

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 1992

22ND BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

A regular monthly meeting of the 22nd Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, March 2, 1992, in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 p.m. by President Richard L. Lyons.

INVOCATION was given by Rep. Philip R. Stork, R-15.

"Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we ask that your blessing be cast on the 22nd Board of Representatives and that you allow the wisdom of your ways be our guiding light in the process of making decisions for the benefit of our citizenry. We also pray that You will lead our unemployed back to work so that their families will once again prosper. Please look after our homeless and those that are hungry in the hope that the day will soon come when they can lead useful and productive lives in our society. Lastly, Oh Lord, we pray to You for the ultimate blessing; peace throughout the world. All this is asked for in your Holy Name. Amen."

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by President Richard L. Lyons

ROLL CALL was taken by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were 36 members present and four absent. Absent were Judith Evanko, Mildred Perillo (excused), Frank Mollo (excused) and Fred Johnson (excused).

The Chair declared a quorum.

MACHINE TEST VOTE was taken by President Richard L. Lyons; the machine was in good working order.

MOMENTS OF SILENCE:

For the late ANDREW J. EVANKO requested by Reps. John J. Boccuzzi, Richard L. Lyons and John R. Zelinsky, Jr. "Mr. Evanko was the father of Representative Judith Evanko of the 6th District. In 1983, he retired from the City's Parks Department after 33 years of service. He was a U.S. Army veteran. Also, a member of St. Benedict's Church, a member of the Holy Name Society and served as an usher. Mr. Evanko was a member of Teamsters Local 145 in Stamford. He is survived by his wife, Mary Walski Evanko; one son, Vincent; two daughters, Judith and Frances DeLeo; four sisters, two grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Our sincerest sympathy is extended to all his family."

For the late MARIE ROMANIELLO requested by Rep. Mildred Perillo of the 9th District. "Mrs. Romaniello was a resident of Stamford for 42 years. She is survived by her husband, Daniel; a son, James; two daughters, Mary R. Erickson and Jane R. Cuddy; a brother and four grandchildren. She was predeceased by a son, Patsy. My sincerest sympathy and condolences to her husband and family."

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

For the late JOHN J. MELSOPP requested by Rep. Joseph D. Lovallo of the 15th District. Mr. Melsopp was a resident of Stamford. He was a retired tool and die maker having worked for Pitney Bowes, Inc for 25 years. He served with the U.S. Marine in World War II; was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Springdale chapter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He is survived by his wife, Helen; a son, Robert; a daughter, Joan Dube; a brother; two sister and six grandchildren. He will be sorely missed and I extend my deepest sympathy to Mrs. Melsopp and family."

For the late AGNES V. MAZUR requested by Rep. John R. Zelinsky, Jr. of the 11th District. "Mrs. Mazur was a friend and constituent. She was a member of the Rosary Society of the Holy Name of Jesus Church, AARP and a former member of the Holy Name Senior Circle. She is survived by her husband, Felix J. Mazur, three sons, two daughters, a sister, eight grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. I extend my sincerest sympathy to her husband and family."

For the late NUNZIO D'AMBROSIO requested by Rep. John R. Zelinsky, Jr. of the 11th District. "Mr. D'Ambrosio is survived by his wife, Anna Scarcella D'Ambrosio and two daughters. Sincerest sympathy is extended to his wife and members of his family."

For the late mother of Alice Bael. Requested by Rep. Ellen E. Bromley of the 20th District. "Sincerest sympathy and condolences to her family."

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Chairman Richard L. Lyons

REPORT. Waived

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved to waive the reading of the Steering Committee report. Seconded. Approved by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

The Steering Committee met on Thursday, February 13, 1992, in the Democratic Caucus Room of the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Richard Lyons who declared a quorum.

Present at the meeting:

Richard Lyons, Chairman  
Robert DeLuca  
Scott Morris  
Ellen Mellis  
Marggie Laurie  
Thomas Pia  
Bobby Owens

Annie M. Summerville  
Maria Nakian  
Carmen Domonkos  
William Belcher  
James Rubino  
Joseph Lovallo  
John J. Hogan

Audrey Maihock  
Philip Stork  
Mary Lou Rinaldi  
John J. Boccuzzi  
John Roman, WSTC  
Janet Gramza, Advocate  
Pam Harris, LWV  
Anne Kachaluba

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were three of the 11 names appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered Held in Steering were six of the 11 names. Ordered off the Agenda were two names; the Committee, by a vote of 10 yes, four no votes with two absentions, removed the name of Clarence Greby (U) for Personnel Board of Appeals from the Agenda; some members thought that he did not uphold the Charter in regards to the issue of illegal raises for non-union classified administrators. Also removed from the Agenda was the name of Margaret Northrop (D); the Democratic City Committee did not approve her for appointment. Co-Chair Summerville read a letter to the Committee from Kurt A. Zimbler, Chairman, RTC, dated 2/12/92, in regards to Appointments. The letter stated that prospective appointees should be interviewed by the Town Committees and the Mayor prior to submission to the Board.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were 10 of the 11 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda; the resolution concerning reimbursement of attorney's fees for members of the Police Association was placed on the Pending Agenda. Also ordered on the Agenda were two of the three items appearing on the Addenda. Ordered Held in Steering was the resolution concerning aid to families with dependent children.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were seven of the eight items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered off was the proposed ordinance phasing in reassessment. Two items appearing on the Addenda were ordered on the Agenda; also, under Suspension of Rules, a resolution concerning drug free zones in and around housing projects was placed on the Agenda.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered off the Pending Agenda was the item concerning the Zoning Enforcement Officer; the matter was resolved.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - One item appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda and that was ordered Held in Steering.

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered on the Agenda were two items from the Addenda; Proposed ordinance concerning disposal fees and resolution on condemnation by city of easements for certain properties located on Lincoln Avenue.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda; also, the one item appearing on the Addenda.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Addenda.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

HOUSE COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

COLISEUM AUTHORITY LIAISON COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Agenda.

ETHICS REVIEW COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

AUDIT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

RESOLUTIONS - Ordered on the Agenda was the one resolution appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the Steering Committee, upon a motion made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Richard L. Lyons, Chairman  
Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Ellen Bromley & Annie Summerville, Co-Chairwomen

MRS. BROMLEY said that the Appointments Committee met on Tuesday, February 25, 1992. Present were Philip Stork, Thomas Pia, Ralph Loglisci, John Leydon, Jr., John Boccuzzi, Annie Summerville and Ellen Bromley; Ellen Mellis and Gloria DePina were excused.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

TERM EXPIRES

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| 1. <u>MR. DANIEL G. PENNACCHIO</u> (R) | Replacing C. Friedlander | 12/1/95 |
| 34 Tupper Drive                        | whose term expired.      |         |

MRS. BROMLEY said the Committee voted seven to zero to approve Mr. Pennacchio. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve Mr. Pennacchio. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Mr. White and one abstention, Mr. Rubino.



APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARDTERM EXPIRES

2. MR. LOUIS P. LEVINE (R) Reappointment. 12/1/94  
2677 High Ridge Road

MRS. BROMLEY said the Committee voted seven to zero for Mr. Levine's reappointment. Moved. Seconded.

MR. WHITE stated that Mr. Levine was a friend of his but he would be voting against Mr. Levine. Mr. White said that Mr. Levine was on the Environmental Protection Board in the past and his record, in Mr. White's opinion, was not exactly sterling. Mr. White said that he thought Mr. Levine had a rather poor approach to environment; Mr. Levine's general feeling was that the EPB was there as a negotiating committee to cut deals. Mr. White thought that Mr. Levine's attitude was somewhat like a diplomatic negotiator trying to arrive at an amenable conclusion to all sides. Mr. White said that should not be the approach to environment; it should be to protect the environment and to uphold the various environmental standards of laws.

Mr. White said that Mr. Levine was a decent fellow and he liked him very much, but he would vote against the appointment because what is needed on the EPB are some hard-nosed environmentalists and he did not see that coming down the pike.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to confirm Mr. Levine to the Environmental Protection Board. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Mr. White.

PLANNING BOARD

3. MR. ERNEST J. VERRICO (R) Replacing I. Blum whose 12/1/96  
21 Wishing Well Lane term expired.

MRS. BROMLEY said the Committee voted seven to zero for approval. Moved. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK asked about Mr. Verrico's qualification to serve on the Planning Board.

MRS. BROMLEY said that Mr. Verrico had very strong qualifications on the financial side. She said the Committee questioned him carefully as to his financial background as his resume reflected that he is Controller and Vice President of Northeast Bancorp. Mrs. Bromley stated that they presented him with a hypothetical question concerning changes in figures in capital budgets, employment conditions, etc. and they were very impressed with Mr. Verrico's quick and through response.

MR. WHITE said that the Planning Board is primarily a land-use Board that somehow got mixed-up with finances in the government. He said that should not be. Mr. White stated that most of the appointments to the Planning and Zoning Boards have business backgrounds. He said that he would like to see people from various environmental, land use groups, and neighborhood groups get appointed to these Boards rather than those competent and able in handling and understanding legislation. Mr. White said that what is needed is for the protection of residential neighborhoods, open space, growing urbanization, widening of roads and the chopping down of trees.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. WHITE said that he would vote against Mr. Verrico because things seemed to be skewed to get one type of a view on the land-use Boards.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that the Planning Board was exceedingly important for the planning of our City and how the City is developed. She said that apparently, Mr. Verrico is a very qualified person but she too would like to see someone with more expertise in planning. She said that she would vote no not because this gentleman is not qualified and said that he is probably imminently qualified.

MRS. BROMLEY said that she would like to revise Mr. White's remarks. She said if there is a reason to revise the Charter to combine Planning and Zoning and to take the capital projects out of the Planning Board, this was not the place to do that.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve Mr. Verrico to the Planning Board. APPROVED by voice vote with two no votes, Mr. White and Mrs. Maihock.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Carmen Domonkos & Mary Lou Rinaldi, Co-Chairwomen

MRS. DOMONKOS said the Committee met on Wednesday, February 26, 1992. Members present were John Hogan, Ralph Loglisci, William Kosbob, Kurt Jetta, Garry Clemmons, Mary Lou Rinaldi, Nicholas Pavia, John Leydon and Carmen Domonkos; also present were Joseph Gergle, Bobby Owens, Marggie Laurie, John Boccuzzi, Ellen Mellis, David Martin, Thomas Pia, Scott Morris, Audrey Maihock and Maria Nakian.

Mrs. Domonkos placed items 3, 4, 5 and 6 on the Consent Agenda. All Secondary Committees concurred or waived the Secondary report.

1. \$ 250,000.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR CODE 301.145 ADULT CENTER RENOVATION - additional appropriation to cover grant for renovation of Board of Education building into Senior Center. To be funded by grant. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/31/92. Planning Board approved 2/4/92. Board of Finance approved 2/4/92.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

MRS. DOMONKOS said the Committee voted eight to one to approve. Moved. Seconded.

MR. OWENS said that the Public Works and Sewer Committee had a tie vote on the item, thus, a negative vote.

MR. DeLUCA said that he felt that with fiscal problems facing the City, even though the money is coming from a grant, he would rather lose the \$250,000 grant rather than incur future expenses of \$1.3 million. He said that the seniors have adequate facilities. Also, that the Dial-A-Ride Program would be an added expense as well as many other expenses. Mr. DeLuca urged rejection of the item for the sake of saving costs that will occur in the future.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. JETTA stated that the issue of the Senior Center is really an issue and project whose only merit is that it is wanted by a minority that care the most. Mr. Jetta said that once the appropriation is approved, we are irretrievably committed to a multi-million dollar project. Mr. Jetta said that while several million dollars is being committed to the Senior Center over the next five to ten years, for comparison, a facility like the Yerwood Center is struggling to meet monthly bills and has a proven history to the community. He said the Senior Center will have a cost many times over the Yerwood Center. Mr. Jetta said that the Yerwood Center services many people from lower incomes whereas, the senior citizens income, is not different from the general population; Yerwood Center does not duplicate existing services while the Senior Center will because there are dozens of neighborhood centers that exist. Mr. Jetta said that the Yerwood Center provides positive services for the youth that might otherwise turn to undesirable activities, while the Senior Center would only service its constituents.

Mr. Jetta stated that the Senior Center is wanted by the minority and based on the lack of merits, he urged a no vote on the expenditure.

MS. M. RINALDI said that it would be fiscally irresponsible not to accept bonded state money. She said that the balance of the funding needed to complete the project has already been set aside in previous capital projects' budgets. Also, stated was that the Board of Education is in the process of applying for an additional \$500,000 to help with the physical move from the Hillandale facility to the Government Center. Ms. Rinaldi said that there were many good reasons for accepting the money.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that he agreed with Ms. M. Rinaldi's remarks. Mr. Boccuzzi said that he was annoyed to hear that the seniors are a minority part and should not receive what they are looking for; to go to a center of their choice.

Mr. Boccuzzi said that the project has been in the works for a few years, and at every meeting that he attended with the public present, there was an overwhelming support on the part of the seniors for this center. Mr. Boccuzzi stated that the seniors have paid their dues and they deserve the facility. He urged his colleagues to vote for the appropriation.

MR. STORK said that he was uncertain how the senior citizen community is divided up in the city by district. He said that this evening's vote would be based on his district, the 15th. He said there were many senior citizens in his district as he has met them during campaigning and has received many calls and letters from them.

Mr. Stork stated that what he hears most from the seniors is to keep the taxes down and to maintain city services such as backyard garbage pickup. He said that he did not receive a single telephone call for or against the project and checked with his colleague, Joe Lovallo, who also did not receive any phone calls concerning the project. Mr. Stork said that he will vote no on the appropriation for the Adult Center renovations.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. LaDESTRO stated that he was contacted by a couple of constituents who expressed their feelings in regards to the project. He said that the constituents expressed that there were ample services and centers for seniors to go to now and that the seniors felt that in the present economic time, this was not the time for the project as it would cost the city too much money.

Mr. LaDestro said that the Commission on Aging prepared an estimate of the operating cost of the project; the cost per year for the city is going to be in excessive of \$375,000. Mr. LaDestro said that this did not make any fiscal sense to spend, for instance, \$300 to get a \$100 grant. He said that to get some money now and later you have to spend more and more money for a project that likely may not be utilized is not a wise thing to do.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that at the Fiscal Committee meeting, there were approximately 20 senior citizens who came for the item. She said that there was no public notice to let the community know that the item would be discussed and that at a public hearing on the budget a few years ago, there were hundreds of senior citizens present who favored the senior center. She said that Stamford is the only community in the area that does not have a senior center for its citizens, and the time has come as the seniors have waited a long time, have been patient and most are taxpayers and property owners. Mrs. Domonkos said that they are deserving of the center, and she intended to vote for the item.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that she did not think that one group of persons is any more entitled to projects than any other; equal consideration should be given. She stated that the present time is not a favorable economic period and in a better economic climate, perhaps, the project might be feasible. She questioned the fact that more Dial-A-Ride will be needed as the location is off the beaten track, also extensive costly renovations will be required and security. She wanted to know how all these things will be provided and at what cost and who will be paying?

MR. BOCCUZZI said that some members of the Board say that they did not receive any calls on the item. He stated that at one public hearing, there were members from every senior citizen organization in the city plus the president of the overall organizations and all those present and the executive board wanted the Hillandale site. Mr. Boccuzzi said that normally, the citizens make calls to their representatives when they object to something. He said that one person from the entire group objected to the location.

MR. CLEMMONS Moved the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to Move the question. APPROVED with no dissenting votes.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to approve \$250,000 for a capital project to be known as the Adult Center renovations. APPROVED by a vote of 25 yes and 11 no votes.



FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

2. \$ 100,000.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR CODE 310.227 BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB GYMNASIUM CONSTRUCTION - additional appropriation to construct a gymnasium for the Boys and Girls Club, with the support of the State. To be funded by grant. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/21/92. Planning Board approved 2/4/92. Board of Finance approved 2/4/92.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

MRS. DOMONKOS said the Committee voted eight to one to approve. Moved. Seconded.

The Public Works and Sewer Committee concurred.

MRS. MAIHOCK stated that at a previous meeting, it was said that bonding would have to be done when grants are accepted. She asked what amount in excess of the grant would be necessary for the project?.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the money was state money and the city has a contract agreement with the state and the city is used as a pass through because the Boys and Girls Club does not have a contract. Mrs. Domonkos stated that the grant has already been bonded by the state and committed to Stamford, a resolution was passed a few months ago.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve \$100,000 for a capital project for a gymnasium for the Boys and Girls Club. APPROVED by voice vote with 35 yes votes and one no vote, Mr. Leydon.

3. \$ 200,000.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - SANITATION - CODE 351-5521 LAND FILL AND REFUSE - additional appropriation to cover anticipated cost of ash haulaway. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/31/92. Board of Finance approved 2/4/92.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

4. \$ 50,000.00 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - CODE 450.1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation to cover funding into the second week of April. Account was underbudgeted. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/31/92. Board of Finance approved 2/4/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA



FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

5. \$ 10,279.00 - DEPARTMENT 994 RETRO PAY CITY - CODE 994.9202 RETRO PAY CITY - additional appropriation to cover Firefighter's Arbitration Award differential pay day personnel. Fiscal year 1989/90, \$7,307.45 and fiscal year 1990/91, \$2,971.26. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/31/92. Board of Finance approved 2/4/92.

Above also referred to LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

6. \$ 65,000.00 - REGISTRARS OF VOTERS - CODE 101.3142 PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE additional appropriation to cover mandated presidential preference primary on March 24, 1992. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/31/92. Board of Finance approved 2/4/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

7. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE FOR A SPRINKLER SYSTEM IN YMCA BUILDING. \$75,000 expected for design and installation of system. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/23/92.

MRS. DOMONKOS said the Committee voted nine in favor with none opposed. Moved. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK said the details on this item were sparse and wanted more information as to the amount of the expected \$75,000 from the state. She asked if the city will be paying any portion of the amount?

MRS. DOMONKOS said the grant was a pass through the city. She said the money has been committed to the city by the state and there is no commitment on the city for any funding.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item seven. APPROVED by voice vote with 36 yes vote, no dissenting votes.

8. APPROVAL OF STAMFORD EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC. CONTRACT. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/91. Board of Finance approved 1/13/92. (Previously approved by Planning Board) Held in Committee 2/3/92.

MRS. DOMONKOS said the Committee voted six in favor with three opposed. Moved. Seconded.

MR. JETTA said that he intended to vote no on the item. He said the first reason was the cost; if the contract will really be saving the city money. Mr. Jetta stated that the initial estimates were \$289,000 a year which now, after Commissioner Carr's review of the numbers, comes to \$154,000 annually.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. JETTA: (continuing) said that his second concern was the 70% collection rate; he said this was comparable to the 75 to 80% in Greenwich and Norwalk that have existing services. Mr. Jetta stated that he thought the 70% was ambitious for the first year of operations. Further, he stated that privatization, going out to bid, would have a potential of saving the city as much as \$1 million per year or \$83,000 per month regardless of the source. He said that there were many sources that would have liked to bid on the service but did not get the opportunity; this was contrary to the current purchasing ordinance.

Mr. Jetta said the statement has been made that "it is too late and too much time has been invested." He said that even if it takes nine months from today to a final approval of the contract, the city could be saving between \$700,000 to a \$1 million a year.

Mr. Jetta stated that Rep. Martin provided a compelling case that there was room for improvement on the service. Mr. Jetta said that he was not clear on "the emergency and that we must act quickly as we are getting less than adequate service." Mr. Jetta stated that the service provided now is adequate and does not require an immediate judgement.

Mr. Jetta referred to the letter from SEMS. He said the issue was not the adequacy of Bridgeport Ambulance; he said the issue was that there are several firms willing to bid on the project, and the facts should be set straight as there was quite a smear against Bridgeport Ambulance. Mr. Jetta stated that their contract was renewed by the City of Bridgeport and that speaks louder than any innuendo or newspaper article.

MR. DeLUCA said that he planned to vote against the contract as he has voted against it in the previous two years. He said the program was conceived by the former mayor and his friends. Mr. DeLuca said the program will strangle the city and the taxpayers. He said that many letters were received and one stated that for over 40 years, the citizens of Stamford received the service free of cost. Mr. DeLuca stated that now a \$1.3 million is to be put up which will be part of the taxpayers' base for the mill rate, plus the taxpayers will be billed for services which could range from \$295 to \$400 with Medicare paying only 80%, thus the user will pay anywhere from \$59 to \$80 in addition to his taxes.

Mr. DeLuca further stated that in regards to the 70% collection rate claimed by SEMS as being no problem, his figures showed that the 70% collection would be a dream. Mr. DeLuca said that Hartford has a 57% collection rate and Bridgeport, served by Bridgeport Ambulance Service, has a 50% collection rate and the national average is 60%. He said that Bridgeport Ambulance was never suspended.

Mr. DeLuca said that he did not like the contract because it never went out for bid, and why BAS never came to the city before was probably because they thought that the former mayor conceived the idea and time would be wasted if a bid was presented. Mr. DeLuca said that he did not think the city would be receiving the best service until a contract goes out for bid which would probably cost the city less. He stated that a way was found that the SEMS contract did not have to go out for bid in spite of the recent purchase ordinance.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. DeLUCA (continuing) said that he was upset when learning that the Director will not release the administrative salaries unless he receives permission. Mr. DeLuca said that the salaries come from taxpayers' money. He elaborated on many other concerns as why it would be beneficial to have the service as it is presently; firefighters cannot strike because of state statutes; engine companies will be used as first responders, and what will happen if they are on the call, and a fire breaks out elsewhere; SEMS responds under eight minutes and the firefighters between four to five minutes; the Stamford Ambulance Corps has provided service for many years and now their service is decreased.

Mr. DeLuca urged the Board to vote against the contract and stated that the contract should go out to bid or revert back to the old system which has been serving the citizens well for 40 years.

MR. KOSBOB said that he would also be voting against the contract mostly because of the fiscal constraints that the city will be facing in the near future. He said the system will be costing the taxpayers more money and they will be charged for service which is currently covered by their taxes. Mr. Kosbob stated that there is existing personnel in the city who are qualified, trained, willing to work under the ambulance service and the fire service could do an excellent job as it has done in the past.

MR. LEYDON said that he would be voting against the contract. He said that he believed that it will lead to a reduction in services in certain parts of the city and a bureaucracy will be created. He said that in these time and in any other times, the creation of a bureaucracy is not the best route to take in solving problems.

MR. LAROBINA said that he was in favor of voting on the contract. He said that last month, he changed his vote and decided to Hold the item. Mr. Larobina stated that the contract this evening is significantly different and protects the interest and people who live in the city. He said that it would be in everyone's best interest to approve the contract to give the system a chance. He urged his colleagues to vote for the contract.

MR. MARTIN said that he was in favor of the contract. He said that the proposal last month was not ready and not finished as there were last minute changes and issues not adequately pursued by the Fiscal Committee at that time. Mr. Martin thanked the members of the Board for sending a clear message in terms of how the city would be operating as to contracts being used as political whipping boards to measure the strength of one faction or another; the message was that it had to be done right.

Mr. Martin said that since last month, there were a number of contract changes beneficial to the city financially as well as on the performance issues. Also, he stated that a serious review by the city on the financial proposal made by SEMS was made by the Commissioner of Finance; also Dr. McBride will be appointed to monitor the performance.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. MARTIN: (continuing) said that the contract will improve medical coverage in the city. He said that he as well as other members of the Board have had meetings with the chiefs of the Glenbrook, Long Ridge, Turn of River, Springdale Fire Departments, Stamford Ambulance Corps and conversations with deputy chiefs in the Fire Department as well as SEMS. Mr. Martin said that most agreed that intergrating the paramedic organization with the ambulance organization will improve the medical coverage in the city.

Mr. Martin said that the plan is financially better than what is presently being done in the city. He Martin said that he is not totally happy with every aspect of the proposal and would like to see additional coverage parameters, but he negotiated in good faith and believed that the contract is the best that can be done. He also stated that he would have liked the contract to have gone out for competitive bid, and stated that the Commissioner of Finance committed that he was in agreement that within 18 months, the contract should go out for competitive bids. Mr. Martin said that an important guarantee is the issue of the Mayor's commitment to fix any service issues in 6 months that might emerge at that time. Mr. Martin urged his colleagues to vote for the contract.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that she wanted to reiterate why the Committee wanted the item Held last month. She said the Committee appreciated the backing of Board members that agreed to Hold the item so answers could be obtained to sincere and serious questions; one question was whether a bid waiver was needed? She said that an opinion was received from Corporation Counsel that a bid waiver was needed and the reasons why. Also, the reasons that the Mayor is going to sign the waiver; it will save money. Mrs. Domonkos said that hundreds of hours of staff time has been spent and we should move forward. She said that in 18 months, it will go out for bid.

Mrs. Domonkos stated that last months, it was felt that there was no adequate budget and the Commissioner of Finance followed through doing an indepth review of the budget; answers were given of the differences in cost over the last contract. Mrs. Domonkos said that she felt the questions were answered and hoped that with the Mayor's promise, the contract will go out to bid in 18 months. She said that the contract should be approved.

MR. LOVALLO stated that it was tempting to look at the issue from a dollars and cents stand point but we must remember that human lives are at stake and everything must be provided to protect those lives. He said that the contract is a bood balance of both fiscal responsibility and good quality care. He said that he would vote in favor of the contract and in 18 month, the privatization issue should be looked at.

MR. BELCHER said that Mr. Martin, Mrs. Domonkos and Mr. Lovallo are correct in regards to the situation. Mr. Belcher said that the people losing will be the citizens of the city each time they call "911" because the citizens will have to pay if the contract is not approved. Mr. Belcher stated that Reps. Martin and Domonkos have done an extraordinary job in investigating the entire matter, and he would be voting for the contract.



FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. BOCCUZZI said that he favored SEMS since the beginning and with the fine tuning done, the contract is better than the previous ones submitted. Mr. Boccuzzi stated that in checking all his correspondence, the contract was submitted by Mayor Stanley Esposito and not by the previous administration as someone has said. Also, he said that in regards to the smear campaign about Bridgeport Ambulance Service, the facts were in the newspaper and BAS had problems. Mr. Boccuzzi said that the way the system is now, reimbursements cannot be made through medicare or medicaid and with the new contract, citizens can claim reimbursements from medicare or medicaid. He said that that should be a big factor for approving the contract and he urged Board members to vote for the contract.

MR. RYBNICK Moved the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to Move the question. APPROVED by voice vote with some dissenting votes.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to approve the SEMS contract. APPROVED by a vote of 30 yes and six no votes.

At this point in the meeting, the Board recessed from 10:08 to 10:10 p.m.

9. PROPOSED RESOLUTION CONCERNING REQUEST FOR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION OF FIVE PERCENT OF TOTAL TAX ASSESSMENT ON TAX EXEMPT REAL ESTATE. Submitted by Rep. Robert DeLuca, R-14, 12/10/91. Reports made and Held in Committee 1/6 and 2/3/92.

MRS. DOMONKOS said the Committee voted to defeat the item, eight no votes and one yes vote. Mrs. Domonkos said that in the discussions, it was determined that the amount of taxable non-profit organizations in the city was approximately 20 to 25% of the \$800 million tax-exempt property which is either city, state or federal property. She said that the non-profits were much less than originally anticipated; the estimate of collection would be \$40,000 and to implement the program to collect would be approximately \$20,000.

Mrs. Domonkos Moved for approval. Seconded.

MR. DeLUCA said that the possibility to collect \$40,000 is worthwhile as that money could save two laborers. Mr. DeLuca stated that with the deficit facing the city, there are going to be lay-offs and collecting \$40,000 would save two job. He urged the Board to over-ride the Fiscal Committee's recommendation. Mr. DeLuca said that in conversations he had with the Tax Assessor, the Assessor did not know how the sum of \$20,000 was arrived at. Mr. DeLuca said the Assessor was to get back to him. He said that the program has been in effect in Portland, Maine and has brought in \$575,000 last year even though Portland is a small city; Boston has had the program since 1977, and took in \$10 million. Mr. DeLuca said that religious organizations could be excluded from the resolution.

Mr. DeLuca Moved to amend the resolution; to add another paragraph before the "Now therefore be it resolved...." reading, "Whereas, religious facilities will not be asked for voluntary contributions." The motion was Seconded.



FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. NAKIAN stated that she was against the entire resolution. She said that she did not believe that favorite non-profit organizations can be pulled out. She said that some feel that religious groups should not be taxed; others feel that other organizations should not be taxed. Mrs. Nakian stated that it should be everybody or nobody.

MR. MARTIN said that he agreed with Mrs. Nakian's remarks and said that this was a voluntary program and notices would have to be sent to all non-profit organizations.

MR. LEYDON said he disagreed with Mrs. Nakian and Mr. Martin. He said that there were sound reasons to exclude religious institutions from participating in the program; more specifically, the separation of church and state and problems that may arise if the program is implemented and such institutions contribute.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote on Mr. DeLuca's amendment excluding religious organizations from the program. DEFEATED by a vote of 23 no, nine yes votes with two abstentions.

MRS. MELLIS said that at this time, we are asking the non-profit organizations to provide more services to the needy citizens and the non-profits are having a difficult time to raise money for the services, to ask for tax money in her thoughts was unconscionable.

MR. LEYDON stated that he did not think it was unconscionable to ask those who may have the financial means to do so. He said that the program was a creative one to secure funds, particularly, at a time when we will be hard pressed to raise funds to support the budget. He said that if the program can save one person's job, at least that person will be pleased that the program was implemented. Mr. Leydon said that he would support the program.

MRS. LAURIE stated that the letter that went to Corporation Counsel, stated whether or not the Board of Representatives could receive gifts and the answer was, "yes, the Board of Representatives could receive gifts." She said that perhaps the media could make that it clear to the community; not just the non-profits and if anyone wished to contribute through the Board of Representatives, the contributions would be accepted and used; however, she said that if the letter goes out to one or all of the non-profits, the implication in her thoughts would be that the non-profits are a burden to the community in not carrying their fair share. She said that the opposite is true as the non-profits rely on voluntary contributions. Mrs. Laurie said that she was opposed to the resolution.

MR. WHITE said that he might have voted for the resolution if the religious institutions were exempted. He said that they have always had a special status in many ways, especially, in terms of tax exemptions. He said that with the amendment being defeated, he would vote against the resolution.

MR. ZELINSKY said that he believed that some feel that these non-profit organizations have no needs so they would be willing to contribute to the city. He said he could not believe that. Also, he said that organizations could feel intimidated when they come before the Board for tax abatements that if they don't contribute, there may be adverse affects. Mr. Zelinsky questioned what would those who contribute to organizations think when they learn that the organizations contribute to the city. He did not think the donors would feel good towards that. He said he would vote against the resolution.

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FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. LOVALLO said that if he thought there was a strong potential to receive the revenues, he would vote in favor but he did not think there was anything in this for the city.

MR. CLEMMONS said that looking at the homeless, children lacking education, unemployment, and what the social services agencies are doing in trying to fill the gaps, there is a need to encourage assistance to the agencies that are providing services that the city is unable to because of the state of economy.

MR. JETTA Moved the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to Move the question. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote on the resolution requesting voluntary contributions of 5% of assessments on tax exempt real estate. DEFEATED by a vote of 23 no and 12 yes votes with one abstention.

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved for a Recess. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to Recess. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Recess was from 10:08 to 10:10; the Board reconvened.

10. INQUIRY INTO THE IMPACT AND EFFECT OF RE-EVALUATION ON THE TAXPAYERS AND FISCAL CONDITION OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD. Submitted by Reps. John Hogan, Jr., D-12, Audrey Maihock, R-19, David Martin, D-19, and Maria Nakian, D-20, 12/13/91. Reports made and Held in Committee 1/6 and 2/3/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

11. \$ 9,640.00 - TRANSFER OF FUNDS - SALARIES - TRANSFER \$9,640.00 FROM CODE 280.1110 TRAFFIC DIVISION SALARIES TO CODE 201.1110 MAYOR'S OFFICE SALARIES. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/13/92. Contingent upon Board of Finance approval.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

ITEM WITHDRAWN BY THE MAYOR

12. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF INCOME MAINTENANCE REGARDING THE MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH GRANT. Main goal of program is to provide comprehensive pre-natal and postpartum care for women with family incomes up to 185% of the poverty level who have inadequate or no health insurance. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/3/92.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. DOMONKOS said the Committee voted eight in favor with one in opposition and Moved for approval of the resolution. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK asked if the resolution was the WIC program which the city participated in previous years?

MRS. DOMONKOS said that it was not the WIC program.

MRS. MAIHOCK wanted to know how this program was different from the WIC program as the resolution talks about the people who do not have health insurance; she asked if their insurance was paid out of this program?

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the resolution was for a grant that the city has had for the last five years. She said the grant provides for an outreach worker to bring mothers and children in for health testing, provides for a nurse and a clerk for the paper work. Mrs. Domonkos stated that the hospitals provide testing on the children to assure they have their vaccinations, tests for lead poisoning and various other tests. Mrs. Domonkos said that in the past year, 400 women and 245 children to 18 months of age participated. Mrs. Domonkos said that the WIC program provides vouchers to purchase certain foods.

MRS. MAIHOCK asked what portion, if any, is the city responsible for?

MRS. DOMONKOS stated that the city is not responsible for any portion; it was a total grant to the city by the state.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with 35 yes votes and one no vote, Mr. Jetta.

MRS. DOMONKOS Moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda.

President Lyons thanked and praised the Committee on their work on their entire Agenda and in particular, on the SEMS contract which was a trying and testing item to work on. Mr. Lyons said the work was done in a very professional manner and on behalf of the Board and the city, again thanked the Committee.

MRS. DOMONKOS thanked her Committee for all their hard work.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian, Chairwoman

MRS. NAKIAN said the Legislative and Rules Committee met on Monday, February 24, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Maria Nakian, Carmen Domonkos, Gregory LaDestro, Audrey Maihock, David Martin, Elaine Mitchell, Scott Morris, Donald Sherer and John Zelinsky; also present were Reps. James Rubino, Ellen Mellis, Bobby Owens, Annie Summerville and Marggie Laurie. For the public hearing on item two, Howard Quinn, Executive Director of New Neighborhoods, Glenn McGlynn and several members of the public were present but did not speak.

Mrs. Nakian placed items five and six on the Consent Agenda.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

1. (L&R22.01) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING TAX ABATEMENT FOR SITE AT 93 SPRUCE STREET DEVELOPED BY NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION PROGRAM OF STAMFORD. Originally submitted by Greg Dunn, Executive Director, Neighborhood Preservation Program of Stamford, CT., Inc., 295 West Main Street, Stamford, CT 06902, 7/11/91; resubmitted by Maria Nakian, 11/20/91. Held in Committee 12/16/91. Approved for publication 1/6/92. Held in Committee 2/3/92.

MRS. NAKIAN said that the property was developed into 15 affordable housing units, most of them already going back on the tax rolls. She said a public hearing was Held; the Committee voted eight to one to approve. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote for final adoption of the ordinance for tax abatement for Neighborhood Preservation Program for site at 93 Spruce Street. APPROVED by voice vote with 32 yes votes, three no votes, Mr. Jetta, Mr. DeLuca and Mrs. Maihock and one abstention, Mrs. Bromley.

2. (L&R22.06) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING LOITERING. Submitted by Rep. James Rubino, R-7, 11/13/91. Held in Committee 12/16/91 and 1/6/92. Approved for publication 2/3/92.

MRS. NAKIAN said that the ordinance was specifically worded aiming at the street level drug dealers and purchasers, and has been endorsed by the Police Department as a useful tool in combating drug traffic. Mrs. Nakian said that known drug dealers and purchasers do not have to be caught with drug in their possession in order to stop the traffic of selling on the streets.

Mrs. Nakian said that the conditions of the ordinance in order to be cited, is a person must be a known drug dealer or purchaser convicted within one year of the citation; must be loitering in a public place in a manner which manifests the purpose of selling or purchasing drugs and the person must refuse to cease this conduct when ordered to do so by the police.

Mrs. Nakian said that the Committee spent several months working on the ordinance and constitutional rights have been safeguarded; the Committee voted seven in favor and one opposed. Moved. Seconded.

MR. RUBINO urged his colleagues to approve the ordinance to give the Police Department a much needed tool to disrupt the illegal drug market place while being mindful of constitutional rights. Mr. Rubino stated that at the public hearing, persuasive testimony was heard to the effect that success or failure of many of the low and moderate income housing projects will depend on the ordinance to free those neighborhoods of the scourge of street level drug dealing.

Mr. Rubino said that the ordinance will not win the war on drugs but is an important tool for the police and shows commitment on part of the Board to help the neighborhoods where such help is needed.

MRS. DOMONKOS stated that she would vote against the ordinance because she felt that the freedom of movement in our society is a constitutional right that is very dear to her. She said she realized that the ordinance is proposed to affect drug dealers but she was concerned about the discretion of those who will be implementing the ordinance.



LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. DOMONKOS (continuing) said that when an ordinance is approved, they last for many, many years and now there is confidence in the ordinance but in 15 or 20 years, how someone else will read and interpret the ordinance. She said that she did not want to see any innocent citizen harassed or their freedom of walking or standing on a corner taken away.

Mrs. Domonkos felt that with the information received from the state's attorney there are adequate safeguards and laws for the police to arrest drug dealers.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that he agreed with Mr. Rubino. He said that he understood the freedom of movement but there comes a time when we have to worry about the people living in the areas that are affected by the people on corners selling drugs. Mr. Boccuzzi stated that the people living in the area have no guarantee of their movement or for their children going outside and not being involved. He said that the people in the area and the police know the names of the drug dealers; this ordinance gives the police the opportunity and discretion to take the dealers off the streets. Mr. Boccuzzi urged his colleagues to vote for the ordinance.

MR. PAVIA said that he agreed with Mr. Boccuzzi and said that many people are being harassed because they cannot go out as they see 10 or more people roaming around the streets to deal drugs. Mr. Pavia commended Rep. Rubino and all those that worked on the ordinance for a fine job. He urged passage of the ordinance.

MR. LaDESTRO Moved the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to Move the question. APPROVED by voice vote.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote on the final adoption of the loitering ordinance. APPROVED by voice vote with five no votes, Mr. Jetta, Mrs. Bromley, Mrs. Domonkos, Mrs. Mellis and Mr. Larobina.

3. (L&R22.07) PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND THE STAMFORD EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC. FOR PREMISES KNOWN AS 684 LONG RIDGE ROAD, STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT WHICH HAS BEEN USED AS HEADQUARTERS OF THE STAMFORD AMBULANCE CORPS, INC. Schedule A of contract. Per SEMS Contract submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/91. Previously approved by Planning Board. Board of Finance approved 1/13/92. Held in Committee 2/3/92.

MRS. NAKIAN said that the Committee voted eight in favor, one opposed with no absentions. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the resolution concerning the lease between the city and SEMS for premises as 684 Long Ridge Road. APPROVED by voice vote with three no votes, Mr. DeLuca, Mr. Jetta and Mrs. Maihock.



LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

4. (L&R22.08) PROPOSED RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF AMBULANCES AND CERTAIN ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT FROM THE CITY OF STAMFORD TO THE STAMFORD EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC. Schedule B of Contract. Per SEMS Contract submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/30/91. Held in Committee 2/3/92.

MRS. NAKIAN said that the Committee voted eight in favor, one opposed with no abstentions. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the resolution concerning the transfer of ambulances and certain ancillary equipment from the city to SEMS. APPROVED by voice vote with four no votes, Mr. DeLuca, Mr. Jetta, Mr. Pia and Mrs. Maihock.

5. (L&R22.09) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING TAX ABATEMENT FOR PARSONAGE AT 251 COURTLAND AVENUE OWNED BY GRACE EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH. Requested by James L. Nelson, Trustee, Grace Evangelical Free Church, 241 Courtland Avenue, Stamford, CT 06906, 1/7/92. Approved for publication 2/3/92.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH TWO NO VOTES. MR. JETTA AND MR. DeLUCA.

6. (L&R22.10) PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF LEASE TO PROVIDE OFFICE SPACE FOR FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY OFFICE FOR LONG ISLAND SOUND STUDY. Submitted by Michael A. Pavia, Commissioner, Department of Public Works, 12/20/91. Planning Board approved 1/7/92. Board of Finance approved 1/13/92.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

7. (L&R22.11) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING TAX ABATEMENT FOR STAMFORD LAND CONSERVATION TRUST FOR PROPERTY ON HAPPY HILL ROAD, LIST #R900035974, DONATED BY JOHN VIKSTROM. Requested by Joel M. Berns, Vice President, Land Conservation Trust, 22 First Street, Stamford, CT 06905, 1/24/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

8. (L&R22.13) SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONCERNING BUILDING PERMIT WAIVERS. Submitted by Rep. Maria Nakian, D-20, 2/11/92.

MRS. NAKIAN stated that the 21st Board of Representatives approved a Sense-of-the-Board resolution saying that the Board would no longer consider refunds of building permit fees paid by non-profit organizations. She said the exemptions to the resolution were requests which were already before the Board, and subsequent to passing the resolution, approved were refunds for two non-profit groups whose building permits were already granted by the Building Department.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. NAKIAN said that the Law Department advised the Committee that the original resolution be amended to clarify the fact that the two requests were taken up leaving them exempt from the resolution. Mrs. Nakian said this evening's resolution does not change the intent of the original resolution.

Mrs. Nakian said the Committee voted five in favor, four opposed with no abstentions for approval. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by 29 yes, six no votes with one abstention.

9. (L&R22.14) SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONCERNING TASK FORCE CREATED BY BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES AT LEGISLATIVE SEMINAR. Submitted by Rep. Maria Nakian, D-20, 2/11/92.

MRS. NAKIAN said that all members received the resolution. She said that a change has to be made in the resolution to include the Board of Education. She said that the resolution was a result of the Legislative Seminar that the Board held in January which created some good ideas which the Seminar did not want to lose. Mrs. Nakian stated that a Task Force was created at the Seminar and the resolution was being approved by the Planning Board, the Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives to record the fact that the Task Force will be in existence. The Committee approved the resolution by a vote of eight in favor, one opposed with no abstentions. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

10. (L&R22.15) SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONCERNING DRUG FREE ZONES IN AND AROUND PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HOUSING PROJECTS. Submitted by Rep. John J. Boccuzzi, D-2 and Rep. Scott A. Morris, D-17, 2/13/92.

MRS. NAKIAN said that the Committee felt that private housing projects should also be included as well as buyers of drugs in addition to sellers. She said the changes were made in the resolution; also, the State Legislature was changing its legislation to include private housing project and they would welcome our resolution. Mrs. Nakian said the Committee voted eight in favor, one opposed with no abstentions. Moved. Seconded.

MR. BOCCUZZI asked that each member's name be attached to the resolution showing support of the drug free zones in and around public and private housing projects.

MR. LYONS called for a vote on the resolution. APPROVED unanimously with one abstention, Ms. Summerville, due to a possible conflict.

MRS. NAKIAN Moved the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with Mr. Jetta and Mr. DeLuca voting no on item five.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - John J. Hogan, Jr., Chairman

1. FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING MEDICAL BENEFITS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES. Submitted by Rep. William Kosbob, D-16, 1/6/92. Held in Committee 2/3/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE (AWAITING OPINION FROM CORPORATION COUNSEL'S OFFICE)PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - W. Dennis White, Chairman - No report.PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - Frank Mollo & Bobby Owens, Co-Chairmen

MR. OWENS said the Public Works and Sewer Committee met on Wednesday, February 26, 1992, at 8:00 p.m. Attending were Committee members Robert DeLuca, Joseph Lovallo, John Zelinsky and Bobby Owens; John Hogan attended another meeting but was present for part of the meeting.

1. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONDEMNATION BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD OF SANITARY SEWER EASEMENTS THROUGH AND UNDER THE PROPERTIES OF WILLIAM PENN DUNSTON, CARD W-10, LOT 25 LINCOLN AVENUE, JAMES A. DOOLEY AND PATRICIA A. BOSHKA, CARD W-11, LOT 26 LINCOLN AVENUE, AND ELSIE WERNER, CARD W-17, LOT 121 LINCOLN AVENUE IN CONNECTION WITH COMPLETING THE HOPE STREET INTERCEPTOR PROJECT. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani, 8/29/91. Sewer Commission approved 7/13/91. Board of Finance approved 11/13/91. Held in Committee 12/16/91. Held on Pending Agenda 12/18/91.

MR. OWENS said the Committee voted four in favor, none opposed with one abstention to approve. Moved. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK asked if there were any situations in regards to the condemnation that were controversial? She wanted to know what the opposition was.

MR. OWENS said that all three of the properties were controversial. Mr. Owens said that there was controversy about the appraised amount of money, and by going through the Board of Representatives, the process is stopped and the owners will not go to Court with their arguments.

MR. BOCCUZZI stated that if the condemnation does not take place, the sewer project stops.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote on the resolution regarding condemnation. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Mr. Loglisci and three abstentions, Mrs. Maihock, Mr. Gergle and Mr. Zelinsky.

2. PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING SEPTIC TANK DISPOSAL FEES. This concerns an increase in fees for waste disposal. Submitted by Rep. Robert DeLuca, R-14, 12/13/91. Held on Pending Agenda 12/18/91.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Audrey Maihock & Joseph Lovallo,  
Co-Chairpersons

MRS. MAIHOCK said the Health and Protection meeting was held on Thursday, February 27, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Audrey Maihock and Joseph Lovallo, Co-Chairpersons; James Rubino, Joseph Gergle, Ellen Mellis, John Zelinsky, John Roman of WSTC, Janet Gramza of the Advocate, Fire Marshal Barry Callahan, and Daniel McCabe, Corporation Counsel.

1. FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING FIRE LANES. Submitted by Steven E. Heilner, Chairman, Fire Marshal Association, City of Stamford, CT., 9/27/91. Returned to Committee 12/16/91. Held in Steering 1/18/91. Held in Committee 2/3/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MRS. MAIHOCK stated that there was a discussion on Corporation Counsel's letter of February 26, 1992, giving an opinion on the comments and concerns addressed by Tom Fava in his letter dated January 28, 1992.

Mrs. Maihock said that the Committee voted five to zero to amend under Section 2. Petition for Establishment of Fire Lanes, B. line five; she said the ordinance was amended after, "availability of fire hydrants" adding "the building stand pipe and sprinkler system connections." Mrs. Maihock said that the Corporation Counsel agreed to redraft the ordinance incorporating the changes suggested by the Committee.

Mrs. Maihock thanked the Committee and also extended Joe Lovallo's thanks for their active interest in providing helpful input to the ordinance.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Robert DeLuca & Thomas Pia, Co-Chairmen

MR. DeLUCA said the Parks and Recreation Committee met on Tuesday, February 18, 1992, at 7:30 p.m. Present were Committee members Robert DeLuca, Thomas Pia, Mildred Perillo, Gerald Rybnick, William Kosbob, Donald Sherer and Joseph Gergle; also, Rep. Marggie Laurie, Robert Neu, Director of Parks and Recreation, and Mike Saccardi, a Parks and Recreation Commissioner.

1. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED MARINA WINTER STORAGE FEES FOR 1992 (NOVEMBER TO APRIL). Parks and Recreation Commission on 1/8/92, recommended that fees be kept at same level that prevailed in 1991. Submitted by Robert F. Neu, Director of Parks and Recreation, 1/9/92. Held in Committee 2/3/92. (All other Marina fees approved 2/3/92)

MR. DeLUCA said that the Committee voted four in favor with three opposed for approval of the rates as submitted. Moved. Seconded.

MR. SHERER stated that at a meeting prior to the last one, representatives of the boating community attended and spoke on the issue. They also appeared before the Commission in December to let the appropriate Commissions and Committees know that there was an interest by them to utilize the winter storage at Czescik Marina. Mr. Sherer said that out of 125 slips, only 25 are in use because of the prohibited costs under the current economic conditions. Mr. Sherer stated that it was requested and suggested that if the rates were lowered by \$200 on both larger and smaller boats, a greater number of people would utilize the slips over the winter and revenues would be made up plus providing a service to the community.



PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. SHERER stated that in the last year, the federal and state government added charges to boaters making boating somewhat prohibitive. Mr. Sherer said that he visited some private clubs and spoke to people and many of them said that they would put their boats in the Czescik Marina over the winter if the fees were lowered.

Mr. Sherer said an amendment in Committee was defeated. He Moved that there be a reduction in the winter storage fees at Czescik Marina by \$150.00. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS said that the fees would be \$250 for the medium slips and \$350 for the large slips.

MR. DeLUCA urged the Board to reject Mr. Sherer's amendment. Mr. DeLuca said that in 1989, with disposable income larger, the fees being \$200 to \$300, there were only 45 boats stored; in 1990, the fees being \$300 to \$400, there were 50; in 1991, the fees being \$400 to \$500, there were 25 boats; the revenue remains the same. Mr. DeLuca stated that by lower the fees, there is no guarantee that people will be putting in their boats. He also stated that Mr. Neu told the Committee that the present bubble system is at a marginal point now and if more boats were put into the area, there would be a problem in maintaining the safety of the boats; to correct the situation, an expenditure of between \$25,000 to \$30,000 would be needed which the city cannot afford at this time. Mr. DeLuca said that with the fees as proposed, the revenue would be the same and no liabilities would be incurred.

MR. SHERER said that if the fees were reduced to the amended request, it would be a trade-off with regards to the boaters as to whether or not they want to spend the money to winterize their boats or do they just want to keep the boats over the winter in the water; if that is done, there is no extra charge to them.

Mr. Sherer said that he attended the same meeting where Mr. DeLuca was present. He said that perhaps he heard things in a different context from Mr. DeLuca; however, he heard Mr. Neu say that if the marina were filled to near capacity, that the current bubbler system probably wouldn't last very long and would not break up the ice around the docks. Mr. Sherer said that if there were more boats, the income could be tripled or quadrupled and that would pay for a new bubbler system.

MR. DeLUCA said that the comments made by Mr. Neu were made before Mr. Sherer arrived at the meeting.

MR. LaDESTRO Moved the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to Move the question. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to reduce by \$150, the winter marina storage fees. DEFEATED by a vote of 24 no and 10 yes votes with two abstentions.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote on approval of the winter storage fees for 1992, November to April. APPROVED by a vote of 27 yes, five no votes with four abstentions.



PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

2. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED USER FEES FOR 1992. Parks and Recreation Commission approved fee on 1/22/92. Submitted by Robert F. Neu, Director of Parks and Recreation, 1/23/92.

MR. DeLUCA said the Committee voted six in favor with one opposed to approve the fees with the following amendments: Tennis fees at Scalzi Park, a season pass for \$10.00; \$3.00 an hour per person from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 seven nights a week. Seconded.

Mr. DeLuca Moved to amend his motion. He said that he checked with some people and they said that in lieu of the season pass, they would be like a rate of \$8.00 per hour per court for residents and \$12.00 per hour per court for non-residents from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. seven nights a week. The motion was Seconded.

MR. SHERER stated that Mr. Neu was concerned about the accountability in the area of collecting funds; that was why the Committee came up with a \$10.00 season pass. Mr. Sherer said that last year's cost for the pass was high, \$75.00, and that the real problem in the past was the accountability of the people collecting the money and because of that, he felt that an hourly rate should not be approved as the basic system and would not support that.

MRS. BROMLEY asked if this was not discussed last year when it was decided to eliminate the fees and personnel costs at the courts?

MR. DeLUCA said that this year, it was felt that the amendment would be in the best interest of the players as well as the city. He said the attendant would be present four hours each evening at \$7.00 an hour.

MRS. BROMLEY questioned the purpose of the attendant.

MR. DeLUCA said that the attendant would check on non-residents vs. residents, also check on the time and conditions of the courts.

MRS. BROMLEY asked what Mr. Neu recommended; the costs and about the season pass.

MR. DeLUCA said that Mr. Neu recommended not to have an attendant at the courts and maintain the same as last year. Mr. DeLuca said that Mr. Neu stated that the expense would be approximately \$6,000 and he was concerned about the accountability of the money; also, the \$10.00 was too low. Mr. DeLuca said that if a pass was to be used, it would have to be obtained through the Department.

MR. KOSBOB referred to Mr. Neu's letter of January 9 and the Parks and Recreation Commission's whereby both strongly opposed charging any fees at the tennis facility as it has worked out well without the fee structure. Mr. Kosbob stated that in the last three years, the fees have been increased 50% for residents so the total comes to about 30% of the operating budget which is normal for most cities in the area; also the Department has managed their budget well and have proven that they are well equipped and they know how to handle the fee structure in the city. Mr. Kosbob urged the Board to reject any and all fees for tennis in Scalzi Park.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. LYONS wanted some clarification and asked if presently, there are no fees charged for tennis at Scalzi Park?

MR. DeLUCA stated that Mr. Lyons was correct.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that she recalls last year when the attendant and fees were removed because there wasn't enough money coming in to cover the cost. She asked why a change is being considered and why Mr. Neu's recommendations are not being considered; he recommended \$50.00 for a pass saying that the \$75.00 fee was too high.

MR. DeLUCA said the fee was high last year because of the difficult times the city was facing and the people boycotted the courts. Mr. DeLuca stated that Mr. Neu's recommendation was to have no fees but some Committee members voted to have fees. Mr. DeLuca's recommendations were based on his input from various citizens. He said that fees were increased for golfers, bocce players and ball players.

MR. LaDESTRO Moved the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to Move the question. DEFEATED by a vote of 21 no and 15 yes votes.

MR. LOVALLO said that he played fairly regular at Scalzi Park and from the outcry that he has heard from the public, if there is no attendant, there is chaos. He said that there were people who were unfair causing conflicts on the courts. He said that someone has to be there to monitor the situation to make sure that the rules are adhered to and to check on season passes and to collect the hourly rates. Mr. Lovallo favored Mr. DeLuca's motion.

MR. BOCCUZZI asked if a season pass was instituted, would an attendant be necessary to make sure those playing have a pass?

MR. DeLUCA said that an attendant still has to be present to check passes.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that he would go with Mr. DeLuca's recommendations on the hourly fees, which are not a lot of money, and control would be had over the courts by having an attendant present. Mr. Boccuzzi said that some sort of system could be worked out to make sure the money stays within the city.

MR. PAVIA said that he agreed with Mr. Boccuzzi's comments, and also liked Mr. Kosbob's comments, but in these hard times, everyone much do their fair share. He said that Scalzi Park is in his District and urged all members to support Mr. DeLuca's amendment.

MS. MITCHELL Moved the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to Move the question. APPROVED by voice vote with some dissenting votes.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to amend the fee schedule as proposed for the Scalzi Park tennis fees; \$ 8.00 per court per hour for residents of the city and \$12.00 per court per hour for non-residents; time frame is from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., 7 nights a week for all players; no season passes. APPROVED by a vote of 20 yes and 15 no votes with one abstention.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. DeLUCA said the Committee recommended to delete the \$20.00 fee for Ballfield Overtime Maintenance Surcharge for Youth ages 13-18 Babe Ruth teams. He said the Committee felt that with the difficulty to raise money from sponsors, the \$500 difference would not be a hardship. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to delete the \$20.00 surcharge fee for maintenance for the Youth ages 13-18 teams. APPROVED by voice vote with seven no votes, Mr. White, Mrs. Nakian, Mrs. Bromley, Mr. Martin, Mr. Owens, Mr. Sherer and Mrs. Mellis.

MR. DeLUCA Moved that the fees be approved as amended and submitted. Seconded.

MR. ZELINSKY Moved that resident/property owner parking sticker fees be reduced from \$10.00 to \$ 5.00. Seconded.

Mr. Zelinsky said the fee started as a mechanism to keep the non-residents of the city from using the beaches and over the years, it has become a money making situation. He said that the talk is about increasing taxes and now the residents also have to pay to go to the beaches. Mr. Zelinsky said that the economy is not good and many people are out of work and the \$5.00 could bring food on the table for some, instead of paying to go to the beach. He said that we must be concerned about those in the low and middle incomes and urged his colleagues to reduce the fee of the parking sticker to \$ 5.00.

MRS. BROMLEY said that she intended to vote against Mr. Zelinsky's amendment because user fees are important; that it is not just the matter of user fees versus taxes but a matter of operating costs of the city and how the costs will be paid. Mrs. Bromley said that there should be a comprehensive way of looking at the fees; do we want to all the taxpayers to pay a portion or do we want the users to pay a disproportionate amount because they use the services? Mrs. Bromley stated that the user must be burdened for the services.

MR. BOCCUZZI asked if Mr. DeLuca knew how many beach stickers were sold last year at \$10.00?

MR. DeLUCA stated that approximately 21,000 stickers were sold last year at the \$10.00 fee. He said that last year with the increased fee in the beach sticker, the attendance was the highest ever at the beaches. He said the income increased \$80,000 which offset a tremendous amount of the operating expenses.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that if the fee is reduced, there may be more stickers sold but the difference would go back into the tax base as the income in the Parks and Recreation Department would be less. He stated that \$10.00 a year to enjoy the parks and beaches is not a lot of money; in surrounding areas, the fees are \$10.00 a day, not a year.

MRS. NAKIAN said that each time a user fee is cut, either the program or the cost has to go back to the tax base and then everyone has to pay. She said that with the user fees, everyone pays something but the one who use the services may pay a little more. Mrs. Nakian said that she would like to see those who use the services bear a little more of the burden. She stated that she would like to re-examine the entire fee structure.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. PIA said that in the matter of \$10.00 to \$5.00, last year was the first year that the parks were practically self-supporting because of the \$10.00 fee. Mr. Pia said that this enabled having the park police and proper maintenance of the beaches, which was the best ever. He stated that the user fees were being increased throughout the country. He said that the \$10.00 is for a sticker fee and if one does not have a car, they can walk into the parks and beaches; he said that he would like to see something else devised so that the people of the City of Stamford use the beaches as there are many, many out-of-towners using the beaches. Mr. Pia stated that he was told by a New Yorker that they can get a bus, come to Stamford and can use the beaches with no cost. Mr. Pia was in support of the \$10.00.

MR. LOGLISCI agreed with Mr. Pia's comments. He said that a way has to figured out that would be equitable to everyone; perhaps the fee should be dropped for residents.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to reduce the parking sticker fee from \$10.00 to \$5.00. DEFEATED by a vote of 29 no and five yes votes.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to approve the user fees as amended. APPROVED by a vote of 32 yes and three no votes.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - John R. Zelinsky, Chairman

MR. ZELINSKY said the Education, Welfare and Government Committee met on Wednesday, February 20, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman John Zelinsky, Vice Chair Ellen Mellis, Reps. Elaine Mitchell, Marggie Laurie, and Audrey Maihock; Joan Ackerman, Executive Director of the Smith House and Gwynn Lamont, President of Halcyon Day Properties, Ltd.

1. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND HALCYON DAY PROPERTIES, LTD. FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE SMITH HOUSE SKILLED NURSING FACILITY. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/22/92. Board of Finance approved 2/4/92.

MR. ZELINSKY said that the contract went out for bid and there were four bids; Halcyon was the low bidder and Halcyon has managed the Smith House for the last five years. Mr. Zelinsky said the contract was a two-year contract with a two-year option that can be extended by either parties; the fee for the first year is \$210,000 and the second year \$220,000. He said the Committee voted four in favor with one abstention for approval. Moved and Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK wanted to know the status of profitability of Smith House as she did not see that in the report?

MR. ZELINSKY said that he never received any information on that.

PRESIDENT LYONS said that perhaps the information can be obtained and provided to Mrs. Maihock.

MR. ZELINSKY said that he would be happy to do that.



EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. MAIHOCK referred to page 6 of the contract and wanted to know about the appeals associated with the Medicaid and Medicare programs; she asked if any mention was made about that and if that is being fulfilled?

MR. ZELINSKY stated that programs were being fulfilled.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the contract. APPROVED by voice vote with two no votes, Mr. Jetta and Mr. Stork.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Frank Mollo, Chairman

MS. MITCHELL said that the Committee met on Tuesday, February 18, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. and held a public hearing on CHAS. Present were Reps. Ellen Mellis, Nicholas Pavia, Frank Mollo and Elaine Mitchell.

1. REPORT ON PUBLIC HEARING HELD TO REVIEW COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY STRATEGY (CHAS). Submitted by Frank Mollo, Chairman, Housing and Community Development Committee, 2/3/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. PARTIAL FORGIVENESS OF LOAN FUNDS MADE TO NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION PROGRAM, INC. TO SUPPORT THE STAMFORD DEVELOPMENT FUNDS, INC.; UPON SALE OF NEXT UNIT BY NPPI, \$20,000 OF PROCEEDS WILL BE SENT DIRECTLY TO STAMFORD DEVELOPMENT FUND, INC. RATHER THAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM'S REVOLVING HOUSING FUNDS. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/13/92. Contingent upon Board of Finance approval.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Michael Larobina & Mary Lou Rinaldi, Co-Chairpersons

MR. LAROBINA said the meeting was cancelled because some members of the Committee were not available.

1. MATTER OF RESOLVING PROBLEM BETWEEN THE URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND AMADEUS CAFE BAR GRILL REGARDING UNAUTHORIZED/NONCONFORMING SIGNAGE. Requested by Rep. Annie M. Summerville, 6D, 2/10/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Donald Sherer, Chairman - No report.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Scott Morris, Acting Chairman

MR. MORRIS said the Committee met on Wednesday, February 26, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Joseph Gergle, Audrey Maihock, Scott Morris and W. Dennis White; others attending were Rep. Robert DeLuca and Thomas Fava, Productivity Planner.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

1. REQUEST TO LOOK INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC AND PARKING STANDBY ACCOUNT AND TO DETERMINE EXTENT OF SIGNAL BREAKDOWN PROBLEM. Submitted by Rep. James Rubino, R-7. Held in Committee 2/3/92.

MR. MORRIS stated that if the President agreed, he would provide a written statment of Mr. Fava's remarks to all Board members.

PRESIDENT LYONS said that was agreeable with him.

2. MATTER OF ADVERTISING ON CITY PROPERTY. Submitted by Rep. Robert DeLuca, R-14, 11/27/91. Held in Committee 12/16/91 and 2/3/92. Held on Pending 1/18/91.

MR. MORRIS said that the Committee is asking the President to send a letter to Corporation Counsel asking Counsel to send the Transit District a direct order for an accounting of the money involved with the leasing of advertisements on bus shelters and asking the Transit District to take down all advertising on the bus shelters and ordering the Transit District not to put up anymore advertising unless directed by the Board of Representatives. Mr. Morris said that he would draft a letter.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HOUSE COMMITTEE - Gerald Rybnick, Chairman - No report.

COLISEUM AUTHORITY LIAISON COMMITTEE - Garry Clemmons, Chairman - No report.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - John Boccuzzi & Kurt Jetta, Co-Chairmen

No report.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - William Belcher, Chairman

MR. BELCHER said the Committee met on Thursday, February 20, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Reps. James Rubino, Scott Morris, Ellen Mellis, William Kosbob and William Belcher; also attending was Jon Smith, Planning and Zoning Director and John Roman of WSTC.

1. DISCUSSION ON THE MATTER OF DEVELOPING A STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN TO ENHANCE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD; appointment of members to Commission and public hearings to solicit input. Requested by William Belcher, R-13, 12/20/91. Report made and Held in Committee 2/3/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MR. BELCHER encouraged Republicans and Democrats to go back to their respective Town Committees to nominate candidates for the Commission. He said the Committee, in another month or so, will be ready to make recommendations on what the Commission could study but the Commission must be installed before anything can be done.

ETHICS REVIEW COMMITTEE - James Rubino & Maria Nakian, Co-Chairpersons

No report.

REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE - Philip R. Stork & David R. Martin, Co-Chairmen

No report.

AUDIT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE - Robert DeLuca & John J. Boccuzzi, Members

No report.

RESOLUTIONS

1. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION HONORING THE BANTAM TRAVEL TEAM. This team is part of Stamford Youth Hockey League. Submitted by Rep. Elaine Mitchell, D-2, 2/6/92.

MS. MITCHELL Moved to approve the resolution. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED unanimously by voice vote.

MINUTES

1. JANUARY 6, 1992 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Approved.
2. FEBRUARY 3, 1992 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Not ready.

COMMUNICATIONS

MR. BOCCUZZI reminded everyone that there is a report on the Contingency fund in this evening's packet and to take a good look at the bottom line showing what is left, \$1,863,743.

MS. SUMMERVILLE reminded the Representatives to clean off their desks; if any papers are left, they will go in the recycling bin.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS - None.

PRESIDENT LYONS stated that he appointed Rep. David Martin as Co-Parliamentarian.

ADJOURNMENT - Upon a motion duly made and Seconded, and Approved by a voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

*Anne A. Kachaluba*

Anne A. Kachaluba, Administrative Assistant  
and Recording Secretary  
22nd Board of Representatives

APPROVED:

*Richard L. Lyons*

Richard L. Lyons, President  
22nd Board of Representatives

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Enclosures

## STAMVOTE - ATTENDANCE

03-02-1992

NO	NAME
1	N/P EVANKO, JUDITH
2	PRS NAKIAN, MARIA
3	PRS PIA, THOMAS
4	PRS OWENS, BOBBY
5	PRS LOGLISCI, RALPH
6	PRS KOSBOB, WILLIAM
7	PRS LADESTRO, GREGORY
8	PRS RYBNICK, GERALD
9	N/P MOLLO, FRANK
10	PRS LOVALLO, JOSEPH
11	PRS MAIHOCK, AUDREY
12	N/P JOHNSON, FRED
13	PRS DE LUCA, ROBERT
14	PRS GERGLE, JOSEPH
15	PRS STORK, PHILIP
16	PRS BELCHER, WILLIAM
17	PRS RUBINO, JAMES
18	PRS MELLIS, ELLEN
19	PRS WHITE, W. DENNIS
20	PRS SUMMERVILLE, ANNIE

NO	NAME
21	PRS DE PINA, GLORIA
22	PRS DOMONKOS, CARMEN
23	PRS CLEMMONS, GARY
24	PRS LAURIE, MARGGIE
25	N/P PERILLO, MILDRED
26	PRS PAVIA, NICHOLAS
27	PRS MITCHELL, ELAINE
28	PRS SHERER, DONALD
29	PRS MORRIS, SCOTT
30	PRS HOGAN, JOHN J.
31	PRS ZELINSKY, JOHN
32	PRS BROMLEY, ELLEN
33	PRS LAROBINA, MICHAEL
34	PRS RINALDI, JOAN
35	PRS LEYDON, JOHN F.
36	PRS JETTA, KURT A.
37	PRS RINALDI, MARY LOU
38	PRS MARTIN, DAVID
39	PRS BOCCUZZI, JOHN
40	PRS LYONS, RICHARD

NOT PRESENT 4

PRESENT 36

## STAMVOTE - VOTE PROCESSING

03-02-1992

TEST / VOTE YES

NO	NAME
1	N/P EVANKO, JUDITH
2	YES NAKIAN, MARIA
3	YES PIA, THOMAS
4	YES OWENS, BOBBY
5	YES LOGLISCI, RALPH
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20	YES SUMMERVILLE, ANNIE

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