



Operations Committee - Board of Representatives

Jonathan Jacobson, Chair

John Zelinsky, Jr., Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Tuesday, August 28, 2018

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Legislative Chambers, 4th Floor, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard

In attendance were Chair Jacobson, Vice Chair Zelinsky, and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Coleman, Lee, Mahoney, and Spadaccini. Excused or Absent were Committee member Sherwood and Watkins. Also in attendance were Reps. Cottrell, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Giordano, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore Nabel, Patterson, Pia, Pratt, Roqueta Stella and Summerville; Chris Dellaselva, Law Dept.; Mayor David Martin; Michael Pollard, Chief of Staff; Lou Casolo, Engineering Dept.; Michael Handler, Administration; Jim Travers, Transportation Bureau Chief; Robin Stein, Mayor's Office; Dudley Williams, President of the Mill River Collaborative; Bonnie Campbell, Take Back Carwin Park Committee; and members of the public.

Chair Jacobson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. O30.016	PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL; Agreement with Wengell, McDonnell & Costello for West Main Street Bridge - Walkway Rehabilitation Project 07/10/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 07/12/18 – Approved by Board of Finance 07/26/18 – Approved by Committee 4-1-3 08/06/18 – Returned to Committee by Full Board	¹ Committee Opposed 1-6-0

Secondary Committee: Land Use/Urban Redevelopment

²Chair Jacobson opened the public hearing at 6:45 p.m. Several members of the public spoke in support of the pedestrian bridge and also in support of both pedestrian/vehicular bridge. The majority of support is for a definite resolution to the bridge whether it be pedestrian or vehicular.

³The public hearing was closed at 8:30 p.m.

Chair Jacobson stated, as parliamentarian of the board, his interpretation of the charter is that the Board does not have the ability to convert the contract to make this a

¹ Video Time Stamp 05:43:41 Committee Vote

² Video Time Stamp 00:09:30 Public Hearing Open

³ Video Time Stamp 01:41:45 Public Hearing Closed

vehicular bridge and co parliamentarian Pia agrees. Attorney Chris Dellaselva states he concurs with Chair Jacobson and Representative Pia.

⁴Chair Jacobson read letters into the record from Representatives Watkins and Sherwood.

After a long discussion between the Board of Representatives, ⁵City Staff/Administration, ⁶Mill River Collaborative, and ⁷local organizations, a motion was made to approve this item. Said motion was seconded and failed by a vote of 1-6-0. (Jacobson in favor; Zelinsky, Adams, Coleman, Lee, Mahoney and Spadaccini opposed)

Chair Jacobson closed the meeting at 12:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jonathan Jacobson, Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).

⁴ Video Time Stamp 01:46:48 Letters from Reps Watkins and Sherwood were read into record

⁵ Video Time Stamp 02:02:51 Lou Casolo and Jim Travers Presentations

⁶ Video Time Stamp 02:25:03 Dudley Williams and Arthur Selkowitz Statements

⁷ Video Time Stamp 01:54:36 Bonnie Campbell Statements