# MEETING OF THE 11th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT Minutes of October 5, 1970

A regular monthly meeting of the 11th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, was held on MCNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1970, in the Board's Meeting Rooms, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Second Floor, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 8.45 P.M., after a Caucus by the respective parties.

INVOCATION was given by Father Stephen Grinvalsky, St. Benedict's Church, who remained for the entire meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: The President led the Members in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 39 present and one absent at the calling of the roll. However, Mr. Connors arrived shortly after, changing the roll call to 40 members present.

MR. TRUGLIA, Minority Leader, rose on a point of personal privilege, and was recognized by the Chair. He said in view of the fact that there are many more spectators than were anticipated, both those out in the foyer and standing. He asked if it would be possible to bring more chairs to accommodate these people.

THE PRESIDENT said he is sorry and wishes that he could accommodate these extra spectators, but we have had this out with the Fire Marshal when the room was being re-done and he is very much dissatisfied with the situation as it exists, and if we do not go along with his request, he is going to take all of the chairs out of here. He said it is unfortunate, we just have too many spectators here tonight and they cannot be accommodated.

MR. TRUGLIA asked about the possible use of the Republican and Democratic Caucus Rooms.

THE PRESIDENT said that is not allowable, as there is a maximum capacity, which is posted on the sign at the entrance to the Meeting Room. He said it would not be of any advantage to use the Caucus Rooms anyway as they are soundproof and you can't hear a thing.

THE PRESIDENT said in view of the fact that we do have a large crowd here tonight, which could disrupt the meeting, he will demand that there be no comments, no applause, no reaction at all, or the meeting room will have to be cleared. He said the Police have their instructions and if there is any disruption of the meeting, they will clear the room immediately.

PAGES: The Pages were: CYNTHIA DIXON and BRIAN ASKEW

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Meeting of September 8, 1970.

The above Minutes were accepted, with a correction to Pages 7428-29. MR. TRUGLIA said the words he wants included are the words "archaic" and

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"non-productive" with reference to the elementary music program.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The reading of the Report of the Steering Committee was waived and entered in the Minutes, and appears below:

# STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT Meeting held Monday, September 21, 1970

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held on Monday, September 21, 1970 at 8 P.M. in the Caucus Room of the Board of Representatives.

The Meeting was called to order by the President, Charles J. Heinzer, III, and the following Members were present: Charles Heinzer, Joseph Bitetto, Stephen Ellsworth, Lois Pont-Briant, Edward Scofield, Alan Ketcham, Stephen Kelly, George Russell, John Boccuzzi, Frederick Miller, Tony Truglia and Thomas Morris. Also present were: Handy Dixon, Gerry Rybnick, Matthias Nau. Absent were: Robert Exnicios (on vacation), Daniel Russbach and Jack Horner.

The following matters were discussed and acted upon:

(1) Drug Addicts and Suggested Method of Treatment - Formation of a Group of Interested Citizens

A Mr. Charles Uckert was invited to present an outline of what is contemplated by various interested groups to try to combat the increasing number of drug addicts. He requested that a special committee be formed to meet with these groups to try and come up with a plan of action.

# (2) Mayor's Appointments:

Mayor's letter of August 28, 1970 - Appointments received too late for the September meeting were ORDERED on the Agenda under APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE.

#### (3) Additional Appropriations:

\$19,154.00 - SOUTH END COMMUNITY CENTER - To employ a Director at Salary of \$13,000.00 and a Secretary at Salary of \$6,154.00 (Mayor's letter of 7/6/70)

The above matter was TABLED at the September 8, 1970 Board Meeting. Therefore, it was ORDERED LEFT OFF THE AGENDA.

\$24,865.12 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To cover additional costs of BLUE

CROSS LIFE INSURANCE and EXTRA PAY FOR EXTRA WORK PROGRAM

(Under their 1968-1970 2 year Contract) - (Requested in letter dated 4/30/70 from Dr. Porter and REDUCED by Board of Finance from \$54,700.00 on 6/11/70) - (Held in Fiscal Committee 7/6/70 and 8/3/70; not ordered on 9/8/70 Agenda by order of Steering Committee on 8/24/70)

REFERRED TO FISCAL COMMITTEE and EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE AND ORDERED ON AGENDA.

The three appropriations approved by the Board of Finance at their meeting held September 10, 1970 were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA, with the exception of one item - the following - which was NOT ordered on the Agenda:

Request for INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS FOR GROUP LIFE, HEALTH, HOSPITALIZATION (Average cost per person: (\$400.00) and MAJOR MEDICAL policies available to other City employees. (Requested in letter dated 9/5/70 from Commissioner of Finance and approved by Board of Finance on 8/13/70 - Ten City Officials)

Four requests for additional appropriations which were approved by the Board of Finance at their meeting held Sunday, September 20, 1970 were NOT ORDERED PLACED ON THE AGENDA as they were received today, and too late to go on the Agenda for the next meeting, under the Board's rules, which rules state clearly that no item will be considered to be received in time for placement on the Agenda, UNLESS RECEIVED FIVE DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Members present felt that it is high time this rule should be enforced, as there are an increasing number of last minute items being presented for adoption under suspension of the rules, which does not give the Committees a chance to consider them properly and come out with a report at the next Board Meeting. It was felt that holding these matters in abevance would make for a more orderly process of government. It was also suggested that a letter had been received by all Department Heads, Commissions, Boards and authorities, dated January 9, 1970, from the Commissioner of Finance, in which he states that the Board of Finance will not consider any requests for emergency appropriations unless submitted to the Mayor's office for processing at least EIGHT DAYS before the scheduled meeting of the Board of Finance, which is the second Thursday of each month. The Members felt it is only fair for this Board as well as the Board of Finance, to live up to the rules set out to insure time for committees to properly present these for approval rather than the last minute rush which is occurring with greater frequency each month.

It was agreed to send out a letter to this effect in order to have a better liaison established.

(4) Proposed Ordinance concerning INCREASE IN AUTOMOBILE PARKING FINES Amending Chapter 19 of Code of General Ordinances entitled "MOTOR
VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" - (Held in Committee 4/6/70, 5/4/70, 6/1/70,
7/6/70) - (Referred back to Committee 8/3/70 and again on 9/8/70)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Also referred to HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE)

(5) Ordinance for Final Adoption - CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT OF FEES
FOR BURGLAR ALARM AND FIRE ALARM TIE-IN SERVICE WITH POLICE AND
FIRE DEPARTMENTS - (Letter dated 4/24/70 from Asst. Corporation
Counsel John E. Smyth) (Held in Committee 6/1/70 and 7/6/70;
referred back to Committee by Health & Protection Committee
8/3/70 - Approved for publication 9/8/70; published 9/12/70;
corrected re-publication 9/30/70)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(6) Proposed Ordinance CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF PROPERTIES AND EASEMENTS

BETWEEN CITY OF STAMFORD, HARTFORD ELECTRIC CO., AND PONUS YACHT

CLUB, INC. in connection with Stamford Hurricane Barrier - (Mayor's letter of 6/10/70) (Held in Committee 8/3/70 and 9/8/70)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(7) Ordinance for Final Adoption - Amending FAIR RENT ORDINANCE NO. 173

Supplemental - (Mayor's letter of 7/18/70) - (Approved 9/8/70 for publication; published 9/18/70)

ORDERED ON AGENDA UNDER LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(8) Proposed Ordinance CONCERNING TRANSFER OF CITY-OWNED LAND LOCATED

ON NORTH SIDE OF STONE STREET FOR TOWN HOUSING SITE ON LUDLOW

STREET TO BE CEDED TO STAMFORD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION - (Mayor's letter of 7/7/70) - (Held in Committee 9/8/70 - See letter from Corporation Counsel containing requested opinion on above matter, addressed to the Chairman of the L & R Committee, dated 9/11/70).

The above matter was NOT placed on the Agenda.

(9) Ordinance for Final Adoption - CONCERNING CONVEYANCE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY TO JOSEPH CHOVIT, JR., LOCATED ON COURTLAND HILL STREET, LOT #68 - (Mayor's letter of 8/3/70) - (Adopted for publication 9/8/70; published 9/12/70; re-published 10/1/70 because of mistake)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(10) Ordinance for Final Adoption - AUTHORIZING A PERMANENT EASEMENT FROM CITY OF STAMFORD TO THE HARTFORD ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND GAS PIPE LINE SYSTEM FOR THIRD SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, LOCATED ON WEST SIDE OF LONG RIDGE ROAD IN CITY OF STAMFORD - (Requested in letter dated 8/3/70 from Asst. Corporation Counsel, John E. Smyth) - (Approved for publication 9/8/70; published 9/12/70 - Re-advertised 10/1/70 because of mistake)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(11) Resolution - AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTY

OWNED BY HELEN L. KAPLAN, 162 Washington Avenue, FOR THE WASHINGTON

AVENUE PROJECT - (Letter dated 8/24/70 from Asst. Corporation Counsel

Ronald M. Schwartz)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Also referred to PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

(12) Request from Chairman of HOUSING SITE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, Anthony Marrucco, in letter dated 9/15/70, for approval of: (1) HOUSING SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN for HIGH RIDGE ROAD SITE, being 8.048 acres located on East Side of High Ridge Road, North of Oaklawn Avenue, South of and adjacent to the C.B.S. Laboratories, and presently zoned R-72 Residential (approx. 5 dwellings per acre) with 100 units to be built; 80% for moderate income families and 20% for low-income families, under provisions of Sec. 236, National Housing Act of 1968, with required Zoning R-5 (17 units per acre, garden type) - Also requesting approval of two Resolutions (2) Resolution "Finding that there exists a need for low and moderate income housing" in amount not less than that provided by the plan; and (3) Resolution "Authorizing application to the Department of Community Affairs in an amount not to exceed \$424,667.00, in order to Undertake a Program of Housing Site Acquisition for the HIGH RIDGE ROAD SITE" (A public hearing was held on the Plan on September 10, 1970) - (Copies of Housing Site Development Plan and Transcript of Public Hearing to be sent to all Board Members by HSDA when ready)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Also referred to PUBLIC HOUSING & GENERAL RELOCATION COMMITTEE and PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

(13) Proposed Resolution - TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION OF RICE SCHOOL FROM
BOARD OF EDUCATION TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - (Mayor's letter
of 9/17/70)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Also referred to PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE and EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

(14) Proposed Resolution Authorizing the Corporation Counsel to PROCEED
WITH ACQUISITION, BY CONDEMNATION, IF NECESSARY, OF THREE PROPERTIES
OFF NEWFIELD AVENUE FOR AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE - (Requested in letter
from Corporation Counsel dated 6/9/70) - NOTE: Approved by Board of
Finance, subject to the following amendment: "The sites to be acquired are as described in the annexes attached to the resolution prepared by the Corporation Counsel, with the exception of the lake area
on the Guildway Homes Property, which area includes all of the
property west of the roadway and west of contour line 250, as shown
on the plans exhibited to the Board of Finance Members by Mr. Frank
George, of Fletch & Thompson, Architects - The aforementioned lake
area is to be eliminated from the property acquisition."

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(15) Request from Richard J. Tobin, Member of Conservation Commission, in letter of 5/29/70 to INCREASE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FROM 5 to 7 MEMBERS - (Originally created by adoption of Ord. #141 on 10/5/67) - (Held in Committee 7/6/70 - TABLED 8/3/70)

The above matter was NOT placed on the Agenda.

(16) Proposed REVISED HOUSING CODE - (Comprising 42 pages of proposed Ordinance, revising Ordinance #65, adopted by Board on 8/5/57, enacted 8/20/57) - (Mayor's letter of 5/13/70 - Deferred 7/6/70, 8/3/70 and not on 9/8/70 Agenda)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Also referred to HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE)

(17) Proposed Ordinance - CONCERNING DEBRIS AND GARBAGE FEE SCHEDULE 
(Mayor's letter 6/1/70 - Also see Mayor's letter 7/20/70 to

Steering Committee) - (Referred to Legislative & Rules Committee on 6/22/70 by Steering Committee, but not ordered on Agenda)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Also referred to PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

(18) Concerning Proposed CONVEYANCE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY TO WEST

MAIN STREET COMMUNITY CENTER FOR \$1.00 - (Mayor's letter 5/11/70)

The above was NOT placed on the Agenda.

(19) Proposed TAXI ORDINANCE - Fairview Avenue East

ORDERED ON AGENDA under HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE

(20) Proposed Ordinance - TO CHANGE NAME OF NEWLY CONSTRUCTED STREET FROM "LONG RIDGE ROAD" to "BROAD STREET" presently known as "WASHINGTON AVENUE" and "WASHINGTON AVENUE EXTENSION", together with all streets presently known as "RIVER STREET" and "SOUTH STREET" to the intersection with Pacific Street at Dyke Lane, to be known in its entirety as "RIVER DRIVE" - (Ordinance not to take effect until July 1, 1972) - (Proposed by Board President Charles J. Heinzer, III) - (Held in Committee 9/8/70)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

(21) Concerning DANNELL DRIVE (See Resolution #626 adopted 9/8/69)
(Processing under Chapter 64 of Charter)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

(22) PETITION - From STAMFORD VETERANS COUNCIL for permission to conduct
a MEMORIAL SERVICE AND PARADE ON VETERANS DAY, Wednesday, Nov.11,1970
(Letter 9/3/70)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

(23) PETITION - STAMFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - Retail Merchants CouncilTO FRECT AND MAINTAIN CHRISTMAS LIGHTING POLES ON MAJOR CITY STREETS
DURING 1970 CHRISTMAS SEASON - (Letter from Arthur G. Norman,
Executive Vice President, dated 9/16/70)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Resolution APPROVING TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION OF A PORTION OF WILLOW STREET, SOUTH STREET, MAIN STREET, RIVER STREET, BROAD STREET AND ALL OF RIPPOWAM PLACE, FROM THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO THE CITY OF STAMFORD, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF ORD, NO. 144 OF GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY - (Requested in letter 9/11/70 to Chairman of URC Committee from Harold J. Friedman, Legal Asst. and Land Disposition Officer of URC)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under URC COMMITTEE

(25) Petition signed by property owners (received 9/4/70) requesting Sewers on Old Barn Road because of serious health hazard caused by overflowing septic systems and suggesting a tie-in with new trunk line on Cold Spring Road

Above referred to SEWER COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

(26) Petition (Presented by George Russell, 17th District Representative at 9/8/70 Meeting) REQUESTING INSTALLATION OF SIDEWALKS TO TOQUAM SCHOOL, to be installed on Ridgewood Avenue, Elizabeth Avenue, Marion Street, St. Charles Avenue, Klondike Avenue, Joffre Avenue, Ledge Lane and Cleveland Street

Above referred to HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTE and EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

(27) Petition (presented 9/8/70 Board Meeting by Robert Durso, 5th District Representative, and also from Anthony D. Truglia, 5th District) - Requesting a TRAFFIC LIGHT AT INTERSECTION OF STILLWATER AVENUE AND FINNEY LANE because of a blind corner, making it a dangerous intersection

Referred to HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

(28) Petition dated 9/8/70 from Mrs. Lyla B. Ward, regarding need for middle and low-income housing

Noted and filed.

(29) Concerning limiting debate on any one subject to one minute per speaker each time, except under unusual circumstances when, by a two-thirds vote of those present, unlimited debate shall be allowed - (Presented 9/8/70 by Richard Bieder, 11th District and Theodore Boccuzzi, 9th District Representatives, at Board Meeting)

Referred to Special Committee to Increase Efficiency - Not on Agenda

(30) Communication dated 9/16/70 from Governor Dempsey, concerning proposed DARIEN-STAMFORD SEWER TIE-IN

Noted and filed.

(31) Communication dated 9/15/70 from State of Connecticut Water Resources Commission, John Curry, Director, concerning proposed Darien-Stamford Sewer Tie-In

Noted and filed

(32) Copy of letter to Mayor Wilensky dated 9/14/70 from State Bureau of Highways, Chief, Design, concerning Project No. 135-90 - Bedford Street Stamford TOPICS PROGRAM

Referred to PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

- (33) Letter from Norman Fieber and Alvan Lampke, dated 8/25/70, regarding SEWER LINE TO SERVE THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL ON ROXBURY ROAD and suggesting a GRAVITY SEWER LINE RATHER THAN A FORCED MAIN TYPE OF SEWERING
  - Referred to SEWER COMMITTEE Not on Agenda
- (34) Letter dated 9/17/70 from Edward K. Scofield, 10th District Representative concerning DESIGN REVIEW BOARD, which is part of the STAMFORD BUILDING CODE which goes out of existence on Oct. 1, 1970 and urging the Board to take the necessary action at the October meeting to guarantee a smooth and continuous transition

It was suggested that the Chairman of the Legislative & Rules Committee ask the Corporation Counsel for an opinion as to the status of the Design Review Board - REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

(35) Communication 9/17/70 from Edward Scofield, 10th District Representative, requesting action to be taken on Resolution #626 adopted by 10th Board on 9/8/69 RE: DANNELL DRIVE AND CRESTWOOD DRIVE

(Processing under provisions of Chapter 64 of Charter)

REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE (See Item 21, duplication)

(36) Letter dated 9/2/70 from James Hibben, URC Director, concerning a

VETERANS MEMORIAL WITHIN THE DOWNTOWN URC AREA - Addressed to Board

President.

REFERRED TO URC COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

(37) Letter to President dated 7/22/70 from Peter Chirimbes, 12th
District Representative, questioning the legality of the
appointment of the Board of Directors of the SOUTH END COMMUNITY
CENTER

Noted and filed

(38) Letter dated August 9, 1970 to President of Board from Nancy
Horowitz, 5 New England Drive, concerning CLOONAN NEIGHBORHOOD
CENTER

Referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - Not on Agenda

(39) Letter received 9/14/70 from PSI Permacode Systems, Inc., 40

Darwin Street, Rochester, N. Y., concerning CODIFICATION SERVICES to keep legislation up to date.

Referred to LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Noted and filed

(40) Concerning WASHINGTON AVENUE - PHASE II - (See Minutes 8/3/70, Page 7415)

MR.TRUGLIA request an investigation of this and MOVED it be referred to the Public Works Committee. Seconded and CARRIED by a vote of 8 in favor and 5 opposed.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 10.15 P.M.

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CHARLES J. HEINZER, III, Chairman STEERING COMMITTEE

#### APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

MR. RUSSBACH, Chairman, reported that his Committee met on Wednesday, September 30, 1970 at 7.15 P.M. in the Board of Representatives' Meeting Room, with all Members present, except Representatives Exnicios and Guroian. He reported on the following appointments: (Votes recorded on the Voting Machine)

#### URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

TERM ENDING:

J. ROBERT BROMLEY (R)
55 Cedar Heights Road
(replacing L.Lionetti,
whose term expired)

VOTE: 36 yes 3 no Aug. 7, 1975

# APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (CONTD.)

PARK COMMISSION:		~		TERM ENDING:
EDWARD O. LINDSTROM (R) 43 Brightside Drive	VOTE:		yes no	Dec. 1, 1973
(replacing Robert Bundock, who resigned)		2000	abstention	
BOARD OF ETHICS:				
ATHANASIOS LOTER (R)	17	33	yes	June 30, 1975
220 High Clear Drive		6	no	
(reappointment)				
HUBBARD HEIGHTS GOLF COMMISSION	<u>l:</u>			
RICHARD MARTIN (R)	11	34	yes	Dec. 1, 1970
49 Belltown Road	3 -1 -	5	no	
(replacing Charles Pugliese,				
who resigned)				
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:				
ELSIE HOWARD (R)	11	28	yes	Dec. 1, 1971
Westover Road		11	no	2:500
(replacing James Simon,				
who resigned)		100		

MR. RUSSBACH reported that the Committee has not interviewed Dr. Neil C. Klein, as a Member of the COMMISSION ON AGING, so the appointment is being held in Committee until next month.

THE PRESIDENT informed the Members that this is the first time we have had a large Agenda for the APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE and we have done these in 15 minutes, and before we had the Voting Machine it would have taken at lease that long to process one appointment.

#### FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MR. EXNICIOS, Chairman, reported that his Committee met on September 30, with 7 Members present: Mrs. Pont-Briant, Messrs. DeForest, J. Boccuzzi, G. Rybnick, Caporizzo, Morabito and the Chairman. He reported on the following items:

(1) \$24,865.12 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To cover additional costs of BLUE

CROSS, LIFE INSURANCE AND EXTRA PAY FOR EXTRA WORK

PROGRAM - (Under their 2-year contract 1968-1970) 
(Requested in letter 4/30/70 from Dr. Porter) - REDUCED

by Board of Finance from \$54,700.00 on 6/11/70 - (Held

in Fiscal Committee 7/6/70 and 8/3/70) - (Not placed on 9/8

Agenda by order of Steering Committee)

# FISCAL COMMITTEE (CONTD):

- MR. EXNICIOS said the above matter was held in Committee.
- (2) \$12,500.00 COMMISSION ON AGING Code 195.5204 for QUINTARD MANOR (Quintard Terrace Project) (Reimbursement by the State Department on Aging)

MR. EXNICIOS MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Miller, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurs in approval. CARRIED unanimously.

(3) \$3,201.50 - PENSION - Fireman Martin W. McNamara (deceased) - To be paid to Guardian of Estate of his minor son, Michael McNamara, born April 10, 1955, based on one-half of the annual salary of the deceased for period August 8, 1970 to April 10, 1971 - (Mayor's letter 9/4/70)

MR. EXNICIOS MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by several members and CARRIED unanimously.

(4) \$3,315.07 - PENSION - Fire Dispatcher Harold J. Redfern, based on an annual pension of \$4,537.50 or 50% of his annual salary of \$9,075.00 - effective October 7, 1970 - (Mayor's letter 9/4/70)

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

(5) \$19,154.00 - SOUTH END COMMUNITY CENTER - To employ a Director at salary of \$13,000.00 and Secretary at salary of \$6,154.00 - (Mayor's letter 7/6/70 - TABLED at Sept. 8, 1970 Meeting: See Page 7432-33 Item #8 of Minutes)

MR. MILLER asked if the Fiscal Committee intends to take the above item off the TABLE.

THE PRESIDENT said it would have to be taken from the TABLE by a motion from a Member of this Board.

MR. MILLER MOVED TO REMOVE THIS ITEM FROM THE TABLE. Seconded by Mr. Bieder.

MR. RYBNICK said they are awaiting an opinion from the Corporation Counsel in regard to this issue which is one of the reasons it is not before the Board tonight.

MR. EXNICIOS said he would like to correct this - that at the time of the meeting of the Fiscal Committee this was correct and they did not have a ruling from the Corporation Counsel. However, he said he did receive a telephone call late this afternoon, but has not received anything in writing as yet from Corporation Counsel and Mr. Rybnick is correct in that respect.

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI asked the speaker what that decision was.

MR. EXNICIOS said he (the Corporation Counsel) said he could see nothing that precluded this Board appropriating money for a Director for the South End Community Center.

MR. CHIRIMBES said he spoke against this for one reason - that he hates to appropriate money for a Director of an Agency unless we can see some reason that it is going to serve a purpose. He said he brought up specific questions:

Who is going to be liable for the building?
Who is going to be liable for insurance?
Who is going to pay the policy?
What is the program on the Neighborhood Center?

He said he does not want us to create another Monster and wants to see something done constructively if we are going to have a Neighborhood Center.

THE PRESIDENT said the motion before the Board is the motion to REMOVE FROM THE TABLE and discussion will have to be on that motion first.

MR. EXNICIOS said he would recommend that this not be removed from the table because there is nothing to be gained as the Committee has no further information and has not discussed this further and there are still many questions to be answered.

MR. DIXON said he has talked to the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the South End Center and he was informed that the Center is ready to go and they have a competent Board of Directors and are awaiting now to get going with their program. He urged that there be no further delay.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI said he understands that last month one of the questions was whether this Board has the right to interview a possible director, which is one of the questions that will have to be answered by the Corporation Counsel and as of yet he does not believe an answer has been received.

MR. MILLER spoke in favor of taking this off the table. He said he thinks there has been sufficient time given to this and that it is important that somebody have the fixed responsibility for the building down there, because the Board is made up of volunteers who have other jobs and cannot devote the time to this.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote to REMOVE FROM THE TABLE. (Machine votetaken) LOST by a vote of 23 NO votes and 14 YES votes.

#### LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. ELLSWORTH, Chairman, reported that his Committee met on September 28, 1970 and was a joint meeting with the Health & Protection Committee, the

Public Works Committee, Housing & General Relocation Committe, Planning & Zoning Committee and Education, Welfare & Government Committee, with all members of the Legislative & Rules Committee in attendance. He said representatives of the various Committees attending the meeting were: Messrs. Scofield, John Boccuzzi, Dixon, Kelly, Rybnick, Pensiero, Roos, Morabito, Bitetto, Clark, Sherer, Russell, Nau and Pont-Briant. In addition, he said they have a number of guests, including the City Engineer, Commissioner of Finance and Commissioner of Public Works, Mr. Robert Kochel, Mr. Anthony Marrucco, Dr. Charles Robinson from the Board of Education and others (could not be heard because of interruption).

(1) Proposed Ordinance concerning INCREASE IN AUTOMOBILE PARKING FINES Amending Chapter 19 of Code of General Ordinances entitled "MOTOR
VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" - (Held in Committee 4/6/70, 5/4/70, 6/1/70,
7/6/70 - Referred back to Committee 8/3/70 and again on 9/8/70)

MR. ELLSWORTH said after many deliberations and consultations with various interested persons, they have drawn up a new Ordinance and everyone has received a copy of this final revised version. He pointed out the changes and highlights. HE MOVED for approval for publication of the following proposed Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Russell, who said the Health and Protection Committee concurs. CARRIED unanimously:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE
INCREASE IN AUTOMOBILE PARKING BINES
(Amending Chapter 19 of Code of General Ordinances
entitled "MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC")

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

Sections 19-22, 19-25, 19-27, 19-34, 19-36 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford are hereby repealed and the following Sections substituted therefor:

#### Section 19-22: Same - Redemption

Before the owner or person in charge of any vehicle taken into custody, as above provided shall be allowed to remove the same from the place where it has been impounded, he shall pay the cost of removal, not to exceed the sum of Fifteen (\$15.00) Dollars plus the cost of storage, not to exceed One (\$1.00) Dollar for one day, or portion of a day, that such vehicle is so stored in excess of the first twenty-four hours.

#### Section 19-25:

The penalty for violations of rules and regulations promulgated by the Chief of Police with respect to parking on public streets, highways, or public places shall be as follows:

1. (a) A fine of TWO (\$2.00) DOLLARS for the following violation:

- Parking Meter violation
- 2. Overtime parking where posted
- (b) A fine of FIVE (\$5.00) DOLLARS for a violation of any of the regulations listed in Sec. 19-27, and a fine of FIVE (\$5.00) DOLLARS for parking in any resident parking lot at the Stamford Railroad Station without a valid permit from the appropriate City authority.
- 2. The said mentioned fines shall apply if payment is made to the Stamford Police Department within thirty (30) days of the date of the violation. Payment is deemed to be made on the date it is received by the Stamford Police Department.
- 3. If the said fines are not paid within thirty (30) days of the violation then the fines shall be as follows:
  - (a) If the said two (\$2.00) dollar fine is not paid within thirty (30) days of the violation but is paid after thirty (30) days of the violation and within sixty (60) days of the violation then the total fine shall be Seven (\$7.00) Dollars.
  - (b) If the said two (\$2.00) dollar fine is not paid within sixty (60) days of the violation but is paid after sixty (60) days of the violation and within ninety (90) days of the violation then the total fine shall be twelve (\$12.00) Dollars.
  - (c) If the said two (\$2.00) dollar fine is not paid within ninety (90) days of the violation then the total fine shall be twenty-seven (\$27.00) dollars.
  - (d) If the said five (\$5.00) dollar fine is not paid within thirty (30) days of the violation but is paid after thirty (30) days of the violation and within sixty (60) days of the violation then the total fine shall be fifteen (\$15.00) dollars.
  - (e) If the said five (\$5.00) dollar fine is not paid within sixty (60) days of the violation but is paid after sixty (60) days of the violation and within ninety (90) days of the violation then the total fine shall be twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars.
  - (f) If the said five (\$5.00) dollar fine is not paid within ninety (90) days of the violation then the total fine shall be fifty-five (\$55.00) dollars.

If the said fines and penalties as herein set forth are not paid within ninety (90) days of the violation, the Chief of Police of the City of Stamford is authorized and empowered to cause the violator to be arrested.

If the violator is found guilty he shall be fined not more than fifty (\$50.00) dollars for each offense and, in addition, he shall pay the required fine as set forth herein.

# Sec. 19-27: Prohibited in Certain Places:

- A. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the direction of a police officer or traffic control device, in any of the following places:
  - 1. On a sidewalk
  - 2. In front of a public or private driveway
  - 3. Within an intersection
  - 4. Within fifteen (15) feet of a fire hydrant
  - 5. On a crosswalk
  - 6. Within ten (10) feet of a crosswalk at an intersection
  - 7. Within thirty (30) feet upon the approach of any flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway.
  - 8. Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within thirty (30) feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone, unless the City traffic authority has indicated a different length by signs or markings.
  - Within fifty (50) feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing.
  - 10. Within twenty (20) feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance of any fire station within seventy-five (75) feet of such entrance (when properly sign-posted)
  - 11. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping; standing or parking would obstruct traffic.
  - 12. On a roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street.
  - Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel.
  - At any place where official signs prohibit stopping or parking.
  - 15. More than twelve (12) inches from a curb.
  - Within twenty-five (25) feet of a street corner or intersection.
  - 17. In monthly parking lots owned or operated by the Stamford Parking Authority, without a valid permit.
- B. No person shall move a vehicle not lawfully under his control into any such prohibited area or away from a curb such distance as it unlawful.

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# Sec. 19-34: Same - Procedure for release of vehicle:

Before the owner or person in charge of any vehicle taken into custody, as above provided, shall be allowed to remove the same from the place where it has been impounded, he shall pay the cost of removal which shall not exceed the sum of Fifteen (\$15.00) Dollars, plus the cost of storage which shall not exceed One (\$1.00) Dollar for each day, or portion of a day, that such vehicle is so stored in excess of the first twenty-four hours.

The Police Department is authorized to enter into arrangement with companies offering towing service and provide such service as is required in the enforcement of this article.

# Sec. 19-36: Penalty for violation of article:

Except as otherwise provided, any person violating any of the provisions of this article shall be fined for each such violation a sum not exceeding Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars.

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

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(2) Ordinance for Final Adoption - CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT OF FEES FOR BURGLAR ALARM AND FIRE ALARM TIE-IN SERVICE WITH POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS - (Letter 4/24/70 from Asst. Corporation Counsel John E. Smyth) - (Held in Committee 6/1/70 and 7/6/70; referred back to Committee by the Health & Protection Committee 8/3/70 -- Approved for publication 9/8/70) - published 9/12/70)

The above matter was held in Committee.

(3) Proposed Ordinance CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF PROPERTIES AND EASEMENTS
BETWEEN CITY OF STAMFORD, HARTFORD ELECTRIC CO. AND PONUS YACHT CLUB,
INC. in connection with Stamford Hurricane Barrier - (Mayor's letter
of 6/10/70) - (Held in Committee 8/3/70 and 9/8/70)

MR. ELLSWORTH MOVED for approval for publication of the following proposed Ordinance. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously:

#### PROPOSED ORDINANCE

CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF PROPERTIES AND EASEMENTS BETWEEN
CITY OF STAMFORD, HARTFORD ELECTRIC CO. AND PONUS YACHT
CLUB, INC.

#### BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

In conformity with Section 488 of the Stamford Charter and notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 2, Sections 2-24 and 2-27 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford, the exchange between the City of Stamford, the Hartford Electric Light Co. and Ponus Yacht Club, Inc. of the following properties and easements is hereby approved:

Quit Claim to be executed by the City of Stamford in favor of Hartford Electric Light Co.:

Commencing at a point in the westerly line of Dyke Lane which point marks the southeasterly corner of the premises herein described and the northeasterly corner of land of the Releasor herein; thence running S 590 28' 56" W a distance of 16.55 feet to a point; thence running S 79° 37' 06" W a distance of 48.00 feet to a point; thence running S 598 28' 56" W a distance of 164.15 feet to a point; thence running S 690 40' 90" W a distance of 33.43 feet to a point; thence running S 2000 33' 54" E a distance of 82.90 feet to a point, the last 5 courses being along land of the Releasor herein; thence running S 69° 26' 06" W along land of Ponus Yacht Club, Inc., a distance of 652.08 feet to a point in the existing harbor line of the West Branch of Stamford Harbor; thence running N 22° 21' 45" W a distance of 642.16 feet to a point; thence running N 10° 31' 15" W a distance of 281.23 feet to a point; thence running N 0° 51' 58" W a distance of 230.99 feet to a point; thence running N 17° 38' 43" E a distance of 73.53 feet to a point; thence running 54' 49" E a distance of 212.75 feet to a point; thence running N 19° 49' 07" W a distance of 131.99 feet to a point; thence running N 15° 56' 39" W a distance of 31.19 feet to a point, the last 7 courses being along said harbor line of the West Branch of Stamford Harbor; thence running N 70° 11' 33" E a distance of 69.81 feet to a point; thence running N 22° 08' W a distance of 2.10 feet to a point; thence running N 68° 36' 00" E a distance of 48.17 feet to a point; thence running N 47 08' 26" E a distance of 424.57 feet to a point, the last 4 courses being along the southeasterly and southerly line of Atlantic Street and its extension westerly to Stamford Harbor or Independent Oil Company of Connecticut, Incorporated, in part by each; thence in a curve to the right having a radius of 15:50 feet a distance of 34.09 feet to a point thence S 6° 58' 34" E - distance of 362.28 feet to a point; thence running S 17° 55' 34" E a distance of 125.05 feet to a point; thence running S 23° 30' 34" E a distance of 313.30 feet to a point, the last 3 courses being along the westerly line of South Street and an extension southerly thereof across Pacific Street; thence running N  $65^{\circ}$  21' 26" E a distance of 50.39 feet to a point; thence running N  $66^{\circ}$  48' 26" E a distance of 2.99 feet to a point, the last 2 courses being along the southerly line of Pacific Street;

thence running S 30° 31' 04" E along the westerly line of Dyke Lane a distance of 808.58 feet to the point and place of beginning.

Said premises are more particularly shown on a certain map entitled, "Exchanges of Property between The Hartford Electric Light Gompany and The City of Stamford Scale 1" = 50' Parsons, Bromfield & Redniss Engineers and Surveyors Stamford, Conn. Comm. No. 6811-1883 Date June 13, 1969 Revised 8 - 19 - 69 June, a copy of which is to be filed in the office of the town clerk of Stamford.

Easement to be granted by the Hartford Electric Light Co. to the City of Stamford.

Perpetual easement to construct, maintain, repair, operate, patrol and replace a flood wall including all appurtenances thereto on that parcel of land designated as Parcel 6El on a certain map entitled, "Exchanges of Property between The Hartford Electric Light Company and The City of Stamford Scale 1\* = 50' Parsons, Bromfield & Redniss Engineers and Surveyors Stamford, Conn. Comm. No. 6811-1883 Date June 13, 1969 Revised 8 - 19 - 69 6811, a copy of which is to be filed in the office of the Town Clerk of Stamford.

Easement to be granted by the Hartford Electric Light Co. to the City of Stamford.

Perpetual easements to construct, maintain, repair, operate, inspect and patrol a storm sewer over that land more particularly designated as Parcel 6E2 on a certain map entitled, "Exchanges of Property between the Hartford Electric Light Company and the City of Stamford Scale 1" = 50' Parsons, Bromfield & Redmiss Engineers and Surveyors Stamford, Conn. Comm. No. 6811-1883 Date June 13, 1969 Revised 8 - 19 - 69 1969, a copy of which is to be filed in the office of the Town Clerk of Stamford.

Quit Claim to be executed by the Hartford Electric Light Co. to the City of Stamford.

That certain parcel of land designated as Parcel C on a certain map entitled, "Exchanges of Property between the Hartford Electric Light Company and The City of Stamford Scale 1" = 50' Parsons, Bromfield & Redniss Engineers and Surveyors Stamford Conn. Comm No. 6811-1883 Date June 13, 1969 Revised 8 - 19 - 69 June, a copy of which is to be filed in the Office of the Town Clerk of Stamford.

Quit Claim to be executed by the City of Stamford to the Ponus Yacht Club, Inc.:

That certain parcel of land designated as Parcel.C on a certain map entitled, "Exchanges of Property between The Hartford Electric Light Company and The City of Stamford Scale 1" = 50' Parsons, Bromfield & Redniss Engineers and Surveyors Stamford, Conn. Comm No. 6811-1883 Date June 13, 1969 Revised 8 - 19 - 69 Date, a copy of which is to be filed in the Office of the Town Clerk of Stamford.

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

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(4) Ordinance No. 202 (for final adoption) - Amending FAIR RENT ORDINANCE NO. 173 SUPPLEMENTAL - (Mayor's letter 7/18/70) - (Approved 9/8/70 for publication; published 9/18/70)

MR. ELLSWORTH MOVED for approval for final adoption of the following Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Truglia and CARRIED unanimously:

ORDINANCE NO. 202 SUPPLEMENTAL
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 173 SUPPLEMENTAL

# CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FAIR RENT COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF STAMFORD

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

Ordinance No. 173 Supplemental CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FAIR RENT COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF STAMFORD is hereby amended so it reads as follows:

Section 1. PURPOSE: Pursuant to and in conformity with Public Act
No. 274 of the 1969 General Assembly, there is hereby created a
Commission known as the Fair Rent Commission for the purpose of controlling and eliminating excessive rental charges on residential property
within the City of Stamford. This Ordinance is enacted in recognition
of the compelling need for rent stabilization for the duration of a severe
housing shortage in Stamford.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS: Unless the context specifically indicates otherwise, the meaning of terms used in this Ordinance shall be as follows:

- "Commission" shall mean the Fair Rent Commission of the City of Stamford, Connecticut.
- "Person" shall mean any individual, firm, company, association, corporation or group.
- 3. "Housing Accommodation" shall mean any building or structure, wholly or in part, containing living quarters occupied or fairly intended for occupancy as a place of residence, with any land or buildings, appurtenant thereto and any services, furniture and facilities supplied in connection therewith except:
  - A. A hospital, convent, monastery, asylum, public institution, or college or school dormitory, or any institution operated exclusively for charitable or educational purposes.
- 4. "Rent" or "Rental Charges" shall mean any consideration, monetary or otherwise, including any bonus, benefit, or gratuity, demanded or received for the use of occupancy of any housing accommodation.

- 5. "Tenant" shall mean any person who leases or rents, whether by written or oral lease, any housing accommodation, as a residence for himself and/or his immediate family.
- 6. "Landlord" shall mean any person who leases, sub-leases, rents or permits the occupancy of any housing accommodation, including a person who manages a housing accommodation owned by someone else.
- Section 3. MEMBERSHIP: The Commission shall consist of five (5)
  Members, and three (3) Alternate Members, all of whom shall be resident
  electors of the City of Stamford. Not more than three (3) of said
  Members and two (2) of said Alternate Members shall be registered members
  of the same political party. The members and alternate members shall be
  appointed by the Mayor, subject to approval by the Board of Representatives.
  The Commission shall elect from its members a Chairman and Vice-Chairman.
- Section 4. TERM OF OFFICE: Initially, the Mayor shall appoint a member to a term which expires December 1, 1974, the other members shall be appointed to terms which expire December 1, 1973, December 1, 1972, December 1, 1971 and December 1, 1970 respectively. Thereafter, members shall be appointed for a term of five (5) years or to fill the unexpired term of any member who leaves the Commission. In no case shall a member serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms.

Initially, alternate members shall be appointed to terms expiring December 1, 1974, December 1, 1972 and December 1, 1970, and thereafter to five (5) year terms as provided above for members.

Appointment and removal of Commission Members shall conform to Chapter 50 of the Stamford Charter.

- Section 5. STAFF: The Commission may employ a Director to keep its records, to handle its correspondence, to supervise and direct the administration of this Ordinance, and generally to perform such other functions as may be assigned by the Commission. Additional employees as the Commission deems necessary to effect the provisions of this Ordinance may be appointed by the Commission. Upon request, assistance from other municipal agencies shall be reasonably available to the Commission.
- Section 6. POWERS: Pursuant to Public Act 274, the Commission shall have the following powers:
- 1. To make such studies and investigations into rentals charged for housing accommodation within the City of Stamford as it deems appropriate to carry out its responsibilities hereunder.
- To receive complaints, inquiries and other communications concerning alleged excessive rental charges in housing accommodations within said City.
- 3. To conduct hearings on complaints or requests for investigation submitted to it by any tenant or any landlord. Two weeks written notice by

registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, shall be given to the complaining tenant and the landlord of the housing accommodations in question. If any notice is returned without having been delivered, the Commission may arrange for service by a deputy sheriff, constable of the City of Stamford, or indifferent person in the same manner as is provided in the Connecticut General Statutes for service of process in a civil action.

- 4. To administer oaths.
- 5. To subpoena witnesses and compel their attendance at said hearings.
- 6. To determine, after a hearing, whether or not the rent for any housing accommodation is so excessive as to be harsh and unconscionable.
- 7. To order a reduction of any excessive rent to an amount the Commission considers fair and equitable. However, the Commission shall not have the power to waive any rent which has become due prior to the filing date of the complaint. In its discretion the Commission may make the order retroactive to the date of the tenant's complaint. Such order shall be in effect for a period of one (1) year from its effective date, except (a) as provided under subparagraph 9 of this section, or (b) if the Commission shall, pursuant to a subsequent petition by the landlord or tenant, which may be made by the landlord or tenant at any time, order that the rent be changed.
- 8. To continue, review, terminate or suspend all its orders and decisions.
- (a) If the Commission determines after a hearing that a housing accommodation fails to comply with Stamford City Code, Chapter 18, or any state or city statute or regulation relating to health and safety, the Commission may order the tenant to pay the fair and equitable rent, as determined by the Commission, to the Commission. (b) The Commission shall hold such rent in an escrow account, as hereinafter provided, until the landlord makes such repairs or changes as are required to bring the housing accommodation into compliance with such Ordinance, statutes or regulation. (c) If the landlord shall have corrected such violations after the order reducing the rent, and if the rent had been reduced solely because of such violations, the landlord may petition the Commission for the reinstatement of the original rent and for the payment to him of the rent held in the escrow account. (d) If the landlord shall have corrected such violations after the order reducing the rent, but the rent had not been reduced solely because of such violations, the landlord may petition the Commission for an order fixing a fair and equitable rent for such housing accommodation in light of its condition at the time of the landlord's petition, and for the payment to him of the rent held in the escrow account. (e) In any case arising under this sub-paragraph, upon reasonable determination of the Commission, the original rent or such fair and equitable rent as determined by the Commission, may be ordered into effect retroactive, at the discretion of the Commission, to the date of the petition for reinstatement. No such reinstatement shall be effective until after a hearing is held by the Commission in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 (3) hereof.

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- 10. To establish an escrow account with a local bank or financial institution into which it shall deposit all rents or other funds paid to it pursuant to Section 6 (9) hereof. Such funds shall be released to the landlord if (a) he shall be successful in an appeal to the court or (b) if the Commission shall order such release after a petition in accordance with Section 6 (9) hereof.
- 11. To require the corporation counsel to institute, and the corporation counsel shall then institute, an action in any court of equity for either a temporary or final injunction, restraining the violation of or directing compliance with any order made pursuant to any provision of this Ordinance. Such direction to the corporation counsel shall be written by the Chairman of the Commission or by his designee.
- Section 7. STANDARDS: In making the determinations as to whether a rental charge is excessive, the Commission shall give due consideration to the following:
- 1. Rents charged for the same number of rooms in other housing accommodations within the City.
- 2. The sanitary conditions in the housing accommodations in question.
- 3. The number of bathtubs, or showers, flush water closets, kitchen sinks, and lavatory basins available to the occupants thereof.
- 4. Services, furniture, furnishings and equipment supplied within said housing accommodations by the land lord.
- 5. Size and number of bedrooms and number of whole bathroom accommodations.
- 6. Repairs necessary to make such housing accommodation comply with the minimum standards required by Stamford City Code, Chapter 18.
- Amount of taxes and overhead expenses of the landlord.
- 8. Compliance of the housing accommodation with the ordinance of the City of Stamford and the General Statutes and regulations of the State of Connecticut relating to health and safety.
- 9. Income of the Tenant and availability of other accommodations for him and his immediate family.
- Section 8. PROCEDURES: (1) A quorum for any hearing or meeting shall consist of three (3) members or their alternates and shall be empowered to conduct said hearings and render orders and decisions, pursuant thereto.

- 2. Pending a determination by the Commission, the tenant shall continue to pay the rent required at the time of the complaint for the housing accommodation in question to the landlord while the complaint is pending before the Commission.
- 3. All proceedings shall continue regardless of the fact that a tenant may quit the housing accommodation in question and notwithstanding any attempt, successful or otherwise, to evict said tenant. No sale, assignment or transfer of the housing accommodation in question shall be cause for discontinuing any pending proceeding nor shall it affect the rights, duties and obligation of the Commission or the parties thereto.
- 4. Any person aggrieved by any order of the Commission may appeal to the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Fairfield, such appeal to be taken within fifteen (15) days after the rendering of the order in question. Any such appeal shall be considered a privileged matter with respect to the order of trial.
- PENALTIES: Any person who shall violate (a) any order of rent reduction or rent suspension by demanding, accepting or receiving an amount in excess thereof while such order remains in effect, or (b) any other provision of this Ordinance or (c) who shall refuse to obey any subpoena, order or direction of this Commission pursuant thereto, shall be fined not more than one hundred (\$100) dollars for each such offense. If such offense continues for more than (1) day, it shall constitute a new offense for each day it continues to exist. No action shall be taken on any such violation by the prosecuting authorities of the City except upon written complaint of the Chairman of the Commission or his designee. This penalty provision shall apply to such violations of previous orders of the Commission as shall exist and continue subsequent to the effective date hereof. As to such violations of such previous orders, the offense shall not be deemed to commence until those violating said orders have been notified by certified mail of these penalty provisions, or until fifteen (15) days following the official publication of this Ordinance, whichever is sooner.
- Section 10. DEFENSE AGAINST RETALIATORY EVICTIONS: In any action for summary process, it shall be an affirmative defense that the plaintiff brought such action against the tenant solely because a complaint was filed with the Commission or because the tenant or complainant has taken any other action with reference to a matter covered by this Ordinance.
- Section 11. ELIGIBILITY TO FILE COMPLAINT: Any tenant shall be eligible to file a complaint with the Commission and any landlord or his representative shall be eligible to petition the Commission for a readjustment of the rent, as provided by Section 6, subparagraphs 7 and 9. It shall be a defense to any complaint before the Commission that the tenant is responsible for damages to the landlord's premises, other than ordinary wear and tear, in excess of any amount held by the landlord as security. If the Commission finds, after a hearing, that the tenant is responsible

for such damages, other than ordinary wear and tear, it shall not make a determination in regard to such complaint until such time as the tenant has paid into escrow with the Commission an amount sufficient to pay for such damages, as determined by the Commission.

Section 12. If any provision of this Ordinance is held unconstitutional, such determination shall not affect any other provision hereof.

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

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(5) Proposed Resolution - AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH THE CONDEMNATION
OF PROPERTY OWNED BY HELEN L. KAPLAN, 162 WASHINGTON AVENUE, FOR THE
WASHINGTON AVENUE PROJECT - (Letter dated 8/24/70 from Asst. Corporation Counsel Ronald M. Schwartz)

The above matter was held in Committee for the reason that the Committee wishes to investigate it further. He said the Public Works Committee has agreed to investigate alternate ways to solve the problem other than the one proposed.

Request from Chairman of HOUSING SITE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, Anthony MARRUCCO, in letter dated 9/15/70, for approval of: HOUSING SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN for HIGH RIDGE ROAD SITE, being 8.048 Acres located on East Side of High Ridge Road, North of Oaklawn Avenue South of an adjacent to the C.B.S. Laboratories, and presently zoned R-72 Residential (approx. 5 dwellings per acre) with 100 units to be built; 80% for moderate income families and 20% for low income families, under provisions of Sec. 236, National Housing Act of 1968, with required Zoning R-5 (17 units per acre, garden type) - Also requesting approval of two Resolutions (1) Resolution "Finding that there exists a need for low and moderate income housing" in amount not less than that provided by the plan; and (2) Resolution "Authorizing application to the Department of Community Affairs in an amount no. to exceed \$424,667.00, in order to undertake a program of Housing Site Acquisition for the HIGH RIDGE ROAD SITE" --- (A public hearing was held on the Plan on September 10, 1970) - (Copies of Housing Site Development Plan and Transcript of Public Hearing to be sent to all Board Members by HSDA when ready)

MR. ELLSWORTH said this is a matter of two resolutions regarding the Housing Site Development Plan for a housing site on High Ridge Road.

#### RECESS:

MR. TRUGLIA requested a five minute recess at this time (9.30 P.M.) which was granted. The recess was declared over at 9.40 P.M.

THE PRESIDENT cautioned the spectators not to applaud, or otherwise create a disturbance.

MR. ELLSWORTH said Item #6 is a matter of two Resolutions, both of which are regarding the Housing Site Development Plan and the application to the State for two different reasons for the High Ridge Road site. He said the first resolution is one that states, in essence, that there presently exists a need for moderate and low income housing in the City in an amount not less than that provided for the Plan - 80% for moderate income families, and 20% for low income families. He said the second resolution regards the authorization for the application for State assistance in the amount of \$424,667.00. He said both of these resolutions are necessary for the implementation of this Plan. He said his Committee has given this a great deal of thought and finds that there are many issues involved, some of which have become very clouded, perhaps due to the emotional aspects of the issue. He said there does seem to be an implication in this action insofar as other suggested sites are concerned in the City of Stamford. He said it is recommended that this not be taken into consideration when considering this proposition. He said another issue is the basic one of whether or not there is a need, in Stamford, as suggested in the first resolution, for publicly supported middle income housing. He said with all of these concerns in their minds, the Legislative & Rules Committee has voted to recommend approval of these two resolutions. He said he therefore is suggesting that the Board adopt, one by one, these two proposed resolutions. HE SO MOVED. Seconded.

MR. HORNER said this matter was also referred to the Planning & Zoning Committee, and he would like to present his report at this time, as there are some rather important items he wished to bring up.

MR. HORNER said Mr. Ellsworth and his Committee are considering this matter from a legal standpoint, whereas the Planning & Zoning Committee are involved for other reasons. He reported his Committee has met on two occasions on this item and after very careful deliberation, find that they must make the recommendation that the High Ridge Housing Site proposal be temporarily held in Committee. He outlined the reasons why. He said they think it is advisable to study the revised Master Plan changes which, supposedly, will be forthcoming from the Planning Board in the very near future. Secondly, he said, the members of his Committee might risk prejudicing their votes if an appeal should be brought to this Board and perhaps this should be submitted to the Zoning Board first for their action, rather than to this body, because it does involve a down-zoning matter and may be properly before them more so than before this body. Thirdly, he said, since most of the members of this Board have not had the opportunity of inspecting the site, his Committee thinks it is advisable to recommend to the President that he call a special meeting of the Board on the site at the earliest possible moment, in order that all board

members can make a personal inspection as a Committee of the Whole.

MR. HORNER MOVED to hold the High Ridge Housing Site in Committee for further study and referral.

THE PRESIDENT informed the Speaker that the motion would have to be to recommit to Committee.

MR. HORNER said he stands corrected. Seconded by Mr. Bitetto.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on the motion to recommit.

MR. DIXON said his Committee, the Housing & General Relocation Committee, concurs with the Legislative & Rules Committee. He said his Committee met with that Committee and this whole package was discussed at very great length. He said his Committee also has met recently with the Housing Sites Development Agency and has worked with that Agency and they know the amount of work that has gone into this matter. He said he believes this is the most complete "package" that has come before this Board from the HSDA since he has been a member of the Board. He said his Committee is very much in favor of the site plan as presented.

THE PRESIDENT asked the Speaker to confine his remarks to the motion - to return to Committee.

MR. BITETTO said from his experience on this Board in regard to Planning & Zoning matters, he believes it would be wise to recommit this to Committee.

MR. RUSSBACH MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on motion to recommit to Committee. CARRIED.

MR. BIEDER rose on a POINT OF ORDER. He said he believes there were other speakers who were waiting to speak before the President called on Mr. Russbach.

MR. RUSSBACH said he was recognized by the Chair, the vote was taken and the issue is closed.

THE PRESIDENT said this is correct.

MR. ELLSWORTH said he would like to ask, are we voting to recommit on the basis of what Mr. Horner has said?

THE PRESIDENT said that is up to each Representative as to on what basis he should vote.

MR. ELLSWORTH said Mr. Horner's motion was made with the understanding that the President would convene a Committee of the Whole Board on the site.

THE PRESIDENT said that was not part of Mr. Horner's motion. He asked Mr. Horner if he wishes to make that a part of his motion.

MR. HORNER said he intends to include that as a part of his motion.

THE PRESIDENT said the motion then is to recommit this to Committee and to have an On Site Meeting and if the motion is carried, he would then set a date for that Meeting. He called for a vote on the motion to recommit.

MR. BIEDER asked if this is going to be a ROLL CALL VOTE.

THE PRESIDENT said he is coming to that. He called for a show of hands for a ROLL CALL VOTE. There being a sufficient number, he said there will be a ROLL CALL VOTE.

Someone asked for a clarification of the vote.

THE PRESIDENT said the motion is to recommit and to set a date for an On Site Meeting of the whole Board to consider the site and the appropriate facts bearing on this matter.

ROLL CALL VOTE was taken by the Clerk. Recommitted to Committee by the following vote of 14 no votes, 24 yes votes and one abstention:

#### THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR

BITETTO, Joseph (R) CHIRIMBES, Peter (R) CLERK, Reed (R) CONNORS, George (D) COSTELLO, Robert (D) DOMBROSKI, Edward (D) ELLSWORTH, Stephen (R) EXNICIOS, Robert (R) GUROIAN, Armen (D) HORNER, Watson (R) KELLY, Stephen (D) KETCHAM, Alan (R) MILLER, Frederick (D) MORABITO, Joseph (D) MORRIS, Thomas (R) NAU, Matthias (R) PENSIERO, Joseph (D)

PONT-BRIANT, Lois (R)
RAVALLESE, George (D)
RUSSBACH, Daniel (R)

RUSSELL, George (R)

RYBNICK, Gerald (D) SHERER, Sidney (R) VARNEY, Kim (R)

# THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION

BIEDER, Richard (D)
BOCCUZZI, John (D)
BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)
CAPORIZZO, William (R)
DEFOREST, John (R)
DIXON, Handy (D)
DONAHUE, Alphonsus (D)
DURSO, Robert (D)
MURPHY, William (D)
PUETTE, William (R)
ROOS, John (R)
SCOFIELD, Edward (R)
SHERMAN, Edith (R)
TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)

# ABSTENTION: LiVOLSI, Frank (D)

NOTE: The President does not vote, except in case of a tie.

#### DATE OF ON-SITE MEETING:

THE PRESIDENT said a meeting would be held next Sunday morning at the site at 11 A.M. October 11th.

#### RECESS:

A recess was called at 10 P.M. to allow the spectators to leave the meeting.

(7) Resolution No. 703 - TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION OF RICE SCHOOL FROM
BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
(Mayor's letter of 9/17/70)

MR. ELLSWORTH MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded.

MR. CONNORS asked if we are going to take care of this building if we turn it over. He said a watchman should be employed to make sure there is no vandalism.

THE PRESIDENT said this school is going to get full use, and called for a report of the Public Works Committee and the Education, Welfare & Government Committee, to whom this was also referred.

MR. SCOFIELD said his Committee - Public Works Committee - also approves.

MR. MILLER said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee favors this.

MR. KELLY said he hopes there will not be a repetition of what happened with the Cloonan School and that it will be turned over to the Public Works Department without anything being stripped. He used better control over this.

MR. SCOFIELD said the Commissioner of Public Works has assured him that Mr. Strat has already made a complete inventory of all materials in the building and finds they are in good condition right now and as soon as it has been turned over, will do a check.

After considerable further debate, MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on approval of the following resolution. CARRIED by a vote of 21 in favor and 12 opposed:

# RESOLUTION NO. 703

APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION OF RICE SCHOOL FROM THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD TO THE PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 144 OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE
CITY

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WHEREAS, the Board of Education presently has jurisdiction of the school known as RICE SCHOOL, located on the corner of NORTH STATE STREET and SOUTH STREET in Stamford; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 144 of the General Ordinances of the City provides for the transfer of jurisdiction between the City and its agencies and departments; and

WHEREAS, the transfer of jurisdiction is in the public interest and is desired by both the Board of Education and the Department of Public Works;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT that the jurisdiction of Rice School and the property on which it is situated is hereby transferred from the Board of Education of the City of Stamford to the Department of Public Works of the City of Stamford, in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 144 of the General Ordinances of the City.

(8) Proposed Resolution Authorizing Corporation Counsel TO PROCEED WITH THE ACQUISITION, BY CONDEMNATION, IF NECESSARY, OF THREE PROPERTIES OFF NEWFIELD AVENUE FOR AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE - (Requested in letter dated June 9, 1970 from Corporation Counsel) - (NOTE: Not ordered on Agenda by Steering Committee on 6/22/70 - Approved by Board of Finance on 9/20/70 with certain stipulations) --- (Funds appropriated in 1970-71 Capital Projects Budget in "land bank" to purchase land for elementary schools)

The above matter was held in Committee. MR. ELLSWORTH said a meeting is scheduled for the Committee to meet with the Site Engineer and the School Architect on this which is set for Thursday, October 15th here in the Caucus Room of the Board, for 8 P.M. He said he will notify everyone as soon as the date is confirmed.

(9) Proposed REVISED HOUSING CODE - (Comprising 42 pages of proposed Ordinance, revising Ordinance No. 65 adopted by Board on 8/5/57, enacted 8/20/57) -- (Mayor's letter of 5/13/70 - Deferred 7/6/70, 8/3/70 and not placed on the 9/8/70 Agenda per order of Steering Committee)

The above matter was held in Committee. MR. ELLSWORTH said the Committee will hold an open committee meeting on this sometime in the near future and all interested parties will be advised of the time and date.

(10) Proposed Ordinance - CONCERNING DEBRIS AND GARBAGE FEE SCHEDULE (Mayor's letter 6/1/70 - Also see Mayor's letter of 7/20/70 to
Steering Committee) - (Referred to Legislative & Rules Committee
on 6/22/70 by Steering Committee, but not ordered on Agenda for
July meeting)

The above matter was held in Committee. MR. ELLSWORTH said it is also

being held in the Public Works and Health & Protection Committees.

MR. ELLSWORTH said the following two Items were not listed on the original Agenda, but were furnished to all Board Members as an "Addenda to the Agenda".

(11) Ordinance No. 203 - (For final adoption) - CONCERNING CONVEYANCE
OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY TO JOSEPH CHOVIT, JR., LOCATED ON COURTLAND
HILL STREET, LOT #68 - (Mayor's letter of 8/3/70) - (Adopted for publication 9/8/70; published 9/12/70; re-published 10/1/70 because of error)

MR. ELLSWORTH MOVED for approval of final adoption of the following Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Truglia and CARRIED unanimously:

# ORDINANCE NO. 203 SUPPLEMENTAL

# CONCERNING CONVEYANCE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY TO JOSEPH CHOVIT, JR.

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 2-25 to 2-27 inclusive, of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford, the conveyance to Joseph Chovit, Jr. of the following described property is hereby authorized:

ALL that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, situated in the City of Stamford, County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, with a sewage disposal plant thereon known and designated as Lot number Sixty-Eight (68) on a certain map entitled "Map Showing The Property of the Courtland Terrace Co. on Courtland Hill, Stamford, Conn." filed in the office of the Town Clerk of said Stamford by the Map Number 427, said lot being bounded North by land of Joseph M. Chovit and Rose M. Chovit, East by the Noroton River, south by land of Adolph L. Julius and Rita G. Julius, and West Sixty (60) feet by Courtland Hill Street.

Said premises shall be conveyed subject to the recommendations of the Planning Board to reserve a perpetual easement for purpose of drainage and sanitary sewers in favor of the City of Stamford.

The Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary to transfer title to said property reserving the easement aforesaid, upon payment by said transferee to said City of not less than the sum of \$8,000.00 as consideration for the deed.

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

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Ordinance No. 204 - (For final adoption) -- AUTHORIZING A
PERMANENT EASEMENT FROM CITY OF STAMFORD TO THE HARTFORD ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND GAS PIPE LINE SYSTEM FOR THIRD SENIOR
HIGH SCHOOL, LOCATED ON WEST SIDE OF LONG RIDGE ROAD IN CITY
OF STAMFORD - (Requested in letter dated 8/3/70 from Asst.

Corporation Counsel, John E. Smyth) - (Approved for publication 9/8/70; published 9/12/70 -- re-published on 10/1/70 because of error)

MR. ELLSWORTH MOVED for final adoption of the following Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and CARRIED unanimously:

# ORDINANCE NO. 204 SUPPLEMENTAL

AUTHORIZATION OF A PERMANENT EASEMENT FROM THE CITY OF STAMFORD TO THE HARTFORD ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AN ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND GAS PIPE LINE SYSTEM FOR THE THIRD SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF LONG RIDGE ROAD IN THE CITY OF STAMFORD

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 easement as shown on sketch K-7046-M by the Hartford Electric Light Company, dated January 16, 1970, is hereby authorized for electric and gas purposes.

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 grant the easement aforesaid.

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

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CONCERNING REQUEST FOR INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS:

MRS. PONT-BRIANT said she has a question and that is Item #6 under Fiscal Committee on the Tentative Agenda showed the above request from Mr. Aretakis, Commissioner of Finance, which was put in Legislative & Rules Committee and Education, Welfare & Government Committee and she does not see it on the Agenda for tonight.

THE PRESIDENT said the report of the Steering Committee shows that this item was not ordered placed on the Agenda.

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#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

MR. SCOFIELD, Chairman, reported that the Committee met on September 28, 1970 at 8 P.M. in the Board of Representatives' Caucus Room, with Representatives Bitetta, Dombroski, Morabito, Rybnick, Sherer, Scofield and the Commissioner of Public Works, Walter Maguire, present.

He said his report has already been given under other Committees.

# (1) Concerning Legality of Phase II Contract on WASHINGTON AVENUE PROJECT

MR. SCOFIELD said he had referred to his Committee Mr. Truglia's request for an interpretation on the above matter and an opinion was received from the Corporation Counsel, stating that this matter was legal. However, he said, he does not have a copy of the opinion with him.

(2) Request for installation of a suitable barrier between the sidewalk and the Street on TOMS ROAD, at a bad curve - (Requested by Representatives Morris and Caporizzo)

MR. SCOFIELD said his committee has been looking into a way to prevent cars from skidding on to the sidewalk and possibly injuring children. He said the Committee has asked the Commissioner of Public Works to install a suitable barrier between the sidewalk and the street at the curve, providing the barrier is acceptable to the adjoining property owners.

# (3) Continuance of DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

MR. SCOFIELD spoke in favor of continuing the Design Review Board, which was, until October 1, 1970, tied to the Building Code which has now become obsolete because of the adoption of a State Building Code.

THE PRESIDENT said he has been in touch with the State Legislature and passed this along to them and hope it may be possible for them to pass enabling legislation.

# HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE:

MR. RUSSELL, Chairman, said his Committee held its regular meeting and also met in joint session with the Legislative & Rules Committee on September 28th.

# (1) Proposed Taxi Ordinance

Mr. Russell said the Committee reviewed one of several Ordinances from other communities, dealing with taxis and taxi service, and found one from Mount Vernon, New York, most complete, and which hit on most of the problems that have been presented to the Committee. He said the Committee is endeavoring to reduce the size of the Ordinance to a more practical size and still keep the controls.

(2) Concerning Appointment of Commission on Mental Retardation

MR. TRUGLIA inquired of the Chairman what is being done on the above matter. Mr. Russell said a letter was sent asking for certain literature and they have not replied as yet.

# PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:

(1) Proposed Ordinance - TO CHANGE NAME OF NEWLY CONSTRUCTED STREET
FROM "LONG RIDGE ROAD" to "BROAD STREET" presently known as
"WASHINGTON AVENUE" and "WASHINGTON AVENUE EXTENSION", together
with all streets presently known as "RIVER STREET" and "SOUTH
STREET" to the intersection with Pacific Street at Dyke Lane, to
be known in its entirety as "RIVER DRIVE" - (Ordinance not to
take effect until July 1, 1972) (Proposed by Board President
Charles J.Heinzer, III) - (Held in Committee 9/8/70)

The above matter was held in Committee.

(2) Concerning Resolution #704 - Approving Report of Commissioner of Finance on IMPROVEMENTS TO BE CARRIED OUT ON DANNELL DRIVE AND CRESTWOOD DRIVE under Chapter 64 of Charter - (See Resolution #626 adopted 9/8/69 initiating this) (See report from Commissioner of Finance to Board of Representatives dated Oct. 2, 1970)

MR. HORNER said he has no report on this matter as we have just received the report of the Commissioner of Finance this evening.

MR. SHERER MOVED to remove this from Committee to bring it on the floor. Seconded by Mr. LiVolsi. CARRIED with a few no votes.

MR. SHERER spoke in favor of this matter. He said this is the last month before the asphalt plants close and paving stops in the City of Stamford. He said to hold this up would create a hardship for the people who live on these streets. He said it is unfortunate that work has started on the road and has never been completed and there is a tremendous amount of traffic on Dannell Road - school buses, fire department, police department. He said the street was opened up so that these vehicles would be able to travel from High Ridge Road to Pepperidge Road.

MR. RUSSELL said for some reason the middle of DANNELL DRIVE was never accepted, which fault goes back to 1947-48. He said two 48" pipes and culvert were put across the unaccepted portion and in order to obtain an easement across a piece of property the City usually has an agreement with the owner of the land and in this case the agreement was to allow the easement for these two huge pipes as well as a culvert and the City was to pave this short section. He said these agreements are often made when it becomes necessary to put storm drains or sewers through property, when they give the property owners certain concessions for being allowed to go through their property. He said the City did go in there and thought they had a right to tear up the road and there was oiling and sanding done previous

to that to create a road bed. He said this was done partly through error, but also because there had been an easement which exists - the pipes are there and the drainage runs across the road. He said the people on DANNELL DRIVE are arguing that they did not ask for this work to be done and were satisfied with the road the way it was and therefore should not have to pay for it. He said on CRESTWOOD DRIVE there exists a somewhat similar situation and part of that road was torn up - however, someone caught up with it and the work was stopped. He said, however, the people on CRESTWOOD DRIVE are willing to go along with this because the charges are not too high.

THE PRESIDENT asked the Speaker if the petition which was presented July 11, 1969, by Representative Paul D. Plotnick (See Minutes of 9/8/69, Page 6025) contained the names of residents on DANNELL DRIVE.

MR. RUSSELL said it did and they claim it was intended for the paved portion of Dannell Drive, not the unpaved portion and they also claim that Dannell Drive was put in after their petition was submitted.

MR. KETCHAM said through the years he has had personal knowledge of that particular section of Dannell Drive. He said he remembers when they laid utility mains back in 1948 it was necessary to hand carry pipe across swamps several hundred feet, and in the late 50's, when it again became necessary to transport children from the High Ridge area over to the Pepperidge area, the City, for their convenience and the convenience of the school children and for buses, entered there and not only put several culverts but also constructed a causeway well over several hundred feet. He said this was not done for the convenience of the residents, who said they would just as soon have it left as a dead end street. He said it was done for the convenience of the municipality and the school and the City went ahead and built the causeway and the culvert across this swamp in order to be able to accommodate the school bus, and whether or not the road specifications were observed, he would not be able to state. He said it should now be resolved in order to protect the interests of the residents and also the City.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT said we have been given amounts here totalling \$4,291.00 and now are we to have this become null and void?

MR. SHERER said Mr. Russell and Mr. Ketcham have answered that question and it is a question now of letting these people know that the City is not going to let them down and is a matter whereby the City has utilized, maintained, opened, and used it for its own convenience, so they are the ones to be benefitted the most. He said the Commissioner of Finance felt that since the City was remiss, he should uphold the City's obligation to the residents of the street in question.

MR. LiVOLSI spoke in favor of the proposed resolution.

MR. MURPHY said he would like to ask Mr. DeForest a question and that is - is this situation similar to the one on RAPIDS ROAD?

MR. DeFOREST said it seems to have a familiar ring, but there is a slightly different situation here and it goes back over the years and is a bit historical, while the other one is rather hysterical.

MRS. VARNEY MOVED THE QUESTION.

THE PRESIDENT said he does not feel we need to move the question, as there does not seem to be any more discussion. He called for a vote on the motion to approve the following resolution. CARRIED, with two abstentions (Mr. Chirimbes and Mr. Horner) and one "no" vote (Mrs. Pont-Briant):

#### RESOLUTION NO. 704

APPROVING REPORT OF COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE CONCERNING IMPROVEMENTS TO BE CARRIED OUT ON UNACCEPTED PORTIONS OF DANNELL DRIVE AND CRESTWOOD DRIVE IN ORDER TO BE ACCEPTED AS CITY STREETS PER SECTION 29.50 OF CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES OF STAMFORD AND SECTION 640 OF THE STAMFORD CHARTER

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford that the report of the Commissioner of Finance to the Board of Representatives, dated October 2, 1970, regarding the improvements to be carried out on DANNELL DRIVE and CRESTWOOD DRIVE is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon approval of said report by the Mayor of the City of Stamford, said improvements shall be carried out in accordance with said report, after notice of such finally approved report has been given, according to law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the report when so approved by the Mayor and when funds have been appropriated to pay for the cost of the improvements, shall be recorded in the land records of the City of Stamford.

#### PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

MR. KELLY, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said his Committee met with Reed Clark, George Ravallese and Steve Kelly in attendance, in order to consider the following requests.

(1) PETITION NO. 350 - From STAMFORD VETERANS COUNCIL, for permission to conduct a MEMORIAL SERVICE AND PARADE ON VETERANS DAY, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1970 - (Letter dated 9/3/70)

MR. KELLY MOVED for approval of the above request. He explained the

Memorial Service is to be held at the World War I monument, St. John's Park, beginning at 10.15 A.M. and to end at approximately 11.30 A.M. with parade to start at 2 P.M. from the intersection of Summer and 5th Streets, to proceed South to Broad Street, then East to Atlantic Street, then South to Main Street, then East to St. John's Park, where it will disband. He said this is subject to all arrangements being made with the Police and Fire Departments and also subject to proper insurance coverage. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

(2) PETITION NO. 351 - Requested in letter dated 9/16/70 from
Arthur G. Norman, Executive Vice President
of STAMFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, RETAIL
MERCHANTS COUNCIL - For permission to ERECT
AND MAINTAIN CHRISTMAS LIGHTING POLES ON
MAJOR CITY STREETS DURING THE 1970 CHRISTMAS
SEASON

MR. KELLY MOVED for approval of the above request, subject to the requirements of law. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

# SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

# HOUSE COMMITTEE - Electric Gate for Parking Lot

MR. RYBNICK, Chairman, said the Public Works Department is installing an electric gate for the parking lot. He asked the Members to give him the registration numbers of their cars for John Strat, the Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds, so that he may have a record of cars using the parking lot. He passed a sheet around among the members to enable them to write down the license number of their cars.

#### Collection for Coffee and Snacks

MR. RYBNICK said he has collected \$13.00 from the Democrats and hopes he can also collect from the Republicans so we can have a midnight snack during our late meetings.

#### URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE:

Proposed Resolution APPROVING TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION OF A PORTION
OF WILLOW STREET, SOUTH STREET, MAIN STREET, RIVER STREET, BROAD
STREET AND ALL OF RIPPOWAM PLACE FROM THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT URBAN RE-DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO THE CITY OF STAMFORD, IN
ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 144 OF GENERAL ORDINANCES
OF THE CITY - (Requested in letter, dated 9/11/70 to Chairman of
URC Committee, from Harold J. Friedman, Legal Assistant and Land
Disposition Officer of URC)

The above matter was held in Committee.

MR. TRUGLIA asked Mr. Ketcham if he had been able to get from URC the number of sub-standard housing that might be torn down, as we make way for St. John's Towers.

MR. KETCHAM said, in looking through the Minutes, he believes that this Report WAS made in the wee small hours at the last Board Meeting and a letter from the URC Commission was read. He said the letter is in our files but is not printed "in toto" in the Minutes, and the general tenor of the letter is that there are no plans being made to remove any units of sub-standard housing or to demolish same because of the occupancy of St. John's Towers.

# Concerning CDAP Director

MR. DeFOREST asked if we have a Director of CDAP. He said the last time we voted on this, we turned him down. He said he understood that when this Board turns down an appointment, that the appointee is "out". However, he said he has heard that the Corporation Counsel recently ruled that this rule does not apply in the case of CDAP. If that is the case, he said then he is confused and asked "Do we have a Director, or don't we have a Director?" He said he thought that if we do have one, then he is subject to the approval of the Board of Representatives.

MR. RUSSBACH, Chairman of Appointments Committee, said this meeting has been researched in detail. However, he said he had not intended to bring it up tonight, and it was not discussed by the Committee. He said after researching this matter, concerning letters from previous Mayors, etc., it is his personal opinion that there is no CDAP Director. He said he was appointed without the approval of this Board and serves with disapproval. He said the question also arises and that is, that he is being paid a salary and there does not seem to be any provision for paying this salary and under the OEO Regulations, he is not a Director and cannot receive a salary until such time as his appointment has been approved by the legislative body of the municipality, which, in this case, is the Board of Representatives. Based on this information which he has not discussed with his Committee, he said he must conclude that there is no CDAP Director at this time.

MR. RUSSELL suggested that this matter be referred to the Legislative & Rules Committee at the next meeting of the Steering Committee - to look into whether or not this man is serving illegally as CDAP Director.

MR. TRUGLIA said he thinks we need more than just Mr. Russbach's opinion on this.



THE PRESIDENT said this is why it should be referred to the Steering Committee.

VOTE taken on referring this matter to the Steering Committee. CARRIED with one "no" vote.

#### PUBLIC HOUSING & GENERAL RELOCATION COMMITTEE:

MR. DIXON, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said they have met on matters pertinent to the Cove Road proposal for the elderly, which he referred to Mr. Scofield for further comments.

# COVE ROAD SITE - 43 UNITED FOR SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING

MR. SCOFIELD said the Housing Authority have received an application from developers of the above site for financing under the HUD "Turn-key" Program, but unfortunately HUD'S money has been cut off in Washington and a vote in Congress will not be taken until the end of October. He said the developer's proposal seems to be financially feasible to the Housing Authority and the Housing Committee has encouraged the Authority to approve this application as soon as possible. He said the plan will not come before this Board.

MR. MORRIS said both he and Pete Chirimbes for about four years have asked for a list of names of persons who need moderate and low-cost housing. He said they wish to establish a priority list, so that when housing comes along, such as St. John's Towers, etc., we would know whether the people are from Stamford or not. He said we had a very bad experience in one of our housing projects where many people came from out of town. He urged that Mr. Dixon obtain a list of high priority persons living in Stamford who are eligible.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI said he would just like to say that this was taken up in the Housing Committee and it was discussed at great length. He said at the time he suggested that we get all the non-profit sponsors together to see if it is possible to compile a list that will be meaningful so that there will not be duplication of names on several different lists. He said they should try and find out where the people live, how long they have been in Stamford. He said it will be quite a task, but it should be done.

At this time, it was noted that several Board Members had left the meeting - Mr. Dombroski, Mr. Bieder, Mr. Connors and Mr. LiVolsi.

MR. CHIRIMBES said he is upset because we are always being asked to approve a housing site and housing is never built - as an example: URC, The New Hope has not been built and we do not know when they are going to build. He said he thinks this Board should take the initiative because this Board is charged with housing and we should demand this list of names of eligible persons and find out just who are the low

and middle income residents in need of housing. He said we have been waiting for over 4 and one-half years for the New Hope to build and if this went to F.D.Rich tomorrow, there would be housing built in the URC area. He said there isn't a site that we haven't O.K'd in the past two to three years and he can see that all future sites will be in the same category - O.K. --- give them tax abatements and then nothing is built and we are being held responsible. He urged that this Board compile a proper list.

MRS. VARNEY said in talking to Mrs. Ward on the 'phone, she asked her if there was such a list and was told that there was. She suggested that perhaps someone on the Housing Committee can contact her and find out about this priority list.

MR. DIXON said what Mr. Chirimbes has said is very true, but he wishes he had met with the Committee and made his remarks to the Committee. He said he knows Mr. Chirimbes has an awful lot to offer that would help the Housing Committee, but he has not met with the Committee all year. He said he hopes very much that he will start meeting with the Committee and make some of these suggestions to the Committee. He said his Committee is aware of the problems imposed on the City by the floods of people constantly moving in and are trying to work out ways and means of getting a master list of some kind showing the applicants for non-profit housing and the Committee is doing their very best and hope for the cooperation of the Members of this Board.

THE PRESIDENT called the Members' attention to the fact that there is nothing on the floor for discussion - no motion.

# SPECIAL STUDY COMMITTEE ON BOARD OPERATIONS:

MR. KETCHAM, Chairman, said his Committee met in the Board Meeting on Thursday, October 1, 1970 at 8 P.M. and present were Mr. Connors, Mr. Morabito, Mr. Rybnick, Mrs. Sherman Mr. Ketcham. He said the September Committee Report to the Board was discussed and views expressed by individual Board Members and the Committee Chairman in response to this report were considered.

He said the Committee recommends that the present practice of holding party caucuses directly before the Board Meeting be discontinued because the present Caucus system does not allow the necessary time for the Committees to fully report or for the Chairmen of the various committees to fully inform the Caucus as to Committee action and to answer the questions put to them by the Caucus members. He said the present system also unreasonably delays the start of the regular meeting, extending adjournment beyond a reasonable hour, which sometimes results in hasty and ill considered action by this Board. He said the Committee recommends that under Section 202.1 of the Charter that this Board, by resolution, set the regular Board meetings for the first Tuesday of the month and setting the first Monday of the month for the

Party Caucus. He said Mr. Connors has suggested an alternative to go back to the old system of Sunday Caucuses.

He said the Committee has reviewed the Rules of Order of the Board adopted at the Organization meeting of this Board on December 1, 1969 and especially directs the Boards' attention to the following rules which might stand bearing in mind:

# Page 2. under "THE PRESIDENT", Items #1 and #2:

He said Item #1 says that the President shall take the Chair at the hour for which the meeting is called; he shall immediately call the Board to order. If, after prayer and roll call, a quorum is present, he shall proceed to the regular order of business.

He said Item #2 says that in the absence of a quorum, the President shall adjourn the Board to a date within ten days thereafter, at the same hour. At all other times during the meeting, an adjournment shall be pronounced by the President, on motion.

# Page 3, under "MEMBERS", Item #3:

He said Item #3 says that any Member who is interested in the decision of any questions in such a manner that he cannot vote, may stay in the meeting when such a question is discussed or decided; however, without the right to debate.

#### Page #4, under "COMMITTEES", Item #9:

He said Item #9 says it shall be the duty of each of the above named Standing Committees, other than the Steering Committee, to duly investigate any matter properly referred to that Committee and to report the Committee's findings to the Board with a recommendation concerning action to be taken by the Board in connection with that matter. All Committee Reports SHALL BE IN WRITING, and shall contain the names of the Members present, the votes taken, or the feelings of the Members on any matter and the Committee's reasons for action taken, the time, the date and place of the meeting. All publicity releases shall be made by the Chairman only.

#### Page 5, under Item #12:

He said this is the Item which contains the 5-day rule, which our President has brought to the attention of other Boards and Commissions. He said the Committee feels that this rule should be clarified. He said it must be remembered that this rule was originally adopted when the Clerk of the Board kept the Board office in his hat. He said it is the feeling the Majority and Minority Leaders should further update this to make it very clear. He said it presently says that

that "any Member shall present" which would make it look like any matter must be presented by a Member. But, he said, when a communication is addressed to the Board, it is, in effect, addressed to the President and/or the Clerk, and legally, in turn, they present it to the Steering Committee. He said this is a little bit vague and perhaps a more precise interpretation would be advisable for the public at large.

# Section 204.1 of the Charter:

He said the Committee also wishes to call the Board's attention to the above section of the Charter:

"Ordinances and resolutions shall be introduced into the Board of Representatives ONLY IN WRITTEN OR PRINTED FORM."

He said the Committee recommends that when an item of far reaching importance is referred to this Board, that the President, with the advice of the Majority and Minority Leaders, schedule a Special Meeting to hear the subject when such a Special Meeting is warranted. He said the Committee recommends that immediate steps be taken to retain LEGAL COUNSEL for the Board, under the direction of the Chairman of the Legislative & Rules Committee, and that this Committee be authorized to proceed in the matter, subject to the approval of the Board. He said the Committee feels that a system providing for a continuing, independent audit for the City's fiscal affairs should be provided in such a manner that the responsible fiscal boards of the City have jurisdiction and accountability. This, he said, is a complex problem and, after holding many numerous conversations with former Commissioners of Finance, professional accounting firms, certified public accountants, the Committee will explore this matter in much greater detail and present a workable program at a reasonable cost, beneficial to the City as a whole, and one that will be helpful to the operationsof this Board. He said the Committee will report on this at a later meeting. He said it should be recognized that other municipal legislative bodies; in the area are also encountering the problems we are facing, it is suggested that liaison be established with such bodies in an exchange of ideas and methods of procedure.

He said the Committee reindorses the recommendations contained in their September report.

MR. KETCHAM MOVED for approval of the following:

CONCERNING NEXT REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING - NOVEMBER 9, 1970

WHEREAS, a General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 1970; and

WHEREAS, the regular Monthly Meeting of the Board would normally be scheduled for Monday, November 2, 1970; therefor

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the regular November Monthly Meeting be held on Tuesday, November 10, 1970; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the respective Party Caucuses of the Board for the month of NOVEMBER, be held on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1970.

MR. KETCHAM explained that this, in effect, will give the Board a "trial run" and will help to smooth our operation.

THE PRESIDENT said, as he understands it, the resolution is not changing the meeting date permanently, but since the Board is contemplating changing the meeting for November, because of Election Day, Mr. Ketcham is suggesting a "trial run" and holding the regular monthly meeting for November on Tuesday, the second Tuesday of the month, with the Party Caucuses to be held on the Monday night preceding - Monday, November 9th. He called for discussion on the motion.

MR. TRUGLIA said he wishes to compliment Mr. Ketcham and his Committee for presenting an excellent report. However, as far as holding a Party Caucus on the Monday preceding the Board meeting, he feels the Democrats might like to talk this over first.

THE PRESIDENT informed the speaker that it is just for the month of November and is to be only a "trial" and not a permanent thing.

MR. TRUGLIA said he still wishes to talk it over with his Caucus Members before a vote is taken, and would like a RECESS.

THE PRESIDENT said he will consider this in a moment.

MR. RUSSELL called attention to Section 202 of the Charter which sets the meeting date must be held on the first Monday of the month.

THE PRESIDENT said ----- except, that the Board can change this at any time by a vote of the Board, and it is not being changed for all time to come - just this one meeting.

MR. MURPHY said he would like to see this Committee Report in writing.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT pointed out that in the past when the Members caucused on a Sunday, between Sunday and Monday the night of the Board Meeting,

people went running in 20 different directions talking about what was done at the Caucus, and the Members were bombed with telephone calls and pressures to do this and do that and confidential matters got out regardless of the security precautions supposed to be taken. She said this resulted in holding the Caucus before the Board Meeting - the same night as the meeting. She suggested holding the Caucus at 7 P.M. before the Board Meeting and having the Members arrive promptly. She objected to the motion.

MR. RUSSBACH said in view of the problems we have had on this Board, with the late meetings, this is worthwhile starting. He objected to coming out on a Sunday and suggested we try this on a temporary basis.

MR. DeFOREST said he remembers the Sunday Caucuses back a few years ago and it is true that the "cat got out of the bag" occasionally. However, he said he feels it is more important that the Members have more time to discuss these issues in a little more detail than they have been getting. He said tonight is an example, and apparently both parties had the same trouble in trying to cover so much ground in such little time allowed. He said he agrees that we should give this suggestion a trial.

MR. CHIRIMBES pointed out that the machine voting has helped considerably in shortening the length of the meeting. He said he believes the reason for the long Caucuses is because we are getting so many last minute things thrown at us and are not knowledgeable and have a lot of questions. He said he thinks we did the right thing tonight in holding things back in order to learn more about what is being presented.

MR. ROOS said some of the Members have other commitments which will interfere and asking the Members to give up two nights a week, one right after the other, is a bit too much. He said in his particular case, this would make it impossible for him to be present.

MR. RYBNICK pointed out this is one of the largest and most important Boards of the City administration where all legislation is enacted, and we have the lowest budget of all City Boards. He pointed out that the Members are never compensated for their time and efforts and feels that whatever appropriation this Board asks for to hire a legal or advisory aide, should be asked for and granted.

MR. TRUGLIA said he thinks the biggest problem is that we have too long an Agenda and it is often too much to try to cover in one evening. He said rather than come in twice in one month, he would prefer to have two meetings instead of one, and would help the Board to do a far better job.

THE PRESIDENT said this suggestion can be passed on to the Committee, but would ask the Members to stick to the motion on the floor at this time.

Board. He asked for approval to enter into preliminary negotiations for the retention of Counsel, with the advice of the President and the Majority and Minority Leaders.

THE PRESIDENT reminded the Speaker that the Board would also have to request an appropriation for that. He suggested that this is perhaps within the province of the Committee, since no hiring could be done until an appropriation was obtained. He suggested that the Committee look into the matter of the cost of hiring counsel.

MR. KETCHAM moved for approval of the Board for the Committee to enter into preliminary negotiations for the retention of Counsel, with the advice of the President, Majority and Minority Leaders. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

# OLD BUSINESS:

# Concerning Action Taken on Matters Relating to Parking Authority

MR. RUSSELL said last month this Board took action on a request from the Parking Authority to purchase a piece of property on Franklin Street. He said the correspondence made mention of the property next door, because they mentioned that they were going to take so much property for 80 cars and he noticed that what came before this Board said only 40 cars. He said, after checking into it, that somewhere along the line, the Planning Board advised the Parking Authority attorney of their action rather than advising this Board. He said this rather upset him because a part of the Charter which refers to action which should be taken - under Section 584 - clearly says that the Planning Board shall recommend approval and then the approval of the Board of Representatives is next. He said it would seem that they do not consider it necessary to notify this Board of action taken. He said now we have very poor planning because the second piece of property which should have been acted on this month, by being referred to the Steering Committee at the proper time, did not come to this Board - the Planning Board did act soon enough, however, they gave their answer to the Attorney of the Parking Authority rather than notifying this Board of their action. He said he thinks we should send a letter to the Planning Board asking that in the future, they are obligated to legally correpond with this Board as to action they have taken, so that we will be able to expedite the matter.

MR. RUSSELL MOVED to suspend the rules in order to take up the matter of the piece of property involved, to give the right to the Parking Authority. He said he does not know what the timing is this time of the month as you are going into October and does not know how much time is left to construct parking lots.

MR. SCOFIELD asked Mr. Russell if the Parking Authority plans to go ahead, then we should suspend the rules. He seconded the motion.

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THE PRESIDENT said a two-thirds vote is required. Vote taken on the voting machine. LOST.

#### Hearing on NEWFIELD AVENUE SITES

MR. ELLSWORTH reminded the Members that anyone wishing to attend the hearing on the above matter by his Committee (Legislative & Rules Committee) to please let him know after the meeting.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

#### SPECIAL DRUG ABUSE COMMITTEE

MR. MORRIS for the appointment of the above Special Committee. Seconded by Mr. Truglia.

THE PRESIDENT said a vote will be taken on the creation of a Special Committee to work with the ad hoc Committee and other Committees on Drug Abuse problems in the City of Stamford.

MR. RUSSELL said he would like to ask Mr. Morris if he would reconsider his motion and refer it to his Committee (Health & Protection Committee) as this would be within their jurisdiction and we are forming so many Special Committees it is getting very confusing and we are having extreme difficulty getting Members to attend Committee meetings because of so much conflict of overlapping authority.

MR. MORRIS said he thinks this should be channeled into one group. He said as far as Members having the time - we are only going to have a six man Committee, and he and Mr. Truglia have both agreed to be Members of it and will select people to serve on it who will not neglect their other duties. He said it is a very serious problem and perhaps we can coordinate the different groups and maybe eliminate some. He said it is about time we studied this problem as it does affect everyone in the City of Stamford.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT said she agrees that this does need studying, but under the powers of each Committee it does very definitely state that it is the duty of the Health & Protection Committee to be informed concerning all matters involving the health of the residents of the City. She said she hopes it could be referred to a Standing Committee such as the Health & Protection Committee.

MR. MORRIS said he can see no reason for an objection to a Special Committee if the people are willing to serve and are interested.

MR. SCOFIELD said he agrees with Mr. Russell - that a Standing Committee could very well handle the matter and if the Majority and Minority Leaders wish to meet with them, it is their privilege. He said he sees no reason for forming a new Committee until we find out exactly where they are going.

MR. DeFOREST said it seems to him that if the Majority and Minority Leaders are willing to form this Committee and get the people on it to devote their energies to this one problem, they should be given the opportunity.

MR. TRUGLIA said the reason that he and Mr. Morris feel that there should be a Special Committee devoted to this one subject is because there are people on the outside who are going to meet with them on a regular basis - perhaps two or three times a week, if it should become necessary. He said the problem is so vast and so serious that they are going to concentrate on that area and that alone.

MR. KETCHAM asked if this Committee will deal with this problem in depth and work with independent and recognized authorities in the field.

MR. MORRIS said they do and intend to go over the whole spectrum of drug addiction and the enforcement, the control and to see what they can do to slow down the problem of drug addiction in the City of Stamford.

THE PRESIDENT called for a VOTE on the formation of a Special Committee on Drug Addiction, to be composed of 6 members - 3 Republicans and 3 Democrats. CARRIED with two "no" votes.

THE PRESIDENT said as soon as the names are given to him he will announce the Members of the new Special Committee.

Concerning Appointment of Four Board Members to Act as Liaison Between the CTE and this Board

MR. TRUGLIA MOVED that four persons from this Board be appointed to meet with the CTE and report back to the Board on any meetings they may have, their present plans, and future plans. He said a letter was written by the CTE requesting a meeting with this Board and for some reason it was never processed properly.

THE PRESIDENT called the Speaker's attention to the fact that this came before the Steering Committee and was noted and filed.

MR. TRUGLIA said that is the problem and he would like to see a better rapport between the CTE and this Board. Seconded.

MR. BITETTO pointed out the fact that the CTE is a governmental agency and we do not have a right to become aligned with them in any way.

VOTE taken on the motion to form a Special Committee of four members to provide liaison between this Board and the CTE. LOST.

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# Presence of Father Stephen Grinvalsky throughout the meeting.

MR. TRUGLIA called attention to the presence of Father Stephen Grinvalsky through the entire Board Meeting. He said it is not often that a man of the cloth is willing to take on this burden to devote an entire evening to a Board Meeting. He thanked him on behalf of the Members of the Board. (Applause).

Father Grinvalsky closed the Meeting with a Benediction.

# ADJOURNMENT:

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

Velma Farrell, Administrative Assistant (Recording Secretary)

APPROVED:

Charles J. Heinzer IIE President 11th Board of Representatives

NOTE: The above Meeting was broadcast over WSTC until 11 P.M.

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