

The Regular Meeting of the 25th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford will be held Monday, June 4, 2001 at 8:00 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9:22 p.m.

INVOCATION: Led by Rep. Blackwell

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President Carmen L. Domonkos

ROLL CALL: There were thirty-eight (38) members present and two (2) members absent/excused: Reps. Gaztambide and Fedeli.

MACHINE TEST VOTE: The machine was in good working order.

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MOMENTS OF SILENCE: For the late: Georgia Nanos and Catherline F. Lasko by the 25th Board of Representatives; Joseph Artone by Rep. Boccuzzi; Roberto S. Sandolo by Reps. Loglisci, Giordano, Zelinsky, Sherer and Mellis; Arnold Weinfeld, Restituta "Rita" Gentile and Thomas Lopiano by Rep. Loglisci; Felix Annunziaro by Reps. Loglisci and Zelinsky; Dr. Walter L. Orgera and Barbara Grier by Rep. Zelinsky; Michael J. Campana by Reps. Zelinsky and Giordano; Anastasia Pidhirny by Rep. Mellis; and William H. Parker, Sr., Silvio Lupinacci and Daniel G. Munch by Rep. Giordano.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Meeting: Wednesday, May 16, 2001
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the Steering Committee Report was waived.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE Paul A. Esposito, Chair
Annie M. Summerville, Vice Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, May 22, 2001
6:45 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Esposito reported that the Appointments Committee met on Tuesday, May 22, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. Esposito, Boccuzzi, Nanos, Mellis, Loglisci, Mobilio, Morrow, Blackwell, DePina and Summerville.

The Committee also met on June 4, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. Esposito, Boccuzzi, Fortunato, Nanos, Morrow, Mobilio, Blackwell and DePina.

1. A25.189 Environmental Protection Board **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
Paul Weinstein (D) Reappointment
397 Pepper Ridge Road
Stamford, CT 06905
Term Expires: 12/01/03
05/02/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
06/04/01 - Committee approved 8-0-0

2. A25.188 Zoning Board of Appeals - Alternate **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
Carlo Leone (D) Repl. Cholmar
88 Houston Terrace
Stamford, CT 06902
Term Expires: 12/01/05
04/30/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/22/01 - Committee approved 10-0-0

3. A25.186 Zoning Board of Appeals - Alternate **APPROVED
BY VOICE
VOTE (Rep.
Mellis opposed)**
Alfonso C. Sgritta (R) Repl. Morrow
103 Midland Avenue (*Term exp. 12/1/04*)
Stamford, CT 06906
Term Expires: 12/01/04
03/13/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/07/01 - Returned to Committee
05/22/01 - Committee approved 7-2-0

Chair Esposito reported that Mr. Sgritta's appointment was held last month because of some concerns about Mr. Sgritta's real estate license. Chair Esposito has received three letters over

the last month, two letters were from the real estate agencies for which he worked, indicating that he did have a real estate license but was not actively employed. Chair Esposito also received a letter from Mr. Sgritta which reads: "I have held a State of Connecticut Real Estate License since 1977 to the current year 2001. I participated as an active broker from 1977 through 79. My license has been kept current, but I have not actively participated in selling real estate, and I do not plan any time in the near future. If at any time it becomes necessary, I will resign my position from the Zoning Board."

Chair Esposito moved the item; said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote (Rep. Mellis opposed).

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 and 2, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

FISCAL COMMITTEE David Martin, Chair
 Bobby E. Owens, Vice Chair
 Meeting: Monday, May 21, 2001
 6:00 p.m. - Public Hearing
 7:00 p.m. - Regular Meeting
 Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Martin reported that the Fiscal Committee met on Monday, May 21, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. Martin, Owens, DeLuca, Giordano, Green-Carter, Lyons, Loglisci, Mellis, Nanos and Poltrack.

1. F25.372	RESOLUTION & PUBLIC HEARING; approving the 2001 Neighborhood Assistance Act; public hearing to be held May 21, 2001. 03/13/01 - Submitted by Sandra Dennies 05/21/01 - Committee approved (see below)	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE (Reps. Skigen and Green-Carter abstain)
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Chair Martin reported that a public hearing was held for the Neighborhood Assistance Act. All representatives have received background on the submitted programs. The program, if approved this evening, does not require additional funding by the City of Stamford, rather it provides assurances to the State that these programs are worthy and necessary. These organizations can then solicit the State for contributions, and those that contribute funds receive special tax credits for the State income tax. All of the items submitted were approved and are on consent, except for the Boy Scouts item. This item was approved by the Committee 8-1-1.

Chair Martin stated that he was the opposing vote to the Boy Scouts submission. Mr. Martin stated that he will also vote against the Boy Scouts tonight. Mr. Martin stated that his objection is that the Boy Scouts have gone to the Supreme Court of the United States to affirm their right to discriminate against people on the basis of their sexual orientation.

Mr. Martin stated it his understanding that within the State of Connecticut, many of the jobs which involve association with scout members, they will deny employment to people who are not “scouters,” and they hold this Supreme Court decision as a way to enforce this discrimination. Mr. Martin stated that he is certain this matter is divisive, but he does not disagree that they have a right to go to the Supreme Court. However, since they have made that much of an issue as to their willingness to discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation, he will not support giving tax credits to an organization that does this.

Chair Martin moved to add the Boy Scouts Urban Scout Reach Program for \$150,000 to the list of programs under the Neighborhood Assistance Act. Said motion was seconded.

Rep. Loglisci stated that the Supreme Court agrees with the Boy Scouts of America and it is a private organization, and for many years has and still does wonderful things for young men, building character and all, he feels it is sad that it was singled out and that we have to put it on today. He will certainly vote to add the Boy Scouts to this list.

Rep. Gasparri stated he agrees with Mr. Martin and will oppose the addition of the Boy Scouts to the list.

Rep. Skigen stated that he also agrees with Mr. Martin and in response to Rep. Loglisci, he agrees that the Boy Scouts have done numerous good things over the years, however, while it is true it is a private organization, they are here tonight looking for tax benefits from the State, and he does not believe we should countenance the continued discrimination that the Boy Scouts are engaged in.

Rep. Kernan stated that he wants to emphasize that the discrimination is not against the boys, it is against the scout masters and any employment opportunities for adults. They do not discriminate against boys, only against men who are employed by the Scouts. Rep. Kernan added that as to whether or not it is a good idea to discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation, he suggests that those of us who have read the papers have seen that the Catholic Diocese of Bridgeport has paid bitterly for not discriminating on the basis of sexual orientation, and he thinks it would be a very wise idea for the Boy Scouts to do what they are doing.

Rep. Esposito stated that the Catholic Diocese of Bridgeport did not pay bitterly for not discriminating, it paid bitterly for molesting boys.

Rep. Owens asked why one no vote would cause this item to be separated from the rest of the list. President Domonkos stated because there was a dissenting vote, it was not on consent.

Rep. Loglisci stated that young men should not suffer who belong to this organization. All we are doing is creating a list that individual companies can decide whether they wish to donate money to this group, this is not money from the City, and there is no reason to believe that all of the groups that enter this list and who are vying for a very small

amount of money are going to even qualify for the funding. To isolate the Boy Scouts is a sad statement.

Rep. Boccuzzi asked Chair Martin whether there are other cities that have to approve the list, and if so, if just one City puts the Boy Scouts on the list, are they automatically on? Chair Martin replied that to the best of his knowledge, that is correct.

Rep. Biancardi stated that he is not familiar with the Boy Scouts, and asked whether girls can join the Boy Scouts and whether boys can join the Girl Scouts. Rep. Biancardi stated if this is not so, they are already allowed to discriminate on the basis of sex. Secondly, Rep. Biancardi added that the Supreme Court, the highest court in the nation, said it is okay and asked why we were questioning this decision.

Rep. Martin stated that there are private country clubs within driving distance of this building which, regardless of their stated policy, it is quite apparent that they discriminate on the basis of religious affiliation or racial makeup or ethnic origin. And, the fact that they are allowed to do that in their membership does not take away from the fact that he finds it objectionable, and he is not going to give them special tax credits to encourage them to do that. This is a line he draws. Also, Rep. Martin added that he believes no one wants to single out the Boy Scouts, but in fact the Boy Scouts have singled themselves out. They have gone to the Supreme Court in order to let people go who do not have the beliefs of the senior people in the Boy Scouts, and the number one thing you teach people is through your actions, and he does not believe that what they are teaching our society of young people is appropriate.

President Domonkos stated the Board will vote by machine. The vote is to add the Boy Scouts to the list of recommended programs within the Neighborhood Assistance Act. The motion was approved by [machine vote](#) of 24-10-4 (Reps. Domonkos, Esposito, Fortunato, Gasparrini, MacInnis, Martin, Mellis, Nakian, Skigen and Spandow opposed; Reps. DePina, Green-Carter, Mitchell and Summerville abstaining).

Chair Martin moved the main item, the Resolution approving the list of approved organizations for Neighborhood Assistance Act funds; said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote (Reps. Skigen and Green-Carter abstaining).

2. F25.381 \$402,955.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Cops in Schools; Various Accounts; to fund 7 school resource officers in 7 elementary schools; source of funds: grant. 04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy 05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance 05/21/01 - Committee approved 7-3-0	APPROVED BY MACHINE VOTE (27-11)
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Secondary Committee: Education

Concur 4-1-0

Chair Martin moved Item No. F25.381; said motion was seconded. Chair Martin stated that the Committee voted 7-3-0. He added that this matter has been previously debated and since then, many people have investigated the matter thoroughly. Chair Martin stated we have seen the Mayor, the Police Chief, the Board of Education, the Superintendent of Schools, the PTO and the principals of the schools all speak in favor of this particular program, which would provide additional funding for additional police officers who would be assigned to the elementary schools. This would bring the DARE program back into the elementary schools. In addition to providing some safety and other benefits, the program will primarily build a better bond between the police force and young people in our community. Chair Martin stated that some people have invested a lot of their personal time looking into this issue to come to their own conclusions. Chair Martin stated he supports the item.

Rep. Mellis, Chair of the Education Committee, stated that the Education Committee met on two occasions, May 23 and June 4. After the meeting on the 23rd, the Committee requested additional information of the Board of Education and the Police Department. Most of the information was received this evening, and after much discussion, the Committee voted 4-1 to support this program, but with a caveat that after the first school year has been completed, that the Board of Education, the Police Department, the Board of Representatives and the PTO councils review the program.

Rep. DeLuca stated he shares Rep. Green-Carter's concerns regarding the SRO program and the need to get answers from the Police Chief. He stated that in tonight's materials, there is an in-depth memo from Chief Esserman, and it appears that all of the Board's concerns have been answered. He stated that if there are additional concerns, he is confident that the Police Chief would be willing to meet with representatives to answer them. Rep. DeLuca stated he does not see why this matter should be delayed any further, the program should be approved, and after lengthy conversations with many people, he will support the matter. Rep. DeLuca stated he visited Hart School, and saw the interaction between the children and the officer on duty, and he feels the program is worthwhile.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that the Board discussed and debated at great length this same item at the March meeting. The Board then defeated the request. He stated he is disappointed that representatives have to waste time to debate this item again. Rep. Zelinsky stated from the information received, the Board is led to believe that everyone in Stamford is in favor of this and the only people against it are the eighteen representatives who voted no. He stated he has not received a call or a letter from a constituent telling him to vote yes. However, he has received calls and letters from constituents asking him to vote no again. Rep. Zelinsky stated that he doesn't understand why some people are pushing so hard for this program.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that the police officers are honorable and a credit to the community, however, there was one resource officer who was recently arrested for having inappropriate contact with two male students at a middle school. The request states that the program seeks to build positive relationships with students in Stamford Public

Schools and enhance campus safety. Rep. Zelinsky stated these are five and ten year old children in elementary schools, and he was not aware that there was a campus safety problem in our elementary schools.

Rep. Zelinsky stated he called up all twelve elementary schools and spoke to staff and asked how many times in the last 3 to 5 years that police were called into the schools. Out of the twelve, one he did not make contact with. Five said that within the last five years, a police officer has never been called into the school for any reason. Of the remaining six schools, they total twelve occasions in the last 3-5 years where police were called. Rep. Zelinsky stated some of the reasons included theft, problems with special needs children. Rep. Zelinsky stated that these facts do not warrant placing police officers in the elementary schools for safety reasons.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that the second reason for the program is to provide positive relationships with children. He then read from the SRO brochure delineating the responsibilities of the SRO officers, one of which was fostering positive relationships with children in after school programs. Rep. Zelinsky felt this was sufficient, and that officers are not needed every day in the elementary schools.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that he doesn't know of any other municipality in Connecticut that have armed police officers in elementary schools. In New York City, there are no armed police officers in any of the schools.

Rep. Zelinsky said that we are led to believe that this is a grant funded program. The program is funded for three years by a grant, and after three years, it must be continued for one year, and the City must be prepared to assume the full cost of the program in the fourth year. This will cost approximately \$800,000, and after that up to \$1 million of taxpayers money. Also, the Police Department is using more senior personnel, so the costs will be even higher.

Rep. Loglisci stated that he spoke to principals, students, parents and he has not found anyone against it. He stated that he didn't like the fact that this program was going to be put in place with or without the Board's approval. As elected representatives, our job is to listen to constituents. If the general public believes this is a good program, then representatives should support it.

Rep. Loglisci stated his father was a police officer for fifty years, and many people remember the impact a good relationship with a police officer had on them. If this program helps young people learn to have respect for the law and allows police officers to learn to have respect for everyone else, then this is money very well spent. Rep. Loglisci stated he would support the item.

Rep. MacInnis stated that he voted against the appropriation in March. Rep. MacInnis stated he went to Hart School, and spoke to teachers, the principal, the assistance principal, and he spoke to substitute teachers. One substitute stated the program worked very well at Hart. The security officer said he thought the police officer was very helpful

to him. Rep. MacInnis stated that two things particularly influenced him. One, as he went into the school, there were no students in the hallways because it was test day. However, the officer was talking to one young student in the hallway because the student had refused to take the test and had become physically abusive with the teacher. The teacher asked for help, and the officer was there. Most importantly, there was a parents meeting there on a different subject, and Rep. MacInnis spoke to the parents. He stated he had voted against the school resource officer due to legitimate concerns, such as guns, and he asked if they had any reservations. Not one of the 30 to 35 parents stated any reservation about this program. Rep. MacInnis stated he is more influenced by the parents with kids in the school. They changed his mind, and he hopes that some of the other 18 that voted against it will change their mind.

Rep. MacInnis stated he still has concerns. First, the individual selected to be the SRO is important. At Hart they had an outstanding young officer there, and everybody loved him. Screening is very important. Training is also very important. Also, the school principal is the final appointing authority.

Rep. Mobilio stated that he has been a registered nurse for the last twenty-five years and works closely with members of the Stamford Police Department. He is used to working with them in very demanding situations, and the police officers he knows are very professional and dedicated and provide the best possible service to the citizens. Stamford's police officers would be a very good influence on our children. Rep. Mobilio stated he strongly supports this program.

Rep. Day stated that it is disheartening to him that so much of the opposition is cast in sarcastic, if not, demagogic terms. Rep. Day stated the program offers the promise of never having to arrest teenagers. He believes the program is visionary, is based on the best of what Stamford is, we have a great police force, and a lot of the opposition to this measure stems from organized groups who seek to perpetuate the myth of the police in our City being racist or brutal. That is not our police department. Rep. Day stated this is a very positive program, and the respect and affection that has developed between the children and the police officers will pay unbelievable dividends to the future of our City, maybe even covering the costs of the program. Rep. Day appealed to all members of the Board to give this program a chance and not to oppose this upon fear of what could possible go wrong or based on the opposition of groups who are interested in perpetuating an incorrect image of our police.

Rep. Gasparri stated that he is in favor of the program, and to some extent the representatives that are in opposition to the program are beating on a straw man. Rep. Gasparri stated that this is not a law enforcement program, and if it's purpose was law enforcement, it would make no sense whatsoever. Clearly, we don't need police for law enforcement in the elementary schools. Ninety-nine plus percent of the undertaking is to foster positive relationships. This program is about community relations.

Rep. Gasparri stated that some of the opposition has an element of fear and/or hostility toward police officers. Perhaps there is a long history that justifies those feelings, but

now it is 2001, and we are looking toward the future with the young students, and if we can help them and create an environment where they would not develop those sorts of feelings in the future, he thinks it would be a positive objective and worthwhile program.

Rep. Gasparri asked those that oppose it to giving a lot of thought to those representatives who were opposed, and after researching the program, now feel it is a good and worthwhile program.

President Domonkos asked that comments be kept brief.

Rep. O'Neill stated that from the Hart School experience, which is in his district, he has learned that the policeman on duty has become a person who the children trust, and he has certainly given the kids a lot of security as well as giving the parents a great feeling of security, just knowing he is there. Rep. O'Neill stated that he received one phone call on this matter, and this person had lukewarm concerns regarding the relationships between the children and the police. He believes it is really about security.

Rep. Shapiro moved the question; said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

A motion to move the question was made, seconded and approved by voice vote. The main motion was approved by a machine vote of 27-11 (Reps. Blackwell, Cannady, DePina, Domonkos, Green-Carter, Mitchell, Owens, Skigen, Summerville, White and Zelinsky opposed).

3. F25.382 \$17,955.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Cops in Schools; Various Accounts; city match for grant to fund 7 school resource officers in 7 elementary schools; source of funds: city funds. 04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy 05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance 05/21/01 - Committee approved 7-3-0	**FAILED BY MACHINE VOTE (23-11-4) (APPROVED BY MACHINE VOTE (25-8-0)
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Secondary Committee: Education

Concur 4-1-0

Chair Martin moved Item No. F25.382; said motion was seconded and failed by a machine vote of 23-11-4 (Reps. Blackwell, Cannady, DePina, Domonkos, Green-Carter, Mitchell, Owens, Skigen, Summerville, White and Zelinsky opposed; Reps. Gasparri, Graber, Imbrogno and Lyons not voting).

**** This item was approved later in the evening – see end of Land Use Report.**

4. F25.383 \$3,500.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION; Patriotic Commission; Memorial Day; to replace American flags flown along Summer Street during Memorial Day Parade.	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
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04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Committee approved 10-0-1

5. F25.384 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grant Funded); **APPROVED**
\$13,469.00 Yacine; Seasonal; represents funds raised through **ON CONSENT**
 corporate donations for the Yacine program. **AGENDA**
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Committee approved 8-0-0

Secondary Committee: Education

Concur

6. F25.385 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grant Funded); **APPROVED**
\$2,106,089.00 Lead Based Paint Hazard Control Program; HUD **ON CONSENT**
 grant funds to be used to abate lead paint hazards from **AGENDA**
 residential properties to be occupied by low income
 families with children.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Committee approved 8-0-0

Secondary Committee: Housing/Community Development/Social Services

Concur

7. F25.386 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating **APPROVED**
\$510,000.00 Budget); Risk Management; Workers' Compensation; **ON CONSENT**
 to cover shortfall in the self-insurance payments of the **AGENDA**
 Workers' Compensation account.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Committee approved 8-0-0

Secondary Committee: Personnel

Concur

8. F25.387 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating **APPROVED**
\$150,000.00 Budget); Law Department; Professional Consultants; **ON CONSENT**
 to cover legal fees in *Granite State Outdoor* **AGENDA**
 Advertising v. Zoning Board of the City of Stamford
 and *Rubino and Tarzia v. Malloy and McDonald*.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Committee approved 10-0-0

Secondary Committee: Legislative & Rules

Concur

9. F25.388 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating
\$13,494.00 Budget); Laboratory; Salaries; to fund negotiated
agreement with 1 permanent part-time and 2 full time
lab technicians.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Committee approved 8-0-0

**APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**

Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health

Concur

10. F25.389 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grant Funded
\$10,045.00 Budget); Town and City Clerk; Historic Preservation;
per Public Act 00-146, fees collected by Town Clerk
for preservation and management of historic
documents must be used for such purpose.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Committee approved 8-0-0

**APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**

Secondary Committee: Legislative & Rules

Concur

11. F25.390 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating
\$5,355.00 Budget); Registrar of Voters; Full-Time Salaries;
shortfall in account due to payout to departing Deputy
Registrar of accumulated sick and vacation time.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Committee approved 7-0-0

**APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**

Secondary Committee: Legislative & Rules

Concur

12. F25.391 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating
\$2,965.00 Budget); Registrar of Voters; Permanent Part Time
Salaries; shortfall in account due Deputy Registrar's
salary increase.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**

13. F25.392 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating
\$19,308.00 Budget); Registrar of Voters; Primary Expenses -
Local; to cover Republican Registrar of Voters
Primary in September 2000.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**

Secondary Committee: Legislative & Rules

Concur

14. F25.393 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating
\$139,852.00 Budget); Big 5 Volunteer FD - Turn of River;
Salaries; to fund recent contract settlement between
IAFF and City of Stamford; also covers anticipated
deficits in overtime and differential lines.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Held by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Held in Committee

**HELD IN
COMMITTEE**

Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health

15. F25.394 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating
\$115,172.00 Budget); Big 5 Volunteer FD - Glenbrook; Salaries; to
fund recent contract settlement between IAFF and
City of Stamford; also covers anticipated deficits in
overtime and differential lines.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Held by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Held in Committee

**HELD IN
COMMITTEE**

Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health

16. F25.395 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating
\$52,992.00 Budget); Big 5 Volunteer FD - Belltown; Salaries; to
fund recent contract settlement between IAFF and
City of Stamford; also covers anticipated deficits in
overtime and differential lines.
04/27/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Held by Board of Finance
05/21/01 - Held in Committee

**HELD IN
COMMITTEE**

Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health

17. F25.396 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **NO ACTION**
\$TBD Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade; to fund upgrade **TAKEN**
 and expansion.
 To be submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
 05/21/01 - No action taken

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 4 through 13, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE Maria Nakian, Chair
 William MacInnis, Vice Chair
 Meeting: Tuesday, May 29, 2001
 7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Nakian reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met on Tuesday, May 29, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. Nakian, MacInnis, Esposito, Gasparri, Mitchell, Day, Fedeli and Sherer present. Reps. Skigen, Spadow and Zelinsky were excused. Also present were Sybill Richards, Assistant Corporation Counsel on Item No.5; the Deputy Director of Carpenter’s Local on No.1; Lt. Weinerman of the Police Department on No. 4; members of the Commission on Aging and Ann Sadowsky from the Social Services Commission on Item Nos. 2 and 3.

1. [LR25.133](#) PROPOSED ORDINANCE; **for final adoption:** **APPROVED**
 Amending Chapter 103 of the Code of Ordinances **BY MACHINE**
 Concerning Contractors (“Responsible Employer **VOTE (22-16)**
 Ordinance”).
 12/12/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
 03/07/01 - Approved for republication
 04/04/01 - Returned to Committee
 05/29/01 - Committee approved 4-3

Chair Nakian stated Item No.1 is for final adoption, known as the Responsible Employer Ordinance. An amendment was made last month, the item was republished, a public hearing was held, and Chair Nakian moved the item. Said motion was seconded.

President Domonkos confirmed there were no further revisions to this ordinance.

Rep. Day stated that he and the Republican Caucus had tried to support this, and he had tried to make one amendment that would have allowed that. This amendment would have the deletion of Paragraph A, which incorporates the Stamford Construction Jobs Agreement. The Caucus is not opposed to the Stamford Construction Jobs Agreement per se, but just that it is part of this ordinance. Rep. Day stated that he previously pointed

out there are certain provisions in the Jobs Agreement, which he believes may work to the disadvantage of small business, would favor larger firms, and might prejudice the taxpayers. The Jobs Agreement may be appropriate in some cases, or most cases, and can always be included in the RFP if so determined. To mandate its inclusion – in light of two particular paragraphs – one is Paragraph F, which requires contractors and subcontractors must provide skills training under the State of Connecticut certified apprenticeship program. He believes that in some cases this is discriminatory against small firms. Paragraph I of the Construction Jobs Agreement states that “it is understood that the requirements of this agreement shall not prohibit the participation of any Stamford minority contractor who otherwise complies with State and Federal employment practices.” Rep. Day stated this strikes some of his caucus members in some cases as being objectionable. This is a tacit admission that the requirements are burdensome, because certain people are being excused from them, and it has the potential to harm the very people it is designed to protect.

Rep. Day stated an outside minority firm that could be from New York City, could come in, be a minority-owned firm and bring its New York City-based employees, and this does nothing for Stamford.

Rep. Day stated that he had hoped to eliminate Paragraph A of the ordinance, which incorporates the agreement, and instead allow the flexibility to determine, on a case-by-case basis, whether the Construction Jobs Agreement should be incorporated in a particular RFP. Rep. Day stated for that reason, he and the Republican Caucus cannot support this.

Rep. Sherer stated that in the Committee discussion on this, they learned that the original intent of the Stamford Jobs Agreement, it kind of parallels the beginning of the Swiss Bank project. Concerns were expressed about out-of-town developers coming in and building these huge projects, for which they received tax credits and benefits from the City and State. These same developers would not be employing Stamford residents. As a result, agreements were made between unions, church ministers and other associations, Mutual Housing. They got together and came up with this jobs agreement. Rep. Sherer stated its premise and overall intention is noble, and seeks to provide meaningful employment and income to Stamford residents.

Rep. Sherer stated one of the problems with the ordinance is that it provides a major exclusion for a group of people who qualify – the minority community, if they have developers that want to participate in these contracts. The minority community would be exempt from the impact of this jobs agreement. Rep. Sherer stated he finds this incongruous because the same people who were supposed to be benefiting by this Jobs Agreement could very well be the same people who get hurt by the ordinance as proposed with this exemption built in. Rep. Sherer stated if you have a minority contractor from outside of Stamford, affiliated with a church. This contractor provides jobs for his church members, none of whom are Stamford residents, yet they don't have to give jobs to Stamford residents because they are minority developers. This defeats the purpose of the Stamford Jobs Agreement by having this exception in the ordinance.

Rep. Sherer stated he is in favor of the Stamford Jobs Agreement, but he is not in favor of allowing the whole concept to be defeated by a built-in exception, and he will not support it.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Item No. LR25.133 was approved by a machine vote of 22-16 (Reps. Alswanger, Biancardi, Day, DeLuca, Gasparrini, Giordano, Graber, Hunter, Imbrogno, Loglisci, Mobilio, Morrow, Nanos, O'Neill, Poltrack and Sherer opposed).

2. LR25.138 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;** **HELD IN**
Repealing Chapter 6, Article III of the Code of **COMMITTEE**
Ordinances Concerning the Commission on Aging.
03/07/01 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
04/04/01 - Held in Committee
05/07/01 - Held in Committee
05/29/01 - Held in Committee

3. LR25.139 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;** **HELD IN**
Amending Chapter 6, Article II of the Code of **COMMITTEE**
Ordinances to convey the powers and duties of the
Commission on Aging to the Social Services
Commission.
03/07/01 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
04/04/01 - Held in Committee
05/07/01 - Held in Committee
05/29/01 - Held in Committee

Chair Nakian reported that Item Nos. 2 and 3 were held until next month. New versions of both ordinances are being drafted.

4. LR25.140 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;** **APPROVED BY**
amending Section 72-2 of the Code concerning the **VOICE VOTE**
sale and consumption of intoxicating liquor. **(Reps. Imbrogno**
03/21/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy **and Cannady**
05/07/01 - Returned to Committee **opposed)**
05/29/01 - Committee approved 7-4-1

Secondary Committee: Parks & Recreation

Concur 6-2-0

Chair Nakian moved Item No. 4; said motion was seconded. Said item was approved by voice vote (Reps. Imbrogno and Cannady opposed).

5. LR25.141 RESOLUTION; approving a second Amendment to the City's Tax Abatement Agreement with Cornerstone/ Bayview, Inc.
03/15/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/07/01 - Held in Committee
05/29/01 - Committee voted consent
- APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 5, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE Randall Skigen, Chair
Ralph Loglisci, Vice Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, May 30, 2001
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Skigen reported that the Personnel Committee met on Wednesday, May 30, 2001. Present were Reps. Cannady, Fedeli, Fortunato, Loglisci, MacInnis and Skigen. Reps. Boccuzzi, Spadow and Gasparrini were excused. Also present were: William Stover, Director of Human Resources and Fire Chief Robert McGrath.

1. P25.101 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; **for publication;** **APPROVED**
concerning the creation and designation of the position of Assistant Police Chief. **BY VOICE**
05/11/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy **VOTE**
05/30/01 - Committee approved 6-0-0

Chair Skigen reported that the purposes of this ordinance is: 1) to change the name of Deputy Police Chief to Assistant Police Chief and 2) the positions currently exist without ordinance and they serve without contracts. It was felt that it would be more appropriate to have a contract agreement with these individuals that would clearly set forth all of their salary and benefit provisions.

Chair Skigen stated the Committee amended the ordinance in Paragraph 5B. It used to say "appoint as many assistant police chiefs as necessary." The Committee amended it to read "the Police Commission may, subject to available budgetary appropriations, appoint no more than 3 assistant police chiefs."

President Domonkos confirmed that this amendment was already sent out to everyone, and a vote on the amendment is not needed.

Rep. Loglisci stated an amendment had been made that would change the Pay Plan designation. Chair Skigen replied that it was not part of the ordinance, but that the

Committee indicated to Mr. Stover that it would not vote for final adoption until the Personnel Commission has taken up the provision in the current Pay Plan that provides for Deputy Police Chief and given us an indication that upon final passage of this that Assistant Police Chief would be slotted in and Deputy Police Chief would be eliminated. Because the Personnel Commission cannot place Assistant Police Chief in the Pay Plan because the position does not currently exist, and it won't exist until the ordinance is passed. But the Personnel Commission will be meeting in June, and at that time, they will have a resolution stating that upon the final passage of this ordinance that the Deputy Police Chief will be removed and Assistant Police Chief will be placed into the Pay Plan.

Chair Skigen stated that this item will not be taken up again until the Committee receives assurances from the Personnel Commission that it will change the title.

The item was passed by unanimous voice vote.

2. P25.102 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;** **APPROVED**
concerning the creation and designation of the position **BY VOICE**
of Assistant Fire Chief. **VOTE**
05/11/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/30/01 - Committee approved 6-0-0

Chair Skigen stated that a similar amendment was made, and this was also mailed out. Chair Skigen moved the item; said motion was seconded.

Chair Skigen stated that the amendment was that the Fire Commission can appoint no more than two assistant fire chiefs.

The item was approved by unanimous voice vote.

LAND USE COMMITTEE Herman Alswanger, Co-Chair
Patrick White, Co-Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, May 23, 2001
7:30 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair White reported that the Land Use Committee met on Wednesday, May 23, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. White, Alswanger, Boccuzzi, Hunter and O'Neill, Shapiro. Excused were Reps. Loglisci, Nakian and Spadow. Also present was Robin Stein.

1. LU25.52 **REVIEW;** of new and amended environmental **HELD IN**
protection regulations to comply with current State **COMMITTEE**
statutes and recommended practices.
05/11/01 - Submitted by Rep. O'Neill
05/23/01 - Held in Committee

Chair White reported that this item was held.

2. LU25.53	RESOLUTION; renaming a section of Fairfield Avenue to Shore Road. 05/15/01 - Submitted by Rep. Boccuzzi 05/23/01 - Committee voted 6-0-0	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
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Chair White reported that Ardenwood Condominium Association brought to the attention of Rep. Boccuzzi the problem their condo association has with deliveries and directions to their homes. Their current address is 665 Fairfield Avenue. First, the condo is located on a cul-de-sac, and second, the nature of the meandering geography of Fairfield Avenue, have caused confusion affecting the association. Robin Stein worked with the association and the district representatives proposed naming this section Shore Road. This portion of Shore Road would have a Stamford address. This change affects only Ardenwood Condominium Association and one other building. The committee approved 6-0-0, and Chair White moved the item. Said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

****Rep. White, moved to reconsider Fiscal Item No. F25.382, an additional appropriation for \$17,955.00. Said motion to reconsider was seconded.**

Rep. White stated that he was on the prevailing side, and he voted against the appropriation as he did the item before this. He stated he is disagreement with his district-mate on this issue, but he was off the floor, and he would like to afford him a chance to vote on this issue. Rep. White stated he realizes this is an unpopular point of order to place this on the floor, it won't change his vote, and he realizes that it may change the outcome of this item. Rep. White stated that he does believe, out of fairness, that he and maybe others, should have another opportunity to vote on it.

Rep. Sherer stated the motion for reconsideration requires a simple majority.

Rep. Summerville stated that two of the yes votes had to leave at 11:00 p.m., and she is uncomfortable with the fact that individuals who voted against it will be left out of the vote. Rep. Summerville states she objects to the motion to reconsider because these individuals are not available to vote on the item again in direct contrast to Rep. White's stated reason for moving to reconsider; i.e., that an individual wasn't on the floor at the original vote and he feels that person should have an opportunity to vote.

Rep. DeLuca moved the question; said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

The motion to reconsider was taken by machine and was approved by a vote of 25-5 (Reps. Domonkos, Kernan, Poltrack, Skigen and Zelinsky opposed). ***The main motion, F25.382 was approved by a machine vote of 25-8*** (Reps. Blackwell, Cannady, Domonkos, Owens, Poltrack, Skigen, White and Zelinsky opposed).**

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Bobby E. Owens, Chair
Harry Day, Vice Chair
Meeting: Thursday, May 24, 2001
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Owens reported that the Operations Committee met on Thursday, May 24, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. Owens, Hunter, Day, Morrow, Zelinsky, Imbrogno and Lyons. Also present were Rep. O'Neill; Tim Curtin; Tom Fava; and management of AFB.

1. O25.47 APPROVAL; of agreement for building cleaning services with Temco Services Industries; amount of contract: \$467,319 for three years. **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
05/01/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/10/01 - Approved by Board of Finance
05/24/01 - Committee voted consent

Chair Owens stated that new information had been received this evening regarding the Temco Services Industries contract. President Domonkos asked if anyone wanted to take the item off of consent. No one indicated he/she wished to remove the item from the Consent Agenda.

2. O25.48 REVIEW; of bid and quote prices for removal of the smokestack at the Palace Theater. **REPORT
MADE**
05/10/01 - Submitted by Rep. DeLuca
05/24/01 - Report Made

Chair Owens reported that Mr. Curtin and Mr. Fava both stated that this issue came about prior to their present positions in the City. The Committee voiced concerns that waiving bids and this situation in particular would deter contractors from bidding with the City. Rep. Owens stated that after the fact, there is not much that can be done.

3. O25.49 REVIEW; of authorization and costs regarding improvements on Paul's Place. **REPORT
MADE**
05/10/01 - Submitted by Reps. DeLuca and Loglisci
05/24/01 - Report Made

Chair Owens reported that again, Mr. Curtin and Mr. Fava stated that this work was approved prior to their assuming their current positions. They could not state who authorized parking meters and improvements to Paul's Place. Mr. Curtin also advised the Committee that the paving improvements had been long overdue, and installation of the parking meters only cost the City the installation costs. The meters were out of storage,

having been removed from other sites. The meters were placed there to generate revenue to pay for the site improvements. Again, this is after the fact, and the Committee asked for additional information regarding the meters and the revenue they generate.

4. O25.50 REVIEW; of plans for increased Government Center **NO REPORT**
 security.
 05/09/01 - Submitted by 25th Board
 05/24/01 - No Report

Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health

Chair Owens stated that this item was held because no one from the Police Department appeared.

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

**PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH
COMMITTEE**

Alice Fortunato, Chair
Richard Lyons, Vice Chair
Meeting: Thursday, May 31, 2001
6:30 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Fortunato reported that the Public Safety & Health Committee met on Thursday, May 31, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. Fortunato, DeLuca, DePina, Kernan, Lyons, MacInnis, O'Neill and Skigen. Excused were Reps. Biancardi and Mobilio. Also in attendance was Fire Chief McGrath, Assistant Fire Chief Peter Brown, a representative of Viking Construction and Jeff Carter of the Engineering Department.

1. PS25.044 APPROVAL; of contract between the City of **HELD IN**
 Stamford and Viking Construction for design/build **COMMITTEE**
 services for the new South End/Waterside Fire
 Station; amount of contract: \$1,799,600.
 05/11/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
 06/14/01 - To be considered by Board of Finance
 05/31/01 - Held in Committee

Chair Fortunato reported that this item was held pending additional information.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: Donald B. Sherer, Co-Chair
Mary L. Fedeli, Co-Chair

Meeting: Wednesday, May 30, 2001
6:30 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Chair Sherer reported that the Parks & Recreation Committee met on Wednesday, May 30, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, Graber, Imbrogno, Lyons, O'Neill, Poltrack and Sherer. Also in attendance were Reps. Cannady and Morrow.

1. PR25.67 REVIEW; of police department services provided at **REPORT**
city beaches and parks. **MADE**
05/07/01 - Submitted by 25th Board
05/30/01 - Report Made

Chair Sherer reported that in light of the Board's recent vote not to change the opening and closing times, Deputy Chief Priolo reported that Cummings Park has been made an official post of the district so that from 8:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., there will be an officer posted there. This started two weeks ago, and since that time, there has been a major decline in complaints and boisterous activity at the Park. Chair Sherer stated that this post is manned by parks police, and if the parks police are not available, regular police will staff it. On Friday and Saturday nights, an additional police officer will be posted there.

The Police also told the Committee that they have added two more police officers to the midnight shift.

2. PR25.68 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; **for publication**; **APPROVED BY**
concerning boating and navigation; to change speed **UNANIMOUS**
restrictions and markings. **VOICE VOTE &**
05/11/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy **PUBLICATION**
05/30/01 - Committee voted 5-0 and to waive **WAIVED**
publication

Chair Sherer reported that the Committee met with Sgt. Wolff of the Marine Division, and he found out that our speed zone had expired, and there are no official legal speed zones in the Stamford waters. The permit needs an ordinance attached to it, so this amends the existing ordinance.

Chair Sherer stated that this ordinance is of an emergency nature so that the speed zones can be in effect in Stamford Harbor for the summer season. Chair Sherer stated that the Committee approved to waive publication by a vote of 5-0; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Chair Sherer moved the item for final adoption; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Ellen Mellis, Chair
Philip Giordano, Vice Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, May 23, 2001
7:00 p.m. - Conference Room #1

Chair Mellis reported that the Education Committee met on Wednesday, May 23, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. Mellis, Day, Giordano, Green-Carter, Graber and Poltrack. Rep. Fedeli was excused and Rep. Imbrogno was absent. Also present was City Engineer Antonio Iadarolo.

Chair Mellis reported that the Committee also met this evening. Present were Committee Member Reps. Mellis, Day, Giordano, Green-Carter and Poltrack.

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| 1. E25.41 | REVIEW; of plans for auditorium at Magnet Middle School.
05/09/01 - Submitted by 25 th Board
05/23/01 - Report Made | REPORT
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Chair Mellis reported that Mr. Iadarolo explained that there is \$150,000 in the Capital Budget to redesigning the auditorium at the Magnet Middle School. Originally, the auditorium came in at \$5.7 to \$5.8 million, and they want to bring the design to about half the size, which will bring the cost to about \$3 to \$3.5 million. If funds are available next year, they can go ahead and build and have it done by the Fall of 2004. The State will reimburse on a 30% basis.

Rep. Martin thanked the Committee for taking this item up. He added that what the Committee was told is not acceptable to him because the objective should be to provide an auditorium, which is consistent with the standards of auditoriums that the City has established for its middle schools (updated to current times). If they are going to do a cheap auditorium in order to meet a budget, that is wrong. The objective should be to make certain that a quality auditorium is being provided. Secondly, Mr. Martin would like to see this fast-tracked. He doesn't believe we should wait until budget season, and that it is possible to get this ready by September of 2002. Rep. Martin stated that the criteria should not be to meet a budget number but to get the right auditorium, and then present an appropriation to the Boards for approval.

Rep. Day stated that he shares most of Rep. Martin's concerns. He felt that what had been designed was a bit of a Taj Mahal for that facility. It is realistic that a more reasonably designed auditorium can be designed. Rep. Day added that it should be possible to achieve this target, assuming that the architect can get engaged by means of a change order to the existing contract, rather than going through a repeat RFP process.

Chair Mellis stated that the intent was to make the 3,000 square foot lobby smaller, and to have the changing rooms and auditorium size that is needed for a middle school. They hope to use the same architect they used before.

Rep. O'Neill stated that he was opposed to the original appropriation because it stipulated that an outside architect was going to be hired to review the existing plans to come up with a less expensive alternative to the building of this auditorium. Now, the Board is hearing that in fact there may be a bid waiver in order to award this to the original architect. He is concerned that the original architect will get additional funds for the design he already created.

Rep. Martin stated that this item did not have the same back up material in the capital budget as the other items did. It was put into the capital budget at the last minute. So there was confusion as to whether it would be the existing architect or a new architect. In fact, there was really no supporting documentation to this request.

Chair Mellis stated that if they use a new architect, the drawings may not fit in to the existing drawings for the building.

**URBAN REDEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE**

Jim Shapiro, Chair
Joseph Gasparini, Vice Chair
Meeting: Thursday, May 24, 2001
7:30 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Chair Shapiro reported that the Urban Redevelopment Committee met on Thursday, May 24, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. Shapiro, Day, MacInnis, Mitchell, Nakian, Martin and Gasparini. Excused was Rep. Summerville.

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| 1. UR25.004 | RESOLUTION; approving the Mill River Corridor Project Plan Providing for the Redevelopment of the Mill River Corridor, the Establishment of a Tax Increment Financing District with the Stamford Connecticut Urban Redevelopment Commission as Redevelopment Agency.
09/11/98 - Submitted by E. Steinberg, Executive Director, URC
04/07/01 - Resolution submitted by URC | REPORT
MADE |
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Secondary Committee: Land Use

Chair Shapiro stated that the Committee did not approve the resolution but in fact reviewed the Milestone Schedule, and no votes were taken.

Chair Shapiro reported that there is the Mill River Project Plan (Version 8.7), which is the entire framework for the Mill River Corridor, the heights of the buildings, the zoning therein, and that is what the Board will ultimately be voting on or against. But the Committee had asked them for specifics, when things would be built, where they would be built, and how much it would cost. So, they developed the milestone plan, and this does not require a vote by

the Board, but it shows the clear indication of where the URC will be going with the specifics of the plan.

Chair Shapiro reported that they did not include a study of the Norelco Building, when it would be bought or how much it would cost. They also did not address the 26 Main Street issue of when HUD may wish to take that building down and how they would do it. The Milestone Schedule was on a 20-year time frame, rather than a 30-year time frame.

There will be 3 major projects, all housing with some other components such as floor level retail go up. There are 4 URC projects are anticipated to go up, and those include all the affordable housing needs for the area, although there will be affordable housing in the private projects. These will have mixed-income tenants, between 25 and 70 percent of the median income for the area. The total costs are about \$39 million, and that does not include the cost of building the URC projects, which could cost another \$40 million. This was to be paid for by the Tax Increment Financing, which is any tax generated by new buildings that would go up in the zone. A subject of debate is how much of this tax income would go to pay for things in the Mill River Corridor, such as buying parkland, building bridges, and how much would go back to the general fund.

Chair Shapiro reported that Mayor Malloy has always said it would be a 50-50 split. Assuming this is the correct number, the issue is whether the Board wants to build that number into the plan. Some feel that each new administration should decide how much should go to the Mill River and how much should go to the general fund.

The first private housing development will go up in 2003-4. This would take down some existing affordable housing, but the Board won the fight about the on-site below market rate units, and one-third of those units will have already been built in the Archstone project that is going up. Two-thirds of the units that would be taken down for the private development would be included in the affordable housing component in the new development. So, basically, one hundred percent of the affordable housing requirement for that first development would be met within the zone in these luxury housing buildings.

Chair Shapiro stated that a URC project will shortly follow this project, and that will increase the affordable housing in the area, greater than what it is today or what it will be at that time, and that will all be below market rate.

A major issue regarding the Mill River exists. The Board has asked how they plan to improve the Mill River. The URC has responded with the statement that once there is a plan, then they will go get a study to determine how it will be improved. The administration and URC has said that it could always get dredged every three or four years, as has been done in the past. Chair Shapiro stated the Board is not going to see a plan that says that the water is there, until they vote on the Mill River Plan. No one is going to pay for such a plan. So, each representative has to determine for him/her self as to whether they believe this will work or whether they are willing to take some of it on faith or the default provision that it could be dredged every three years or so.

Chair Shapiro stated that the first areas for parkland acquisition will be the Kahn properties, which are along West Main Street, near Norelco and 26 Main Street. They are trying to put together as much of a central park as can be done there. The park will still be sandwiched between these two buildings, but they are large parcels. The second parcel is the parcel that includes the Weiss Property, near the Cherry Trees that are behind the Archstone project. This will occur in 2006. So in 2006, there should be a pretty big strip of parkland that is useable.

Chair Shapiro stated that there is a reassessment after ten years. This is a rough assessment of when the Board should look at this project again. Chair Shapiro stated that in ten years, it would be wise to look at this project again.

Chair Shapiro stated that he will put the resolution on the agenda next month for publication. The Committee has looked at the plan for two years. If any representative is not familiar with anything, they should get familiar with it and ask Rep. Shapiro any questions. The Housing Authority, Planning Board and the URC has already voted in favor of this plan, but they may have to relook at it after the changes that the Board requested are included. However, Chair Shapiro is confident they will pass it again. The Board will proceed with publication next month.

Rep. Loglisci stated that he hopes everyone gets passionate about this, and this is the biggest thing that will happen in Stamford for many years. Rep. Loglisci stated he does not see a lot of concern on the part of representatives. Rep. Loglisci stated that the water issue has not been addressed. He stated that the question of the Dreyfuss project being a part of the Mill River, and thus contribute to the TIF funds has not been addressed. Rep. Loglisci stated he has not seen an agreement by the URC on the Milestone Report. He questioned whether Steve Osman was in agreement with the Report.

Rep. Loglisci stated that the Board should insist that there be a cap on the TIF financing because the whole city is going to pay for this project because the money will not go into the general fund. Further, they refuse to make a commitment to holding to a certain percentage. Rep. Loglisci stated that there is no commitment to unit size for replacement affordable housing. Rep. Loglisci stated that the Kahn property is not large, and the piece along the river behind the Hoffman property will be a walk because they are building a large building, and people will only have a pathway to enjoy. Rep. Loglisci urged people to come to the meetings. The Board is going to totally change the city and its future, and he hasn't see a lot of enthusiasm. This is an impact to the future of the City by the Board of Representatives.

**HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Elaine Mitchell, Chair
Lisa Poltrack, Vice Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, May 22, 2001
7:00 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Chair Mitchell reported that the Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee met on Tuesday, May 22, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. Mitchell,

Blackwell, Cannady, Giordano, Mellis, Morrow and Poltrack. Reps. Loglisci and Summerville were also in attendance; Corporation Counsel Andrew McDonald; Tim Beeble, Community Development Director; Richard Fox, Executive Director of the Housing Authority; Bob Violette, Director of Building and Grounds for the Housing Authority; Vice President and CFO of LMG Programs; and Mike Paige.

The Committee also met this evening at 6:30 p.m. Present were Committee Member Reps. Mitchell, Blackwell, Cannady, Giordano, Mellis, Morrow and Poltrack.

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| 1. HCD25.47 | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication ;
enacting an ordinance providing a linkage between
commercial development and affordable housing.
04/04/01 - Submitted by Chair Mitchell
05/07/01 - Held in Steering Committee
05/22/01 - Held in Committee | HELD IN
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Chair Mitchell reported that this item was held in committee.

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| 2. HCD25.49 | REVIEW; status of moderate income tenant program
at Rippowam Park.
05/04/01 - Submitted by President Domonkos
05/22/01 - Held in Committee | HELD IN
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Chair Mitchell reported that this item was held in committee.

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| 3. HCD25.50 | REVIEW; of status of unexpended CDBG funds.
05/11/01 - Submitted by Rep. Mitchell
05/22/01 - Report Made | REPORT
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Chair Mitchell stated that after reviewing the list of 24 projects, 3 projects totaling \$138,666 will be reprogrammed. A public hearing will be scheduled at a later date. The three projects are the Brownfields Loan (\$70,666); Americares Rehab (\$60,000) two projects.

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| 4. HCD25.51 | APPROVAL; of a request by the Stamford Housing
Authority to utilize the \$27,361 originally allocated
for Oak Park Rehabilitation for elevator replacement
at Clinton Manor.
05/11/01 - Submitted by Tim Beeble
05/22/01 - Committee approved 7-0-0 | NO ACTION
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Chair Mitchell reported that this was approved 7-0-0 by the Committee.

5. HCD25.52 APPROVAL; of request by LMG, Inc. to use \$15,000 originally allocated for plumbing for reception area rehabilitation at 119 Main Street.
05/11/01 - Submitted by Tim Beeble
05/22/01 - Committee approved 7-0-0 **NO ACTION
REQUIRED**

Chair Mitchell reported that this was approved 7-0-0 by the Committee.

6. HCD25.53 APPROVAL of a request by CTE, Inc. to use \$31,410 allocated for plumbing improvements for fire and health code violation abatement.
05/11/01 - Submitted by Tim Beeble
05/22/01 - Committee approved 7-0-0 **NO ACTION
REQUIRED**

Chair Mitchell reported that this was approved 7-0-0 by the Committee.

7. HCD25.54 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; **for publication**; amending Chapter 146, Section 35 of the Code of Ordinances to provide for a reduction in fees for not-for-profit hotels.
05/11/01 - Submitted by Rep. Gasparriani **HELD IN
COMMITTEE**

Chair Mitchell reported that this item was held in Committee.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE Gabe DeLuca, Chair
Peter C. Nanos, Vice Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, May 23, 2001
7:00 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Chair DeLuca reported that the Transportation Committee met on Wednesday, May 23, 2001. Present were Committee Member Reps. DeLuca, Giordano and Blackwell. Reps. Zelinsky and Nanos were excused. Also present were Reps. Fortunato, Dep. Chief Priolo, Taylor Bova, Frank Fedeli and Mani Poola.

1. T25.031 REVIEW; of need for parking meters near the former Caldors on Summer Street
04/09/01 - Submitted by Rep. DeLuca
05/07/01 - Held in Committee
05/23/01 - Held in Committee **HELD IN
COMMITTEE**

This item was held at the request of Sandra Goldstein, Director of the DSSD as she was unavailable.

2. T25.033 REVIEW; matter of charging for parking on first floor of Government Center. **REPORT MADE**
04/12/01 - Submitted by Rep. DeLuca
05/23/01 - Report Made

Chair DeLuca stated this matter is being dropped for the present time as they were able to pick up additional spots in the Government Center by removing abandoned cars.

3. T25.034 APPROVAL; of contract with Luchs Consulting Engineers for design plans for Hope Street Traffic Safety, Flow and Circulation. **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**
05/02/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/23/01 - Committee approved 3-0-0

4. T25.035 REVIEW; matter of installation of additional parking meters in the downtown area. **HELD IN COMMITTEE**
05/04/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/23/01 - Held in Committee

This item was held at the request of Sandra Goldstein, Director of the DSSD as she was unavailable.

5. T25.036 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication; concerning amending Section 231-8 of the Stamford Code of Ordinances regarding Towing Policy. **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**
04/26/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/23/01 - Committee approved 3-0-0

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 3 and 5, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

ADMINISTRATION & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE Gloria DePina, Chair
Thomas Hunter, Vice Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, May 23, 2001
6:30 p.m. - Conference Room #2

Chair DePina reported that the Administration & Technology Committee did not meet this month.

1. AT25.12 APPROVAL; of agreements with Southern New England Telephone Company for a unified custom **HELD IN COMMITTEE**

call plan and for a dedicated central office switched service.

05/07/01 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy

06/14/01 - To be considered by Board of Finance

05/23/01 - Held in Committee

HOUSE COMMITTEE Annie M. Summerville, Chair

No report.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REAPPORTIONMENT

David Martin, Co-Chair

Robert "Gabe" DeLuca, Co-Chair

Meetings: Tuesday, May 29, 2001

7:00 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

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PUBLIC HEARING: Wed., June 6, 2001

7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Martin reported that the Committee met, and a detailed report was provided to all representatives.

1. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication; HELD IN**
concerning elections - boundaries of voting districts. **COMMITTEE**
05/07/01 - Submitted by President Domonkos

Chair Martin reported that the Committee voted to hold a public hearing on the Commission's plan on Wednesday, June 6, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in the Democratic Caucus Room. Chair Martin moved this item; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Chair Martin added that there are maps in the Republican Caucus Room, and he suggests that all representatives look at the maps. If any representative wants to change something, a specific proposal has to be submitted. This proposal would include street names.

Chair Martin stated that the next meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 13, 2001 at 8:00 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS

1. **SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION honoring APPROVED BY**

Bruce Rosa for being elected Police Officer of the Year.
05/01/01 - Submitted by Reps. Sherer and Zelinsky

**UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the rules were suspended to take up the following item:

2. SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
 commending the participating students of Westhill High School for being awarded the Democracy in Action Award.
 06/04/01 - Submitted by Rep. Mellis

**APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**

MINUTES

1. [May 7, 2001 Regular Meeting](#)
2. [May 9, 2001 Special Budget Meeting](#)

**APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**

**APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**

COMMUNICATIONS

1. President Domonkos stated that the Capital Projects Report was available for review by any representative, and they should contact the Board Office to borrow it.
2. President Domonkos stated that the Westhill High students will be in the Board Office on Wednesday morning and asked for volunteers who would be available.
3. The WPCA report was provided to each representative.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 a.m.

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