

BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015
PUBLIC HEARING STARTING @ 6:55 PM
REGULAR MEETING @ CLOSE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ALDERMANIC CHAMBERS ~ 2ND FLOOR ~ CITY HALL
235 GRAND STREET, WATERBURY, CT 06702

“Summary Minutes”

PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:55 PM: For the purpose of soliciting public input with respect to a Proposed Amendment to the Code of Ordinances – Section 31.290 Voting Districts for Election to Board of Aldermen – CC15 – 103, as submitted by Linda T. Wihbey, Corporation Counsel.

1 Jimmie Griffin ~ 41 Pilgrim Avenue

Public Hearing CLOSED at 7:10 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

<u>Present:</u>	Pernerewski, Jr. Ciochetti Hadley Padula	Piccochi Cummings Lopez Phelan	Begnal, Jr. De Pillo Mulcahy Ursini	Brunelli Giacomi Napoli, Jr.
<u>Absent:</u>	None.			

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

PRAYER:

ROLL CALL:

OFFICIALLY SCHEDULED PRESENTATION:

PUBLIC SPEAKING:

1. State Representative Jeffrey Berger ~ 134 Gaylord Drive

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Wednesday, April 01, 2015/Special Meeting

Monday, April 06, 2015/Regular Meeting

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Ciochetti, the Board of Aldermen voted unanimously to APPROVE the aforementioned minutes.

MAYOR’S REPORT:

Mayor O’Leary – discussed the potential Municipal Stadium vote and the great economic impacts the Stadium would have on the City of Waterbury.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
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On a motion of Alderman Ciochetti, duly seconded by Alderman Piccochi, the Board of Aldermen voted unanimously to REFER TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE Old Business Item #3.

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Ciochetti, the Board of Aldermen voted unanimously to RESOLVE INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE for the purpose of taking up the following, to wit:~

3. MICHAEL LeBLANC Director of Finance	RE: Requesting approval of an <u>\$800,000</u> Bond Authorization Amendment for Municipal Stadium Renovations.
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1). A motion was made by Alderman Piccochi and duly seconded by Alderman Begnal, Jr. to APPROVE the aforementioned Bond Authorization; namely Old Business Item #3.

2). A motion was made by Alderman Cummings, and duly seconded by Alderman Padula, to amend the underlying motion to lower the bond authorization amount from \$800,000 to \$550,000 FAILED by a 9 yea ~ 6 nay roll call vote.

NAYS: Aldermen Piccochi, Begnal, Jr., Brunelli, Hadley, Lopez, Napoli, Jr., Phelan, Ursini and Pernerewski, Jr. ~ 9.
YEAS: Aldermen Ciochetti, Cummings, De Pillo, Giacomi, Mulcahy and Padula ~ 6.

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Ciochetti, the Board of Aldermen voted by unanimous roll call vote to APPROVE the aforementioned Bond Authorization; namely Old Business Item #3.

YEAS: Aldermen Piccochi, Begnal, Jr., Brunelli, Ciochetti, Cummings, De Pillo, Giacomi, Hadley, Lopez, Mulcahy, Napoli, Jr., Padula, Phelan, Ursini and Pernerewski, Jr. ~ 15

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Ciochetti, the Board of Aldermen voted unanimously to DISSOLVE the Committee of the Whole & RETURN to the Regular Order of Business.

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Ciochetti, the Board of Aldermen voted unanimously to ACCEPT the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole to approve the aforementioned Bond Authorization in the amount of \$800,000; namely Old Business Item #3.

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RECESS:
The Board of Aldermen RECESSED into committees at 8:48 PM.
The Board of Aldermen RETURNED to the Regular Order of Business at 9:57 PM.

Non-Consent: #15 and OB #5.

5. CHRISTOPHER BOGUCKI

Bureau of Water Superintendent

RE: Correspondence seeking a Public Hearing on Monday, May 04, 2015 at 6:45 p.m. for the purpose of providing information and the opportunity for public comment with respect to the proposed Water Rates for FY's 2016 – 2019. There would be an increase for FY's 2016 – 2018, while there would be no increase for FY's 2018 to 2019.

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Napoli, Jr., the Board of Aldermen voted by unanimous consent calendar roll call vote to Schedule a Public Hearing for May 11, 2015 @ 6:30, Aldermanic Chambers East, City Hall Building, 235 Grand Street - for the purpose of soliciting public input with respect to Item #5.

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6. MICHAEL LeBLANC

Director of Finance

RE: For Board review - submittal of the Capital Projects and Non-Capital (NC) Special Programs quarterly budget status report – reporting activity through the period ending April 01, 2015.

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7. ATTORNEY ROBERT S. KOLESNIK

Kolesnik Law Firm

Attorneys & Counselors At Law

Forty Nine Leavenworth Street, Suite 200

RE: Requesting a waiver of Application and approval fees totaling \$1,550.00 for a ZC Public Hearing & a ZBA Public Hearing scheduled previously this year but not held due to errors in the actual advertisements. Advised by City Planner J. Sequin to withdraw the application and refile it. Due to these circumstances, unaware that he would have to pay once again to refile applications.

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

HELD IN COMMITTEE.

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8. OFELIA F. MATOS

Budget Director

RE: Requesting favorable consideration to a budget transfer within the **CITY'S GENERAL FUND BUDGET** for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2015 in the amount of **\$183,913**.

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Napoli, Jr., the Board of Aldermen voted by unanimous consent calendar roll call vote to APPROVE Item #8.

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9. OFELIA F. MATOS
Budget Director

RE: Requesting favorable consideration to a budget transfer within the CITY’S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2015 in the amount of \$25,000.

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Napoli, Jr., the Board of Aldermen voted by unanimous consent calendar roll call vote to APPROVE Item #9.

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10. DAVID SIMPSON
DPW Deputy Director

RE: Requesting approval of the negotiated Western Hills Golf Course Restaurant Facility Lease. The Executive Summary and final lease package will be presented prior to said meeting.

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

HELD IN COMMITTEE.

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11. MICHAEL LeBLANC
Director of Finance

RE: Requesting review and approval of the Land Exchange Agreement between the City of Waterbury and the Pontelandolfo Community of Waterbury, Inc.

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Napoli, Jr., the Board of Aldermen voted by unanimous consent calendar roll call vote to Schedule a Public Hearing for May 11, 2015 @ 5:55 PM, Aldermanic Chambers East, City Hall Building, 235 Grand Street - for the purpose of soliciting public input with respect to Item #11.

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12. MICHAEL LeBLANC
Director of Finance

RE: Requesting review and approval of the acquisition of a vacant .14 acre parcel known as **944 WEST MAIN STREET**, from the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation (“DOT”).

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Napoli, Jr., the Board of Aldermen voted by unanimous consent calendar roll call vote to APPROVE Item #12.

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13. MICHAEL LeBLANC
Director of Finance

RE: Requesting approval of a Capital Appropriation & Bond Authorization Resolution for the Bureau of Water Plant, equipment and system renewal and replacement capital expenses in the amount of **\$17,700,000.**

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Napoli, Jr., the Board of Aldermen voted by unanimous consent calendar roll call vote to Schedule a Public Hearing for May 11, 2015 @ 6:00 PM, Aldermanic Chambers East, City Hall Building, 235 Grand Street - for the purpose of soliciting public input with respect to Item #13.

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14. MICHAEL LeBLANC
Director of Finance

RE: Requesting approval of a Capital Appropriation & Bond Authorization Resolution for the Water Pollution Control Plant, equipment and system capital expenses in the amount of **\$10,325,000.**

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Napoli, Jr., the Board of Aldermen voted by unanimous consent calendar roll call vote to Schedule a Public Hearing for May 11, 2015 @ 6:15 PM, Aldermanic Chambers East, City Hall Building, 235 Grand Street - for the purpose of soliciting public input with respect to Item #14.

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NON-CONSENT VOTE:

15. PETER ABARE-BROWN
Director of Human Resources

RE: Submittal of the Interest Arbitration Award between the City of Waterbury and Waterbury City Employees’ Association [White Collar]. Pursuant to § 473c(d)(12) of MERA (Municipal Employee Relations Act), the

Board may reject this award by a two thirds majority vote of its members on or before May 04, 2015.

REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE.

On a motion of Alderman Phelan, duly seconded by Alderman Napoli, Jr., the Board of Aldermen voted to APPROVE Item #15.

****Alderman Mulcahy RECUSED himself from the aforementioned vote.**

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16. TODD M. MONTELLO
Chief Executive Officer
WDC

RE: Submittal to the Board of requested information at the Board’s 04-06-15 meeting pertaining to the proposed renovations to the Grand-stand at Municipal Stadium.

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STANDING COMMITTEE:

- FRANK A. CARUSO, CCMC
Revenue Collection Manager

RE: Tax Overpayments in the amount of \$13,637.57.

On a motion of Alderman Napoli, Jr., followed by a second by Alderman Napoli, Jr., the Board of Aldermen voted unanimously to APPROVE and authorize the Director of Finance to make refunds to taxpayers representing overpayment of tax bills in the amount of \$13,637.57.

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OLD BUSINESS

1. MARK J. PRONOVOST
City Engineer
PWD

RE: Requesting to discontinue a portion of ROBBINS STREET as depicted on the accompanying map. [Received on 12-08-14 and referred to the Finance Committee.]

2. LINDA T. WIHBEY
Corporation Counsel

RE: Requesting a Public Hearing with respect to to a proposed amendment to the Code of Ordinances – Section 31.290 Voting Districts for Election to Board of Aldermen – CC15 – 103. [Received on 03-23-15 and referred to the Intergovernmental Committee.]

On a motion of Alderman Piccochi, duly seconded by Alderman Napoli, Jr., the Board of Aldermen voted by unanimous consent calendar roll call vote to APPROVE Old Business Item #2.

3. MICHAEL LeBLANC
Director of Finance

RE: Requesting approval of an **\$800,000** Bond Authorization Amendment for Municipal Stadium Renovations. [Received on 04-06-15 and referred to the Finance Committee.]

Voted on during Committee of the Whole.

4. PETER ABARE-BROWN
Director of Human Resources

RE: Request for a Salary-Range Adjustment of **\$110,000-\$140,000** for the Director of Finance position (currently \$90,000 - \$125,000). [Received on 04-06-15 and referred to the Intergovernmental Committee.]

REMOVED from the Agenda.

5. PETER ABARE-BROWN
Director of Human Resources

RE: Request for a Salary-Range Adjustment of **\$110,000-\$130,000** for the Director of Personnel-Education position (currently \$87,000-\$110,000). [Received on 04-06-15 and referred to the Intergovernmental Committee.]

1). A motion was made by Alderman Phelan, and duly seconded by Alderman De Pillo to NOT APPROVE Old Business Item #5.

2). With respect to Old Business Item #5, a motion was made by Alderman Piccochi, and duly seconded by Alderman Begnal, Jr., to AMEND the underlying motion for denial to a motion to approve. Amendment passed by an 8 yea – 7 nay roll call vote.

YEAS: Aldermen Piccochi, Begnal, Jr., Brunelli, Hadley, Lopez, Napoli, Jr., Phelan and Pernerewski, Jr. ~ 8.

NAYS: Aldermen Ciochetti, Cummings, De Pillo, Giacomi, Mulcahy and Padula and Ursini ~ 7.

3). A motion made by Alderman Mulcahy, and duly seconded by Alderman Padula, to amend the underlying motion for approval by increasing the current salary range from \$87,000 – 110,000 to \$90,000 - 113,000 FAILED by an 8 nay ~ 7 yea roll call vote.

NAYS: Aldermen Piccochi, Begnal, Jr., Brunelli, Hadley, Lopez, Napoli, Jr., Phelan and Pernerewski, Jr. ~ 8.

YEAS: Aldermen Ciochetti, Cummings, De Pillo, Giacomi, Mulcahy and Padula and Ursini ~ 7.

4). A motion made by Alderman Mulcahy, and duly seconded by Alderman Padula, to amend the underlying motion for approval by decreasing the salary range adjustment from \$90,000 to \$113,000 FAILED by an 8 nay ~ 7 yea roll call vote.

NAYS: Aldermen Piccochi, Begnal, Jr., Brunelli, Hadley, Lopez, Napoli, Jr., Phelan and Pernerewski, Jr. ~ 8.

YEAS: Aldermen Ciochetti, Cummings, De Pillo, Giacomi, Mulcahy and Padula and Ursini ~ 7.

5). A motion made by Alderman Mulcahy, and duly seconded by Alderman Padula, to amend the underlying motion decreasing the salary range adjustment from \$92,000 to \$115,000 FAILED by an 8 nay ~ 7 yea roll call vote.

NAYS: Aldermen Piccochi, Begnal, Jr., Brunelli, Hadley, Lopez, Napoli, Jr., Phelan and Pernerewski, Jr. ~ 8.

YEAS: Aldermen Ciochetti, Cummings, De Pillo, Giacomi, Mulcahy and Padula and Ursini ~ 7.

6). A motion made by Alderman De Pillo, and duly seconded by Alderman Padula, to TABLE Old Business Item #5 FAILED by an 8 nay ~ 7 yea roll call vote.

NAYS: Aldermen Piccochi, Begnal, Jr., Brunelli, Hadley, Lopez, Napoli, Jr., Phelan and Pernerewski, Jr. ~ 8.

YEAS: Aldermen Ciochetti, Cummings, De Pillo, Giacomi, Mulcahy and Padula and Ursini ~ 7.

A motion made by Alderman Piccochi, and duly seconded by Alderman Begnal, Jr., to approve a salary range adjustment for the Director of Personnel-Education from \$110,000 to \$130,000 was PASSED by the Board of Aldermen by an 8 yea ~ 7 nay roll call vote.

YEAS: Aldermen Piccochi, Begnal, Jr., Brunelli, Hadley, Lopez, Napoli, Jr., Phelan and Pernerewski, Jr. ~ 8.

NAYS: Aldermen Ciochetti, Cummings, De Pillo, Giacomi, Mulcahy and Padula and Ursini ~ 7.

6. NICHOLAS BAMONTE

Staff Attorney

Office of the Corporation Counsel

RE: Requesting a Public Hearing & subsequent approval of an Amendment to the Code of Ordinances – Sections 34.10; 34.17 & 34.20 through 34.22 entitled “Hiring of Waterbury Residents on Certain Publicly-Funded Construction Projects.” [Received on 04-06-15 and referred to the Intergovernmental Committee.]

7. NICHOLAS BAMONTE

Staff Attorney

Office of the Corporation Counsel

RE: Requesting a Public Hearing & subsequent approval of an Amendment to the Code of Ordinances – Section 10.19: “Citation Appeal Procedure.” [Received on 04-06-15 and referred to the Intergovernmental Committee.]

8. NICHOLAS BAMONTE

Staff Attorney

Office of the Corporation Counsel

RE: Requesting a Public Hearing & subsequent approval of an Amendment to the Code of Ordinances – Chapter 161: “Donation Bins.” [Received on 04-06-15 and referred to the Intergovernmental Committee.]

9. NEIL M. O'LEARY
Mayor, City of Waterbury

RE: Mayor's Proposed Budget for the City of Waterbury for the Fiscal Year End June 30, 2016 (2015 – 2016). [Received on 04-01-15.]

NEW BUSINESS:

Upcoming Events:

- ✧ **Our Lady of Mount Carmel School:**
International Food Tasting & Earth Day Celebration Event - Weds., April 22, 2015 - from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- ✧ **Litter Beautification Committee & Mayor O'Leary:**
Earth Day Clean-up - Sat., April 25, 2015 - 8:30 meet at Sears Automotive Parking Lot at the Mall - 9 to 12 pick up litter - 12 meet at Frankie's on Watertown Ave. for lunch; rain date Sat., May 02, 2015.
- ✧ **Waterville Community Club:**
Spring Fling - Weds., May 13, 2015 -- 6:30 beverages & pastries - 7:00 p.m. meeting starts - Community News & Discussion on ideas to improve our neighborhood Waterville Fire House - 1551 Thomaston Avenue.
- ✧ **Pontelandolfo Community Club:**
Dinner, Music & Wine Italian Style - Sun., April 25, 2015 @ 1:00 p.m. -- Entertainment provided by CT Orchestra - Proceeds will benefit Pontelandolfo's Saturday Language Cultural Programs for Youth.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion of Alderman Brunelli, followed by a second by Alderman Ciochetti, the Board of Aldermen voted unanimously to ADJOURN @ 10:30 p.m.

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