

A regular meeting of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Conn. w held on Monday, October 1, 1956 in the Cafeteria of the Walter Dolan Jr. High Scho Toms Road, Glenbrook. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Georg V. Connors, at 8:45 P.M.

INVOCATION was given by Rev. Arthur W. Clausing, Pastor, Lutheran Zion Church.

MR. MACRIDES MOVED that a card, expressing the sympathy of the members of the Boar on the recent death of Mrs. Zuckert's father be sent to her. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 34 present and 6 absent. Mrs. Bankowski arrived later, changing the roll call to 35 present and 5 absent. The abse members were as follows: William Brett, Vincent Vitti, Salvatore Giuliani, Eugene Barry and John Lilliendahl.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Meeting of September 4, 1956.

Mr. Fredericks called attention to page 1342, next to last paragraph, and asked th this be corrected to read:

'MR. FREDERICKS: "Do you know if the Mayor discussed the earlier ordinance with the contractors and the Department of Public Works?" '

He called attention to his remarks at the top of page 1343 and asked they be chang to read:

' "MR. FREDERICKS said he thought it would have been better if the Mayor had discussed this with the various contractors, as well as his own Department of Public Works, who would be affected by the Ordinance before its original passage, but said he thought the committee had done a good job in rectifying any mistakes that had been made." '

Mr. Fredericks called attention to page 1351, 7th paragraph from bottom of page, starting with "Mr. Topping", and asked this be corrected to read:

'MR. TOPPING said: "No limit, if they can get their 1,000,000 cubic yards, then they won't have to go into the Pond." '

Lastly, Mr. Fredericks called attention to page 1355, middle of the page, remarks made by him, and asked that they be corrected to read:

'MR. FREDERICKS: "We are entitled to have a detailed report to this Board, explaining the reason why this was done, as well as to future plans for policing the Town area." '

MR. GEORGIOULIS MOVED that the Minutes, as corrected, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Rybnick and CARRIED unanimously.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

##### Steering Committee:

Mr. Connors, Chairman, read the following Minutes of this committee:

#### STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT Meeting Held Sept. 17, 1956

October 7, 1956

The Steering Committee of the Board of Representatives met in the Mayor's Office, City Hall, at 8:00 P.M. The following members were present: Alanson Fredericks, George Georgoulis, John Macrides, Norton Rhodes, Stephen Kelly, Joseph Milano, William Kaminski, Rutherford Huizinga and Clement Raiteri, with Thomas Topping acting as substitute for Vincent Vitti, who is ill. The absent members were: George Connors, Robert Lewis, Irving Snyder, Helen Peatt, Vincent Vitti, Joseph Iacovo.

In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. Macrides presided.

The following communications were acted upon:

- (1) Carbon copy of letter dated September 14, 1956 to Mayor Quigley, regarding action taken by Board of Finance at their meeting held September 13, 1956.

It was moved, seconded and carried that all matters approved by the Board of Finance be referred to the Fiscal Committee. Any matters requiring approval by another committee of the Board, in addition to the Fiscal Committee were referred to the respective committees.

- (2) Letter dated September 18, 1956 from Mr. Clifford R. Oviatt, Jr. regarding use of an area in the vicinity of City Hall for the Eisenhower Bandwagon on or about October 10th from 10:00 A.M. to 10:30 P.M.

The Secretary was directed to write to him, explaining that this was not within the province of the Board and that it was being referred to Mayor Quigley for attention.

- (3) Letter dated September 13, 1956, from Alanson Fredericks, 18th District Representative, enclosing complaint from Larry Goodcuff, Secretary, High Clear Association (no address given) re flooding by brook over the road and lawns of residents in the vicinity of High Clear Drive.

Referred to Public Works Committee.

- (4) Petitions for acceptance of various roads as city streets were referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee.
- (5) Carbon copy of letter dated August 22, 1956, addressed to Mayor Quigley and members of this Board and the Board of Finance, re "Conveyance of Hoyt Street property to County of Fairfield for Court House", and incorporating a suggested form of resolution for adoption, was referred to the Legislative & Rules Committee.
- (6) Carbon copy of letter dated September 6, 1956 to Mayor Quigley from Mr. Connell, Supt., Dept. of Parks, in regard to going ahead with work for demolition of Pavilion at Cummings Beach. Ordered read at the next Board meeting and filed.
- (7) Undated petition from 38 residents in the vicinity of Selleck, Orchard and Marvin Streets for installation of traffic light at intersection was referred to Health & Protection Committee.
- (8) Regarding request from Lions Club in letter dated August 14, 1956, presented at the September 4th Board meeting and recommitted to Committee, in which they ask for rebate of \$200 fee for Circus held at Magee Avenue grounds. The Secretary was directed to write a letter to the Corporation Counsel, asking for a written opinion on the legality and procedure that can be taken.

The question was brought up in regard to ever increasing requests from various

organizations and individuals being sent copies of all Minutes of the Board meeting.

In the interests of economy of both personnel, supplies and postage, and because the courtesy cannot be extended to one without extending to all, it was MOVED, seconded and CARRIED that those receiving copies of the Minutes be kept at a minimum, it being limited to the members of the Board and various City Departments.

Any outside organization or individual desiring copies of the Minutes in the future are to be directed to the office of the Town Clerk, where at least five copies of all Minutes of Board meetings will be kept on file for availability to the public.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Macrides, Temporary Chairman  
Steering Committee

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MR. RHOADES: "There is an item we discussed in the Steering Committee meeting in regard to the disposition of the old ordinance books which I would like to bring up at this time."

MR. RHOADES MOVED for suspension of the rules in regard to this matter. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

MR. RHOADES MOVED that this Board authorize the transfer of 100 copies of the old ordinance books for use by the High School. Seconded by Mr. Kaminski and CARRIED unanimously.

A great deal of discussion ensued at this point in regard to the disposition of the old ordinance books. Mrs. Zuckert made the suggestion that other schools be also given copies to use in their classes, such as parochial schools, junior high school etc.

MR. MACRIDES MOVED that the President and the Secretary use their own discretion in disposing of these books. Seconded by Mr. Milano and CARRIED unanimously.

MR. TOPPING MOVED that the Steering Committee report be approved. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

MR. MACRIDES: "We should work out some sort of reasonable plan for disposing of the new ordinance books. I would suggest that they be given away free to all members of City departments and Boards and a charge of \$3.00 be made to the public."

MR. PLOTKIN MOVED that this be done in accordance with Mr. Macrides' suggestion. Seconded by Mr. Milano and CARRIED by unanimous vote.

#### Fiscal Committee:

Mr. Kaminski, Chairman, presented the following report of his committee:

#### REPORT OF FISCAL COMMITTEE Meeting Held Sept. 21, 1956

A meeting of the Fiscal Committee was held Friday, September 21st, 1956, at 8:00 P.M. in the Mayor's office. Members present: Mrs. Doris Zuckert, Messrs. Rutherford

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Huizinga, Edward Wynn, Jr. and William C. Kaminski.

(1) Letter dated June 13, 1956, from Board of Education:

Increase in salaries, Classified Employees of the Board of Education - \$84,567.03. This amount was reduced to \$55,000 by the Board of Finance. The Fiscal Committee recommends the approval of \$55,000, Board of Education.

(2) Mayor's letter dated June 12, 1956: Public Works Dept., Salary Reclassifications

Code 410.1, Administration-----\$962.00

Code 412E.1 Street Cleaning----- 240.00

Code 414B.1 Treatment Plant-----1170.00  
\$2372.00

The Fiscal Committee recommends the approval of \$2,372.00,

(3) Acting Mayor's letter dated May 2, 1956: Amendment to the Capital Projects Budget for 1956/1957 for RICHMOND HILL AVENUE bridge sanitary sewer line.

BE IT RESOLVED that the 1956/1957 Capital Projects budget be hereby amended to authorize an appropriation of \$26,810.00 for installation of sanitary sewer line at the Richmond Hill Avenue Bridge.

The Fiscal Committee recommends approval of this resolution.

(4) Mayor's letter dated May 3, 1956: Fire Department, \$2,999.50. Code #440.18

Additional appropriation of \$2,999.50 to cover furnishings, paints, plumbing work needed to the third floor of the Safety Building. The Fiscal Committee recommends approval of the sum of \$2,999.50, Code #440.18

(5) Mayor's letter dated June 22, 1956: Flood Damage Account, \$24,471.66

The Fiscal Committee recommends approval of \$24,417.66, Flood Damage Account.

(6) Mayor's letter dated August 3, 1956: Amendment to Capital Projects Budget for 1956/1957 - Pacific Street Underpass, surveying and preliminary planning.

BE IT RESOLVED that the 1956/1957 Capital Projects budget be hereby amended to authorize an appropriation of \$2,500.00 for preliminary planning and surveying Pacific Street Underpass.

The Fiscal Committee recommends approval of this resolution.

(7) Corporation Counsel's letter dated July 31, 1956 (Also see Mayor's letter dated July 31, 1956: Plans for New Incinerator.

The Fiscal Committee recommends that this item be deferred for further study.

(8) Mayor's letter dated July 31, 1956: Transfer of surplus funds, \$9,934.00 in 1953/1954 Capital Projects Budget, for Board of Public Safety, Police Dept.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Capital Projects budget for the year 1953/1954 be hereby amended to authorize an appropriation in



the amount of \$9,934.00 for the Board of Public Safety, Police Department, Modernization of Communications, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize the transfer of that amount from the item in the 1953/1954 Capital Projects Budget, known as Board of Public Safety, Fire Department, Central Fire Alarm office to Board of Public Safety, Police Department, Modernization of Communications.

- (9) Mayor's letter dated July 31, 1956: Board of Representatives, \$408.00, Code #200.22, Equipment, Copying Machine, and Code #200.3, Stationery & Supplies.

The Fiscal Committee recommends approval of \$408.00, Equipment and Supplies, Board of Representatives.

- (10) Mayor's letter dated June 25, 1956: Fair Rent Board, \$2,200.00

Code #850.1 Salaries-----	\$1,600
Code #850.3 Supplies-----	100
Code 850.22 Equipment-----	500
	<u>\$2,200</u>

The Fiscal Committee recommends the approval of \$2,200 for Fair Rent Board, Salaries and Equipment.

- (11) Letter dated June 29, 1956, Board of Education Request for \$10,000 for two speech and hearing teachers.

The Fiscal Committee recommends that we defer this item for further study.

- (12) Mayor's letter dated August 30, 1956: Flood Damage Account, \$2,308.05.

The Fiscal Committee recommends the approval of \$2,308.05 for Flood Damage Account.

- (13) Mayor's letter dated August 30, 1956: Zoning Board, \$545.00 for office furniture.

The Fiscal Committee recommends approval of \$545.00 for office furniture and equipment, Zoning Board.

- (14) Mayor's letter dated August 16, 1956: Tax Assessor, Code 571.1, \$2,000.00 Salaries, Part-time help.

The Fiscal Committee recommends approval of \$2,000 for this account.

- (15) Mayor's letter dated August 7, 1956: City Court, Code #800.74, \$86.55, Prisoner's Meals.

The Fiscal Committee recommends approval of \$86.55 for this account.

- (16) Mayor's letter dated August 20, 1956: Pension for Patrolman Joseph E. Gallagher

The Fiscal Committee recommends approval of \$2,176.20 for ten months pension. Annual pension is \$2,611.44, or 54% of annual salary of \$4,836.00.

- (17) Mayor's letter of August 20, 1956: Police Department, Salary Reclassification, Senior Clerk Typist to Secretary, Mrs. Elynor B. McKinney.

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The Fiscal Committee recommends the approval of \$364.00, Police Department, Code #430.1, Salaries, reclassification.

- (18) Mayor's letter dated August 28th, 1956: Public Welfare Commission, Reclassification, Secretary, Grade 6 to Executive Secretary, Grade 8, Miss Alicia L. Panapada.

The Fiscal Committee recommends the approval of \$130.00, Code 460.1, Salaries, reclassification.

- (19) Mayor's letter dated August 20, 1956: Board of Representatives, Reclassification, Secretary, Grade 6 to Executive Secretary, Grade 8, Mrs. Velma Farrell.

The Fiscal Committee recommends the approval of \$286.00, Code 200.1, Salaries. (reclassification)

- (20) Mayor's letter dated September 5, 1956: Amendment to Capital Projects budget 1956/1957 to add Blueberry Hill Drive and increase amount authorized for North Glenbrook Storm Drains and transfer of Surplus 1954/1955 Capital Bond Funds from Bedford Street-Sixth Street to Urban Street Storm Drain Account.

The Fiscal Committee recommends that this item be deferred for further study.

- (21) Mayor's letter dated September 6, 1956: Police Department, Code 430.10-A, Northwestern University Traffic School.

The Fiscal Committee recommends the approval of \$2,200.00 covering expense to be incurred by Detective Robert Hunt while attending Traffic School at Northwestern University.

- (22) Mayor's letter dated September 7, 1956: Pension for Fire Captain GEORGE L. DAILY's widow, CATHERINE T. DAILY, in amount of \$2,242.50 for ten months. Annual pension is \$2,621.00 or 50% of Capt. Daily's annual salary of \$5,382.00.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Kaminski, Chairman,  
Fiscal Committee

Doris Zuckert

Rutherford Huizinga

Edward Wynn, Jr.

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MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of the following request. Seconded by Mrs. Zuckert:

- (1) Board of Education - \$55,000 for Classified Employees (\$84,567.03 originally requested, but reduced by Board of Finance) (See letter dated June 13, 1956 from Mr. Neuwien, Supt. Schools)

Mr. Macrides said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee approved this request.

VOTE taken and CARRIED unanimously.

- (2) Public Works Dept. - \$2,372. Salary Reclassifications (Mayor's letter dated June 1956)

12, 1956)

Code 410.1	Administration.....	\$962.00
Code 412E.1	Street Cleaning.....	240.00
Code 414B.1	Treatment Plant.....	1170.00
		<u>\$2372.00</u>

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Kelly.

Mr. Topping said the Public Works Committee recommended passage of this item.

CARRIED by unanimous vote in favor.

- (3) Richmond Hill Avenue Bridge Sanitary Sewer Line - \$26,810 - Amendment to Capital Projects Budget for 1956/1957 (See Acting Mayor's letter May 2, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Waterbury and approved by the Public Works Committee and the Legislative & Rules Committee. CARRIED by unanimous vote:

RESOLUTION NO. 236

BE IT RESOLVED that the 1956/1957 Capital Projects budget be hereby amended to authorize an appropriation of \$26,810. for installation of sanitary sewer line at the Richmond Hill Avenue bridge.

- (4) Fire Department - \$2,999.50, Code 440.18 (See Mayor's letter May 3, 1956)  
This is to cover furnishings, paints, plumbing work, etc. needed to 3rd floor of Safety Building after Police Dept. moved out.

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Also approved by Health & Protection Committee. CARRIED by unanimous vote.

- (5) Flood Damage Account - \$24,471.66 (Mayor's letter of June 22, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mr. Georgoulis and CARRIED unanimously.

- (6) Pacific Street Underpass - \$2,500 - Amendment to Capital Projects Budget for 1956/1957, surveying and preliminary planning. (See Mayor's letter of August 3, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Toppin and Mr. Kolich. The Public Works Committee approved this request. CARRIED by unanimous vote:

RESOLUTION NO. 237

BE IT RESOLVED that the 1956/1957 Capital Projects budget be hereby amended to authorize an appropriation of \$2,500. for preliminary planning and surveying Pacific Street Underpass.

- (7) New Incinerator (See Corporation Counsel's letter dated July 31, 1956 and Mayor's letter dated July 31, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED that this request be DEFERRED for further study. Seconded by Mr. Fredericks and CARRIED unanimously.

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- (8) Board of Public Safety, Police Dept. - \$9,934. transfer of surplus funds, 1953/1954 Capital Projects Budget, for modernization of communications. (See Mayor's letter of July 31, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Zuckert. Mr. Milano said the Health & Protection Committee concurs in this approval.

CARRIED by unanimous vote:

RESOLUTION NO. 238

BE IT RESOLVED that the Capital Projects budget for the year 1953/1954 be hereby amended to authorize an appropriation in the amount of \$9,934. for the Board of Public Safety, Police Department, Modernization of Communications, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize the transfer of that amount from the item in the 1953/1954 Capital Projects budget, known as Board of Public Safety, Fire Department, Central Fire Alarm office, to Board of Public Safety, Police Department, Modernization of Communications.

- (9) Board of Representatives - \$408. for Thermo-Fax copying machine and supply of paper, (See Mayor's letter of July 31, 1956)

Code 200.22, Equipment, copying machine.....\$309.00  
Code 200.3 Stationery & Supplies..... 99.00

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mr. Topping and CARRIED unanimously.

- (10) Fair Rent Board - \$2,200., Salaries and Equipment (See Mayor's letter of June 25, 1956)

Code 850.1 Salaries.....\$1,600.00  
Code 850.3 Supplies..... 100.00  
Code 850.22 Equipment..... 500.00

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Wynn. The Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurred in this approval, and CARRIED by unanimous vote.

- (11) Board of Education - \$10,000 for two speech and hearing teachers, supplies and transportation (See letter of June 29, 1956 from Mr. Neuwien)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED that this request be DEFERRED for further study. Seconded by Mr. Wynn.

MR. MACRIDES read from the report of his committee on Education, Welfare & Government and said that since two-thirds of this amount will be reimbursed by the State the Committee had recommended its approval. VOTE taken and Mr. Kaminski's motion CARRIED by a vote of 32 in favor and 2 opposed.

- (12) Flood Damage Account - \$2,308.05 (See Mayor's letter of August 30, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mr. Baker. The Public Works Committee concurred in this approval. CARRIED by unanimous vote.

- (13) Zoning Board - \$545. for office furniture (Mayor's letter of August 30, 1956)  
(No Code No. given)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mrs. Peatt and CARRIE unanimously.

- (14) Tax Assessor - \$2,000., Code 571.1, Salaries, Part-time help. (Mayor's letter of August 16, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mrs. Zuckert. The Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurred in this recommendation. CARRIE by unanimous vote.

- (15) City Court - \$86.55, Code 800.74, Prisoner's meals (See Mayor's letter of August 7, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and CARRIED unanimously.

- (16) Police Pension Fund - \$2,176.20 for ten months pension for Patrolman Joseph E. Gallagher. Annual pension is \$2,611.44, or 54% of annual salary of \$4,836.00 (See Mayor's letter of August 20, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mr. Milano and CARRIE unanimously.

- (17) Police Department - \$364., Code 430.1, Salaries, Salary reclassification, Senior Clerk Typist to Secretary, Mrs. Elynor B. McKinney. (Mayor's letter of August 20, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mr. Waterbury and CARRIED unanimously.

- (18) Public Welfare Commission - \$130., Code 460.1, Salaries - Reclassification, from Secretary, Grade 6 to Executive Secretary, Grade 8, Miss Alicia L. Panapada. (See Mayor's letter of August 28, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mr. Longo and CARRIED unanimously.

- (19) Board of Representatives - \$286., Code 200.1, Salaries - Reclassification, from Secretary, Grade 6 to Executive Secretary, Grade 8, Mrs. Velma Farrell.

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by unanimous voice of all members present and CARRIED unanimously.

- (20) Blueberry Hill Drive, North Glenbrook Storm Drains - Amendment to Capital Projects budget 1956/1957 and transfer of Surplus funds from 1954/1955 Capital Bond Funds from Bedford Street-Sixth Street to Urban Street Storm Drain Account (See Mayor's letter of September 6, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED that this request be DEFERRED for further study. Seconded by Mr. Topping.

MR. RHOADES asked why this was being deferred.

MR. KAMINSKI: "We invited Mr. Scarella and Mr. Morrissey to come to our meeting and neither one showed up."



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VOTE taken on Mr. Kaminski's motion and CARRIED unanimously.

(21) Police Department - \$2,200., Code 430.10-A, Traffic School, Northwestern University for Det. Robert Hunt. (See Mayor's letter of September 6, 1956)

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mr. Huizinga.

The Health & Protection Committee concurred in the recommendation that this request be approved.

MR. FREDERICKS: "I have no objection to Detective Hunt going to traffic school, but I know he is in school and has been for some time. I am wondering if it would be possible in the future to ask for the approval of the various Boards before commitments are made. I do not believe we should be asked to pass retroactively on things of this sort. By the time the Mayor's letter was written all the commitments had been made."

MR. NOLAN: "I think Detective Hunt was granted a scholarship and we are only helping him along by giving him this money."

VOTE taken on Mr. Kaminski's motion and CARRIED unanimously.

(22) Fire Pension Fund - \$2,242.50 for ten months pension for Catherine T. Daily, widow of Captain George L. Daily. Annual pension is \$2,621.00 or 50% of Capt. Daily's annual salary of \$5,382.00.

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mr. Milano and CARRIED unanimously.

Legislative & Rules Committee:

MR. GEORGIOULIS MOVED for a 15 minute recess for a caucus of the Democratic members of the Board. He explained this was because of a communication that had just been brought in. Seconded by Mr. Kolich and CARRIED by unanimous vote.

The President called the meeting to order at 9:50 P.M.

MR. MACRIDES: "Before we take up the next item on the agenda I would like to say that we have had a great many referrals from the Planning and Zoning Boards and these are sometimes very controversial and because pressure is often brought upon various Board members by groups opposed to the particular appeal, I would like to MOVE at this time that, starting with tonight the balloting on these appeals be secret." Seconded by Mr. Georgoulis.

MR. RHOADES: "I would like to hear some of the reasons why this request is being made."

MR. FREDERICKS: "What bothers me is that this might require an amendment to our rules. Under our rules an appeal must be held on or before a second meeting."

MR. MACRIDES: "I would be perfectly willing to submit it as an amendment to the rules."

MR. RHOADES: "Whichever way the voting goes on this it will be taken to the Court of Appeals."

MR. NOLAN: "I would say that the Minority Leader is right on this. I would ask the Chair to declare this motion out of order."

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MR. MACRIDES: "Could we not suspend the rules?"

After some further discussion, Mr. Macrides withdrew his motion and suggested that it be incorporated in the text and notice of our next meeting.

MR. FREDERICKS: "This should go before the Steering Committee and go on the agenda."

Mr. Kaminski said he agreed with Mr. Fredericks.

MR. RAITERI, Chairman of Legislative & Rules Committee, presented the following report of the joint meeting of his Committee and the Planning and Zoning Committee, held September 20, 1956:

REPORT OF JOINT MEETING  
LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE  
AND  
PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

A joint meeting of the Legislative & Rules and Planning & Zoning Committees was held at 9:15 P.M. Thursday evening, September 20, 1956 at Avignone's Restaurant. Mr. Raiteri presided. Mr. Baker was appointed Clerk. Others present were Mrs. Peatt and Messrs. Nolan and Russell. Absent were Messrs. McLaughlin, Murphy, Plotkin and Rybnick.

The joint meeting was called to consider the matter of the appeal from a decision of the Planning Board amending the Master Plan to change to the land use category "Commercial, Neighborhood or Local Business" property now designated "Residential, Single Family Plots Less than One Acre", now or formerly of David Grunberger, fronting 325 feet on the easterly side of High Ridge Road and as shown on maps designated as Appendix #1 to this report.

Referred to in the consideration were the maps cited above, excerpts from the minutes of the meeting held August 21, 1956 at which the Planning Board approved the amendment to the Master Plan (see Appendix #2), the transcript of the hearing taken and prepared by the Stenotypist (see Appendix #3, a copy of the petition appealing the decision of the Planning Board (see Appendix #4), a letter dated September 18, 1956 from the Belltown-Newfield-Case Acres Association supporting the appeal (see Appendix #5), and a letter dated September 14, 1956 from Mr. Harry E. Terhune, representing the applicant for the amended land use which advised that the applicant would agree to certain steps to protect adjacent property owners (see Appendix #6).

After full discussion, it was unanimously voted to recommend to the Board of Representatives that it approve the proposed amendment to the Master Plan for the reasons set forth in Appendix #2 and the commitment set forth in Appendix #6.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:  
C. L. Raiteri, Jr.  
Chairman, L & R  
Mrs. Helen Peatt,  
For Planning & Zoning

E. B. Baker, Clerk

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NOTE: APPENDIX #1 AND APPENDIX #3 CANNOT  
BE ATTACHED, HAVING BEEN RETURNED  
TO MR. WALTER WACHTER, DIRECTOR OF  
PLANNING AND ZONING BOARDS.

Appendix #2:

Excerpt from the minutes of the Planning Board  
meeting held August 21 1956

The Planning Board next considered the matter of application of  
David Grunberger for change of the Master Plan on High Ridge Road,  
which had been given public hearing on June 26, 1956.

Following study and discussion of the proposed Master Plan change,  
it was moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that said request  
be granted, namely: Change to the Land Use Category designated  
"Commercial, Neighborhood or Local Business" the following described  
property now designated "Residential, Single Family Plots Less Than  
One Acre", land now or formerly of David Grunberger bounded Northerly  
by a line 325 feet northerly of and parallel to the northerly line  
of land now or formerly of Mayart Realty Company, Inc.; Easterly by  
the westerly line of land now or formerly of Grosvenor Farwell and  
William Schermerhorn; Southerly by said northerly line of Mayart  
Realty Company Inc., and Westerly by High Ridge Road.

The Board gave as its reasons for the above change in the Master Plan  
as follows:

1. Because of the growth of population in this section of Stamford  
in the vicinity of an intersection of major arteries, viz: High  
Ridge Road, Long Ridge Road, Bedford Street and Summer Street  
that the extension of the Business Category on the Master Plan  
is warranted and for the same reasons it was felt that the area  
is better suited for commercial use than residential use, particu-  
larly because of its location on a major artery, High Ridge Road  
adjacent to existing Business Land Use Category.
2. The Board was of the opinion that the circumstances demonstrated  
beyond a reasonable doubt that such change will promote the economy  
the coordinated development and the general welfare of the community.

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MICHAEL E. LAURENO, Secretary  
Stamford Planning Board  
City of Stamford, Connecticut

Appendix #4

September 4 1956

Mr. Michael E. Laureno, Secretary  
Stamford Planning Board  
City of Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Laureno:

Subject: Land Now or formerly of David Grunberger,  
bounded Northerly by a line 325 feet northerly of  
and parallel to the northerly line of land now or  
formerly of Mayart Realty Company, Inc.; Easterly

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by the westerly line of land now or formerly of Grosvenor Farwell and William Schermerhorn; South-erly by said northerly line of Mayart Realty Company, Inc.; and Westerly by High Ridge Road.

We, the undersigned owners of land located within 500 feet of the land described above, do hereby protest the Planning Board's decision to change to the Land Use Category designated "Commercial, Neighborhood or Local Business" the above described land which has previously been designated "Residential, Single Family Plot Less Than One Acre".

Our objections are based on the following reasons:

1. The downgrading of land so close to our homes will decrease the value of our property. We feel that it is unfair to remove our zoning protection after we have improved our land with fine homes at great expense.

2. The additional traffic resulting from the commercial use of this land will constitute a nuisance to us and a hazard to children in the neighborhood.

3. Additional business enterprises are not required because:

Within a radius of 600 feet of the site of the Grunberger property, described above, there already exists at Bulls' Head, a laundry, drug store, interior decorating shop, restaurant, three hamburger shops, delicatessen, two gasoline stations, liquor store, stationery, confectionery and toy store, grocery store, paint store, pet shop and garden supply store, veterinarian, barber shop and a dry cleaning store; while only 750 feet south of the Bulls' Head intersection there begins the complete shopping centers of the new Town & Country, Ridgeway Center, and Summer Street shopping areas with their large parking facilities.

4. The traffic bottleneck presently existing south of this area will be compounded as a result of this change in the Master Plan.

5. There is no current shortage of commercially zoned land in Stamford, nor is there full occupancy of existing commercial structures.

In accordance with Section 522.4 of the Stamford Charter, will the Planning Board please refer this matter to the Board of Representatives?

(Signed by 29 petitioners)

Appendix #5

BELLTOWN - NEWFIELD - CASE ACRES ASSOCIATION

51 Barrett Avenue, Stamford, Conn.

September 18, 1956

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Mr. Clement L. Raiteri, Jr., Chairman  
Legislative & Rules Committee  
Board of Representatives  
Stamford, Conn.

Dear Mr. Raiteri:

We understand that the petition of residents of Old North Stamford Road and Halpin Avenue, protesting the Planning Board's decision to approve Mr. Grunberger's application for a change in land use near their homes, has been referred to your committee.

Our membership represents other residents of the area who were ineligible to sign the petition, because they do not own land located as close as 500 feet to the affected area. On their behalf, and because we feel strongly that this change is against the best interests of the City of Stamford, we respectfully request that your Committee consider the following:

1. There must come a day when the Master Plan will begin to mean something. There has been a constant whittling away at the protection inherent in the Master Plan by downgrading of vacant land. If the Master Plan is already obsolete after only a few years existence, then let there be sweeping revisions, rather than opportunistic piecemeal changes. Residents must have protection they can count on. This change has the effect of putting stores in the backyards of one of the finest residential areas in Stamford. This does not keep faith with people who built these homes over a period of years. In many cases, there are lifetime investments represented in these homes. This downgrading is certain to depress residential values in the entire neighborhood.
2. Residents of Belltown and the Case Acres area are already too familiar with the serious traffic condition in the Bull's Head area. Long waits are frequently necessary for south bound traffic at the intersection of Halpin Avenue and High Ridge Road. Building stores just below this intersection will further confuse the traffic pattern and increase the congestion at the Bull's Head bottleneck.
3. The requested change is to the land use category designated "Commercial, Neighborhood or Local Business". The neighborhood needs no additional local business. In their petition to the Planning Board for referral of this matter to the Board of Representatives, the land owners within 500 feet listed the commercial establishments already doing business within batting distance of the affected area. You name it, and they already have it.
4. The increased traffic attracted by the proposed commercial development will constitute a nuisance and a hazard to home owners and their children in the immediate area.
5. There is no current shortage of commercial land or buildings in Stamford. The downtown area is steadily deteriorating, due to unwise commercial expansion on the fringes of town. There are

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vacant stores now all over downtown Stamford, despite greatly improved parking facilities. This is bound to cause tax losses in the center of the City, which will have to be made up by all property owners in Stamford.

In a letter to members of the Planning Board, dated July 13th, our organization registered opposition to the proposed change, giving our reasons much as stated above. They must have some compelling reason we cannot think of to have approved the application in the face of such evidence and strong opposition expressed at their June 26th hearing. We hope for evidence of better judgment on the part of the Board of Representatives.

Very truly yours,

J. M. Wilensky, President

Appendix #6:

DUREY, PIERSON & JAMIESON  
Law Offices  
First Stamford National Building  
Stamford, Conn.

September 14, 1956

Mr. Clement Raiteri Jr.  
10 Duncanson Street  
Stamford, Conn.

Dear Mr. Raiteri:

I am writing to you as Chairman of the Zoning Committee of the Board of Representatives. I believe your Committee will hold a hearing soon in connection with the appeal by neighboring property owners of the granting by the Planning Board of an application of David Grunberger for a change in the Master Plan on premises on the east side of High Ridge Road just north of Bull's Head.

This is to inform you that this office is representing Mr. Grunberger and I would therefore appreciate official notice of the time and place of the hearing as far in advance as is possible.

Incidentally, your Committee should be informed that Mr. Grunberger will be very happy to agree to screen the north and east boundaries of the property, subject to change, with suitable evergreen trees and he will also be willing to paint the exterior of the building on the east side a color which will blend with the evergreen foliage.

Sincerely yours,

Harry E. Terhune

Appeal from decision of Planning Board re  
(1)/Application David Grunberger, amending Master Plan to change land fronting on easterly side of High Ridge Road.

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MR. RAITERI MOVED that the Board approve the proposed amendment to the Master Plan to "Commercial, Neighborhood or Local Business" from "Residential, Single Family Plots Less than One Acre" of the following described property, thereby upholding the decision of the Planning Board at their meeting held August 21, 1956:

"land now or formerly of David Grunberger, bounded NORTHERLY by a line 325 feet northerly of and parallel to the northerly line of land now or formerly of Mayart Realty Company, Inc.; EASTERLY by the westerly line of land now or formerly of Grosvenor Farwell and William Schermerhorn; SOUTHERLY by said northerly line of Mayart Realty Company, Inc., and WESTERLY by High Ridge Road."

Seconded by Mr. Nolan.

MR. BAKER: "I rise to a point of special privilege." Mr. Baker then presented the following:

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Board of Representatives  
Stamford, Connecticut

Gentlemen:

As a member of the Legislative and Rules Committee of this Board, I participated in the joint meeting of that Committee with the Planning and Zoning Committee on Thursday, September 20, 1956, when the appeal of property owners in the area against the decision of the Planning Board, amending the Master Plan to change the land use category of a parcel of property on High Ridge Road from Residential to Commercial, Neighborhood or Local Business was considered. As Clerk of that meeting I prepared the report which has just been presented and which unanimously recommends approval of the Planning Board decision. That recommendation was agreed upon after careful consideration of the evidence at hand.

Since that date, I have received so many calls and letters from parties interested in the matter, protesting the decision, that I concluded there might be some basis for reconsideration. Accordingly, I undertook to review the facts and to personally inspect the area in question. On Saturday, September 29, I visited the site of the property, which lies north of the Bull's Head intersection on the east-erly side of High Ridge Road, immediately abutting the property now occupied by Tony's Drive-In Restaurant.

The property in question was recently acquired by the present owner who is the applicant for the land-use change. There have been two previous attempts by former owners to accomplish this change and both were denied. The residential classification of the property has been a matter of record for a considerable period and must have been known to the present owner when he purchased the property. It was purchased as residential property and its continuation in that classification will not present a hardship to the owner while the change in land use requested will be a financial windfall increasing the value many times over.

The traffic situation at and near the property in question is ex-

tremely congested. During Business hours the volume of traffic is heavy and vehicles are entering and leaving the two lane highway in every conceivable direction from the stores immediately to the south. A definitely hazardous condition is already present and cannot fail to be aggravated by the addition of eight more stores. It is entirely probable that the amount of added traffic which these stores would draw to the area would necessitate the expenditure of considerable sums of money to widen the already overtaxed highway.

There is a substantial area already classified commercial, both at the Bull's Head location and immediately to the south on Summer Street. There are a number of premises presently available for business use. There are now stores of virtually every type within the areas mentioned adequate to take care of every conceivable merchandise requirement.

There are many premises vacant and immediately available in the center of the City, which, if deprived of occupants by the continued expansion of business areas in the outlying parts of the City will prove to be an economic drain on the City as a whole, will ultimately lead to inability to meet tax obligations and will further increase the deterioration of the central area already so noticeable.

There are a number of fine residences in the immediate vicinity of the property in question, the value of which will be seriously impaired by the continued encroachment of business into the residential area.

After a most careful review of all the factors involved, I have concluded that I was in error in subscribing to the joint committee recommendation which is before you. I further now believe that the Planning Board was in error in both of the reasons given for its decision to amend the Master Plan in this instance; namely (1) that the extension of the Business Category on the Master Plan is warranted; and (2) that the circumstances demonstrated beyond a reasonable doubt that such change will promote the economy, the coordinated development and the general welfare of the community. I submit to you, ladies and gentlemen, that the extension of the Business Category is not warranted, that the circumstances point very definitely to the fact that such change will irreparably prove detrimental to the economy of the community, that such change would rather constitute another instance of confused development of the City, and lastly, that such change would deteriorate, rather than promote the general welfare of the community.

Accordingly, ladies and gentlemen, I should like to withdraw my name from the recommendation now before you and plead with you, in the highest interests of the City we all serve, that you defeat this motion and then proceed to reject the proposed amendment of the Master Plan.

Sincerely,

ELLIS B. BAKER, 8th District

Mrs. Bankowski arrived at this time.

MRS. ZUCKERT read from the Annual Report of the Planning Board of Stamford, Conn.

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for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1956, re proposed changes in the Master Plan, as follows:

(3rd paragraph)

"In view of the tremendous pressure for increase in business zoning, the Planning Board requested and received approval of \$6,000 for the purpose of employing a Planning Consultant to survey and report on both the industrial and commercial potentialities of Stamford to guide the Board in its deliberations on applications of such nature. One of the primary reasons underlying the creation of urban blight is over zoning for business....."

MR. MURPHY spoke against the Committee report.

MR. FREDERICKS: "I am objecting to a change in the Master Plan in this area for very definite reasons - (1) that the Retail Merchants Council is opposed. There has been a growing trend away from the center of Stamford for some time now."

Mr. Fredericks spoke at length and said it would be a very grave error to allow the business areas to continue to expand into the outlying residential areas, when the merchants in the center of the City have to bear the largest tax burden.

MR. LEWIS also spoke against the Committee recommendation.

MR. KOLICH: "It is my understanding that Mr. McFadden, who also owns property in the disputed area, wants a re-zoning of his property, so if this is approved, so should his be approved."

MR. NOLAN spoke in favor of the amendment.

MR. GEORGOULIS spoke in favor of Mr. Grunberger's request. He said he thought as long as the Planning Board approved of it and there were able men on the Planning Board well qualified to know what they were doing, he would go along with their recommendations. He said just because a few residents opposed it was no reason to think it was the wrong thing to do, because there are always opposing groups to any suggested change no matter what it was.

MR. KAMINSKI spoke in objection to the Committee's recommendations. He said that first, it is a traffic hazard; second, lower Atlantic Street is becoming deteriorated and third, it in no way resembles orderly growth.

MR. RUSSELL spoke in favor of the Committee report. He said: "It is the duty of the Planning Board to decide as to what is to be done with this property. I feel that the Committee members should stick by their report and not experience a sudden change of heart."

MR. RAITERI spoke regarding Mr. Baker's letter. He said that just because this particular request had been turned down on previous occasions was no reason for thinking it should be turned down now. He said this should have nothing to do with the Board's decision tonight.

MR. RHOADES said he opposed the change. He said he had attended the Planning Board hearing on this and listened to all the arguments pro and con. He said he thought it would increase the traffic problem in that area which is already a big problem. He said: "I will have to vote in favor of the appeal and against the change in the Master Plan."

MR. KETCHAM spoke in opposition to Mr. Raiteri's joint committee recommendations.

At this time Mr. Lewis requested the floor and Mr. Raiteri brought out the map provided by the Planning Board and pointed out the areas affected.

MR. LEWIS spoke against the Committee report.

MR. HUIZINGA: "We are talking about the philosophy of the Master Plan. We have many shopping centers in that part of the City. We have Town and Country - we have Ridgeway, some of which is not even finished. Why should we need more? We are already amply supplied. I am going to vote against the change."

MR. MACRIDES spoke in favor of the Planning Board's decision and the Committee recommendations.

MR. FREDERICKS rose to a point of personal privilege. He said: "I am talking of the philosophy of the Planning Board, which modified my decision. The Planning Board itself is making a survey to determine just what the Master Plan will be. The Planning Board itself says in a written report: 'We believe we should consult a Planner'."

MR. NOLAN: "Let's give the Planning Board the benefit of thinking that perhaps they do possess a little intelligence."

MRS. PEATT: "I think it is a neighborhood affair. I will have to agree with Mr. Raiteri that I don't think that the traffic problem is the main issue. I am sure that I would do most of my shopping in the center of town. I might stop in this sort of shopping area if I should forget some little thing on my way home. The main shoppers in an area of this sort would be those living in the immediate area."

MR. McLAUGHLIN: "I understand that this is now a two way lane and possibly it will then become a three or four way lane."

RISING VOTE taken on Mr. Raiteri's motion and LOST by a vote of 16 in favor and 18 opposed.

MR. FREDERICKS MOVED for a five minute recess for the audience to leave. Seconded and CARRIED by unanimous vote.

The recess being over, MR. RAITERI presented the following report of the Legislative and Rules Committee:

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE  
Meetings Held Sept. 6, 13, 20 and 27th

Meetings of the Legislative & Rules Committee were held on September 6, 13, 20 and 27, 1956 at Avignone's Restaurant. Mr. Raiteri presided. Messrs. Raiteri, Baker, Nolan and Russell were present at all four meetings, Mr. Plotkin attended one meeting and Mr. McLaughlin one meeting.

The following subjects were considered and action taken as indicated:

1. Sale of City Land to Drive-In-Theatre:

The Committee recommends approval of the sale proposed in the Mayor's letter of July 17, 1956 (see Appendix #1) at a price of \$900 as approved by the Board of Finance.



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2. Quit Claim Deed to County of Fairfield of City Land for County Court House:

The Committee recommends adoption of a resolution as set forth in the Corporation Counsel's letter of August 22, 1956 (see Appendix #2) approving and ratifying conveyance by the City of Stamford to the County of Fairfield by Quit Claim Deed (see Appendix #3) dated August 6, 1956 of the parcel of city-owned land described therein and shown on map included as Appendix #4 as a site for County Court House.

3. Installation of Sanitary Sewer Line at the Richmond Hill Avenue Bridge:

The Committee recommends approval of:

1. Amendment to the Capital Projects Program for 1955 - 1956 for the Richmond Hill Avenue Sanitary Sewer Line.
2. Appropriation of \$26,810 for the installation of a new sewer line at the Richmond Hill Avenue bridge.

These are as proposed in the Mayor's letter of April 18, 1956 (see Appendix #5) as modified by the Acting Mayor's letter of May 2, 1956 (see Appendix #6).

4. Final Adoption of Ordinance Changing Name of Stillwater Alley to Stillwater Place

5. Preparation of Revised Building Code, Plumbing Code and Sewer Code:

Work on this project by a sub-committee is nearing completion and will be the subject of subsequent report.

6. Preparation of Revised Ordinance Regulating Carnivals, etc.

Work on this project by a sub-committee is nearing completion and an appropriate recommendation will be made in the near future.

Respectfully submitted

ELLIS B. BAKER  
Clerk

Approved

C. L. RAITERI JR.  
Chairman

(2) Sale of city-owned property to Drive-in-Theatre: (See Mayor's letter dated July 17, 1956)

MR. RAITERI MOVED for approval of this request, at a price of \$900 as recommended by the Board of Finance. Seconded by Mrs. Zuckert and CARRIED unanimously.

(3) Quit Claim Deed to County of Fairfield of Hoyt Street Property for Court House  
(See letter dated August 22, 1956 to Mayor, carbon copy to this Board from Corporation Counsel)

MR. RAITERI MOVED for adoption of the following resolution: Seconded by Mr. Plotki and CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 239

CONVEYANCE OF HOYT STREET PROPERTY TO COUNTY  
OF FAIRFIELD FOR COURT HOUSE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, that the conveyance by the City of Stamford to the County of Fairfield by Quit-Claim Deed dated August 6, 1956, of the following described real estate:

"ALL that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, together with the buildings and all other improvements thereon situated in the City of Stamford, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northerly street line of North Street as it now exists, said point being 147.73 feet westerly from the northwest corner of Prospect Street and North Street as it now exists, thence on a curve to the left whose radius is 648.77 feet a distance of 155.75 feet to land of the City of Stamford, thence through land of the City of Stamford on a line whose bearing is N. 90°-09'-50" E. a distance of 505.68 feet to the southerly side of Hoyt Street, thence running easterly along the southerly side of Hoyt Street on a line whose bearing is S. 80°-50'-10" E. a distance of 300.00 feet to land of the City of Stamford, thence through land of the City of Stamford on a line whose bearing is S. 16°-06'-55" W. a distance of 63.77 feet to land of George C. Middlemiss, thence along the westerly boundary line of land of George C. Middlemiss on a line whose bearing is S. 15°-51'-05" W. a distance of 76.30 feet, thence along the westerly boundary line of land of Temple Beth El Building Association on a line whose bearing is S. 00°-58'-35" W. a distance of 88.00 feet, thence S. 72°-55'-25" E. a distance of 2.00 feet, thence along the westerly boundary line of land of the Stamford Jewish Center, Inc. on a line whose bearing is S. 00°-46'-15" W. a distance of 106.00 feet, thence along the westerly boundary line of land of Leonard C. Merrell on a line whose bearing is S. 54°-23'-35" W. a distance of 70.67 feet, thence along the westerly boundary line of land of James E. Rubin, et al, on a line whose bearing is S. 47°-56'-15" a distance of 70.13 feet, thence along the westerly boundary line of land of Leonard C. Merrell on a line whose bearing is S. 44°-43' - 45" W. a distance of 112.50 feet to the point or place of beginning.

For a more particular description, reference is hereby made to a map to be filed in the City and Town Clerk's office, entitled "Map Showing Property to be Conveyed by the City of Stamford to the County of Fairfield, State of Connecticut for Site of County Court House in Stamford, Connecticut, July, 1956. Scale 1" = 60', signed by Charles W. White, City Engineer".

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Be and the same is hereby ratified and approved, as being in accordance with the action taken by the Board of Finance on March 2, 1956, and the Board of Representatives on February 6, 1956.

- (4) Installation of Sanitary Sewer Line at Richmond Hill Avenue Bridge: (See Resolution #236 approved above under (3) Fiscal Committee) (Mayor's letter dated April 18, 1956 and Acting Mayor's letter dated May 2, 1956)

MR. RAITERI said the Committee concurred in the recommendations of the Fiscal Committee, as given under Fiscal Committee report.

- (5) Final Adoption of Ordinance No. 58 Supplemental:

MR. RAITERI MOVED for approval of the final adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 58 SUPPLEMENTAL

CHANGING THE NAME OF STILLWATER ALLEY TO STILLWATER PLACE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD that the name of Stillwater Alley, a private road, running easterly from Stillwater Avenue to a dead end, is hereby changed to Stillwater Place.

This ordinance shall take effect upon the date of its enactment.

Seconded by Mr. Nolan and CARRIED unanimously.

Appointments Committee:

Appointment, JOHN J. CARRIGAN, 63 Sherman Street, Democrat, to SEWER COMMISSION, as replacement for Michael J. Sweeney. Term to expire on December 1, 1959.

MR. GEORGOULIS read the qualifications of Mr. Carrigan and MOVED for approval of this appointment. Seconded by Mr. Brett.

MR. SNYDER said he had been absent from the meeting at which time Mr. Carrigan was endorsed by the Committee. He said: "I think we should seriously consider voting against this", and gave as his reason the fact that a Democrat was replacing a Republican in the appointment and that he had no fault to find with Mr. Carrigan personally, but thought men with qualified backgrounds, such as engineers from the Dorr-Oliver Company and others of that sort of qualification should be considered for this type of appointment.

There was considerable discussion at this point in regard to appointing a man of another political party as a replacement.

Vote was taken by secret ballot, the Tellers passing out the ballots. Result of vote: LOST by a vote of 14 in favor and 19 opposed.

MR. GEORGOULIS said in reference to the name of Dr. Daniel Sabia, 202 Stillwater Avenue, as appointee to the Board of Tax Review, Dr. Sabia has requested that his name be withdrawn as a candidate for this position.

Public Works Committee:

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MR. TOPPING presented the following report of his Committee:

**REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**Meeting Held September 24, 1956**

Meeting held at 28 Lenox Avenue Monday, September 24 1956, at 8:00 P.M.  
Members present: Anthony Kolich and Thomas Topping.

Matters discussed were:

Letter from 40 taxpayers regarding widening of Mill River Street. This item the Committee voted to refer to the Planning Board for their consideration and possible inclusion in the new budget.

Letter from High Clear Association regarding drainage conditions on Unity and High Clear Drive. To properly correct this condition would require a Capital Project appropriation and the Committee voted to refer this to the City Engineer and Planning Board for possible inclusion in the new budget - and item of \$8,000 was deleted from the 1956/1957 Capital Budget for High Clear Drive.

Letter from Belltown-Newfield-Case Acres Association regarding improvements to Oaklawn Avenue. In the 1955/1956 Capital Budget, there was appropriated \$10,000 and in the 1956/1957 Budget another \$10,000 was appropriated, making a total of \$20,000 available at the present time for this work. As soon as the Engineering Department can get this project ready for bid, they will go ahead with the work.

Fiscal matters referred to the Public Works Committee were discussed and the following items were voted to be passed:

- (1) \$2,372.00 - Public Works Dept. Salary reclassifications (Mayor's letter June 12, 1956)
- (2) \$26,810.00 - Richmond Hill Avenue bridge sanitary sewer line (Acting Mayor's letter May 2, 1956)
- (3) \$24,471.66 - Flood Damage Account (Mayor's letter June 22, 1956)
- (4) \$2,500.00 - Pacific Street Underpass (Mayor's letter August 3, 1956)

The Committee recommended this appropriation at the August 6th meeting in Resolution No. 234.

- (5) \$20,000 - Plans for new incinerator - Deferred by Fiscal Committee. (Mayor's letter August 30, 1956)

This work was also recommended by the Public Works Committee in April, 1954.

- (6) \$2,308.05 - Flood Damage Account (Mayor's letter August 20, 1956)

The item of Marion and Elizabeth Streets the Committee asks to have referred back to Committee for further study.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. TOPPING, Chairman

October 1, 1956

MR. TOPPING presented the following resolution and MOVED for its adoption. After some discussion, during which time several changes were made, MR. TOPPING MOVED for its approval, as amended. Seconded by Mr. Hearing and Mr. Findlay and CARRIED by unanimous vote:

RESOLUTION NO. 240

REMOVAL FROM COVE ISLAND OF GRAVEL BELONGING  
TO CITY OF STAMFORD, CONN.

BE IT RESOLVED AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that

WHEREAS it has been reported that the Town of Darien, Connecticut, has caused approximately 400,000 cubic yards, more or less, of gravel to be removed from Cove Harbor, a considerable amount of which was reported removed from the taxable waters of Stamford, Connecticut, in Cove Harbor, and

WHEREAS, the removal of this gravel could cause the erosion of the beach and sand spit on Cove Island, and may have caused a loss to the City of Stamford of many thousands of dollars, and

WHEREAS, this gravel may be part of the taxable real estate of Stamford, Connecticut, the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford hereby calls upon the Mayor, Corporation Counsel and Commissioner of Public Works of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, to immediately take all necessary steps to investigate the possible removal of this gravel from the taxable areas of Stamford, Connecticut, and to take such legal action as may be necessary to recover for the City of Stamford, Connecticut the value of the removed gravel to which it may be entitled, and to recover such monetary damages as the removal of this gravel may have caused to the beaches and areas on Cove Island.

MRS. ZUCKERT MOVED for approval of the Public Works Committee Report. Seconded by Mr. Iacovo and CARRIED unanimously.

Health & Protection Committee:

(1) Closing of Precinct No. 2

MR. MILANO presented the following report:

All officers are working out of the new Police Headquarters. With regard to Prec. 2, two radio cars with two officers assigned to each car work that area on a 24 hour basis, from 6 PM to 7 AM, officers ring into Headquarters from the former second Precinct.

From 8 AM to 5 PM our Traffic Engineer officer works at the former second Precinct.

One regular officer is assigned to Glenbrook and one regular officer is assigned to Springdale daily, on the 8 AM to 4PM shift.

It is the hope and the intention of the Stamford Police Department to assign a third radio car to the former second precinct



area, as well as to set up a 24 hour foot patrol in Glenbrook and Springdale. The boundaries and posts have already been set up and these posts are not covered at the present time for one reason only -- lack of manpower.

MR. MILANO MOVED that the closing of Precinct #2 be approved. Seconded by Mr. Kolich.

MR. LEWIS said the closing of this Precinct was a distinct violation of the Charter and called attention to Chapter 43, Sec. 433, Jurisdiction. He suggested that before this Precinct be closed that a three month period of grace be extended.

Mrs. Bankowski left at this time, being excused.

MR. KETCHAM spoke in favor of keeping Precinct #2 open with a full force of men and officers.

MR. HUIZINGA also spoke in favor of retaining this Precinct and said he was in agreement with Mr. Lewis that decision on this be deferred for three months.

MR. PLOTKIN called attention to the lack of manpower, stating this would be the main drawback to having a full staff of officers and men at this station, because it would necessitate using men that could be assigned to police work to keeping records and doing clerical work.

MR. FREDERICKS: "We could give a 90 day permission to close Precinct No. 2, with the understanding and recommendations to the Chief of Police Kinsella, Mayor Quigley and the Board of Finance that preparations be made for an additional patrolman. If we surrender Precinct No. 2, we have lost it for good."

MR. DE FOREST said he was in favor of holding this up for a three months period.

MR. RAITERI: "I think Chief Kinsella should be invited to meet with the members of the committee and explain to us individually. MR. RAITERI MOVED to recommit this matter to Committee. Seconded by Mr. Fredericks and CARRIED unanimously.

MR. MILANO presented the following report of his Committee:

#### HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Health and Protection Committee met at the New Police Building on September 19, 1956 at 8:00 P.M., with the Chief of Police and Chief of the Fire Department in regard to the items on the agenda which pertain to their departments.

Item 8: (Under Fiscal Committee)

\$9,934.00 - Police Dept., Transfer. This money was a surplus of the Fire Dept. alarm system (1953/1954 budget)

Item 4: (Under Fiscal Committee)

\$2,999.50, Fire Dept. Furnishings, paints, etc.

Item 21: (Under Fiscal Committee)

\$2,200.00, Police Dept., Traffic School for Det. Hunt.

The Committee recommends the acceptance of the above items.

JOSEPH MILANO, CHAIRMAN

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Planning & Zoning Committee:

For the reason that the Chairman of this Committee had to leave for work before this was reached, Mr. Russell, the Alternate Chairman, took over his duties.

MR. RUSSELL MOVED for approval of the following roads as public highways. Seconded by Mr. Nolan and CARRIED by a vote of 32 in favor and 1 opposed:

NEPONSIT STREET - From accepted portion of Neponsit Street easterly  
660 lineal feet to Cambridge Road.

CAMBRIDGE ROAD - From accepted portion of Cambridge Road southerly  
260 lineal feet to Neponsit Street.

ANDOVER ROAD - From accepted portion of Andover Road southerly 245 lineal  
feet to Neponsit Street.

WEBSTER ROAD - From accepted portion of Webster Road southerly 280 lineal  
feet to Neponsit Street.

ALBIN ROAD - From accepted portion of Albin Road northerly 90 lineal feet  
to Neponsit Street.

Note: All of the above roads are on Map #5372 on file  
in City Clerk's office.

MR. RUSSELL MOVED for approval of the following roads as public highways. Seconded by Mr. Nolan:

LAKEVIEW DRIVE - Westerly, from the accepted portion of said drive,  
a distance of 150 lineal feet to Brook Run Lane.

BROOK RUN LANE - Extending northerly and southerly from Lakeview  
Drive, a total distance of 918 feet.

Note: Both of above roads are shown on Map #5143  
on file in City Clerk's office.

A great deal of discussion took place at this time in regard to the inspection of these two roads. Mr. Russell was questioned as to whether he had examined them personally and he replied that he had not, but the Chairman, Mr. Murphy had recommended they be accepted and he said that was enough for him.

MR. BRADBURY rose to a point of personal privilege and said: "We are acting in a very sloppy manner in accepting roads in this fashion. We should wait until the members of the Committee have inspected these roads."

VOTE taken on LAKEVIEW DRIVE and BROOK RUN LANE. LOST, by unanimous vote.

MR. BRADBURY MOVED for a reconsideration of the first five roads, accepted above. Seconded by Mr. Huizinga and Mr. Snyder. LOST by a vote of 14 in favor and 17 opposed.

MR. RUSSELL MOVED for approval of the following road as a public highway: Seconded by Mr. Ketcham and CARRIED unanimously:

WESTOVER LANE - Approximately 1,750 feet, as described on Map #5819  
on file in City Clerk's office.

MR. RUSSELL MOVED for approval of the following road as a public highway. Seconded by Mr. Nolan and CARRIED by a vote of 31 in favor and 1 opposed:

TANGLEWOOD LANE - Running West off Mayapple Road 590' with turnaround.  
See Map #5193 on file in City Clerk's office.

The question was brought up in regard to the acceptance of MALVERN ROAD. It was decided to hold this in Committee until the next meeting of the Board when the Chairman is expected to be present and give a report.

The question was brought up as to why bonds are released prior to acceptance of a road by this Board.

MR. HUIZINGA MOVED to have a written report from the Corporation Counsel, advising this Board that no bond will henceforth be issued which is contrary to Ordinance No. 54 Supplemental (which is an ordinance relating to the acceptance of roads as city streets) which was passed by the Board on May 7, 1956. Seconded by Mr. Nolan and CARRIED unanimously.

Parks & Recreation Committee:

Re: Request of Lions Club for return of \$200 fee

MR. KELLY MOVED for approval of this request. Seconded by Mr. Longo.

MR. BAKER called attention to the Code of General Ordinances, Chapter 13, paragraph 19 and said: "We have no legal right to return that fee."

MR. TOPPING: "According to the Charter we cannot return this fee unless we first obtain an appropriation for it."

It was finally decided to recommit this request to committee for further study.

MR. KELLY MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to take up the following request. Seconded by Mr. Topping and CARRIED unanimously:

Education, Welfare & Government Committee:

MR. MACRIDES, Chairman, presented the following report of his Committee:

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE REPORT  
Meeting Held Sept. 25.

The Committee on Education, Welfare and Government met at the offices of Macrides, Zezima & Schwartz at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 25, 1956. Mr. Gilbert and Mr. Macrides were present. Mr. Reginald A. Neuwen, Superintendent of Schools, was also present.

Mr. Neuwen was asked questions relative to various matters in which the Board was interested. As to the Downey property on Hillandale Avenue, Mr. Neuwen showed the Committee plans for the redevelopment of the area behind the High School. The plans indicated that the course of the right of way concerning which the the Downeys have complained is to be entirely changed so as to provide a distance of 25 feet between said right of way and the Downey property line. This area will have a certain amount of

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planting which will serve as an obstacle to trespass on the Downey property. The ball field will be relocated so that the home plate will be some 200 feet away from the new right of way. All of these should tend to improve the situation of the Downeys and, since the building of a fence is entirely impractical at present, the Committee has decided that it would be wise to at least wait until the plans have been completed so as to ascertain the effect of the changes.

Mr. Neuwien was asked concerning the possibilities of use of the stadium behind the High School for various civic purposes or other uses which would be of benefit to the community. He replied that there are at present no limits which have been put on by the Board of Education outside of the fact that no such use can be made whereby private gain can be accomplished by the promotion thereof. He cited the fact that at one time Chico Vejar, who was then managed by Steve Ellis, asked for permission to use the Stadium and the Board of Education would have granted this permission if certain qualifications were met, the qualifications being measures to take care of the turf and the appointment of a local treasurer to handle the receipts of the promotion. There would of course also have been the necessity of meeting the charge for the care of the field which custodial care would have to be according to the requirements of the Board of Education. The Board would also have to indicate the exact way in which lighting would be set up. They have in the past permitted such extreme uses of the stadium as a rodeo which was put on by the Police Association and a theatre-in-the-round which was used by a Shakespearian group. At one time the Board, together with the Junior Chamber of Commerce, sponsored the idea of putting an adequate bandshell in the stadium, but the idea received little public support and fell through.

Mr. Neuwien elaborated on the restriction against private gain by pointing out that this did not prohibit the hiring and paying of professional talent but it did prohibit any private gain for the promotion of the event.

Mr. Neuwien was also asked about the \$10,000.00 emergency appropriation which he requested for the hiring of speech and hearing teachers. He explained that this item had been a part of the requested operating budget. At the time the large cut was made in this budget the Board of Education felt that other items deserved a higher priority than did this particular item. However, this was just under the line and the Board has decided that since this is a very definite need and since two-thirds of the amount will be reimbursed by the State, it would be wise to re-submit this item. Mr. Neuwien emphasized that there is no intention to attempt to recover the entire cut by re-submission of emergency items. He said in fact that there is no other item which the Board of Education presently contemplates re-submitting. The Committee voted to grant the requested emergency appropriation.

The Committee also voted to grant the additional \$55,000.00 which Mr. Neuwien had requested in his letter of June 13th for salaries; the \$2,200.00 which the Fair Rent Board requested as transmitted by the Mayor's letter of June 25th for salaries and equipment; and the \$2,000.00 which the Assessors' Office requested for part-time salaries as transmitted by the Mayor's letter of

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August 16th.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ John C. Macrides  
Chairman

MR. GEORGIOULIS MOVED the report be approved. Seconded by Mr. Czupka and CARRIED unanimously.

PETITIONS:

MR. KELLY MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to consider some petitions that came in late. Seconded by Mr. Topping and CARRIED unanimously.

MR. KELLY MOVED for approval of the following request:

Petition No. 223:

VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION - NOVEMBER 11, 1956

September 25, 1956

Mr. George V. Connors, President  
Board of Representatives  
City of Stamford  
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Sir:

In conjunction with plans being made for our Annual Veteran's Day Celebration on November 12, 1956, we respectfully request that permission of the Board of Representatives be granted to hold a parade in our City. The route of march will be made with approval of the Police Department.

We also request use of Cummings Park and Woodside Park, one to be used for forming the parade and one to be used for disbanding.

Your consideration on these matters will be greatly appreciated and will result in a very successful venture that will be enjoyed by all the people of our city. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

James M. Molgano,  
General Chairman

MR. KELLY MOVED that the Board go on record as being in favor of this request, subject to the approval of the Park Commission and the Police Department. Seconded by Mr. Macrides and CARRIED unanimously.

In connection with the above, a second letter was also presented, as follows:

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## VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION - NOVEMBER 11, 1956

September 25, 1956

Mr. George V. Connors, President  
Board of Representatives  
City of Stamford  
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Sir:

Last year our first Annual Veteran's Day Celebration was an outstanding success. This certainly could not have been accomplished without the support and cooperation of the Board of Representatives. For this, we are ever grateful.

This year, we are making plans for an even greater Veteran's Day Celebration. A great deal of preliminary work has been done. To date, we have many bands and units committed to appear in our gigantic parade. Prominent among these will be the United States Military Academy band of West Point. We are very fortunate to have the nation's greatest to appear here, and we should be very honored.

As you may well realize, an affair such as this entails a great deal of expense. In order that we may have a successful affair that will be enjoyed by all, we respectfully request that the Board of Representatives give consideration to and approve our request for thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3,500.) to help defray expenses. This sum is to be supplemented by donations and contributions, for expenses will be well over the requested amount.

In behalf of the Committee, I wish to extend my sincere appreciation for your support and cooperation, which will make this Veteran's Day a memorable occasion which will be enjoyed by all the people of our City. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

James M. Molgano,  
General Chairman

MR. BAKER MOVED for approval of the above request, subject to the approval of the Board of Finance. Seconded by Mr. Topping and CARRIED unanimously.

MR. KELLY MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to present another petition. Seconded by Mr. Huizinga and CARRIED unanimously.

Petition No. 224:

THE STAMFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.  
308 Atlantic Street  
Stamford, Connecticut

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The Honorable George V. Connors, President  
Board of Representatives, City of Stamford  
City Hall Building  
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Connors:

The Stamford Promotion Committee of the Stamford Chamber of Commerce has directed me to request the Board of Representatives' approval for the following

- (1) Permission to erect and maintain Christmas lighting poles and/or arches across the major streets during the Christmas season. Proper insurance and major safeguards to be provided.
- (2) Permission to use Woodside Park and/or other public property suitably located for the air-inflation of balloons, and for assembly of floats, etc., used in a parade, with access to power outlets suitable for inflation of balloons. Proper insurance and safeguards to be provided.
- (3) Permission to use the principal streets of the city of Stamford for a "Christmas balloon and float spectacular parade", to be held on the evening of November 26. Proper insurance and safeguards to be provided.

The Stamford Promotion Committee of the Chamber of Commerce has voted to install lighting over the main streets of the City, in the same manner as provided last year.

To supplement the Christmas program it has been decided to have, with the consent and cooperation of the Board of Representatives, a large parade, similar to that held last year. Local groups, organizations, and businesses, will be invited to enter floats.

We will cooperate with the Police Department to insure proper police protection, and also with the Stamford Corporation Counsel regarding insurance safeguards, to be handled in the same manner as last year.

We would deeply appreciate having our request presented at the next Board of Representatives' meeting to be held in October.

Sincerely,

Arthur G. Norman,  
Executive Secretary

MR. KELLY MOVED for approval of the above petition, pending approval of the Chief Police and the Park Commission. Seconded by Mr. Snyder and CARRIED unanimously.

The following members asked to be excused at this time and left: Mrs. Zuckert, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Gilbert.

MR. KELLY MOVED for suspension of the rules to bring another petition before the Board. Seconded by Mr. Huizinga and CARRIED unanimously.

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Petition No. 225:

CUMMINGS & LOCKWOOD  
1 Atlantic Street  
Stamford, Connecticut

September 14, 1956  
(Received Sept. 18th)

Mr. George Connors, President  
Board of Representatives  
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Connors:

St. Francis Episcopal Church, located on Old Long Ridge Road, Stamford, Connecticut, will be holding a Church Fair on October 6, 1956. The people running the Fair wish to have a small merry go round for the amusement of the children and this merry-go-round will be furnished by Mrs. William Stoddard, Box 275, New Canaan, Connecticut.

As you know, the Stamford General Ordinances, Chapter 27, Sections 12-14a, as amended by Ordinance No. 24, requires a license for any amusement device, although there is a question whether a Church Fair such as this may not be exempt from these requirements. I have discussed this with Mr. Hanrahan, the Corporation Counsel, and he feels there is a good possibility that they would be exempt in any case.

Mrs. Stoddard indicated that she is required to file with the State Police a permit signed by someone in authority, ten days before the Fair, indicating that it is all right to have the merry go round operate at the Church Fair. I would appreciate it if some member of the Board or other individual, as authorized in Section 14a of this Ordinance would sign the enclosed permit for the operation of this small merry go round. I also request that any license fee be waived in this situation, since the proceeds of the Fair will, of course, be used strictly for Church purposes. If there is any question, concerning this, I would appreciate it if you would call me.

Sincerely,

Ralph A. Nichols

MR. KELLY said he had referred this petition to the Chief of Police.

MR. KAMINSKI MOVED for approval of this request, subject to the approval of the Chief of Police. Seconded by Mr. Macrides and CARRIED unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS:

(1) Residency requirements with respect to appointment of Personnel Director

The following letter, in response to a request of this Board for a ruling of the

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Corporation Counsel on the above subject was presented:

CITY OF STAMFORD, CONN.

Sept. 28, 1956

Board of Representatives  
City Hall  
Stamford, Connecticut

Re: Residency requirements with respect  
Gentlemen: to appointment of Personnel Director

In reply to the request of your Board for an opinion as to the legality of the appointment of a non-resident as Personnel Director, I submit the following:

Section 706 of the Charter requires-

"Every person elected or appointed to office shall be a resident elector of the Town of Stamford, except in such specific cases as the Board of Representatives may suspend this requirement for appointment to office."

Section 431 of the Charter states-

"No person who is not an elector of Stamford shall be appointed to either the regular, supernumerary or special police force or continue a member thereof."

Section 441 of the Charter provided-

"No person who is not a resident elector of Stamford shall be appointed to either the regular or supernumerary fire force or continue as a member thereof."

Section 735 of the Charter states-

"The director shall prescribe, amend and enforce rules for the classified service which shall have the force and effect of law after approval by the Personnel Commission.....The rules shall provide:

"(4) for the rejection of candidates or eligibles who fail to comply with the reasonable requirements of the Personnel Commission in regard to age, residence, sex and Physical condition, or who have attempted any deception or fraud in connection with an examination."

In my opinion, the Charter makes a distinction between the resident requirements for elected and appointed officers, policemen, firemen and remaining members of the classified service.

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Specifically, all elected officers and members of the Police and Fire

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Department must be electors of Stamford, but the Board of Representatives may waive this requirement in the case of appointed officers, such as appointive members.

However, the Personnel Commission, by virtue of its powers to adopt rules under Section 735 apparently is the sole judge of the residential requirements for members of the classified service, except police and firemen.

It would therefore appear that the appointment of a non-resident Personnel Director is solely a question to be decided within the rule making power of the Personnel Commission, under Section 735, and not to be passed upon by the Board of Representatives under Section 706.

The Charter seems to indicate that the term "Officer" is limited to persons outside the classified service. This was borne out in the case of the Superior's Court's decision involving the status of the Purchasing Agent wherein the Court held that the Purchasing Agent was not an officer, but was an employee within the classified service.

Very truly yours,

John M. Hanrahan,  
Corporation Counsel

(2) Communication from Stearns E. Woodman, Secretary, Zoning Board:

CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

September 12, 1956

To: Board of Representatives  
From: Zoning Board

Subject: Memo dated July 6, 1956 to the Planning and Zoning Boards relative to the action of the Board of Representatives taken at a meeting held July 2, 1956

The Zoning Board has instructed me to convey to you its reply on the above captioned subject, being a memo to the effect that said Boards give consideration to certain suggested changes and controls in the zoning regulations, and pursuant thereto, the following comments of the Zoning Board are set forth in connection with each topic:

(1) In regard to the request for creation of a new land use category for purpose of research development or research offices, the zoning regulations incorporate such zoning category and have been incorporated since the revision of 1951, viz: on page 20 of said regulations under Sec. 8 "Designed Districts". Your attention is invited to the fact that there are provisions for the establishment of residential, commercial and industrial designed districts and on September 14, 1955, the following permitted uses were added to Sec. 8 as an amendment:



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(a) Executive office buildings, experimental electrical laboratories for research, designed development, storage, servicing and assembly of light electronic and electrical mechanical equipment and uses accessory thereto.

(2) In regard to the matter concerning better land use control to be applied to gasoline stations, please be advised that there is, in addition to the requirement for review by the Zoning Board of Appeals for every proposal for new gas stations, the prohibition of gasoline stations in the C-L Limited Business District in accordance with an amendment of the Zoning Regulations as adopted by the Zoning Board in October 1954. It is our opinion that the further control of gasoline stations from the point of view of ZONING, is undesirable at this time.

As to the desirability for the control of spreading of super-markets; since retail stores, including food stores, are allowed in any commercial zone, the following is added for your information:

To attempt such control would be merely a control of size and density for which there appears to be no precedent, and a study of other ordinances in other cities has not indicated prohibition of super-markets in business districts. If there is a reason for eliminating super-markets, such reason must be in accordance with a comprehensive plan relating to the compatibility of uses within districts, that is, it is conceivable that in a downtown business district it might make sense to prohibit super-markets, although from a practical viewpoint, super-markets require so much land, not only for the stores, but for required parking, that such land is usually not available in the downtown district of a city of substantial size.

It is our sincere desire to cooperate with the Board of Representatives in taking whatever action is appropriate for the welfare of all the persons of the City of Stamford.

Respectfully yours,

STEARNS E. WOODMAN, Secretary

(3) Invitation from General Chairman of Veterans Day Celebration:

VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION  
Stamford, Connecticut

September 28, 1956

Dear Sirs:

On November 12, 1956 we will have a gigantic parade to celebrate Veteran's Day. A great deal of work is being put into this venture and results to date show that this will be the biggest and most successful parade ever held in Stamford.

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We are proud and honored to announce that the United States Military Academy Band of West Point will be the main attraction. To add to the success of this affair, we cordially extend an invitation to you to take part and march at the head of our parade in a unit of City and State officials and dignitaries. In the event that you cannot march, you are invited to watch the parade from the officials' reviewing stand.

I wish to extend my sincere appreciation for your help and cooperation. We will be looking forward to seeing you on Veteran's Day.

Respectfully yours,

JAMES M. MOLGANO

NEW BUSINESS:

American Machine and Foundry Company:

MR. HUIZINGA MOVED that a letter be sent to the President of the American Machine and Foundry Company telling him the Board appreciates the expressed intention of this company to locate in Stamford and we want to welcome them to the city. Seconded by Mr. Russell and CARRIED by unanimous vote.

Press Releases by committees before presentation to Board:

MR. FREDERICKS MOVED that the following proposed amendment to the Rules of Order of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford be placed on the agenda for the November meeting of the Board:

To amend the Rules under the heading of "Committees" by the addition of a new Rule No. 14.

14. No Committee, nor any member thereof, shall release for publication, any information concerning matters considered by such Committee, including the actions taken by the Committee, until the Committee shall have presented its formal committee report to a meeting of the Board of Representatives.

Mr. Fredericks' motion was seconded by Mr. Snyder and CARRIED by unanimous vote in favor.

Veterans Day Parade:

MR. NOLAN MOVED that the Board of Representatives accept the invitation to march in the Veterans Day parade on November 12th. Seconded by Mr. Kaminski and CARRIED unanimously.

MR. TOPPING MOVED that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday, November 7th instead of the first Monday of the month, because of Election Day. Seconded and CARRIED by unanimous vote.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 A.M.

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Respectfully submitted,

*George V. Connors*

George V. Connors, President  
Board of Representatives

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