

Legislative & Rules Committee – Board of Representatives

Eileen Heaphy, Chair

Elise Coleman, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date:Monday, June 5, 2017Time:6:00 p.m.Place:Republican Caucus Room, 4th Floor Government Center, 888 Washington
Boulevard, Stamford, CT

The Legislative & Rules Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Heaphy, Vice Chair Coleman and Committee Member Reps. Day, Mitchell, Nabel, Ryan, Silver and Zelinsky. Also present were President Skigen and Rep. Coppola; Michael Handler, Director of Administration; Lou Casolo, City Engineer; Burt Rosenberg, Law Department and John Gottlieb, Charter Oak Communities.

Chair Heapy called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Committee Action

Item No.

Description

<u>LR29.082</u> RESOLUTION and public hearing; Approving a Real Estate Sales agreement between the Housing Authority of the City of Stamford and the City of Stamford for the Purchase of 108, 172 and 186 Greenwich Avenue (Czescik Homes).
<u>05/02/17</u> – Submitted by Mayor Martin <u>05/09/17</u> - Approved by <u>Planning Board</u> <u>05/11/17</u> - Approved by Board of Finance <u>05/23/17</u> – Held in Committee

The Committee discussed this item with Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Casolo, Mr. Gottlieb and Mr. Handler as follows:

- the City requested a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment for 172 Greenwich Avenue after learning of the gas station that had been on the premises.
- The assessors took 5 borings. One sample detected ETPH at a level exceeding the Residential Direct Exposure Criteria at a depth of 8-10 feet. Mr. Casolo explained that anything below 4 feet in depth is not considered accessible unless something is built on the property.
- The intent is to use the property as land, with no building, which will be covered with soil. Because that was the intended use of the property, the environmental scientists did not explore other possible scenarios.
- The property could not be developed because it is in a flood zone
- The property will be incorporated into the Mill River Greenway
- The land was owned by the City before it was conveyed to the Housing Authority
- The City is acquiring the land and committing not to build on it. If that were to change in the future, the City would have remediation costs

- The City doesn't want to take on property for an intended use if the property can't be used in that way
- The demolition of the slab will not disturb the property.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-2-0 (Reps. Heaphy, Coleman, Day, Mitchell, Ryan and Silver in favor; Reps. Nabel and Zelinsky opposed).

Chair Heaphy adjourned the meeting at 6:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Eileen Heaphy, Chair

This meeting is on video.