handler explained all versions of the ordinance in order of revisions as follows:

- 1. Currently on the books: Property owner is 100% responsible
- 2. Proposed by WPCA: approved WPCA 50% of \$10,000 for road, curb and sidewalk repair.
- 3. Board of Reps Operations Committee amended: WPCA responsible for 100% of all costs in Right of Way
- 4. WPCA approved reimbursement of 50% of all costs up to \$10,000.
- 5. Rep. JR McMullen proposes City pays 100% of all costs in Right of Way.

Chair Coppola would like copies of the latest proposals from the WPCA and Representative McMullen distributed to the Operations Committee to be discussed at the next Operations Committee Meeting.

A motion to hold this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0. (Reps. Coppola, Jacobson, Liebson, Mahoney, McMullen and Zelinsky in favor)

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³3. <u>O29.077</u> ORDINANCE <u>for publication</u>; Amendment of <u>Section</u> <u>137-11 of the Code of Ordinances</u> to reduce the number of pounds of waste material a Stamford resident can bring to the Scale House or Recycling Center exempt from the tipping fee from 200 pounds per day to 100 pounds per day. 10/07/16 – Submitted by Rep. Zelinsky 10/25/16 – Held in Committee

Mr. Colleluori explained that the recycling center has no scales. The employees that have worked there for years determine the weight. Mr. Colleluori explained the 200 pounds per residents is ok but the problem is commercial businesses using non-commercial vehicles to dump the 200 pounds several times a week. He explained it is hard for the employees to confront residents regarding this issue, so reducing the weight limits may deter from this.

The Committee feels there is a better way to discourage commercial vehicles and would welcome further ideas in the future.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and failed by a vote of 0-6-0. (Reps. Coppola, Jacobson, Liebson, Mahoney, McMullen and Zelinsky opposed)

As a Secondary Committee

1. <u>CS29.016</u> ORDINANCE <u>for public hearing and final adoption;</u> Increasing the fees for applications to the Planning Board, Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. 05/03/16 – Submitted by Rep. Zelinsky

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by,

Joe Coppola, Chair

This meeting is on <u>Video.</u>

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