

MEETING OF THE 9TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

Minutes of February 7, 1966

Stamford, Connecticut

The regular monthly meeting of the 9th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, was held on Monday, February 7, 1966 in the Board's meeting room, Municipal Office Building, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President, George E. Russell, at 8:25 P.M.

INVOCATION - Given by Rev. Charles J. Sargent, Jr., Union Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG: The President led the members in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 38 present and 2 absent. The absent members were: Gerald Rybnick (D), 4th District and Patsy Arruzza (D), 9th District.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Meeting of January 3, 1966

The Minutes of the above meeting were accepted, there being no deletions or corrections.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The Steering Committee report was ordered entered in the Minutes, as follows:

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Meeting held Monday, January 24, 1966

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held on Monday, January 24, 1966 in the Board of Representatives' meeting rooms, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, George E. Russell, at 8:00 P.M. All members were present, with the exception of Mr. Hemingway, Mr. Fusaro, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Kaplan and Mr. Durso. Mr. Keggi left before the meeting got under way in order to attend another meeting. Mr. Kaplan, Mr. Morris and Mr. Nathanson had a conflict of meetings because a meeting of the Water Investigating Committee was being conducted the same evening in another meeting room.

The following matters were discussed and acted upon:

- (1) Mayor's letter of 1/24/66 requesting confirmation of appointments to BOARD OF RECREATION, PLANNING BOARD ALTERNATE, PARKING AUTHORITY, BOARD OF TAXATION and HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

REFERRED TO APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (2) Additional appropriations, approved by Board of Finance on 1/13/65 and 1/17/66

REFERRED TO FISCAL COMMITTEE, with those in excess of \$2,000 referred to a secondary committee - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (3) Concerning final adoption of Ordinance CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS BETWEEN CITY OF STAMFORD AND MR. AND MRS. ROBERT A. McMILLAN covering property located off Davenport Ridge Road (to correct ambiguity in original easement given to the City by the subdivider (Mayor's letter of 10/28/65) (Deferred 12/6/65; adopted for publication 1/3/66; published 1/13/66)

ORDERED ON AGENDA UNDER LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (4) LEASE, CIRCUIT COURT, for calendar year 1965, from City of Stamford, at an annual rental of \$23,391.50, with automatic extension for one year and for one year successive terms thereafter, on same terms and conditions, with no further notice from either party to the other (Mayor's letter 1/12/66)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (5) Resolution concerning suggested amendments to ZONING BOARD and ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS rules and regulations to provide more effective notice to property owners located in areas proposed for zoning changes or granting of variances - (Presented by Thomas Morris, 15th District Representative, under "Resolutions" and printed in Minutes of 12/6/65 - Also referred to Planning & Zoning Committee - Deferred 1/3/66)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

- (6) Concerning request for WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE by Attorney Maurice J. Buckley (Letter dated 12/30/65 - received too late for January Agenda and referred to Steering Committee 1/3/66) - FOR CONSTRUCTION OF LARGE ADDITION WEST OF ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL (Per terms of amendment to Building Code - Ordinance No. 80.7)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (7) Concerning request from HOUSING AUTHORITY for approval of application for construction of 300 low rental public housing dwellings in various scattered sites throughout City to aid in relocation of families displaced by URC program (Letter dated 12/23/65 and supplemental letter dated 1/17/66) explaining in greater detail the need for low-cost housing and suggesting that 300 units is a conservative estimate

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE, AND EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (8) Mayor's letter (dated 1/24/66) concerning proposed Ordinance providing for Stamford's membership on the Southwestern Regional Planning Association

REFERRED TO THE LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and the PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

MR. RUSSELL suggested that a public hearing be held on this matter. Mr. Bitetto said he thought it should be referred to the Legislative & Rules Committee for "form" and to the Planning & Zoning Committee to hold a public hearing.

There was some discussion as to when the proposed Ordinance would be received from the Corporation Counsel, who is in the process of preparing it and it was decided that as soon as it is received, preparations would be made to hold a public hearing and a notice of such hearing placed in the Stamford Advocate notifying the public of the time and place.

- (9) Concerning a proposed Ordinance Against Loitering (Brought in by Mr. Edwin Lindstrom (R), 1st District Representative)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

Mrs. Farrell was instructed to write to the Corporation Counsel, requesting that he review the above proposed Ordinance as to proper form, propriety and legality.

- (10) Copy of letter to Planning Board from Henry M. Jayne, Jr. (architect), dated 1/10/66, protesting the proposed method of construction of a trunk line sewer up Toilsome Brook and installation of connecting laterals into Revonah Woods

REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

- (11) Letter to Steering Committee from 8th District Representatives (George Connors and Paul Kuczo, Jr.) requesting resurfacing and curbing for good drainage of WEBB AVENUE and WATERBURY AVENUE

REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

- (12) Second letter (dated 1/7/66) from Paul Kuczo and George Connors, 8th District Representatives, concerning DRAINAGE PROBLEM ON EAST SIDE OF LINCOLN AVENUE AT NO. 61 - (See Minutes of 1/3/66, page 4554, item #13)

The above matter, having previously been referred to the Public Works Committee, at the December 20, 1965 Steering Committee meeting, was REFERRED TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda.

- (13) Memorandum (dated 1/24/66) from Thomas Morris and William Caporizzo, 15th District Representatives, addressed to the Health & Protection Committee, requesting enforcement of cleaning of sidewalks to protect children going to school, in order that they not be forced to walk in the street

REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

- (14) Concerning DEMOLITION OF BUILDING IN SPRINGDALE adjacent to 946 Hope Street, owned by Joseph Bongo (letter dated 1/5/66) from Chief of Springdale Fire Department

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

- (15) Request from Chief of Springdale Fire Department (letter dated 1/5/66) requesting protection against suit for all volunteer firemen, who render first aid assistance in the performance of their duties

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

- (16) Carbon copy of letter (dated 1/14/66) to Board of Public Safety from Paul Kuczo and George Connors, 8th District Representatives, concerning SPEEDING OF CARS ON SEASIDE AVENUE, MATTHEW STREET AND ADJACENT STREETS

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE for information

- (17) Petitions for acceptance of roads as City Streets

REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (18) Request for approval of I. D. CARD FEE of 50¢ for 1966/1967 Season
(Letter dated 1/13/66 from E. A. Connell, Supt., Parks & Trees) (See Minutes of 1/3/66, page 4566)

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (19) Mayor's letter of 1/24/66 requesting approval of proposed resolution revising authorization of filing application to Federal Government for Grant to Acquire land for park and open space, located on 84 acre Old Mill-Mianus Tract (For previous Resolution No. 447, see Minutes of 7/6/64, pages 4061-62; above resolution amends previous one by increasing grant from \$55,000.00 to estimated \$123,625.00)

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (20) Letter (dated 1/14/66) from Paul Kuczo, 8th District Representative, concerning reactivation of Special Committee formed by previous Board, to investigate City's personnel practices

REFERRED TO PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

- (21) Letter from Hubbard Heights Association (dated 1/12/66) objecting to PROPOSED INCREASE IN SIZE OF HART SCHOOL

Noted and filed, with copy sent Education, Welfare & Government Committee

- (22) Proposed Resolution concerning REDUCTION IN NUMBER OF GASOLINE STATIONS and REQUESTING ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AND ZONING BOARD TO TAKE ACTION
(Introduced by Thomas Morris, 15th District Representative and printed in Minutes of 1/3/66 on page 4569)

REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda
and to LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

George E. Russell, Chairman
Steering Committee

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APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

MR. NATHANSON, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said a meeting was held on February 1, 1966 at 7:30 P.M. in the meeting room of the Board of Representatives and present were Mr. Bitetto, Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Nathanson. He said all of the Mayor's appointees were interviewed with the exception of Mr. Garland Creighton, being an appointment to the Board of Recreation.

The Tellers distributed the ballots. The resulting vote is listed under each name.

(1) ALTERNATE - PLANNING BOARD:

ANDREW TATANO (R)
90 West North Street
(Filling out unexpired term of
George Ferrara (R))

Term Ending

Dec. 1, 1969
(5 yr. term)

VOTE: 36 yes
2 no

(2) PARKING AUTHORITY:

PETER SILEO (D)
Barclay Drive
(Replacing Clement S. Raiteri (D))

Dec. 1, 1969
(3 yr. term)

VOTE: 35 yes
3 no

(3) BOARD OF TAXATION:

CARLOS M. GONZALEZ (D)
166 North Street
(Replacing Victor L. Furano (D))

Dec. 1, 1969
(5 yr. term)

VOTE: 32 yes
6 no

(4) HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION:

REV. DONALD F. CAMPBELL (R)
249 Strawberry Hill Avenue
(Replacing Miss Sarah F. Smith (R))

Dec. 1, 1968
(3 yr. term)

VOTE: 32 yes
4 no
2 disqualified

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MR. HEMINGWAY, Chairman, reported his Committee met on Thursday, February 3, 1966 and makes the following recommendations:

- (1) \$143.26 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, Code 602.0101, Administration, Salaries
Reclassification of Secretary, S-9, Step "C" to Executive Secretary,
S-10, Step "C" (Period of Oct. 7, 1965 to June 30, 1966) -
(Mayor's letter of 12/10/65)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Bitetto and CARRIED.

- (2) \$212.42 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, Code 629.0101, Division of Land and Building Maintenance. Salaries - Salary upgrade for Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds, from S-20, Step "A" to S-21, Step "A"
(Period of October 7, 1965 through June 30, 1966) - (Mayor's letter of 12/10/65)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and CARRIED.

- (3) \$207,100.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received from the State of Connecticut to implement and operate Project #135-2 presented by Board of Education and approved under Title 1 of Public Act 89-10, Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, for period January 1, 1966 to August 31, 1966 (Letter from Joseph B. Porter, Supt. of Schools, dated 1/12/66) - (See Resolution No. 470 adopted by Board of Representatives Sept. 13, 1965; right to revoke resolution reserved by Board)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. He said this item was for additional help to cover remedial reading and is part of the aspirations program, and is automatically reimbursed to the City under Federal funds.

MR. MURPHY seconded the motion and said his Committee - the Education, Welfare and Government Committee, also approved. CARRIED.

- (4) \$1,058.20 - CITY & TOWN CLERK, Code 112.0101, Salary Account, to increase Salary of City and Town Clerk from \$11,000.00 to \$13,500.00 per annum, to take effect January 27, 1966 (Money available in salary account) - (See Sec. 402 of Charter) - (Mayor's letter of 1/6/66)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Selsberg.

MR. KUCZO spoke in opposition to the motion for the reason that he thinks we are acting prematurely. HE MOVED TO TABLE this for further study.

Mr. Hemingway said he is in favor of this increase and thinks the efficiency of the Town Clerk's office has increased to such a great degree since he took office that it is well deserved. He pointed out that this office is returning more money to the City than they are spending.

MR. CONNORS said this office has been put on a paying basis and he thinks Mr. Clapes is entitled to the increase and maybe it's not enough, but at the present time we'll have to settle for this.

MR. NATHANSON said he agrees with Mr. Connor's remarks.

MR. RUSSELL relinquished the Chair at this time to speak on the motion. He said this has come up many times in the past - that it is not a partisan issue. He said the job of Town Clerk should pay more and that comparable area towns and cities are paying much more. He urged passage of this "long overdue" increase in salary.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on the appropriation.

MR. KUCZO asked what happened to his motion.

MR. FUSARO said it died for lack of a seconder.

VOTE taken on item No. 4 above. CARRIED with one no vote (Mr. Kuczo).

(5) \$15,000.00 - COMMUNITY RENEWAL PROGRAM, Code 108,2401 (Mayor's letter of 1/6/66)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request.

MR. MURPHY seconded the motion and said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee also concurs in approving this request. CARRIED.

(6) \$8,300.00 - FIRE DEPARTMENT, Code 540,2207, Generator, Central Fire Station
(REDUCED by Board of Finance on 1/17/66 from \$10,000.00)
(Mayor's letter of 12/27/65)

MR. HEMINGWAY said this was for a Generator of larger capacity and he MOVED for approval of the request. Seconded by Mr. Grant.

MR. KAPLAN MOVED that this matter be TABLED for the reason that his Committee - the Health & Protection Committee has not been able to meet on this matter, due to so many meetings of the Special Water Conservation Committee. He said he felt that his Committee should consider this before its approval.

THE PRESIDENT said it is true that the Rules of the Board say that these should be referred to two Committees, but even when the secondary Committee does not take action, it is still properly before the Board.

THE PRESIDENT said it is his belief that the question now before the Board is to vote on the appropriation.

MR. KAPLAN said he disagrees.

THE PRESIDENT asked if there was a seconder to Mr. Kaplan's motion to table. There was no seconder.

MR. CONNORS spoke in favor of the appropriation and urged its approval.

VOTE taken on item No. 6. CARRIED.

(7) \$387.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES, Code 106,2201, New Equipment, for typewriter formerly on rental, to be used for making multilith stencils -
(Mayor's letter of 1/6/66)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above item. Seconded by Mr. Rich and Mr. Keggi, and CARRIED.

(8) \$100.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES, Code 106,0803, Travel & Special Committee Expenses - (REDUCED by Board of Finance from \$300 requested to \$100 at special meeting held 1/27/66) - (Mayor's letter of 1/6/66)

MR. HEMINGWAY said the above request was being deferred because it had not been approved at the time the Steering Committee met.

- (9) \$13,500.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, Code 651.0000, Gas, Oil & Repairs
(REDUCED by Board of Finance on 1/17/66 from \$18,000 to \$13,500)
(Mayor's letter of 1/6/66)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for the approval of above request, and said this amount was for repairs and not for gas and oil.

MR. BITETTO said this had been referred to the Public Works Committee and his Committee approved the request. He seconded the motion. CARRIED.

- (10) \$266.58 - PENSION - POLICE DEPARTMENT - For Patrolman Joseph W. Tamburri, effective 12/17/65, based on annual pension of \$1,600.00 or 25% of his annual salary for last year of service - (Mayor's letter of 12/3/65) - DEFERRED on 1/3/66)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (11) Increase in reimbursement for ACTING MAYOR under Section 302.1 of Charter from \$20.00 per day to \$40.00 per day (To be in proportion to Mayor's Salary)
(Mayor's Salary increased to \$20,000.00 as of 12/1/65 - (Deferred by previous Board for action by 9th Board - Deferred by 9th Board on 12/6/65 and 1/3/66)

MR. HEMINGWAY said the Committee recommended an increase in the salary for the Acting Mayor from \$20.00 per day to \$40.00 per day and SO MOVED. Seconded by several members and CARRIED.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - John Rich

MR. RICH, Chairman, said his Committee has had two meetings, one being the open hearing held together with the Planning & Zoning Committee on Monday, January 31st on the question of joining the Southwest Regional Planning Agency and the adoption of an Ordinance. He said the second meeting was an executive session on Sunday, February 6th, with all Committee members present.

MR. RICH asked for permission to take up item No. 6 on the Agenda first, which was approved.

- (1) Proposed Ordinance providing for Stamford's membership in the SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL PLANNING ASSOCIATION (Mayor's letter of 1/24/66 and letter from Corporation Counsel, dated 1/26/66, enclosing proposed Ordinance) (Open hearing held on Monday, January 31, 1966 at Dolan Jr. High School)

MR. RICH said the proposed Ordinance, which would cause Stamford to rejoin the S.W.R.P.A. was the subject of an open hearing and the subject of considerable discussion and debate within the Committee at its executive session, with two modifications of the Ordinance, as presented to the Committee. He said the Committee reports favorably on this Ordinance and urges its adoption by the Board for publication and SO MOVED.

Mr. Selsberg seconded the motion. He suggested that Mr. Rich read the entire Ordinance, with the two amendments. Mr. Rich thereupon read the following Ordinance as amended:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

CONCERNING APPROVAL OF CITY OF STAMFORD JOINING THE
SOUTHWESTERN FAIRFIELD COUNTY PLANNING REGION

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

SECTION 1 - ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

The City of Stamford hereby adopts the provisions of Public Act Number 613 of the 1959 Session of the General Assembly and joins the Regional Planning Agency for the Southwestern Fairfield County Regional Planning Group Region, hereinafter called the Regional Planning Agency, as defined by the Connecticut Development Commission.

SECTION 11 - LOCAL REPRESENTATION

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Act Number 613, supra, the City of Stamford, having a population of 92,713 according to the Federal Census of 1960, is entitled to four (4) representatives on the Regional Planning Agency.

The Mayor of the City of Stamford shall be a member of the Regional Planning Agency. The Planning Board of the City of Stamford shall appoint to the Regional Planning Agency one (1) member who shall be an elector of the City of Stamford. The term of the member first appointed by the Planning Board after the enactment of this Ordinance shall be one (1) year. Thereafter, the term of the member appointed by the Planning Board shall be two (2) years.

The Mayor is hereby authorized to appoint to the Regional Planning Agency, subject to the approval of the Board of Representatives, two (2) members who shall be electors of the City of Stamford. The term of one member appointed by the Mayor, after the enactment of this Ordinance, shall be one (1) year, and thereafter, the term of such member, or his successor, shall be two (2) years.

The term of the other member appointed by the Mayor, after the enactment of this Ordinance, shall be one (1) year and thereafter, the term of such member, or his successor, shall be one (1) year.

The members to the Regional Planning Agency appointed as hereinabove provided, shall serve until their successors duly take office.

The four (4) members to the Regional Planning Agency, after the enactment of this Ordinance, shall not include more than two (2) members from any one political party, excepting from the provisions of this paragraph the period of December first in any odd year until the next member to the Regional Planning Agency from the City of Stamford is appointed and duly takes office as heretofore provided.

SECTION 111 - RESIGNATION OF MEMBER

Any member who is absent from three (3) consecutive meetings of any Regional Planning Agency and any intervening duly called special meetings thereof,

shall be considered to have resigned from said Regional Planning Agency and the vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority for the expiration of the term of such member, except that the requirements of this section may be waived by the appointing authority where illness or other extenuating circumstances make it impossible for a member to meet the requirement of this section. Said vacancy shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of Section 11 above.

SECTION IV - APPEALS

Nothing contained in this Ordinance shall deprive any person of a right of appeal to a court of competent jurisdiction, pursuant to any statute of the State of Connecticut.

SECTION V - ENFORCEMENT POWERS

- * Nothing contained in this Ordinance shall confer upon the Regional Planning Agency police or zoning enforcement powers, nor shall it deprive existing governmental agencies of the City of Stamford of any police or zoning enforcement powers. Acquisition of such powers by the agency shall be cause for the Board of Representatives immediately to consider withdrawal.

SECTION VI - EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its enactment.

*(amendments)

MR. KUCZO rose on a point of order. He said he feels that this Ordinance is not properly before the Board because it was not presented to the Steering Committee. He said he sees further "railroading tactics" in evidence with an amendment being brought out on the floor tonight. He said he does not think this is properly before the Board.

THE PRESIDENT informed Mr. Kuczo that the Ordinance is properly before the Board and was properly handled by the Steering Committee. He said a letter from the Mayor was presented and an Ordinance was also presented, and the Committee had a right to change the Ordinance in any way they saw fit to do so, which is what they did.

He reminded Mr. Kuczo that at the meeting of the Steering Committee just a month before, he (Mr. Kuczo) brought something before them that was less than "24 hours hot" regarding an exit off the Turnpike and the Steering Committee very courteously considered his letter and put it on the agenda.

MR. KUCZO asked the President if he saw this Ordinance the night of the Steering Committee.

THE PRESIDENT said he saw the Ordinance that was given to Mr. Rich - that some changes were made and there are areas where no changes were made. However, he said there was an Ordinance presented to Mr. Rich.

MR. RICH said it is his understanding that when something is presented to a Committee that they take it under advisement and make whatever changes they see fit. He said they were presented with an Ordinance and he consulted at some length with the Corporation Counsel, who made a number of suggested changes to it and the Committee itself made some further changes to it and this is the first time the full Board has had the Ordinance presented to it in its present form.

MR. KEGGI asked if it is not the purpose of publication to get a proposed Ordinance before the Board and before the public so that it can be acted upon at a subsequent date.

MR. SELSBERG said he does not believe Mr. Kuczo has any basis for his remarks, as the subject matter was referred to the Legislative and Rules Committee and whether or not an Ordinance was or was not presented at the same time does not matter, as Mr. Rich in his capacity as Chairman and the Committee itself has the right to write its own Ordinance.

THE PRESIDENT said this is true and that most Committees write their own Ordinances without help from the Corporation Counsel.

MR. KUCZO asked that the Mayor's letter forwarding this Ordinance to the Board be read.

THE PRESIDENT said he has the Mayor's letter of 1/24/66, copies of which were sent to the Board officers as well as to all members of both the Legislative & Rules Committee and the Planning & Zoning Committee.

MR. RICH said he has the letter in question and does not think it is germane to the subject to read it now.

MR. KUCZO said he wants to see the letter, which was handed to him at this time. He called attention to the first paragraph of the letter:

"In a few days I will forward to you an ordinance providing for Stamford's membership in the South western Regional Planning Association which is being prepared at my request by Corporation Counsel Ryan, for submission to your Board for its consideration."

THE PRESIDENT informed Mr. Kuczo that it was not necessary for the Mayor to submit an Ordinance to the Committee and that it was, in fact, unusual. He said the Committee was well qualified to write an Ordinance, and the Mayor was just trying to help them with what he thought should be in that Ordinance, but he could just as well have met at a later date with the Committee and give them his views as to what he would like to have in the Ordinance. He said the subject of a proposed Ordinance was what was before the Committee and not the merits of any particular Ordinance.

MR. KUCZO said he is still challenging the propriety of the way the Ordinance was presented.

MR. RICH asked the President to rule that this matter is in order.

THE PRESIDENT RULED that the Ordinance is properly before the Board.

MR. LOCKHART asked for a vote on the question.

MR. MURPHY rose on a POINT OF ORDER. He asked if the President ruled and Mr. Kuczo appealed from the ruling of the Chair. He asked if a vote is supposed to be taken on Mr. Kuczo's appeal from the ruling of the Chair.

THE PRESIDENT said he failed to hear a seconder to Mr. Kuczo's motion. He said that particular subject is past now. He asked if there was a seconder to the motion offered by Mr. Kuczo.

Several persons spoke at once at this time.

MR. MORRIS said he believes that Mr. Lockhart did not move the question, but just moved for adoption of the Ordinance.

MR. BUCHANAN spoke in opposition to the Ordinance. He said the State enabling legislation contains no language that stipulates or allows dissent from the majority's decision. He spoke at some length and said this can only lead to "metropolitan government" and a re-division of governmental powers.

MR. FARMEN rose on a POINT OF ORDER. He said the subject is whether or not the Ordinance should be published and not a discussion of the merits of regional planning.

THE PRESIDENT reminded the members that tonight the Board is merely voting on whether or not to publish the Ordinance and that the pros and cons of the merits of the Ordinance should be referred to the time that it is adopted. However, he allowed the speaker to continue with his remarks.

MR. BUCHANAN said he believes this will only lead to drastic curtailment of both State and local governmental powers.

THE PRESIDENT suggested that Mr. Buchanan save his remarks until next month when the Board is expected to enact the Ordinance.

MR. BUCHANAN said he only wishes to state that this Board should be made aware of the potential pitfalls inherent in regional planning - that they may not occur, but there is a strong possibility that they could occur and we should be aware of what could happen.

MR. LE BEAU urged that the Board vote to approve the Ordinance for publication.

MR. CONNORS spoke against publication of the Ordinance. He said he objected to Stamford, the largest City in the Regional Association, only having four votes, with Darien getting two votes, New Canaan not being a member. He said he believed that voting should be done on the basis of population. He pointed out another defect - namely that all budget items are adopted by a majority vote and believes that Stamford should have the power of veto. He said they are supposed to meet the auditing requirements and at the present time there is no record of such an audit in the Town Clerk's office. Also, he said they may accept money from any private source, which could certainly lead to corruption. Another thing, he said they have the power to make contracts without the approval of member towns and cities.

MR. KEGGI rose on a POINT OF ORDER. He asked that the speaker confine his remarks to the question of publishing the Ordinance.

MR. CONNORS said he would like to know how you can publish something when you don't even know what you are publishing.

THE PRESIDENT asked the speaker to confine his remarks to publication of the Ordinance.

MR. CONNORS said Public Act No. 413 was passed in 1965 to replace the tri-state transportation Commission compact S. P. 1266 in 1963 as necessary legislation and was defeated in New Jersey, although identical legislation was passed by the Connecticut General Assembly, and was again turned down in 1965. He said there are many things about this Public Act that needs explaining.

MR. CASALE said he would like to have something clarified and that is - we have already had one public hearing on this. He asked if we vote to publish, will the Board hold another public hearing, or will they simply vote on the Ordinance itself at the next Board meeting in March.

THE PRESIDENT that this will be up to the Committees concerned, as well as the Steering Committee and the wishes, indirectly, of this Board.

MR. SELSBERG reminded the Board that this was also referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee and before a vote is taken on publication, this Committee should also give their report.

MR. MORRIS reported that they had a meeting on February 7th at 7 P.M. and the vote to publish the Ordinance was three in favor with one abstention.

MR. DURSO said he noticed that Stamford's contribution was not mentioned in the proposed Ordinance and asked why this was not done. He said he also noticed that no mention was made of the \$3,700 that Stamford previously contributed.

MR. RUSSELL explained that the monies involved were not derived through our Ordinance, but derived by the Southwestern Regional Planning Agency itself as to size and population of the member towns and cities. He said that is why Stamford has four votes and Norwalk has three. He said this might be a good question to refer to Mr. Rich's Committee.

MR. HEMINGWAY said the money involved in Stamford's participation will be referred to the Fiscal Committee and will be taken care of separately at that time.

MR. RUSSELL said the contributions will be arrived at by the Agency group itself; that the members are morally obligated but do not have to contribute and that is the problem that this Board ran into last year when we found out that one of the member communities had not paid their full share.

MR. MORRIS said he would like to ask just how many members of this Board have read and are familiar with the State statutes which govern membership in the SWRPA.

MR. KEGGI rose on a POINT OF ORDER.

MR. MORRIS said as long as we are putting an Ordinance through which is governed by these particular laws, it would only seem logical that the members should be aware of the statutes governing this plan.

MR. RUSSELL asked Mr. Selsberg if it would be possible to get copies of the legislation to the Board members during the next month before final action is taken.

MR. MORRIS said he is asking how many of the members are NOW in possession of these laws.

MR. RUSSELL said to be honest about it, all of the members do not have copies of the statutes - the Committee has it, the Fiscal Committee had it, and members that were on both Committees in the past had it and Mr. Selberg has it in front of him now.

MRS. LILLIENDAHL said she would be happy to supply a copy to any member who wishes to have it.

MR. RUSSELL said it is only fair that any publication of this sort be paid for by the Board and not assumed by a member on their own.

MR. DURSO said he is more confused now about who is going to absorb the expenses of the SWRPA than he was when he first asked the question. He said he would like to know what the formula for expenses of the Agency is to be.

THE PRESIDENT said he thought he made it clear that Mr. Rich would look this question up and have a firm answer on it by next month.

MR. RICH said he would like to say at this time if any member of this Board has any suggested amendments to this Ordinance, present them to him, in writing, by the middle of the month, as his Committee will quite possibly be meeting during the third week of the month.

MR. SELSBERG MOVED THE QUESTION which motion had previously been seconded. He requested a roll call vote on the approval of the Ordinance for publication.

THE PRESIDENT said this requires that one-fifth of the members be in agreement on having a roll call vote, which would be eight members.

Enough members signified their desire for a roll call vote.

THE PRESIDENT explained that a vote of "yes" is a vote in favor of publishing the Ordinance and a "no" vote is against publishing the Ordinance.

THE MOTION was CARRIED by a vote of 22 in favor and 15 opposed, there being two members absent, with the President not voting, as is customary except in case of a tie vote.

The roll call vote follows:

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF PUBLICATION
OF THE ORDINANCE:

BITETTO, Joseph (R)
BOCCUZZI, John (D)
BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)
BROMLEY, Robert (R)
CAPORIZZO, Vincent (D)
CLARKE, Hilda (R)
DOMBROSKI, Edward (D)
DURSO, Robert (D)
FARMEN, Lynn (R)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION
TO PUBLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE:

BUCHANAN, William (R)
CAPORIZZO, William (R)
CASALE, Louis (R)
CHIRIMBES, Peter (R)
CONNORS, George (D)
GRANT, Alan (R)
HEARING, William (R)
IACOVO, Edwin (R)
KELLY, Stephen (D)

FUSARO, John (D)
HEMINGWAY, Booth (R)
KAPLAN, Howard (D)
KARL, Frederick (R)
KEGGI, Janis (R)
LE BEAU, Alton (R)
LOCKHART, Ralph (D)
MURPHY, William (D)
NATHANSON, Benjamin (R)
RICH, John (R)
SELSBERG, William (R)
WALDEN, Jerry (D)
ZEBROSKI, Leon (R)

KUCZO, Paul (D)
LILLIENDAHL, Frances (R)
LINDSTROM, Edwin (R)
LONGO, Carmine (D)
MORRIS, Thomas (R)
MOSCA, Dominick (R)

- (2) Final adoption of Ordinance CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS BETWEEN CITY OF STAMFORD AND MR. AND MRS. ROBERT A. McMILLAN, covering property located off Davenport Ridge Road (to correct ambiguity in original easement given to the City by the subdivider) (Mayor's letter of 10/28/65) - Deferred 12/6/65; adopted for publication 1/3/66; published 1/13/66

MR. RICH presented the following Ordinance for final adoption. Seconded by Mr. Selsberg and CARRIED:

ORDINANCE NO. 125 SUPPLEMENTAL

CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS BETWEEN CITY OF STAMFORD AND MR. AND MRS. ROBERT A. McMILLAN, COVERING PROPERTY LOCATED OFF DAVENPORT RIDGE ROAD (To correct ambiguity in original easement given to the City by the subdivider)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

In conformity with Section 488 of the Stamford Charter and notwithstanding any provisions of Chapter 2, Sections 2-24 to 2-27, inclusive, of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford, the exchange of property between the City of Stamford and Robert A. McMillan and Priscilla A. McMillan of the following described property:

Property deeded to Robert A. McMillan and Priscilla A. McMillan by the City of Stamford:

ALL that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situated in the City of Stamford, County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, known and designated as Lot No. 4 on a certain map entitled "Map No. 2 Prepared for Daniel L. Galasso Property in Stamford, Connecticut", which map is on file in the office of the Town and City Clerk of the City of Stamford, as Map No. 7751.

Property deeded to the City of Stamford by Robert A. McMillan and Priscilla A. McMillan:

THAT portion of Lot No. 4 designated as "Drainage Easement 15' wide", as said Lot No. 4 and said drainage easement as shown on a certain map entitled "Map No. 2 Prepared for Daniel L. Galasso Property in Stamford, Connecticut", which map is on file in the office of the Town and City Clerk of the City of Stamford, as Map No. 7751,

is hereby authorized.

The Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized and empowered to act for the City of Stamford and to execute and deliver all documents necessary to transfer title to such above described property to grant the easement aforesaid.

This Ordinance shall take effect from the date of its enactment.

- (3) LEASE - CIRCUIT COURT, for calendar year 1965, from City of Stamford, at annual rental of \$23,391.50, with automatic extension for one year and for one year successive terms thereafter, on same terms and conditions, with no further notice to either party from the other - (Mayor's letter of 1/12/66)

MR. RICH MOVED for approval of the above lease renewal. Seconded by Mr. Casale and CARRIED.

- (4) Resolution No. 479 concerning suggested amendments to ZONING BOARD and ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS rules and regulations to provide more effective notice to property owners, located in areas proposed for Zoning changes or granting of variances - (Presented by Thomas Morris, 15th District Representative, under "Resolutions" and printed in Minutes of 12/6/65) - (Deferred 1/3/66)

MR. RICH said this resolution has been reviewed and discussed by the Committee and is now reported out favorably with one amendment. He said the Committee proposes that the following words be added to the final paragraph of the resolution:

"....but in any case if the said Zoning Boards shall be satisfied that the notice requirements herein specified have been complied with, and shall grant such variance, exception or change in zoning, such granting shall be conclusive that such notice requirements have been complied with so that such variance, exception or change in zoning so granted shall not be deemed invalid."

Mr. Rich explained that the reason for the above amendment is that it is possible with the stringent requirements that are proposed here, that one wrong or misspelled name from the Grand List or some name not being recorded - one such wrong name - or the wrong person getting notification of this proposed change - could invalidate the whole thing and the Committee felt that the Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals should have the right to determine whether they feel sufficient notice has been given in accordance with the proposal. He stressed that all they are really doing is to strongly recommend to these Boards that they adopt this as one of their rules. He said there is a question in some people's minds that this still may not be appropriate for inclusion in their rules.

MR. RICH MOVED for adoption of the following resolution with the above amendment.
Seconded by Mr. Farnen.

After considerable debate, with no recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Committee, to whom the resolution was also referred, MR. DURSO MOVED TO TABLE the resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Fusaro. There being more than one-fifth of the members present who signified their wishes to have a roll call vote on TABLING the resolution, the Clerk called the roll. LOST by a vote of 8 in favor and 28 opposed, the President not voting as is customary. The roll call follows: (Mr. Hemingway excused earlier)

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF TABLING

BOCCUZZI, John (D)
BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)
DURSO, Robert (D)
FUSARO, John (D)
KAPLAN, Howard (D)
LOCKHART, Ralph (D)
SELSBERG, William (R)
WALDEN, Jerry (D)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION TO TABLING

BITETTO, Joseph (R)
BROMLEY, Robert (R)
BUCHANAN, William (R)
CAPORIZZO, Vincent (D)
CAPORIZZO, William (R)
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FARNEN, Lynn (R)
GRANT, Alan (R)
HEARING, William (R)
IACOVO, Edwin (R)
KARL, Frederick (R)
KEGGI, Janis (R)
KELLY, Stephen (D)
KUCZO, Paul (D)
LE BEAU, Alton (R)
LILLIENDAHL, Frances (R)
LINDSTROM, Edwin (R)
LONGO, Carmine (D)
MORRIS, Thomas (R)
MOSCA, Dominick (R)
MURPHY, William (D)
NATHANSON, Benjamin (R)
RICH, John (R)
ZEBROSKI, Leon (R)

THE PRESIDENT announced the vote will now be taken on the main motion - to adopt the following resolution.

MR. KARL MOVED the main motion. Seconded. CARRIED with several "no" votes. The resolution follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 479

REQUESTING THE ZONING BOARD AND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TO AMEND
THEIR RULES AND REGULATIONS TO PROVIDE MORE EFFECTIVE NOTICE TO
PROPERTY OWNERS LOCATED IN AN AREA PROPOSED FOR CHANGE IN ZONING,
OR GRANTING OF EXCEPTIONS TO VARIANCES

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives is of the opinion that more effective notice should be given to owners of property located in an area proposed for change in Zoning, or for exceptions or variances to the Zoning regulations or Zoning and to the owners of property immediately abutting an area proposed for such changes, prior to the public hearing to be held on any such proposed changes, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives, after due deliberation on the subject, has considered that a set of rules similar to those adopted by the Planning Board on June 7, 1965, would achieve this objective,

NOW, THEREFORE BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, that the Zoning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals be urged strongly to adopt rules and amendments to their regulations which would afford property owners the same sort of protection provided by the Planning Board's amended regulations concerning notification, and

BE AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that these rules would provide that no change in zoning be granted or no exceptions or variances be granted unless the applicant submits to the Zoning Board or Zoning Board of Appeals six (6) copies of a map showing the area proposed to be changed, and a list containing the names and addresses of all owners of properties as shown on the last Real Estate lists of the City of Stamford, in the assessor's Office (or the actual owners of record, if known to the applicant) within the area proposed for change, including the names and addresses of all owners of property within 100 feet of the boundary of the area proposed to be changed, except that in the case of properties immediately adjacent to areas proposed for change located in the RA-1, or RA-2, Single Family Residence zones, the distance from the boundary of any such property proposed for change or from any opposite street frontage, for the purpose of determining names of property owners to be included in said list, shall be 200 feet; said list (in a form to be provided by the Zoning Board, or Zoning Board of Appeals), together with evidence in the form of return postal cards signed by the owner or authorized agent or affidavit of mailing, indicating that a Certified Mail notification of the pending application has been sent to all such owners of property described above, not less than 10 days, nor more than 15 days prior to the date of a scheduled public hearing thereon, but in any case, if the said Zoning boards shall be satisfied that the notice requirements herein specified have been complied with, and shall grant such variance, exception or change in zoning, such granting shall be conclusive that such notice requirements have been complied with so that such variance, exception or change in zoning so granted shall not be deemed invalid.

- (5) Concerning request for WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE by Attorney Maurice J. Buckley (dated 12/30/65) for construction of large addition west of ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL (Per terms of amendment to Building Code - Ordinance No. 80.7)

MR. RICH MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Bitetto and CARRIED.

- (6) Resolution No. 480 - Concerning request from HOUSING AUTHORITY for approval of application for construction of 300 low rental public housing dwellings in various scattered sites throughout City to aid in relocation of families displaced by URC program - (2 letters; one dated 12/23/65 and second one dated 1/17/66)

MR. RICH said the above request was studied at some length by the Committee and is favorably reported to the Board and in accordance with this decision, MR. RICH MOVED for approval of the following resolution as proposed by the Housing Authority; seconded by Mr. Selsberg, Mr. Keggi, and Mr. Lockhart.

MR. MURPHY said his Committee (Education, Welfare & Government, concurs in approval of the resolution. CARRIED by unanimous vote:

RESOLUTION NO. 430

APPROVING APPLICATION FOR RESERVATION OF LOW-RENT PUBLIC HOUSING AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND AUTHORIZING COOPERATION AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of Stamford to eliminate substandard and other inadequate housing, to prevent the spread of slums and blight, and to realize as soon as feasible the goal of a decent home in a suitable living environment for all of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, hereinafter called the "Act", the Public Housing Administration is authorized to provide financial assistance to local public housing agencies for undertaking and carrying out preliminary planning of low-rent housing projects that will assist in meeting this goal; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides that there shall be local determination of need for low-rent housing to meet needs not being adequately met by private enterprise and that the Public Housing Administration shall not make any contract with a public housing agency for preliminary loans for surveys and planning in respect to any low-rent housing projects unless the governing body of the locality involved has, by resolution, approved the application of the public housing agency for such preliminary loan; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Representatives that a Cooperation Agreement be entered into providing for the local cooperation required by said Act in connection with such low-rent public housing; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the City of Stamford (herein called the "Local Authority") is a public housing agency and is applying to the Public Housing Administration for a reservation and financial assistance for the development of low-rent housing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford as follows:

- (1) There exists in the City of Stamford a need for such low-rent housing at rents within the means of low-income families, including the elderly;

- (2) The application of the Local Authority to the Public Housing Administration for a reservation and financial assistance in connection with a low-rent housing project or projects, of not to exceed approximately 300 dwelling units and a Preliminary Loan of \$20,000.00 is hereby approved;
- (3) That the City of Stamford enter into an agreement in writing, to be known as the "Cooperation Agreement" with the Local Authority, substantially in the form attached hereto and made a part hereof, and the proper officials of the City of Stamford are hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement and to impress and attest the official seal on behalf of the City of Stamford on as many counterparts as may be decided necessary.

COOPERATION AGREEMENT

This Agreement entered into this _____ day of _____, 1966, by and between the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD (Herein called the "Local Authority") and THE CITY OF STAMFORD (herein called the "Municipality"), WITNESSETH:

In consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, the parties hereto do agree as follows:

1. Whenever used in this Agreement:

- (a) The term "Project" shall mean any low-rent housing hereafter developed as an entity by the Local Authority with financial assistance of the Public Housing Administration (herein called the "PHA"): excluding, however, any low-rent housing project covered by any contract for loans and annual contributions entered into between the Local Authority and the PHA, or its predecessor agencies, prior to the date of this Agreement.
- (b) The term "Taxing Body" shall mean the State or any political subdivision or taxing unit thereof in which a Project is situated and which would have authority to assess or levy real or personal property taxes or to certify such taxes to a taxing body or public officer to be levied for its use and benefit with respect to a Project if it were not exempt from taxation.
- (c) The term "Shelter Rent" shall mean the total of all charges to all tenants of a Project or dwelling rents and non-dwelling rents (excluding all other income of such Project), less the cost to the Local Authority of all dwelling and non-dwelling utilities.

- (d) The term "Slum" shall mean any area where dwellings predominate which, by reason of dilapidation, overcrowding, faulty arrangement or design, lack of ventilation, light or sanitation facilities, or any combination of these factors, are detrimental to safety, health, or morals.

2. The Local Authority shall endeavor (a) to secure a contract or contracts with the PHA for loans and annual contributions covering one or more Projects comprising approximately 300 units of low-rent housing and (b) to develop and administer such Project or Projects, each of which shall be located within the corporate limits of the Municipality. The obligations of the parties hereto shall apply to each Project.

3. (a) Under the constitution and statutes of the State of Connecticut, all Projects are exempt from all real and personal property taxes and special assessments levied or imposed by any Taxing Body. With respect to any Project, so long as either (1) such Project is owned by a public body or governmental agency and is used for low-rent housing purposes, or (11) any contract between the Local Authority and the PHA for loans or annual contributions, or both, in connection with such Project remains in force and effect, or (111) any bonds issued in connection with such Project or any monies due to the PHA in connection with such Project remain unpaid, whichever period is the longest, the Municipality agrees that it will not levy or impose any real or personal property taxes or special assessments upon such Project or upon the Local Authority with respect thereto. During such period, the Local Authority shall make annual payments (herein called "Payments in Lieu of Taxes") in lieu of such taxes and special assessments and in payment for the Public services and facilities furnished from time to time without other cost or charge for, or with respect to such Project.

(b) Each such annual Payment in Lieu of Taxes shall be made after the end of the fiscal year established for such Project, and shall be in an amount equal to either (1) ten percent (10%) of the Shelter Rent charged by the Local Authority in respect to such Project during such fiscal year, or (11) the amount permitted to be paid by applicable State law in effect on the date such payment is made, whichever amount is the lower.

(c) The Municipality shall distribute the Payments in lieu of Taxes among the Taxing Bodies in the proportion which the real property taxes which would have been paid to each Taxing Body for such year if the Project were not exempt from taxation bears to the total real property taxes which would have been paid to all of the Taxing Bodies for such year if the Project were not exempt from taxation; Provided, however, That no payment for any year shall be made to any Taxing Body in excess of the amount of the real property taxes which would have been paid to such Taxing Body for such year if the Project were not exempt from taxation.

(d) Upon failure of the Local Authority to make any Payment in Lieu of Taxes, no lien against any Project or assets of the Local Authority shall attach, nor shall any interest or penalties accrue or attach on account thereof.

4. The Municipality agrees that, subsequent to the date of initiation (as defined in the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended) of each Project and within five years after the completion thereof, or such further period as may be approved by the PHA, and in addition to the number of unsafe or insanitary dwelling units which the Municipality is obligated to eliminate as a part of the low-rent housing projects heretofore undertaken by the Local Authority and identified as Projects Nos. CONN-7-1,2,3,4, there has been, or will be, elimination (as approved by the PHA) by demolition, condemnation, effective closing, or compulsory repair or improvement, of unsafe or insanitary dwelling units situated in the locality or metropolitan area in which such Project is located, substantially equal in number to the number of newly constructed dwelling units provided by such Project, Provided, That, where more than one family is living in an unsafe or insanitary dwelling unit, the elimination of such unit shall count as the elimination of units equal to the number of families accommodated therein; and Provided, further, that this paragraph 4 shall not apply in the case of (1) any Project developed on the site of a Slum cleared subsequent to July 15, 1949, and that the dwelling units eliminated by the clearance of the site of such Project shall not be counted as elimination for any other Project or any other low-rent housing project, or (11) any Project located in a rural non-farm area.

5. During the period commencing with the date of the acquisition of any part of the site or sites of any Project and continuing so long as either (1) such Project is owned by a public body or governmental agency and is used for low-rent housing purposes, or (11) any contract between the Local Authority and the PHA for loans or annual contributions, or both, in connection with such Project remains in force and effect, or (111) any bonds issued in connection with such Project or any monies due to the PHA in connection with such Project remain unpaid, whichever period is the longest, the Municipality without cost or charge to the Local Authority or the tenants of such Project (other than the Payments in lieu of Taxes) shall:

- (a) Furnish or cause to be furnished to the local Authority and the tenants of such Project public services and facilities of the same character and to the same extent as are furnished from time to time without cost or charge to other dwellings and inhabitants in the Municipality;
- (b) Vacate such streets, roads, and alleys within the area of such Project as may be necessary in the development thereof, and convey without charge to the Local Authority such interest as the Municipality may have in such vacated areas; and, insofar as it is lawfully able to do so without cost or expense to the Local Authority or to the Municipality, cause to be removed from such vacated areas, insofar as it may be necessary, all public or private utility lines and equipment;
- (c) Insofar as the Municipality may lawfully do so, (1) grant such deviations from the building code of the Municipality as are reasonable and necessary to promote economy and efficiency in the development and administration of such Project, and at the same time safeguard health and safety, and (11) make such changes in any zoning of the site and surrounding territory of such Project as are reasonable and necessary for the development and protection of such Project and the surrounding territory;

- (d) Accept grants of easements necessary for the development of such Project; and
- (e) Cooperate with the Local Authority by such other lawful action or ways as the Municipality and the Local Authority may find necessary in connection with the development and administration of such Project.

6. In respect to any Project the Municipality further agrees that within a reasonable time after receipt of a written request therefor from the Local Authority:

- (a) It will accept the dedication of all interior streets, roads, alleys, and adjacent sidewalks within the area of such Project, together with all storm and sanitary sewer mains in such dedicated areas, after the Local Authority, at its own expense, has completed the grading, improvement, paving, and installation thereof in accordance with specifications acceptable to the Municipality;
- (b) It will accept necessary dedications of land for, and will grade, improve, pave, and provide sidewalks for, all streets bounding such Project or necessary to provide adequate access thereto (in consideration whereof the Local Authority shall pay to the Municipality such amount as would be assessed against the Project site for such work if such site were privately owned); and
- (c) It will provide, or cause to be provided, water mains, and storm and sanitary sewer mains, leading to such Project and serving the bounding streets thereof (in consideration whereof the Local Authority shall pay to the Municipality such amount as would be assessed against the Project site for such work if such site were privately owned).

7. If by reason of the Municipality's failure or refusal to furnish or cause to be furnished by public services or facilities which it has agreed hereunder to furnish or to cause to be furnished to the Local Authority or to the tenants of any Project, the Local Authority incurs any expense to obtain such services or facilities, then the Local Authority may deduct the amount of such expense from any Payments in Lieu of Taxes due, or to become due, to the Municipality in respect to any Project or any other low-rent housing projects owned or operated by the Local Authority.

8. No Cooperation Agreement heretofore entered into between the Municipality and the Local Authority shall be construed to apply to any Project covered by this Agreement.

9. So long as any contract between the Local Authority and the PHA for loans (including preliminary loans) or annual contributions, or both, in connection with any Project remains in force and effect, or so long as any bonds issued in connection with any Project or any monies due to the PHA in connection with any Project remain unpaid, this Agreement shall not be abrogated, changed, or modified without the consent of the PHA. The privileges and obligations of

the Municipality hereunder shall remain in full force and effect with respect to each Project so long as the beneficial title to such Project is held by the Local Authority or by any other public body or governmental agency, including the PHA, authorized by law to engage in the development or administration of low-rent housing projects. If, at any time, the beneficial title to, or possession of, any Project is held by such other public body or governmental agency, including the PHA, the provisions hereof shall inure to the benefit of and may be enforced by, such other public body or governmental agency, including the PHA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Municipality and the Local Authority have respectively signed this Agreement and caused their seals to be affixed and attested as of the day and year first above written.

CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

By: _____
Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest:

(Title)

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF
STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

By: _____
(Chairman)

(SEAL)

Attest:

(Title)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Joseph Bitetto

MR. BITETTO, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said a meeting was held on February 2, 1966 at 7:30 P.M. with Commissioner Ferrara and Deputy Commissioner Canavan, with the following members of the Committee present: Chairman Joseph Bitetto, Carmine Longo, Steve Kelly, Edward Dombroski, Louis Casale and Dominick Mosca. He said letters pertaining to problems throughout the City were read.

- (1) Concerning letters (2) from Paul Kuczo and George Connors, 8th District Representatives - DRAINAGE PROBLEM ON EAST SIDE OF LINCOLN AVENUE AT NO. 61 (See Minutes of 1/3/66, page 4554, item #13 and item #12 under Steering Committee report)

Mr. Bitetto read from a letter dated February 3, 1966 from the Commissioner of Public Works which stated: "This situation will be taken care of by this department as soon as the paving plants are opened in the spring."

- (2) Concerning RESURFACING AND CURBING FOR GOOD DRAINAGE OF WEBB AVENUE AND WATERBURY AVENUE (Requested in letter to Steering Committee from George Connors and Paul Kuczo, Jr.) - (See item #11 under report of Steering Committee)

Mr. Bitetto read from the same letter from the Commissioner which said: "That will also be taken care of as soon as material is available."

- (3) Concerning protest of proposed method of construction of a trunk line sewer on Toilsome Brook and installation of connecting laterals into Revonah Woods (Copy of letter to Planning Board from Henry M. Jevne, Jr., architect, dated 1/11/66)

Mr. Bitetto read from a copy of a letter to the Mayor from the Commissioner of Public Works on the above matter (dated 1/20/66) which explains the matter more fully. (See item #10 under Steering Committee report)

- (4) Complaint re sidewalk on east side of FREDERICK STREET, between COVE ROAD AND WARDWELL STREET

Mr. Bitetto (also reading from same letter from the Public Works Commissioner) said the above matter will be taken care of by the Public Works Department "as soon as time permits."

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Howard Kaplan

MR. KAPLAN, Chairman, said a meeting of his Committee was held on January 17th, with the following members present: Kaplan, Hearing, Caporizzo and Chirimbes, with Mr. Arruzza absent. He said the President, George Russell, was also present.

- (1) Re improvement of traffic pattern at intersection of COLONIAL ROAD AND STRAWBERRY HILL AVENUE

Mr. Kaplan said they contacted the Police Department relative to Mr. Morris' suggestion. However, a subsequent and more detailed proposal by the Mayor rendered this needless.

- (2) Concerning DANGEROUS TRAFFIC HAZARD AT EXIT 9 OF THRUWAY, and CORNER OF COURTLAND AVENUE and EAST MAIN STREET (Letter dated 12/18/65 from Paul Kuczo and George Connors, 8th District Representatives - See Minutes of 1/3/66, page 4554, item #12, and page 4565, item #5) (Report of Public Works Committee)

Mr. Connors said he may be able to help Mr. Kaplan on this matter. He said he and Mr. Kuczo have had a few meetings on their own on this problem. He said they had contacted the Board of Recreation to see if it would be agreeable to give us a piece of that corner; also had meetings with the Police Chief and Hawley Offinger. He said he was really enlightened, because they had lots of correspondence. He said he had letters dated 3/16/65 when they had a meeting with representatives of the State Highway Department; 8/10/65 - a permit "Notice of intersection" which includes Courtland Avenue; 8/12/65 - a letter to Mr. Wilson; 12/6/65 - reply from Mr. Wilson; 12/18/65 - your letter; 12/30/65 - a letter from the Traffic Commission. He said they have been working on this for over 2 1/2 years - long before the March letters were sent out. He said he also has some good news from the State of Connecticut, State Highway Commission which says "....in all probability, this work will be accomplished early in the 1966 construction season." He said this means that they intend to cut that corner sometime early this year, using funds they have in their budget.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Kaplan if this completes this matter to his satisfaction. Mr. Kaplan said it certainly does.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Thomas Morris

Acceptance of roads as City streets:

MR. MORRIS, Chairman, presented the following road for acceptance as a City street and SO MOVED. Seconded and CARRIED. He said it has been certified for acceptance by the City Engineer in his letter of January 28, 1966 and the map referred to is on file in the City and Town Clerk's Office:

PRUDENCE DRIVE - Extending from the already accepted portion northerly and easterly to and including a permanent turnaround. Length, approximately 520 ft. Map No. 7953.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Edwin Lindstrom

MR. LINDSTROM, Chairman, said his Committee met on February 7, 1966 at 6:45 P.M. in the Board of Representatives' meeting room, with the following present: Edwin Lindstrom, John Boccuzzi, William Hearing, Jerry Walden and Dominick Mosca.

- (1) Request for approval of I.D. CARD FEE of 50¢ for 1966/1967 Season (See letter dated 1/18/66 from E. A. Connell, Supt., Dept. of Parks - Deferred 1/3/66) (Under provisions of Ordinance No. 64 Supplemental)

MR. LINDSTROM said the above request was approved by the Committee and he SO MOVED. Seconded.

MR. KAPLAN spoke in opposition. He said he would like to know how this is going to be administered.

MR. LINDSTROM explained that a service charge of 50¢ per person will be made to cover partial cost of processing and distributing photo-identification cards which will be valid over two seasons, or an actual charge of 25¢ per person, per Season.

MR. KAPLAN said he believes this to be too difficult and cumbersome to carry out. He pointed out several instances where this would be burdensome to enforce, and said he felt it would not be beneficial to the citizens of Stamford.

MR. KEGGI spoke in opposition to the motion.

MR. LINDSTROM said it was needed for the reason that many out of towners have been using the City beaches which the taxpayers are paying for.

He said the only time a person would be asked to show their I. D. Card is when they cross the bridge at Cove Island to go to Cove beach.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he and Mr. Walden agreed as members of the Committee, that this matter be brought to the floor, but did not agree on a fee - that it was their intention to bring it on the floor for discussion, but did not agree that fee be charged.

MR. BITETTO said he wished to call attention to the fact that this has all been "spelled out" to this Board some time ago by an opinion from the Corporation Counsel which is in the hands of the Chairman of the Parks & Recreation Committee and the Park Commission. He said all this Board is being asked to do is to accept or reject the fees.
(Note: See Minutes of 2/3/64, page 40:9,90)

MR. KEGGI spoke in opposition and said he did not feel that we should oppose the use of our beaches by non residents having access to the water.

MR. LINDSTROM said he wished to clarify this misunderstanding - that this is not for all the beaches, nor all the water, but merely for one beach.

MR. KEGGI corrected his statement to "having access to the water at Cove Island". He said he is concerned about another and more serious aspect of the issue - and that is that all the land and water belongs to ALL the people of Connecticut and has never been the exclusive property of one town or city. He vigorously opposed Stamford from trying to keep other residents of this State from using their own beaches, which are for the use of ALL the people and not just a select few.

MR. CONNORS said he would like to point out that there are many times that Stamford residents are unable to get near Cove Island with their cars because of the presence of so many out of town people who are using the beach that the people of Stamford pay for.

MR. KELLY said he believes it is not right to charge the taxpayers of the City of Stamford for maintaining these beaches and then charge them again for admission to the beach that their tax money paid for. He said if a boy wants to play baseball or basketball at Cove Island he will have to provide himself with one of those identification cards so that he can get in. He said he fails to see why these I. D. Cards cannot be given to Stamford residents for free and as for the parking problem created by out-of-towners, this is strictly a police matter.

MR. CHIRIMBES said he thinks that a charge of 25¢ a year is a very small fee and would suggest that it be more.

MR. SELSBERG said he would like to point out that this is the institution of an experiment and if it proves not to be effective, it will be stopped. He pointed out that Greenwich keeps their beaches for the use of their residents only and have been doing it for years, so it must be their legal right.

There was considerable further debate which continued for some time.

MR. CASALE MOVED THE QUESTION.

MR. KUCZO requested a roll call vote. A sufficient number being in favor of a roll call vote, the Clerk called the roll on the question as moved by Mr. Lindstrom and seconded that the 50¢ I. D. Card fee be approved for Cove Island. The vote was 18 in favor, 14 opposed, with 2 abstentions, the President not voting. The vote was as follows:

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR

BITETTO, Joseph (R)
 CAPORIZZO, William (R)
 CASALE, Louis (R)
 CHIRIMBES, Peter (R)
 CLARKE, Hilda (R)
 FARMEN, Lynn (R)
 HEARING, William (R)
 IACOVO, Edwin (R)
 KARL, Frederick (R)
 LE BEAU, Alton (R)
 LILLIENDAHL, Frances (R)
 LINDSTROM, Edwin (R)
 MORRIS, Thomas (R)
 MOSCA, Dominick (R)
 NATHANSON, Benjamin (R)
 RICH, John (R)
 SELSBERG, William (R)
 ZEBROSKI, Leon (R)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION

BOCCUZZI, John (D)
 BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)
 BROMLEY, Robert (R)
 BUCHANAN, William (R)
 CONNORS, George (D)
 FUSARO, John (D)
 GRANT, Alan (R)
 KAPLAN, Howard (D)
 KEGGI, Janis (R)
 KELLY, Stephen (D)
 KUCZO, Paul (D)
 LOCKHART, Ralph (D)
 LONGO, Carmine (D)
 MURPHY, William (D)

THOSE ABSTAINING FROM VOTING

DURSO, Robert (D)
 WALDEN, Jerry (D)

- (2) Resolution No. 481 - "AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR GRANT TO ACQUIRE LAND FOR PARK AND OPEN SPACE" located on 84 acre Old Mill-Mianus Tract - (Requested in Mayor's letter of 1/24/66 to President)
 (For previous Resolution No. 447, see Minutes of 7/6/64, pages 4061-62;
 above resolution amends previous one by increasing grant from \$55,000.00 to
 estimated \$123,625.00) (Also see Resolution No. 446, page 4060-61, 7/6/64
 Minutes)

MR. LINDSTROM said the above request was approved by the Committee and he SO MOVED.
 Seconded by Mr. Mosca. The reading of the resolution was WAIVED. VOTE taken on the
 following resolution. CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 481

AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR GRANT
 TO ACQUIRE LAND FOR PARK AND OPEN SPACE - (Located on 84 acre Old Mill-
 Mianus Tract)

WHEREAS, Title VII of the Housing Act of 1961, as amended, provides
 for the making of grants by the Housing and Home Finance Administrator to
 States and local public bodies to assist them in the acquisition and
 development of permanent interests in land for open-space uses where such
 assistance is needed for carrying out a unified or officially coordinated
 program for the provision and development of open-space land as part
 of the comprehensively planned development of the urban area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stamford Connecticut (herein sometimes referred to as "Applicant") desires to acquire and develop interest to certain land known as the "OLD MILL LANE-MIANUS TRACT" being that tract of land situated totally in the City of Stamford, Connecticut, containing in area 77.92 acres (more or less) and shown on a Map entitled: "Property of Edward H. Benenson" on file in the Office of the Stamford Town and City Clerk. Bounded northerly by land now or formerly of Helene Papock and Elizabeth Stuart; easterly by land of Gloria Vanderbilt; southerly by land of Edward H. Benenson and Mianus Valley Trails, Inc., and westerly by land now or formerly of Mary Ebert, Horace C. Holmes et ux, Oscar J. Dorwin et al and Denny Brererton, Jr., which land is to be held and used for permanent open-space land for park recreational, conservation of natural resources and scenic purposes; and

WHEREAS, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the regulations of the Housing and Home Finance Agency effectuating that Title, provide that no person shall be discriminated against because of race, color, or national origin in the use of the land acquired and/or developed; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the contract for Federal Grant will impose certain obligations and responsibilities upon the Applicant and will require among other things; (1) assurances that families and individuals displaced as a result of the open-space land project, will be relocated into decent, safe, and sanitary housing, (2) compliance with Federal labor standards, and (3) compliance with Federal requirements relating to equal employment opportunity; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the cost of acquiring said interest will be \$247,250.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT:

1. That an application be made to the Housing and Home Finance Agency for a grant in an amount authorized by Title VII of the Housing Act of 1961, as amended, which amount is presently estimated to be \$123,625.00, and that the Applicant will pay the balance of the cost from other funds available to it.
2. That adequate open-space land for the locality cannot effectively be provided through the use of existing undeveloped or predominantly undeveloped land.
3. That the Mayor of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, is hereby authorized and directed to execute and to file such application with the Housing and Home Finance Agency, to provide additional information and to furnish such documents as may be required by said Agency, and to act as the authorized correspondent of the Applicant.
4. That the proposed acquisition and development is in accordance with plans for the allocation of land for open-space uses, and that, should said Grant be made, the Applicant will acquire, develop, and retain said land for the use(s) designated in said application and approved by the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

5. That the United States of America and the Housing and Home Finance Administrator be, and they hereby are, assured of full compliance by the Applicant with regulations of the Housing and Home Finance Agency effectuating Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Janis Keggi

MR. KEGGI, Chairman, presented his Committee report and said his Committee met on January 19, 1966 at 8:15 P.M. in the meeting room of the Board of Representatives.

The following were present: Mrs. Marshall and Messrs. Carey, Upham and McCulloch of the Commission and Messrs. Casale, Farman, Karl and Keggi of the Committee. Also present as guests were Messrs. Bromley and Chirimbis.

He reported that Mrs. Marshall reviewed the present status of Urban Renewal and Mr. McCulloch discussed legislation likely to be sought from the Board of Representatives this year for the Southeast Quadrant Project. The members of the Commission answered questions.

He said as part of the over all task of keeping informed on all aspects of Urban Renewal, the Committee will specifically consider traffic problems connected with the Project at their next meeting.

He said that considerable progress has been made on all aspects of Urban Redevelopment during January - thirteen properties were acquired, bringing the grand total to 98 properties acquired and representing an investment of over \$4,000,000.00. This number represents 23% of the parcels in the project area (70% being in the Willow-Bell Street area). He said relocation is keeping up with additions to the caseload - 6 families, 1 single person householder and 4 roomers being relocated during January and 14 new cases having been added during the same period. Three businesses completed their relocation during January and two major moves were begun. Bids were received for Demolition Contract No. 2 with the contract being awarded in the near future. Wherever possible, cleared land is being made available for interim temporary parking use for the benefit of the residents of Stamford.

MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING "HOUSE COMMITTEE" - Edwin Lindstrom

Re: Demonstration of proposed Voting Machine

MR. LINDSTROM, Chairman, said his Committee has no report except to call attention to the Voting Machine which has been set up for display purposes for the members to examine.

MR. SELSBERG said he would like to request that at the next Board meeting the members be given a demonstration of the voting machine.

THE PRESIDENT said some of the members saw the machine demonstrated tonight and if the members arrive early for the March Board meeting, perhaps they will be able to see a demonstration of the machine.

Minutes of February 7, 1966

WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE - Thomas A. Morris (Authorized under Resolution No. 476, adopted 12/6/65 - See page 4547 of Minutes)

THE PRESIDENT called for a report from the Investigating Committee set up by this Board to investigate the water shortage.

MR. MORRIS said the Committee has prepared a lengthy set of the Minutes of all the meetings and investigations conducted by his special committee, which is somewhere in the neighborhood of 103 pages in length, copies of which have been given to all Board members. He presented the following final report:

WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Report Answering Specific Charges Made to Committee

"Man does not yet have the ability to control weather, including precipitation, but, on the other hand, man does have the ability to make intelligent use of whatever resources have been made available to him through prudent and efficient and timely conservation of those resources, therefore, putting the entire blame on the lack of precipitation, no matter how low, is not facing up to the facts."

1. WHAT CAUSED THE PRESENT SHORTAGE?

- (a) The unprecedented drought.
- (b) The inadequacy of the Stamford system to store sufficient water to carry over during the drought.

It would seem obvious that our present storage system is not adequate to store the water for future use when it is available. Since, under normal rain conditions, water overflows the spillways, and since in 1965, at June 1st, the storage system was only 89% of capacity in the current drought year, it follows that the system should have been larger, to store prior years' overflow.

The fact that our storage system was in relatively good shape in June 1965, but in November 1965, we were at a critical stage, indicates that our storage system leaves much to be desired. It is insufficient to last our City for a period of more than six months, unless we are fortunate to have ample precipitation.

In his sworn testimony to the Public Utilities Commission on February 2, 1966, the President of the Stamford Water Company stated that the last prior major improvements to the storage system took place in 1925. Moreover, we have not been satisfied that plans for adequate improvements have reached other than preliminary planning stages. Therefore, despite a marked increase in Stamford's population, there has been but one tardily executed expansion of the storage system between 1925 and 1964.

The cause of the deficiency appeared to be a failure of the Stamford Water Company to expedite plans which were made in 1951 for the expansion of the storage facilities at Trinity Lake and Mill River. Construction did not actually begin upon these improvements until December 1964, which constitutes an unreasonable delay.

The City has no instrumentality authorized to determine the adequacy of the water supply, and therefore, has taken no steps in this direction.

The State, on the other hand, has such a regulatory agency, but it has taken no apparent or significant steps over the years to insure an adequate supply of water for Stamford.

- (c) The failure to conserve what water was on hand early enough and in sufficient quantities.

2. WHAT MEASURES ARE BEING TAKEN TO COPE WITH THE PRESENT EMERGENCY?

- (a) City and Stamford Water Company voluntary restrictions were placed into effect August 1965.
- (b) Passage by the Board of Representatives of Ordinance No. 120 Supplemental, adopted October 4, 1965 (enacted October 23, 1965) to take care of the existing emergency.
- (c) Alleviation of the Stamford shortage by the purchase, by Darien, of water from the Bridgeport Hydraulic System.
- (d) By the Stamford Water Company's purchase of up to two (2) million gallons per day from the Greenwich supply system.
- (e) The Stamford Water Company installation and putting on line service from the Wire Mill Road well.
- (f) Current negotiations by Mayor Thomas Mavers and the Stamford Water Company to purchase from a Long Island source up to ten (10) million gallons per day (from the Utilities and Industry Corporation) subject to approval by Mayor John Lindsay of the City of New York.

3. WHAT MEASURES ARE BEING TAKEN TO AVERT FURTHER WATER SHORTAGES LEADING TO EMERGENCY SITUATIONS?

Current expansion by the Stamford Water Company, adding 35% (1.3 billion gallons) to the total capacity, is nearing completion.

In testimony before the Public Utilities Commission in September 1964, the President of the Stamford Water Company stated that these improvements would be adequate to last Stamford until almost 1970 when taken in conjunction with a new well on Wire Mill Road. This would not be adequate under State law, which requires water systems to be between ten and twenty years ahead of demand. However, Mr. Arthur Bell, now states that he has changed his opinion, and the improvements will suffice until 1980.

The Stamford Water Company openly states that it has no statistics to back up this change of opinion and the discrepancy is explained by stating that there has been a revision of their engineering judgment.

The Stamford Water Company indicated at the Public Utilities Commission hearing held February 2, 1966 that studies are currently under way for further expansion plans, but no specific items have been released, nor has this Committee any awareness of any concrete course of action planned by the Stamford Water Company.

4. WHAT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATION MAY BE MADE TO AID IN INSURING AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF WATER FOR THE CITY?

This Committee recommends that, by legislative means, a semi-annual review should be provided for, to be performed by the Planning Board, with the aid and advice of an independent, qualified expert in the field of water supply and planning, and that the results of these reviews be made public. If deficiency is found, then the City should be empowered to seek remedies under applicable laws.

Thomas A. Morris, Chairman (R)
Benjamin R. Nathanson (R)
Howard C. Kaplan (D)
Paul J. Kuczo, Jr. (D)

William Buchanan, Recording Secretary
WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Morris thanked everyone who helped the Committee in the compilation of their information. He said the Committee did all they possibly could under the limited time allowed and conditions under which they had to work.

MR. MORRIS MOVED for the Board's approval of the Committee report. Seconded by several members and CARRIED unanimously.

MR. BITETTO said he wished to have this Board take note of the cumbersome report which the Committee presented. He suggested that the Board give the Committee a vote of thanks for a job well done, and expedited to its fullest extent. (applause)

MR. NATHANSON said while he does not dissent from the report of the special fact-finding Committee on Water, which has just been presented, he does not feel that their work goes far enough and upon which he wishes to make some remarks.

He said at a meeting of the Committee, held January 20th, the members voted unanimously to request the Mayor to initiate an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$6,000 for the hiring of a Consulting Engineer to conduct a survey of the water supply conditions in Stamford. He said this request was considered necessary, since the Committee felt it was not able to gain enough technical information through their lack of experience in the field of water supply planning. He said this resolution (sent to the Mayor on 1/21/66) channeled through to conclusion would give the City planners vitally needed data for our present and future needs, how adequate our present supply is, and what additions are needed to augment our present system.

Mr. Nathanson further said that the Committee was in contact with specialists in water supply planning and were advised that an expert survey could be undertaken within the limits of the \$5,000 appropriation requested by the Committee. These engineers, who have performed similar tests throughout the nation would furnish detailed and technical recommendations which would very well act to terminate the continuing crisis with which we are faced.

He said the intervention of the PUC and their hearing in Stamford has not and will not resolve the crisis facing Stamford because this is a local problem with state-wide connotations which can only be solved with the help of others. He said we should not stop and thrust this burden solely upon the PUC. Unfortunately, the majority (of the Committee) revised their request and we will not have a report or aid from an expert right away to resolve this crisis. He said it was felt by the majority that the PUC would act on our behalf. He said he feels that to put off this singular and most important phase by obtaining the help of a water specialist that the Committee does not fulfill its task and accordingly he feels he must voice his objections to the reluctance of the City fathers to carry on, now that the Committee's work is finished. He said he can only urge and strongly hopes that the City and the Stamford Water Company join together, study and act at once in the public interest and without further delay.

MR. SELSBERG said he can only say as one of the individuals that asked that this Committee undertake this work, that he feels very satisfied on their report given here tonight.

MR. MORRIS said what Mr. Nathanson has said is correct - that the Committee did vote to request the Mayor to hire an expert, and at one of the last meetings before the Committee draw up their report, he felt that with the PUC now conducting an investigation, that he wanted to give them the opportunity through their engineers who can possibly do this work. He said, as he recalls, the Mayor did say that if this is not forthcoming, that he would then consider the hiring of a consultant, but that he wanted to give the PUC time enough to come up with some answers. He said as of now, the PUC has issued no report as to their findings. This is why the Committee felt it must agree with the Mayor that they await hearing further from the PUC who is currently doing an investigation throughout the State.

THE PRESIDENT commended the Committee for doing a very fine and difficult job.

MR. RICH said he felt the Committee has done a very impressive job.

RESOLUTIONS:

Suggested Resolution for possible adoption by the Board of Representatives calling on the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Zoning Board to take action to reduce the rate of increase in the number of Gas Stations, and to be more selective in the location of future Gas Stations - (Brought up by

Mr. Thomas Morris at the 1/3/66 Board meeting and printed in the Minutes of that date on page 4569-4570)

The above resolution was referred to the Steering Committee for proper referral to Committee at the next Steering Committee meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS:

THE PRESIDENT read the following letter from the Vatican in answer to a letter authorized by the Board sent to the Papal Secretary of his Holiness Pope Paul VI under date of October 11, 1965 (See Minutes of October 4, 1965, page 4491). The letter follows:

No. 54203

Dal Vaticano
December 23, 1965

Dear Mr. Ketcham,

At the gracious direction of the Holy Father it is my honoured duty to acknowledge receipt of the kind motion which you addressed to Him on behalf of the City of Stamford on the occasion of the visit to the United Nations.

The Holy Father bids me express His sincere gratitude for and His heartfelt appreciation of the sentiments of affection which inspired such a message, and He invokes upon you and the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford an abundance of heavenly favours.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Di Sva Santita
Segreteria Di Stato

Mr. Alan H. Ketcham, President
Board of Representatives
City of Stamford
City Hall
429 Atlantic Street
Stamford, Connecticut

- (2) Letter dated 1/20/66 from the President of the General Pulaski Democratic Club, urging the Board of Representatives to table the question of Stamford's joining the SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY at the present time

Noted, with copies ordered sent to the Board officers and Chairman of Legislative and Rules Committee and the Planning and Zoning Committee.

- (3) Letter (dated 1/25/66) from Stephen J. Vitka concerning radio broadcasts of meetings and suggesting that the members identify themselves and the District they represent when speaking over WSTC during a Board meeting

The President read the letter and said it was a very good suggestion and asked that the members try to remember to do this when speaking over the radio as the listening public do not know who is speaking.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 A.M.

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Velma Farrell

Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)

APPROVED:

George E. Russell
George E. Russell, President
9th Board of Representatives

Note: The above meeting was broadcast
over Radio Station WSTC.

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