

The Regular Meeting of the 25th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford will be held Monday, February 1, 1999 at 8:00 p.m. in the Legislative Chamber of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 p.m.

INVOCATION: By Rep. Giordano:

“Almighty God, thank you for bringing us together today. We ask your blessing on this assembly, and pray for your guidance in the tasks we must perform. Thank you for our good health, of mind and of body. We pray for those who are not so fortunate; help them to find peace. We also pray for those who have died; help their families to find peace. Thank you for helping us to put others before ourselves. Help us to continue striving to do our best for the citizens of this our beloved city. In your name we pray. Amen.”

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

ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were thirty-three (33) representatives present; absent and excused were Reps. Gaztambide, White, DePina, Mitchell, Sherer and Fortunato.

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

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MOMENTS OF SILENCE: For the late:

Sylvia Fox Weintraub, by the 25th Board of Representatives;
Anna Rizzi; by Reps. Giordano and Loglisci;
Michael E. Larueno, Sr., by Reps. Giordano, Zelinsky and Loglisci;
Joseph M. Inzitari, by Reps. Giordano and Loglisci;
Melina Filippo, by Rep. Giordano;
Gertrude A. McMenammin, by Rep. Giordano;
Anna Zaccagnino, By Reps. Giordano and Mellis;
Daniel B. Burke, by Rep. Giordano;
Pete Zoczanski, by Reps. Giordano and Zelinsky;
Thomas A. Winn, by Reps. Giordano and Loglisci;
Maurice A. Epifanio, by Reps. Giordano and Loglisci;
Dodie Acklie Nakajima, by Reps. Mellis and the Republican Caucus of the 25th Board of Representatives;
Louise L. Persechino; by Rep. Boccuzzi;
Austin F. Sabato; by Reps. Giordano, Zelinsky and Loglisci;
Joseph Venezia; by Rep. Loglisci;
Paul Rotante, by Rep. Loglisci;
Edward R. Kovacs, by Reps. Loglisci and Spandow
Rachel A. Zezima, by Rep. Loglisci;
Ralph M. Cerretta; by Rep. Loglisci;
Katherine “Betty” Conti; by the 25th Board of Representatives;
Jonahan Ogilvie; by Rep. Loglisci;
Stephen Chizmadia; by the Republican Caucus of the 25th Board of Representatives;
Walter Perkowski, Sr., by Reps. Loglisci and Zelinsky;
Vincenzo Altamura; by Rep. Loglisci;
Ann Wallach; by Rep. Mellis;
Louis Morabito; by Reps. White and Lyons

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Meeting: Wednesday, January 13, 1999
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
([Report](#)) Annie M. Summerville, Vice Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, January 20, 1999

there seems to be a coincidence between Ms. McGrath's work on the Golf Authority and her husband's promotion within the Fire Department. There being no further discussion, upon motion duly made and seconded, Item No. 5 was approved by voice vote (Rep. Drucker opposed).

5. [A25.062](#) Golf Commission Reappoint. **APPROVED
BY VOICE
VOTE**
John Valmis (D)
16-3 Bouton Street East
Stamford, CT 06907
Term Expires: 12/01/01
12/22/98 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
01/20/99 - Committee approved 3-0-0

Chair Esposito stated that there was not a quorum at the time of the interview, and the vote was 3-0 for reappointment. Upon motion duly made and seconded, Item No. 6 was approved by voice vote (Rep. Drucker opposed) to be taken out of committee.

Chair Esposito stated that Mr. Valmis has a long history of serving on both the Golf Commission and Golf Authority, and he feels he is a qualified and interested participant of the Golf Commission. Upon motion duly made and seconded, Mr. Valmis' appointment was approved by unanimous voice vote.

6. [A25.063](#) Golf Commission Repl. **APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**
Alice Lyons (D)
McGuiness
1766 Shippan Avenue
Stamford, CT 06902
Term Expires: 12/01/01
12/22/98 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
01/20/99 - Committee approved 3-0-0

Chair Esposito reported that Ms. Lyons is an active, avid golfer and she feels she would like to participate in public service. The Appointments Committee did not have a quorum at the time of her interview. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the item was approved by voice vote to be taken out of committee (Rep. Drucker opposed).

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Ms. Lyons' appointment to the Golf Commission was approved by unanimous voice vote

7. [A25.064](#) Health Commission Reappoint. **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
Bridget O. Kopek (D)
22 Hickory Way
Stamford, CT 06907
Term Expires: 12/01/01

Jacquelin Heftman (D) Reappoint. **ON CONSENT**
97 Acre View Drive **AGENDA**
Stamford, CT 06903
Term Expires: 12/01/01
12/22/98 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
01/20/99 - Committee approved 6-0-0

13. [A25.071](#) Acting Director of Health and Medical Advisor **APPROVED**
Henry L. Harris, MD **ON CONSENT**
180-6A Turn of River Road **AGENDA**
Stamford, CT 06905
Term Expires: 08/27/99
01/07/99 - Submitted by John C. Byrne, Director of
Public Safety, Health & Welfare
01/20/99 - Committee approved 6-0-0

Chair Esposito stated that Dr. Harris was being approved only as Acting and Interim Director of Health.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

FISCAL COMMITTEE David Martin, Chair
([Report](#)) Bobby E. Owens, Vice Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 1999
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Martin reported that the Fiscal Committee met on Tuesday, January 19, 1999. Present were Committee Members Reps. Martin, Mellis, Giordano, Loglisci, DeLuca, Poltrack, Owens, Nanos, Sherer, Shapiro and Green-Carter.

1. F25.109 REVIEW; of Risk Management Assessment report. **REPORT**
11/18/98 - Submitted by Rep. Martin **MADE**
12/21/98 - Held in Committee

Chair Martin explained that the Committee discussed this item at last month's meeting. Mr. Hamilton appeared before the Committee and apprised them of their efforts to control the amount of money spent on insurance accounts. Mr. Hamilton reported that they are now saving over \$1 million per year, net of costs incurred to manage this account. This was achieved primarily by the creation of a safety and loss control officer and establishing a higher graded risk manager. In this time, the property and casualty has been re-bid, deductibles have been changed, and a preferred provider network for workers' compensation has been employed.

Mr. Martin reported that for the most part the savings have been realized in the workers' compensation area, where same day reporting is now the norm. He stated that the savings realized exceeded estimates that the Fiscal Committee had incorporated into their budget.

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| 2. F25.110 | REVIEW; of City of Stamford actual budget numbers
v. projected budget numbers.
11/18/98 - Submitted by Rep. Martin
12/21/98 - Held in Committee | REPORT
MADE |
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Chair Martin reported that a report had been provided by Dena Diorio, the new budget director. In summary, it is her projection that the City would end the year \$1.3 million ahead of budget. Revenues are \$.5 million short of budget, primarily because the reserve for uncollected was underestimated. Key savings areas have been reductions in the amount spent in haulaway, commensurate with the increase in the tipping fee as well as medical insurance and workers' compensation savings. Rep. Martin added there are continuing excess costs in the Fire and Operations Department, which will be under control by year end.

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| 3. F25.117
\$93,333.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Long Ridge Fire Department; Account No. 01434108846; to fulfill court order to fund two firefighter positions for the balance of the fiscal year.
11/30/98 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
01/19/99 - Approved by Board of Finance
12/21/98 - Held in Committee
01/19/99 - Committee approved 9-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |
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Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health

Concur

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| 4. F25.125
\$4,877.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Community Employment Incentive Program; Contracted Services; to support a program of case management, education and job training; represents supplemental funds to original grant of \$115,535.
12/29/98 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
01/19/99 - Approved by Board of Finance
01/19/99 - Committee approved 10-0-0 | APPROVED
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| 5. F25.126
\$641,914.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Welfare to Work Grant; represents first of | APPROVED
ON CONSENT |
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three year \$641,916 grant from the Southwestern Conn. Regional Workforce Development Board; to fund Job Ladder program of CTE, Chamber of Commerce, the Urban League and the Stamford Child Care Center.
 12/29/98 - Submitted Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
 01/19/99 - Approved by Board of Finance
 01/19/99 - Committee approved 10-0-0

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Secondary Committee: Housing/Community Development/Social Services

6. [F25.127](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **APPROVED**
 \$100,000.00 Ferguson Library; Main Library Roof Replacement; **ON CONSENT**
 Capital project No. 9694; to complete replacement of **AGENDA**
 main roof originally budgeted at \$125,000.
 12/29/98 - Submitted Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
 01/19/99 - Approved by Board of Finance
 01/19/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0

Secondary Committee: Operations

Concur

7. [F25.128](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **APPROVED**
 \$75,000.00 Smith House; Elevator Repair; to upgrade and repair **ON CONSENT**
 elevator and sprinkler system to comply with fire and **AGENDA**
 state health codes.
 12/23/98 - Submitted Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
 12/28/98 - Approved by Planning Board
 01/19/99 - Approved by Board of Finance
 01/19/99 - Committee approved 10-0-0

*Secondary Committee: Housing/Community Development/
 Social Services*

Concur

8. [F25.129](#) RESOLUTION; authorizing an agreement regarding **APPROVED**
 the restoration of the Old Town Hall enabling the City **ON CONSENT**
 to receive \$400,000 for roof and front plaza **AGENDA**
 restoration.
 12/22/98 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
 01/19/99 - Committee approved 10-0-0

9. [F25.130](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating **NO ACTION**
 \$100,000.00 Budget); Under Age Drinking Grant; funds to be used **TAKEN**

to hire a coordinator to manage needs assessment, increased enforcement activities and youth leadership training; source of funds: US Dept. of Justice grant.
12/30/98 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
01/19/99 - To be considered by Board of Finance
01/19/99 - No action taken

Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health

This item has been withdrawn, so no action was taken.

10. F25.131 \$422,303.00 \$272,303.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Board of Education; Westhill High School Code Compliance/Fire Protection; additional costs for existing capital project including air ducts and room air handling; work estimated at \$392,203 and renovation of public address system \$30,000. 01/04/99 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy 01/12/99 - Approved by Planning Board 01/19/99 - Approved (\$422,303) by Board of Finance 01/19/99 - Committee approved (\$272,303) 8-0-0	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
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Secondary Committee: Education

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The Committee reduced with the intention that the Board of Education proceed with the project as presented, but the estimated balance in the account was used to offset this total request. If there are further unanticipated costs, the Committee would welcome having them come back for additional monies. Said item was moved and seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

11. F25.132 \$59,595.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Health Department; Inspections Division; to fund negotiated raise and step increase for Director of Environmental Inspections, underbudgeted salaries and conversion of a part time to a full time position. 01/06/99 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy 02/11/99 - To be considered by Board of Finance 01/19/99 - Committee approved 8-1-0	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE (Rep. Shapiro opposed)
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Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health

Concur

Chair Martin stated this request was to fund two underbudgeted positions for persons that retired. They were budgeted at the first step, and the replacements were hired midway in the pay grade. In addition, a part time individual was converted to a full time position.

Chair Martin stated the objection in the Committee's vote was related to whether these increases could be incorporated at budget time. Chair Martin moved the item; said item was seconded.

Rep. Shapiro stated he would vote against it, not because he didn't think it was a valid request, but because he feels that it would be more fiscally prudent to control spending over the next two months, that this request was not an emergency situation, and a \$60,000 savings is important.

Said item was approved by voice vote (Rep. Shapiro opposed).

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| 12. F25.089 | REVIEW; of status of Ferguson Library Turn-of-River branch construction project.
09/04/98 - Submitted by Rep. DeLuca (R-14)
10/14/98 - Placed on Pending Agenda | REPORT
MADE |
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Chair Martin reported that the library gave a brief report that the project has been initiated, they anticipate completion by mid-August, and because the bonding company is taking care of any additional costs, non will accrue to the City for completion of this project.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Chair Martin stated that at the next Fiscal Committee meeting, the Committee will discuss how they are going to handle the budget hearings.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE <i>(Report)</i>	Maria Nakian, Chair William MacInnis, Vice Chair Meeting: Monday, January 25, 1999 7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room
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Chair Nakian reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met on Monday, January 25, 1999. Present were Committee Members Reps. Nakian, Gasparini, Lasko, Skigen, Spandow, Fedeli and Sherer. Reps. MacInnis and Drucker were excused. Also present were Andrew McDonald, Esq., Reps. Giordano, O'Neill and Zelinsky, and five members of the Fairfield County Professional Groundkeepers Association.

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| 1. LR25.006 | REVIEW; City of Stamford's existing Code of Ordinances to determine if any additions, deletions or changes are necessary.
01/20/99 - Submitted by Rep. Domonkos (D-18) | HELD IN
COMMITTEE |
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2. LR25.033 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for final adoption;** **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
amending Chapter 23, Article II, Purchasing, as
recommended by the Purchasing Ordinance Review
Committee.
11/02/98 - Submitted by Purchasing Ord. Rev. Com.
11/30/98 - Held in Committee
01/25/99 - Committee approved 6-0-0

3. LR25.034 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;** **HELD IN
COMMITTEE**
regulating and governing the use of leaf blowers in the
City of Stamford.
12/01/98 - Submitted by Rep. Giordano
01/25/99 - Held in Committee

4. LR25.035 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for final adoption;** **APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE
(as amended)**
regulating and governing the installation of telephone
booths.
12/03/98 - Submitted by Frank Fedeli
01/25/99 - Committee approved 6-0-0

Chair Nakian reported that it was requested by the submitters of this ordinance that minor amendments be made in the Whereas clauses as follows: (1) In the first WHEREAS clause: ... conduits and other structures on, **over or under** public streets... ; (2) In the second WHEREAS clause: ... maintenance of public pay telephones on, **over or under** the property Said motions were approved, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Said item was moved, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

5. LR25.036 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for final adoption;** **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
amending Chapter 231, Vehicles & Traffic, Section
231-23 to provide for a \$90 fine.
12/07/98 - Submitted by Rep. DeLuca
01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0

6. LR25.037 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;** **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
Amending Section 137-13 of the Code or Ordinances
concerning regulations for the collection of garbage,
rubbish and refuse to provide for a new fine.
01/06/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0

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| 7. LR25.038 | <p>PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
 Amending Section 137-46 of the Code of Ordinance regarding littering and dumping to provide for a new fine.
 01/06/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
 01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON CONSENT
 AGENDA</p> |
| 8. LR25.039 | <p>PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
 Amending Section 137-35.1G of the Code of Ordinances regarding separation and recycling of certain materials to provide for a new fine.
 01/06/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
 01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON CONSENT
 AGENDA</p> |
| 9. LR25.040 | <p>PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
 Amending Chapter 65, Article II of the Code of Ordinances regarding city-owned property and commercial advertising to provide for enforcement by civil citation.
 01/06/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
 01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON CONSENT
 AGENDA</p> |
| 10. LR25.041 | <p>PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
 Amending Section 97-13 of the Code of Ordinances concerning civil citations for violations of said Code to provide for a new fine.
 01/06/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
 01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON CONSENT
 AGENDA</p> |
| 11. LR25.042 | <p>PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
 Amending Chapter 123 (Fees), Article VI of the Code of Ordinances regarding non-city projects funded entirely by City funds to provide for the waiver of building permit fees.
 01/06/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
 01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON CONSENT
 AGENDA</p> |
| 12. LR25.043 | <p>PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
 amending section 137-23 of the Code of Ordinances</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON CONSENT</p> |

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| | regarding private refuse collection to provide for a new fine.
01/06/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0 | AGENDA |
| 13. LR25.045 | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
Amending Chapter 140 of the Code of Ordinance regarding Graffiti to provide for a new fine.
01/08/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 14. LR25.046 | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
Amending Chapter 141 of the Code of Ordinance regarding Hairdressers and Cosmeticians to provide for a new fine.
01/08/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 15. LR25.047 | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
Amending Chapter 158, Article II of the Code of Ordinance regarding Loitering on Public Property to provide for a new fine.
01/08/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 16. LR25.048 | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
Amending Chapter 160 of the Code of Ordinance regarding Microwave Transmitters to provide for a new fine.
01/08/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 17. LR25.049 | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u>;
Amending Chapter 167 of the Code of Ordinance regarding Numbering of Buildings to provide for a new fine.
01/08/99 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
01/25/99 - Committee approved 7-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |

Personnel Department; Lee Terrell of the Personnel Commission; and Sam Magliaria, Department of Operations Engineering Bureau.

1. [P25.039](#) REVIEW; of existing policies and procedures for hiring and promotion of personnel, including the upgrading of positions. **REPORT MADE**
12/01/99 - Submitted by Reps. DeLuca and Loglisci
12/16/98 - Held in Committee

Chair Skigen stated an extensive discussion was held regarding this item, and a written report has been provided to each representative.

2. [P25.028](#) REVIEW; of City of Stamford Affirmative Action Plan. **REPORT MADE**
08/07/98 - Submitted by President Domonkos
09/16/98 - Placed on Pending Agenda

Chair Skigen stated a report has been provided to everyone. He also stated that he has seen positive steps made by the City in terms of affirmative action hiring. The one area that the City remains deficient in is the managerial, professional and technical level, where the City is at about one-half of where it should be. He added that the report sets forth very aggressive goals, and even with the aggressive goals, it would only raise the standard from 11 percent to 16 percent.

Chair Skigen added that the Committee will meet again next month on this item; copies of the draft plan will be sent to each representative, and any representative who has comments should forward them to the Committee before next month's meeting. Chair Skigen stated that after completion the report will be updated on a monthly basis, and the Committee will review it on a quarterly basis.

3. [P25.040](#) APPROVAL; of agreement with Custodians' Union. **HELD IN COMMITTEE**
12/11/99 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
01/19/99 - To be considered by Board of Finance

Chair Skigen reported that this matter was held.

LAND USE COMMITTEE Donald B. Sherer, Co-Chair
Patrick White, Co-Chair

President Domonkos stated that there was a letter provided to each representative which is a follow up to the item on the agenda regarding the definition of "Family." This letter will be

sent to the Zoning Board for its action. Any comments regarding the letter should be forwarded to the Land Use Committee.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE Bobby E. Owens, Chair
Susan Nabel, Vice Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 1999
6:30 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Chair Owens reported that the Operations Committee met on Tuesday, January 19, 1999. Present were Committee Member Reps. Nanos, Nable, Zelinsky, Owens and Corelli. Rep. Imbrogno was excused. Also present were Reps. Poltrack and DeLuca.

Chair Owens stated the January 19, 1999 meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, January 26, 1999 at 6:30 p.m. Present were Committee Members Reps. Nable, Martin, Owens and Corelli. Also present was Rep. DeLuca. There was no quorum at this meeting.

1. [O25.014](#) APPROVAL; of agreement with the City of Stamford and Enviro Recycling Corporation for recycling, **APPROVED BY**
[RFP](#) collection and disposal; effective November 1, 1998 **UNANIMOUS**
with a six months' termination clause. **VOICE VOTE**
12/07/98 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
12/10/98 - Approved by Board of Finance
12/21/98 - Held in Committee
01/19/99 - Committee approved 5-0-0

Item No. 1 was voted on at the first meeting with a memo sent to the new Director of Legal Affairs for an opinion; the Committee voted 5-0-0. Rep. Zelinsky asked that the item be taken off the Consent Agenda. Chair Owens stated that Andrew McDonald did respond to Rep. Owens letter, and he referenced a 12/26/98 opinion given to the Operations Committee. This memo states that the contractual requirements as to insurance were the subject of extensive negotiations, and these negotiations included the Risk Manager. The Risk Manager determined that the amount of insurance adequately protects the City.

Representative Zelinsky stated that he had serious concerns regarding the insurance coverage and the protection of the City and its residents from lawsuits arising out of an accident by one of Enviro's drivers. Mr. Zelinsky stated he telephoned the Rick Quitell, Risk Manager, and told him of his concerns. Mr. Quitell stated he would call Mr. Zelinsky back, however, he never returned the telephone call. Mr. Zelinsky stated his failure to return the telephone call was not acceptable. Mr. Zelinsky requested Mr. Quitell's 12/22/98 letter along with the legal opinion letter of 12/26/98 be included in the Board of Representatives' minutes. President Domonkos stated that this would be done.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Item No. 1, O25.14, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

2. [O25.015](#) RESOLUTION; requesting that the Sewer Commission reconsider its position on the cost allocation formula for sewer projects and return to the previous method of charging the homeowner 25% of the costs. **HELD IN COMMITTEE**
01/14/99 - Submitted by Rep. Corelli

Chair Owens stated that this item was not voted on due to a lack of a quorum. The item is therefore held in committee.

Rep. Corelli moved to take the item out of Committee; said motion was seconded.

Majority Leader Boccuzzi called for a recess; the Chair stated a five minute recess would be held.

Chair Domonkos stated that the vote on the motion to take Item No. 2, O25.15 out of committee would be held by machine vote and that a two-thirds majority was needed. Said motion was seconded and failed by machine vote (14-19-1). The Minority Leader called for a five minute recess.

The Majority Leader called for a roll call. At 10:10 p.m., there were twenty-five representatives present and fourteen representatives absent. Attached hereto is a copy of said roll call.

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH COMMITTEE Alice Fortunato, Chair
Lucy F. Corelli, Vice Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, January 26, 1999
7:00 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE Herman P. Alswanger, Co-Chair
(Report) Mary L. Fedeli, Co-Chair
Meeting: Thursday, January 21, 1999
7:00 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Chair Alswanger reported that the Parks & Recreation Committee met on Thursday, January 21, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. A written report was provided to all representatives.

1. [PR25.023](#) APPROVAL; of request of Springdale Little League **APPROVED BY**

Baseball for installation of lights at the little league field located at 1127 Hope Street.
12/21/98 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
01/21/99 - Committee approved 6-0-0

**UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**

Rep. Zelinsky asked whether this item was for one little league field or if it was the first in a series of requests. Chair Alswanger stated he was unaware of any future requests.

2. PR25.024 REVIEW; of Sections 175-1 and 2 and 158-10 of the Code of Ordinances regarding opening and closing times of City of Stamford parks.
11/16/98 - Submitted by Reps. Nanos and Poltrack
01/21/99 - Held in Committee

**HELD IN
COMMITTEE**

EDUCATION COMMITTEE
(Report)

Ellen Mellis, Chair
Philip Giordano, Vice Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, January 20, 1999
6:30 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Chair Mellis reported that the Education Committee met on Wednesday, January 20, 1999 at 6:30 p.m Present were Committee Member Reps. Mellis, Giordano, Imbrogno, Green-Carter and Poltrack. Reps. Esposito and Nable were excused; Rep. Alswanger was absent. Also present were Rep. O'Neill; Director Patricia Broom; Linda Hautala; David Merkle, and representatives of Turner Construction and Fuller and D'Angelo.

1. E25.015 REVIEW; of architectural drawings regarding alterations and work to be performed at Rippowam and Scofieldtown Schools.
11/04/98 - Submitted by Rep. Martin (D-19)
01/04/99 - Report Made

**REPORT
MADE**

Chair Mellis stated that a report has been provided to each representative. In summary, the models and design schemes were reviewed along with timelines and financial information. At this point, Chair Mellis reported, the plans for UCONN is a 600 student magnet middle school. The work at Rippowam is primarily ADA code compliance work.

**URBAN REDEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE**

Jim Shapiro, Chair
Joseph Gasparrini, Vice Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, January 26, 1999
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Shapiro reported that the Urban Redevelopment Committee met on Tuesday, January 26, 1999.

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| 1. UR25.004 | REVIEW; of the Urban Redevelopment Commission's actions regarding the Mill River Corridor Project, including its Statement of Policy and the Delineation & Eligibility Report.
09/11/98 - Submitted by E. Steinberg, Executive Director, URC
11/04/98 - Report Made
12/07/98 - Report Made | REPORT
MADE |
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Secondary Committee: Land Use

Chair Shapiro gave a brief summary of the project to date, stating there were not too many changes since the last presentation. These four changes include: (1) plans to widen Mill Pond have been included; (2) a turnaround into the center of the park off of West Park Place with parking spaces; (3) and (4) are located on Main Street, across from Columbus Park, at Rippowam Park, they plan on taking the small island and building upon it, considering retail for the first level and/or residential on upper levels.

Chair Shapiro stated that the Committee is merely making a report and taking no binding action at this time. These recommendations are a springboard for further dialog with the URC and constitute public input in an effort to help the planning phase. At the next meeting, all these proposals will be discussed with the URC. The recommendations are:

- (1) alternative sites for senior housing should be proposed as the residents of 26 Main Street are not amenable to additional high rises alongside 22 Clinton Avenue;
- (2) in that the plan is an open space plan and a housing plan, Stamford needs more affordable housing and the Committee has requested ten percent of the housing be affordable; further the definition of affordability needs to be clarified;
- (3) members felt that additional parking needs to be looked at in the downtown area in that there will be a loss of parking spaces;
- (4) consideration to retaining 1010 Washington Boulevard (Norelco building) should be looked at and the utilization of the Hoffman Property considered; the Committee also asked for more financial information relating to purchasing the Norelco building;
- (5) guidelines regarding the boundaries were discussed which included not having the zone extend to Washington Boulevard as well as areas surrounding gas stations along with other industrial uses that the Committee didn't find injurious to the neighborhood;
- (6) the Committee wanted to examine certain condemnations to assure of the public benefit related to them.

Chair Shapiro stated a written report has been provided to each representative.

Rep. Boccuzzi asked that Chairman Shapiro not give in on the parking situation, and that the sharing arrangements currently being utilized are at about maximum.

President Domonkos stated that after everyone has reviewed the report, all comments and questions should be forwarded to a member of the Urban Redevelopment Committee. Also, President Domonkos reiterated that importance of this project, and she urged all representatives to become well informed on the project. President Domonkos also praised Rep. Shapiro for his excellent work on this item.

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

Elaine Mitchell, Chair
Rachel Drucker, Vice Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 1999
6:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Rep. Mellis reported that the Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee met on Tuesday, January 19, 1999. Present were Committee Members Reps. Mitchell, Drucker, Mobilio, Giordano, Gaztambide, Johnson, Green-Carter and Mellis. Also present were Tim Beeble, John Byrne and Ellen Bromley.

1. [HCD25.012](#) REVIEW; of Chapter 13 of the Code of Ordinances concerning Community Development Block Grant funding. **HELD IN COMMITTEE**
10/08/98 - Submitted by Rep. Mitchell (D-2)
11/04/98 - Held in Committee
12/04/98 - Held in Committee

2. [HCD25.18 Resolution](#) APPROVAL; of the year 25 Schedule for the community Development planning and budgeting process for the Year beginning 7/1/99; discussion of Citizen Participation Plan and Community Development Plan; discussion of community development priorities for Year 25. **REPORT MADE**
12/11/98 - Submitted by Tim Beeble, Director of
Community Development

Rep. Mellis stated that the public hearing for the proposals will be on February 4, 1999 at 5:30 p.m. The Committee will also meet on Saturday, February 13, 1999 at 9:30 a.m. for its work session.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE Gabe DeLuca, Chair
Peter C. Nanos, Vice Chair

ADMINISTRATION & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE Gloria DePina, Co-Chair

HOUSE COMMITTEE Annie M. Summerville, Chair
Meeting: Monday, February 1, 1999
6:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

1. H25.001 DISCUSSION; planning for 50th Anniversary Event **REPORT**
for present and former representatives. **MADE**
10/14/98 - Placed on Pending Agenda

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PARKS Lisa Poltrack, Co-chair
Paul Esposito, Co-chair
Meeting: Wednesday, February 3, 1999
7:30 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

1. Parks25.002 APPROVAL; of new park fees and Cove Island Pass **HELD IN**
Fee. **COMMITTEE**
01/08/99 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy

Chair Esposito stated that the meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 3, 1999.

SPECIAL REVALUATION COMMITTEE: Maria Nakian, Chair

RESOLUTIONS

1. Sense-of-the-Board Resolution congratulating Moira Lyons on her election as Connecticut's first female Speaker of the House.
01/07/99 - Submitted by 25th Board **APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the sense-of-the-board resolution was approved by unanimous voice vote.

MINUTES

1. [January 4, 1999 Regular Meeting](#) **APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

COMMUNICATIONS

President Domonkos stated that the public hearing for the capital budget is Tuesday, February 2, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. All representatives received a copy of the proposed capital budget.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

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