



Public Safety & Health Committee - Board of Representatives

Gloria DePina, Chair

Matthew Quinones, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, October 23, 2017

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Republican Caucus Room, 4th Floor Government Center,
888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford CT

The Public Safety & Health Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair DePina and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Coppola, Kolenberg, Moore and Zelinsky. Absent or excused were Reps. Caterbone and Quinolones. Also present were Burt Rosenberg, Law Department; Kevin Murray, Parks & Facilities Manager; and Annie Hornish, Connecticut State Director, The Humane Society of the United States.

Chair DePina called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. PS29.079	APPROVAL; Agreement with Century Protective Services for Security Services for the Government Center. 09/28/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/12/17 – Approved by Board of Finance	Approved 3-1-1

Mr. Rosenberg explained that this contract is with the current security firm, which was the successful proposer under the RFP process. This is a one year contract with 2 one-year extensions. There are modest increases which will go to personnel salaries. Committee members expressed concern that the contractor was not present to answer questions from the committee.

A motion to approve this agreement was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 3-1-1 (Reps. DePina, Adams, and Zelinsky in favor; Rep. Coppola opposed; Rep. Kolenberg abstaining).

2. PS29.078	REVIEW; The effects of feeding wildlife in Stamford neighborhoods. 09/08/17 – Submitted by Reps. Kolenberg and Heaphy	Report Made
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Mr. Kolenberg explained that he put this item on the agenda because of wild turkeys being fed and then attacking residents. Ms. Hornish distributed the [attached materials](#). She noted that most situations are dealt with by eliminating the attraction such as feeding or garbage. In addition, animals can be scared away. Ordinances which prohibit feeding are unpopular and difficult to enforce. Trapping does not work; hazing

does. Westport is a good model for a public education program. Bear hunting is not legal in Connecticut. Public education works well.

Chair DePina adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gloria DePina, Chair

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