

BOARD OF ALDERMEN
🌀 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2024 🌀
PUBLIC HEARINGS @ 5:45 PM
REGULAR MEETING @ 6:00 PM
ALDERMANIC CHAMBERS ~ 2ND FLOOR ~ CITY HALL
235 GRAND STREET, WATERBURY, CT 06702

“SUMMARY MINUTES”

The Regular Meeting will be broadcasted live on the City of Waterbury’s Government Access Channel (Comcast Channel 96; Frontier Channel 6096) and the City of Waterbury’s YouTube Channel <https://youtu.be/ofPxgLYQPuM>

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED:

PUBLIC HEARING AT 5:45 PM: For the purpose of soliciting public input with respect to a Capital Appropriation & Bond Authorization for School Rooftop Solar Photovoltaic Projects as Five (5) Waterbury Public Schools, as submitted by Michael LeBlanc, Director of Finance.

SPEAKERS:

- 1) Martin Spring – 1400 Meriden Road**
- 2) Marissa Isa Alers-Alves – 83 Mildred Avenue**
- 3) Paul Kondash – 413 Harper Ferry Road**

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

CALL TO ORDER:

@ 6:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

PRAYER:

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:

**Alseph
Hunter
Rinaldi
Zimmermann**

**Cavallo
Lopez, Jr.
Salvio**

**DiGiovancarlo
Martinez-McCarthy
Tajildeen**

**D’Orso
Noujaim
Weaver**

ABSENT:

Rodriguez

OFFICIALLY SCHEDULED PRESENTATION/s:

PUBLIC SPEAKING:

- 1) Martin Spring, 1400 Meriden Road**
- 2) Reginald Toudle – 11 Oak Street**
- 3) Marissa Isa Alers-Alves – 83 Mildred Drive**

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

NONE.

AGENDA UPDATE:

That following language was changed for New Business Items 19 & 20; the new language is as follows:

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS #19:

*10. **CONTRACT BONDS.** In the City’s sole discretion, the City may elect to require the Contractor to furnish to the City a performance bond or payment bond or both, each bond written for a penal sum equaling the “Total Compensation: amount of each Task Order, in a form and with surety, acceptable to the City elects to require such bonds, the City shall include such requirement in any Task Order for which such bonds will be required by the City. The Contractor shall then furnish to the City any required bond prior to the issuance of the corresponding Purchase Order by the City. The bonds shall continue in effect for the greater of (i) the warranty period set forth in Section 7 of this Contract, or (ii) 365 calendar days after City delivers its written notice of its acceptance of all projects identified in any fully executed Task Order.*

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS #20:

*10. **CONTRACT BONDS.** In the City’s sole discretion, the City may elect to require the Contractor to furnish to the City a performance bond or payment bond or both, each bond written for a penal sum equaling the “Total Compensation: amount of each Task Order, in a form and with surety, acceptable to the City elects to require such bonds, the City shall include such requirement in any Task Order for which such bonds will be required by the City. The Contractor shall then furnish to the City any required bond prior to the issuance of the corresponding Purchase Order by the City. The bonds shall continue in effect for the greater of (i) the warranty period set forth in Section 7 of this Contract, or (ii) 365 calendar days after City delivers its written notice of its acceptance of all projects identified in any fully executed Task Order.*

TO BE ADDED:

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED UNANIMOUSLY CALL TO ADD THE FOLLOWING TO THE AGENDA AS ITEM #25 AND TO RECEIVE & PLACE ON FILE THE MATTER.

Paul K. Pernerewski, Jr., Mayor, City of Waterbury – Re: Notification of intent, pursuant to §4-2(b) (1) of the Charter of the City of Waterbury, to fill all City Board and Commission vacancies, of both restricted and unrestricted appointments.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO RESOLVE INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TO ADDRESS UNFINISHED BUSINESS #1.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS #1:

***Director of Finance Michael LeBlanc -Re:** Bond Authorization for replacement of Department of Fire Services Engine 2 and Engine 11, in the amount of \$2,300,000.*

Director of Finance Michael LeBlanc, Robert Klee and Allen Sabins representatives from CSW, and WDC Director Executive Director Tom Hyde, were in attendance and answered questions.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE UNFINISHED BUSINESS #1.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO RETURN TO THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS.

MAYOR’S REPORT:
N/A.

RECESS INTO COMMITTEES:
RECESSED @ 6:28 PM.
REGULAR ORDER @ 7:14 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **ROY E CAVANAUGH, P.E.**
City Engineer
Engineering Department

RE: Requesting approval of a Construction Contract for the Traffic Signal Re-Lamping Program between the City of Waterbury and Superior Electric, LLC in the amount of \$254,500.00.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #1.

2. PAUL K PERNEREWski JR.
Mayor
City of Waterbury

RE: Requesting the Board set a Public Hearing for October 21, 2024, for the purpose of receiving public input regarding proposed amendments to Section 32.16 of the WTBY Code of Ordinances related to Abatement of Taxes for Low and Moderate Income Housing, and for the BOA to take action on the proposed amendment at their meeting on said date.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING FOR OCTOBER 21, 2024 @ 5:45 PM, IN THE ALDERMANIC CHAMBERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING ITEM #2.

3. ROY E CAVANAUGH, P.E.
City Engineer
Engineering Department

RE: Requesting approval of the First Supplemental Project Authorization Letter between the City of Waterbury and the CT Department of Transportation for the Realignment of the Walnut Street, East Farm Street, North Walnut Street Intersection.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #3.

4. SARAH R GEARY
Manager of Budget Development and Oversight

RE: Submittal of the Financial Status Report Final Fiscal Year-End 2024 for the City of Waterbury.

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5. SARAH R GEARY
Manager of Budget Development and Oversight

RE: Submittal of a detailed report on the status of the City of Waterbury’s General Fund available fund balance at June 30, 2024.

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NON-CONSENT VOTE:

6. SARAH R GEARY
Manager of Budget Development and Oversight

RE: Requesting approval of a budget transfer from (Capital Improvement and Other Funds for FY24) within the City’s **GENERAL FUND** for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2024 in the amount of \$3,825,000.

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED, WITH *ONE RECUSAL, TO APPROVE ITEM #6.
***ALDERMAN MOSLEY RECUSED HIMSELF.**

7. SARAH R GEARY
*Manager of Budget Development
and Oversight*

RE: Requesting approval of a budget transfer from (Water Department Capital Improvement Fund FY24) within the City’s WATER ENTERPRISE FUND for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2024 in the amount of \$1,020,647.

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #7.

8. SARAH R GEARY
*Manager of Budget Development
and Oversight*

RE: Requesting approval of a budget transfer from (Water Pollution Control Capital Improvement Fund FY24) within the City’s WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ENTERPRISE FUND for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2024 in the amount of \$1,078,996.

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #8.

9. SARAH R GEARY
*Manager of Budget Development
and Oversight*

RE: Requesting approval of a budget transfer from (Water & Water Pollution Control Capital Improvement Funds FY24) within the City’s UTILITY ADMINISTRATION DIVISION FUND for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2024 in the amount of \$240,168.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #9.

10. AISLING McGUCKIN
*Director of Health
Dept. of Public Health*

RE: Requesting approval to amend the Professional Services Agreement; Feasibility Study at St. Lucy’s for Community Health Center between the City of Waterbury and Friar Architecture, Inc. The Health Department requests that the contract be extended to 06/30/2025.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

Director of Public Health Aisling McGuckin was in attendance and answered questions.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #10.

11. MICHAEL LeBLANC
Director of Finance

RE: Seeking approval of the Letter of Agreement between Eversource Energy and the City of WTBY for Energy Efficiency Measures at the City’s Water Pollution Control Facility.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #11.

Director of Finance Michael LeBlanc was in attendance and answered questions.

NON-CONSENT VOTE:

12. CARRIE A SWAIN
Clerk, Board of Education

RE: Requesting approval, subject to BOE anticipated approval at its Regular Meeting of 09/19/2024, of an Agreement with the following agencies, for Sub-Grantee Services under the School Readiness Program, to wit:

Program Name	Slots and Type	Priority Funding	COLA	PPP	Total Grant Award FY 25
The Ark	79 Full Day	\$829,500	\$61,567	\$35,954	\$927,021
Catholic Charities	40 Full Day	\$420,000	\$31,173	\$18,204	\$469,377
Children’s Community	36 Full Day	\$378,000	\$28,056	\$16,384	\$422,440
Children’s Village	22 Full Day	\$231,000	\$17,145	\$10,012	\$258,157
Easter Seals	272 Full Day	\$2,856,000	\$211,979	\$123,794	\$3,191,773
Naugatuck Valley CC	20 Full Day 2 Part Day	\$219,000	\$16,373	\$9,562	\$244,935
Muriel Moore CDC (NOI)	83 Full Day	\$871,500.00	\$64,685	\$37,776	\$973,961
TEAM-Slocum School	128 Extended Day	\$354,816	\$30,986	\$18,096	\$403,898
Greater Wtby. YMCA	279 Full Day	\$2,929,500	\$217,434	\$126,980	\$3,273,914

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

BOE Chief Academic Officer Janet Frenis was in attendance and answered questions.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED, WITH *ONE RECUSAL, TO APPROVE ITEM #12.

*ALDERWOMAN WEAVER RECUSED HERSELF.

13. CARRIE A SWAIN
Clerk, Board of Education

RE: Requesting approval, subject to BOE anticipated approval at its Regular Meeting of 09/19/2024, of a Professional Services Agreement with CT Junior Republic Association, Inc., in the not to exceed amount of **\$600,000.00**, to provide SAFE Program and School-Based Clinic Program.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #13.

14. CARRIE A SWAIN
Clerk, Board of Education

RE: Requesting approval, subject to BOE anticipated approval at its Regular Meeting of 09/19/2024, of a College Readiness and Success Agreement with College Board, in the not to exceed amount of **\$101,305.76**, to provide/administer PSAT and SAT assessments for the 2024-2025 school year.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

BOE Chief Academic Officer Janet Frenis was in attendance and answered questions.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #14.

15. CARRIE A SWAIN
Clerk, Board of Education

RE: Requesting approval, subject to BOE anticipated approval at its Regular Meeting of 09/19/2024, of Amendment Four (4) to the Professional Svcs Agreement with Teaching Strategies, LLC to provide Early Childhood Pre-School Curriculum.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #15.

16. CARRIE A SWAIN
Clerk, Board of Education

RE: Requesting approval, subject to BOE anticipated approval at its Regular Meeting of 09/19/2024, of a Letter of Agreement (LOA) with the State of CT Dept. of Children and Families (DCF), at no cost, to provide a Prevention Services Pilot Program.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #16.

17. CARRIE A SWAIN
Clerk, Board of Education

RE: Requesting approval, subject to BOE anticipated approval at its Regular Meeting of 09/19/2024, of a Professional Services Agreement with Cormier Consulting, LLC, through June 30, 2027 and in the not to exceed amount of **\$1,879,750.00**, for Onsite Tier I Instructional Support for Non-Commissioner Network Funded Schools and Central Office Staff.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

BOE Chief Academic Officer Janet Frenis was in attendance and answered questions.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #17.

18. ROB LANGENAUER

Superintendent of Water

Bureau of Water

RE:

Requesting approval of a Contract between the City of Waterbury and J.A. Rosa Construction LLC, in the amount of \$4,498,368 for the purpose of constructing the North Main St Pump Station.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

Superintendent of Water Rob Langenauer was in attendance and answered questions.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #18.

19. DAVID B SIMPSON

Director

Department of Public Works

RE:

Requesting approval of a Contact for On-Call HVAC Services between the City of Waterbury and Sarracco Mechanical Services, Inc.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

Director of Public Works Dave Simpson was in attendance and answered questions.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #19.

20. DAVID B SIMPSON

Director

Department of Public Works

RE:

Requesting approval of a Contact for On-Call HVAC Services between the City of Waterbury and Tucker Mechanical, Inc.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #20.

21. SALVATORE D PORZIO

Project Manager

Engineering Department

RE:

Requesting approval of Amendment #1 to an Engineering Services Agreement between the City of Waterbury and O & S Associates, Inc. dba Orlando & Samy Associates, Inc.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #21.

22. ROY E CAVANAUGH, P.E.

City Engineer

Engineering Department

RE:

Requesting approval of a Construction Contract for the Mohawk Street Drainage Improvements between the City of Waterbury and Gerber Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$154,490.00.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

City Engineer Roy Cavanaugh was in attendance and answered questions.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #22.

23. SALVATORE D PORZIO
Project Manager
Engineering Department

RE: Requesting approval of a Construction Contract between the City of Waterbury and Infrastructure Repair Service, L.L.C., in the amount of \$302,131.00.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEM #23.

24. THOMAS HYDE
Executive Director
WTBY Development Corporation

RE: Submittal of the Second Amendment to the Purchase and sale contract between Bluewater Property Group, the City of Waterbury, the Borough of Naugatuck, and the Waterbury Development Corporation.

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25. PAUL K PERNEREWSKI JR.
Mayor
City of Waterbury

RE: Notification of intent, pursuant to §4-2(b) (1) of the Charter of the City of Waterbury, to fill all City Board and Commission vacancies, of both restricted and unrestricted appointments.

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STANDING COMMITTEE

FRANK A. CARUSO, JR., CCMC
Revenue Collection Manager

RE: Request for refunds for Tax Overpayments in the amount of \$9,638.49.

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MOSLEY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE AS READ AND AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO MAKE REFUNDS TO TAXPAYERS REPRESENTING OVERPAYMENT OF TAX BILLS IN THE AFOREMENTIONED AMOUNT.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. MICHAEL LeBLANC
Director of Finance

RE: Capital Appropriation & Bond Authorization & Bond Authorization for School Rooftop Solar Photovoltaic Projects at Five (5) WTBY Public Schools. (Received on 09/09/2024 and referred to the Intergovernmental Comm. Public Hearing set for 09/23/2024 @ 5:45 PM.)

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D’ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE UNFINISHED BUSINESS #1.

CONSENT CALENDAR

APPROVED:

Items #1-3, 7-11, and 13 -23.

RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE:

Items #4, 5, 24, and 25.

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D'ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ - MCCARTHY VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS READ.

NON-CONSENT CALENDAR

APPROVED:

Item #6 (Alderman Mosley recused himself).

APPROVED:

Item #12 (Alderman Weaver recused herself).

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

APPROVED:

Unfinished Business Item #1.

ADJOURNMENT:

ON A MOTION OF ALDERMAN D'ORSO, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERWOMAN MARTINEZ-McCARTHY, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN @ 7:26 PM.

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