

The Regular Meeting of the 31st Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, December 4, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. and was held remotely.

MINUTES

Majority Leader Sherwood called the meeting to order at 8:03 p.m.

INVOCATION: Delivered by Rep. Chanta Graham [3rd District].

¹PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by Majority Leader Sherwood.

²OATH OF OFFICE: Mayor Simmons administered the oath of office to Reps. Walston, Dakary Watkins, and Weinberg. (The Town Clerk had administered the oath of office to Reps. Camporeale and Strain earlier in the day).

³ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk Cottrell. There were 36 members present and 4 members absent or excused (Reps. Adams, Berns, Bewkes, Boeger, Campbell, Camporeale, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Fedeli, Figueroa, Gilbride, Goldberg, Graham, Jacobson, Ley, Matheny, Mays, Miller, Morson, Patterson, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Pollack, Roqueta, Saffic, Sandford, Shaw, Sherwood, Stella, Strain, Summerville, Tomas, Walston, Dakary Watkins, David Watkins, and Weinberg were present; Reps. Curtis, Grunberger, Jean-Louis, and Moore were absent or excused). Rep. Grunberger joined the meeting at 8:45 p.m. for a total of 37 members present and 3 members absent or excused.

VOTING MACHINE STATUS: Not applicable.

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON IN PRESIDENT'S ABSENCE: A motion to name Representative Sherwood the chair of the meeting was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Rep. Sherwood abstaining).

⁴MOMENTS OF SILENCE: For the late: Steven Swerdlick, from Rep. Fedeli.

Staff Sergeant Jacob Galliher, 24, Pittsfield, MA; Sergeant Cade Wolfe, 24, Mankato, MN; Sergeant Andrew Southard, 27, Apache Junction, AZ; Staff Sergeant Tanner Grone, 26, Gorham,

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NH; Chief Warrant Officer 2 Shane Barnes, 34, Sacramento, CA; Chief Warrant Officer 3 Stephen Dwyer, 38, Clarksville, TN.

⁵COMMUNICATIONS:

1. The deadline for the Steering Committee Agenda Wednesday, December 6th at 5:00 p.m.
2. The Steering Committee meeting will be on Monday, December 11th at 7:00 p.m. .
3. Next month's Regular Board Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 2nd at 8:00 p.m.
4. Representatives Curtis, Patterson, Pollack, Sandford and Strain are celebrating Birthdays this month.
5. The invocation for the November Board Meeting will be the responsibility of the representatives from the 4th District (Reps. Cottrell and Roqueta). Representatives are responsible for notifying the Board office with the name of the person doing the invocation.
6. The I.D.E.A.S. (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity & Accessibility Strategies) training sessions scheduled for this week have been cancelled. Board members will be notified of future training sessions which they can attend.
7. The Board of Representatives holiday party will be on Wednesday, December 13th at 7 p.m.
8. The Board office will be closing at noon on Friday, December 22nd, and will be closed on Monday, December 25th and Monday, January 1st.
9. If you need assistance with Zoom during the meeting, please call: [REDACTED] to speak with IT. Please do not call other members of the Board or the Board office. If you are having problems speaking or hearing with your computer, you can always access the meeting through a telephone by dialing the phone number on the Agenda - 1-646-558-8656, and using the Webinar ID on the agenda: 814 7054 1826. Please call or text IT at [REDACTED] or text the Clerk at 475-489-5435 to let us know you are coming on, with the phone number you are using, and we will make sure you are able to speak during the meeting.
10. If you do not respond during a roll call vote, your name will be called 2 more times after the conclusion of the vote. If you do not respond, you will be assumed to have left the meeting and your name will not be called on the next roll call vote.
11. If you decide to leave the meeting, you must text the Clerk when you leave. If you need to leave the meeting for a short period, text the Clerk when you leave and return. Members who do not text the Clerk when they leave the meeting will be presumed to be present for all consent items.

⁶RESOLUTIONS:

1. [S31.005](#) [RESOLUTION](#); Approving the 2024 Board of Representatives Calendar.
11/07/23 – Submitted by President Curtis

**APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:

⁷**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:** Kieran Edmondson spoke about mental health issues. Mike Papa spoke about water management. Tashara Wilson spoke about her recent assistance by the Stamford Police Department. Frances Lane spoke about requiring members of Boards and Commissions to appear on screen. Dave Adams spoke about the review of Attorney Mednick's fees; the installation of speed cameras, and the Charter Revision vote.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE:

Meeting: Monday, November 13, 2023
7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

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A motion to waive the Steering Committee report was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

Denis W. Patterson, Chair
Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair

Chair Patterson reported that the Appointments Committee meeting was cancelled and there was no report.

⁸FISCAL COMMITTEE:

Sean Boeger, Co-Chair
Lindsey Miller, Co-Chair
Meeting: Monday, November 27, 2023
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by
webinar

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[Minutes](#) & [Video](#)

Co-Chair Boeger reported that the Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance in person were Co-Chair Miller and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, and Morson. In attendance remotely were Co-Chair Boeger and Committee Member Reps. Figueroa, Garst, Goldberg, Graham, Shaw, and Tomas. Absent or excused was Rep. Pierre-Louis. Also present remotely were Reps. Adams, Campbell, de la Cruz, Mays, Sherwood, Summerville, and Walston; Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer; Chief Tim Shaw, Stamford Police Department; Katherine LoBalbo, Director of School Construction; Paula Russell Nisbett, HR Director; Frank Petise and Luke Bittenwieser, Transportation, Traffic, and Parking Bureau; Elda Sinani and Anthony Romano, OPM; Bill Brink, WPCA Director; and Steve Mednick, Esq.

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1. [F31.291](#)
\$127,009.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Stamford Police Department; Expansion of Community Response Initiative; The Police Department is a Sub-Grantee of the Recovery Network of Programs Prime Award From the SAMHSA. Funds Will Be Utilized to Place a Police Officer in the Behavioral Health Unit Salary and Fringe for One Year. (Source of Funds: 100% Grant Funded – Federal SAMHSA).
10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/09/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 8-0-2

APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Reps. Boeger and Figueroa abstaining)

2. [F31.292](#)

GRANTS RESOLUTION: Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into and Sign Agreements with the Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and/or the Recovery Network of Programs, Inc. for an Enhanced Community Response Initiative Grant Subaward.
10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 8-0-2

APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Reps. Boeger and Figueroa abstaining)

3. [F31.289](#)
\$88,330.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Stamford Police Department; Community Violence Intervention & Prevention; This Project will Enhance and Expand Crime Prevention Efforts Geared Toward High Risk Youth and Young Adults; Grant Funds Will Be Utilized to Have Police Officers Participate in the Juvenile Review Board, Conduct Anti-Violence Training, and a Youth Mentoring Program; Funds will also be Utilized to Contract with Domus to Enhance Their Project New Hope Program and to Liberation Programs to Conduct Empathy Training. (Source of Funds: 100% Grant Funded – State DPH).
10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/09/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 8-0-2

APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Reps. Boeger and Figueroa abstaining)

4. [F31.290](#)

GRANTS RESOLUTION: Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into and Sign an Agreement with the Connecticut Children’s Medical Center for the Community Violence Intervention & Prevention Services.
10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 8-0-2

APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Reps. Boeger and Figueroa abstaining)

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| 5. F31.293
\$1,259,662.00 | <p>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP4000007; Davenport Ridge LTFP DM/AR; Request to Increase the Grant Appropriation to Support Davenport School Bathroom Renovation Project and School Construction (Source of Funds: State Grant).</p> <p>10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/08/23 – Approved by Planning Board
11/09/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Rep. Cottrell abstaining)</p> |
| 6. F31.294 | <p>RESOLUTION; Regarding the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Appropriation and Bond Authorization for the Davenport School Bathroom Renovation Project and for School Construction Grant.</p> <p>10/30/23 - Submitted by Anita Carpenter
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Rep. Cottrell abstaining)</p> |
| 7. F31.296 | <p>GRANTS RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for the Bartlett Arboretum Pavilion Construction Project (DEEP Award: \$175,000).</p> <p>10/20/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Rep. Cottrell abstaining)</p> |
| 8. F31.297 | <p>GRANTS RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Contract with the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management for Funding Assistance Regarding the Neglected Cemetery Grant Program for Municipalities</p> <p>10/31/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 9-0-1</p> | <p>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA</p> |
| 9. F31.298 | <p>RESOLUTION; Authorizing an Appropriation of \$7,147,847 for the Newfield Elementary School Fresh Air Project and Authorizing \$2,859,139 General Obligation Bonds of the City to Meet Said Appropriation; and Resolution For School Construction Grant</p> <p>11/04/23 - Submitted by Anita Carpenter
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Rep. Cottrell abstaining)</p> |

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| 10. F31.299 | <p>RESOLUTION; Authorizing an Appropriation of \$4,174,260 for the Rippowam Middle School and Apples Pre-K HVAC Mechanical Improvement Project and Authorizing \$1,669,704 General Obligation Bonds of the City to Meet Said Appropriation; and Resolution For School Construction Grant
11/02/23 - Submitted by Anita Carpenter
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Rep. Cottrell abstaining)</p> |
| 11. F31.300 | <p>GRANTS RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into and Sign Agreements with the State of Connecticut for the West Side Pedestrian Safety and Connectivity Project (DECD Award \$1,092,200 \$1,092,200).
11/08/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Rep. Ley abstaining)</p> |
| 12. F31.301 | <p>GRANTS RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into and Sign Agreements with the State of Connecticut for the Latham Park Area Infrastructure Improvements Project (DECD Award \$2,700,000; City Match \$525,000).
11/08/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA</p> |
| 13. F31.284
\$7,371,066.00 | <p>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Fire Wage Retro Payout; Request to Appropriate Funds to Fund Fire Retro Wage Increase Obligations for FY18/19 – FY22/23 per a Recent Contract Settlement (Source of Funds: Fund Balance).
10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/09/23 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/27/23 – No Action Taken by Committee</p> | <p>NO ACTION TAKEN</p> |
| 14. F31.288
\$4,461,103.00 | <p>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Fire Wage Increase FY23/24; Request to Appropriate Funds per the Increased Obligations for FY23/24 per a Recent Contract Settlement (Source of Funds: Contingency).
10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/09/23 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/27/23 – No Action Taken by Committee</p> | <p>NO ACTION TAKEN</p> |

15. [F31.285](#)
\$540,606.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); MAA Wage Increase FY23/24; Request to Appropriate Funds per the Increased Obligations for FY23/24 per a Recent Contract Settlement (Source of Funds: Contingency).
10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/09/23 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/15/23 – FAILED by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/27/23 – No Action Taken by Committee **NO ACTION TAKEN**
16. [F31.286](#)
\$1,047,321.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Police Wage Retro Payout; Request to Appropriate Funds to Fund Police Retro Wage Increase Obligations for FY22/23 per a Recent Contract Settlement (Source of Funds: Fund Balance).
10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/09/23 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/15/23 – FAILED by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/27/23 – No Action Taken by Committee **NO ACTION TAKEN**
17. [F31.287](#)
\$2,203,914.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Police Wage Increase FY23/24; Request to Appropriate Funds per the Increased Obligations for FY23/24 per a Recent Contract Settlement (Source of Funds: Contingency).
10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
11/09/23 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/15/23 – FAILED by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/27/23 – No Action Taken by Committee **NO ACTION TAKEN**
18. [F31.281](#)
\$3,642,938.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP5241; Storm Water Pump Stations; Emergency Power Generators to Power Pumps at Cummings and Wampanaw Pump Stations Should the Utility Electrical Supply Fail During a Storm; Replacement and Upgrade of Pumps and Electrical Equipment at Cummings, Wampanaw and Dyke Lane Pump Stations. (Source of Funds: Federal Grant: \$2,732,203.50; City Bonds: \$910,734.50).
10/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
10/10/23 – Held by [Planning Board](#)
10/11/23 – Held by Board of Finance 5-0-0
10/17/23 – Approved by Planning Board
10/23/23 – Held by Committee
11/09/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0 **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**

19. [F31.277](#) **RESOLUTION**; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 by Adding an Appropriation of \$3,642,938 for the Storm Water Pump Stations and Authorizing \$910,734.50 General Obligation Bonds of the City to Meet Said Appropriation.
 10/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
 10/11/23 – Held by Board of Finance 5-0-0
 10/23/23 – Held by Committee
 11/09/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/27/23 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0 **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**
20. [F31.295](#) REVIEW; FY 2023-24 First Quarter Fiscal Projection.
 11/07/23 – Submitted by Elda Sinani
11/27/23 – Report Made **REPORT MADE**
21. [F31.267](#) REVIEW; Legal Fees Related to Charter Revision Commission.
 08/14/23 - Submitted by Reps. Goldberg and Miller
 09/27/23 – Recommitted to Steering by Committee 8-0-0
 10/23/23 – Held by Committee
11/27/23 – Report Made **REPORT MADE**

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 through 12, 18 and 19, was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

9 LEGISLATIVE & RULES

COMMITTEE:

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Phil Berns, Chair

Sean Boeger, Vice Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, November 28, 2023

7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

Chair Berns reported that the Legislative and Rules Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Berns, Vice Chair Boeger, and Committee Member Reps. Cottrell, Fedeli, Jacobson, Miller, Pierre-Louis, and Sherwood. Excused was Rep. Matheny. Also present were Reps. Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, and Summerville; and Thomas Cassone and Michael Toma, Law Department.

1. [LR31.060](#) REVIEW; Potential Ordinance to Stop Loud and Excessive Exhaust Pollution (SLEEP).
 09/27/23 – Submitted by Rep. Jacobson
 10/24/23 – Held by Committee
11/28/23 – Held by Committee 7-0-0 **HELD**

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| 2. LR31.061 | <p>REVIEW; Prohibition of City Employees serving on Boards or Commissions or in Elected Positions other than as a Requirement of their Employment.
 11/02/23 – Submitted by Rep. Goldberg
 11/28/23 – Report Made</p> | REPORT MADE |
| 3. LR31.062 | <p>REVIEW; Prohibition of Members of Elective Boards serving on City Boards or Commissions or in Other Elective Positions other than as a Requirement of their Membership on an Elective Board.
 11/02/23 – Submitted by Rep. Goldberg
 11/28/23 – Report Made</p> | REPORT MADE |
| 4. LR31.063 | <p>REVIEW; Requiring all City Employees, Elected Officials, or Appointed Officials participating in a Meeting by Means of Electronic Equipment to Have Their Video On.
 11/02/23 – Submitted by Rep. Goldberg
 11/28/23 – Report Made</p> | REPORT MADE |
| 5. LR31.064 | <p>REVIEW; Possible Requirement that City Post Transcripts of all Public Meetings.
 11/09/23 – Submitted by Tom Cassone and Carmen Hughes
 11/28/23 – Recommended to Steering by Committee 6-0-0</p> | RECOMMENDED TO STEERING |
| 6. LR31.040 | <p>APPROVAL; Amendment to the Board of Representatives Rules of Procedure re: Use of Virtual Meeting Licenses by Representatives.
 11/29/22 – Submitted by Rep. Cottrell
 12/12/22 – Moved to Pending
 03/29/23 – Recommended to Steering 6-0-0
 04/25/23 – Recommended to Steering 8-0-0
 05/23/23 – Recommended to Steering 8-0-0
 06/26/23 – Held by Committee 8-0-0
 07/10/23 – Held at Steering
 08/14/23 – Held at Steering
 09/28/23 – Recommended to Steering by Committee 7-0-0
 10/24/23 – Recommended to Steering by Committee 7-0-0
 11/28/23 – Recommended to Steering by Committee 7-0-0</p> | RECOMMENDED TO STEERING |

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| 7. LR31.052 | APPROVAL; Amending the Rules of the Board to Establish New Guidelines in Regard to How Members of the Board of Representatives Shall Resign.
04/27/23 – Submitted by Rep. Stella
05/23/23 – Recommitted to Steering 8-0-0
06/26/23 – Held by Committee 8-0-0
07/10/23 – Held at Steering
08/14/23 – Held at Steering
09/11/23 – Held at Steering
11/28/23 – Recommitted to Steering by Committee 6-0-0 | RECOMMITTED TO STEERING |
| 8. LR31.053 | APPROVAL; Amendment to the Board of Representatives Rules of Procedure to Delete Board Section V. Rules of Procedure, Subsection C. Motions.
06/07/23 – Submitted by Rep. Boeger
06/26/23 – Held by Committee 3-2-2
07/10/23 – Held at Steering
08/14/23 – Held at Steering
09/28/23 – Approved by Committee 4-3-0
10/02/23 – Recommitted to Steering by Full Board
11/28/23 – Approved by Committee 4-3-0 | FAILED BY A VOTE OF 21-15-1
(2/3 of members present required for approval) |

A motion to approve Item No. 8 was made, seconded, and failed by a vote of 21-15-1 (Reps. Berns, Bewkes, Boeger, Campbell, Camporeale, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Figueroa, Graham, Matheny, Patterson, Pierre-Louis, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Strain, Summerville, Tomas, Walston, and Dakary Watkins in favor; Reps. Adams, Fedeli, Gilbride, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jacobson, Ley, Mays, Miller, Morson, Pollack, Sandford, Shaw, David Watkins, and Weinberg opposed; Rep. Pavia abstaining).

¹⁰PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:
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Anabel Figueroa, Chair
Mary Fedeli, Vice Chair
 Meeting: Monday, November 20, 2023
 7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

Chair Figueroa reported that the Personnel Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Figueroa, Vice Chair Fedeli, and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Berns, Mays, Goldberg, and Pavia. Reps. Patterson and Jean-Louis were absent or excused. Also present were Rep. Summerville; Al Cava, Acting Director of Human Resources; Louis Casolo, City Engineer; Dr. Paula Russell Nisbett, HR Director; Gabe Jiran, Esq., Shipman and Goodwin; Tom Cassone, Corporation Counsel; Dan Colleluori, Director of Recycling & Sanitation; and Frank

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Petise, Transportation Bureau Chief.

1. P31.044 APPROVAL; Employment Contract with Dr. Paula S. Russell Nisbett as Director of Human Resources.
10/10/23 – Submitted by Al Cava
11/20/23 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0 **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**

2. P31.047 REJECTION; Tentative Agreement between the City of Stamford and the Stamford Municipal Supervisory Employees' Union Council #4, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, (MAA) for the Period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.
10/10/23 – Submitted by Al Cava
11/09/23 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/15/23 – To be Considered by Board of Finance
11/20/23 – REJECTION FAILED by Committee 1-4-2 **REJECTION FAILED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 2-33-2**

A motion to approve Item No. 2 was made, seconded, and failed by a vote of 2-33-2 (Reps. Goldberg and Weinberg in favor; Reps. Adams, Berns, Bewkes, Boeger, Campbell, Camporeale, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Fedeli, Figueroa, Gilbride, Graham, Jacobson, Ley, Matheny, Mays, Miller, Morson, Patterson, Pierre-Louis, Pollack, Roqueta, Saftic, Sandford, Shaw, Sherwood, Stella, Strain, Summerville, Tomas, Walston, Dakary Watkins, and David Watkins opposed; Reps. Grunberger and Pavia abstaining).

3. P31.048 APPROVAL; Agreement between City of Stamford and Robert Morris, Sr. as Assistant Fire Chief for Volunteer Service Firefighters.
10/30/23 – Submitted by Al Cava
11/20/23 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0 **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**

4. P31.049 APPROVAL; Agreement with Jesse C. Cassinelli as Clerk of the Works II.
11/09/23 – Submitted by Al Cava
11/20/23 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0 **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**

5. P31.050 APPROVAL; Agreement with Benjamin Velishka as Clerk of the Works II.
11/09/23 – Submitted by Al Cava
11/20/23 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0 **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 and 3 through 5 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

LAND USE/URBAN

REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Bradley Bewkes, Chair
Nina Sherwood, Vice Chair

Chair Bewkes reported that the Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee meeting was cancelled and there was no report.

¹¹OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:

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Virgil de la Cruz, Chair
Carmine Tomas, Vice Chair
Meeting: Monday, November 20, 2023
6:30 p.m. – by Webinar

Chair de la Cruz reported that the Operations Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair de la Cruz, Vice Chair Tomas, and Committee Member Reps. Boeger, Graham, Ley, Sherwood, Stella, Dakary Watkins, and David Watkins. Also in attendance were Reps. Campbell, Summerville and Walston; Lou Casolo, City Engineer; Matthew Quiñones, Director of Operations; and Chris Dellaselva, Legal Dept.

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| 1. O31.039 | APPROVAL; Contract between the City and McCann Systems for an Audio-Visual System Installed & Commissioned in the Government Center, 4 th Floor, Legislative Chambers.
10/26/23 – Submitted by Matt Quinones
11/09/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0
11/20/23 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0 | APPROVED ON
THE CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 2. O31.018 | REVIEW; West Main Street Bridge.
08/03/22 – Submitted by Director Quinones
08/15/22 – Report Made & Held by Committee 7-0-0
09/12/22 – Moved to Pending
12/29/22 –Held by Committee 9-0-0
01/09/23 – Moved to Pending
10/16/23 – Report Made and Recommitted to Steering by Committee 5-0-0
11/20/23 – Recommitted to Steering by Committee 9-0-0 | RECOMMITTED TO
STEERING |

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 1. was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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**¹²PUBLIC SAFETY &
HEALTH COMMITTEE:**

[Attendance & Votes](#)
[Minutes](#) & [Video \(Pt 1 & Pt 2\)](#)

Jeffrey Stella, Chair
Eric Morson, Vice Chair

Meeting: Wednesday, November 29, 2023
6:30 p.m. – by Webinar

Chair Stella reported that the Public Safety & Health Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Stella, Vice Chair Morson, and Committee Member Reps. Berns, Campbell, Garst, Graham, and Pollock. Also in attendance was Rep. Summerville; Lou DeRubeis, Director of Public Safety, Health & Welfare and Dana Lee, Attorney.

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| 1. PS31.047 | ORDINANCE <u>for final adoption</u> ; Amending Chapter 242 of the Code of Ordinances Adding § 242-5 Prohibiting the Possession of Firearms and Explosives in Government Buildings and Polling Places.
09/05/23 – Submitted by Lou DeRubeis
09/21/23 – Approved by Committee, as Amended, 5-0-1
10/26/23- Public Hearing Held and Approved by Committee, as Amended, 4-0-1
11/08/23 – Recommended to Steering by Full Board
11/29/23 – Approved by Committee 6-0-1 | RECOMMITTED TO STEERING BY A VOTE OF 22-12-3 |
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A motion to recommit Item No. 1 to Steering was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 22-12-3 (Reps. Adams, Berns, Bewkes, Boeger, de la Cruz, Figueroa, Gilbride, Jacobson, Matheny, Miller, Patterson, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Saftic, Sandford, Shaw, Sherwood, Strain, Summerville, Tomas, Walston, and Dakary Watkins in favor; Reps. Cottrell, Fedeli, Goldberg, Grunberger, Ley, Mays, Morson, Pollack, Roqueta, Stella, David Watkins, and Weinberg opposed; Reps. Campbell, Camporeale, and Graham abstaining).

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| 2. PS31.034 | REVIEW; Difficulties of Enforcement of City Ordinances under Civil Citation process and possible solutions, including Cross-Training of Civil Citation Officers.
12/06/22 – Submitted by Reps. Stella and de la Cruz
02/13/23 – Moved to Pending
11/29/23 – Held by Committee | HELD |
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| 3. PS31.020 | REVIEW; Of a "duty to report law" Requiring Property Managers, Building Superintendents, Security Personnel, Doormen, Etc. to Notify 911 of any Emergencies.
04/06/22 – Submitted by Reps. Curtis, Stella, and Pavia
04/20/22 – Report Made & Held by Committee 6-0-0
05/18/22 – No Action Taken
06/22/22 – Report Made & Held in Committee 7-0-0
07/11/22 – Moved to Pending
03/01/23 – Held by Committee 6-0-1
03/13/23 – Moved to Pending
07/10/23 – Moved to Pending
11/29/23 – Held by Committee | HELD |
| 4. PS31.029 | REVIEW; Legal Role and Authority of City Constables.
09/07/22 – Submitted by Rep. Stella
09/12/22 – Moved to Pending
01/09/23 – Moved to Pending
08/14/23 – Moved to Pending
11/29/23 – Held by Committee | HELD |

¹³PARKS & RECREATION

COMMITTEE:

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Jennifer Matheny, Chair
Daniel R. Sandford, Vice Chair
 Meeting: Thursday, November 30, 2023
 7:00 p.m. – by Webinar

Chair Matheny reported that the Parks and Recreation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Matheny and Committee Member Reps. de la Cruz, and Weinberg. Also in attendance were Reps. Adams and Tomas; Lou Casolo, City Engineer; Matthew Quiñones, Director of Operations; Kevin Murray, Director of Parks & Recreation; Erin McKenna, Planning Dept.; Melanie Hollis and Mike Tedder, Parks & Recreation Commission; and Gregory Kramer, Darrin Wigglesworth, and Joseph Siciliano, Town of Greenwich.

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| 1. PR31.028 | REVIEW; Proposed Scalzi Park Bocce Court Reconstruction Plan, along with Associated Costs.
10/04/23 – Submitted by Reps. Matheny and Tomas
11/30/23 – Report Made | RECOMMENDED TO STEERING BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE |
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1. [T31.025](#) REVIEW; Potential Ordinance Regarding Automated Speeding Cameras Near School Zones. 10/05/23 – Submitted by Reps. Adams, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Fedeli, Gilbride, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jacobson, Ley, Mays, Miller, Morson, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Pollack, Sandford, Shaw, Shinn, Stella, Dakary Watkins, David Watkins, and Weinberg. **RECOMMENDED TO STEERING**
11/29/23 – Recommended to Steering by Committee 6-0-0

**STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE: Fred Pierre-Louis, Chair
Jonathan Jacobson, Vice Chair**

Chair Pierre-Louis reported that the State & Commerce Committee meeting was cancelled and there was no report.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

OUTSIDE COUNSEL COMMITTEE: Jeff Curtis, Chair

Majority Leader Sherwood reported that there was no meeting of the Outside Counsel Committee and no report.

**HIGH RIDGE LITIGATION PROPOSED
RESOLUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE: Jeff Curtis, Chair
Bradley Bewkes, Vice Chair**

Majority Leader Sherwood reported that there was no meeting of the High Ridge Litigation Proposed Resolution Review Committee and no report.

¹⁵MINUTES

1. [APPROVAL](#); November 8, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. **APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**
(Reps. Berns, Camporeale, Goldberg, Ley, and Strain and abstaining)

2. [APPROVAL](#); November 15, 2023 Special Board Meeting Minutes. **APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**
(Reps. Berns, Camporeale, Strain, and Weinberg abstaining)

A motion to approve Item Nos. 1 and 2 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Majority Leader Sherwood adjourned the meeting at 9:35 pm.

This meeting is on [video](#).

¹⁵ Video Time Stamp 01:30:49